



MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 12, 2018

City of Watsonville
Council Chambers
275 Main Street, Top Floor

6:55 P.M.

5. ROLL CALL

Mayor Hurst, Mayor Pro Tempore Dutra, and Council Members Bilicich, Coffman-Gomez, Garcia, and Hernandez were present.

Staff members present were City Attorney Smith, City Clerk Vázquez Flores, Assistant City Manager Huffaker, Public Works & Utilities Director Palmisano, Police Chief Honda, Fire Chief Barreto, Administrative Services Director Czerwin, Library Director Heitzig, Parks & Community Services Director Calubaquib, Deputy City Manager Manning, Deputy City Manager Vides, Assistant Public Works & Utilities Directors Rodriguez & Gordo, Administrative Services Manager Hays, Assistant Police Chief Sims, Police Fiscal Manager Maldonado, Senior Financial Analyst Rodriguez, Assistant City Clerk Ortiz, Financial Analyst Diaz, Environmental Education Coordinator Stolzenthaler, and Interpreter Vázquez-Quintero.

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, & APPEALS (Continued)

JOINT CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY & SUCCESSOR HOUSING AGENCY FOR THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

11.B. BUDGET STUDY SESSION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019

1) Staff Report

The report was given by Administrative Services Director Czerwin.

2) City Council Questions

Administrative Services Director Czerwin and Public Works & Utilities Director Palmisano answered questions from Member Garcia regarding effects that lack of cannabis tax revenues would have on the budget, use of funding that was geared toward chromium mandates for other needs, and costs for the closure of the landfill.

Administrative Services Director Czerwin, Deputy City Manager Vides, and Assistant City Manager Huffaker answered questions from Member Bilicich regarding funding for the Ramsay Park restroom upgrades and installation of permanent restrooms at the City Plaza.

Administrative Services Director Czerwin answered questions from Member Coffman-Gomez regarding revenue sources for the General Fund and potential for bonds for the Headworks Project. She asked staff to track which projects were paid for by Senate Bill 1 to prevent its repeal and asked staff to seek public

input on how funding that was geared towards Chromium 6 mandates should be spent.

3) Public Hearing

Mayor Hurst opened the public hearing.

Steve Trujillo asked the City to plan for alternate funding if Senate Bill 1 were to be repealed. In answering Steve Trujillo, Assistant City Manager Huffaker spoke about new hotels coming to the City.

Mayor Hurst and Administrative Services Director Czerwin answered questions from Becky Steinbruner regarding the use of the Strategic Plan to prioritize items on the budget, Proposition 172 funding for the City, and Capital Improvement Plan for the Fire Department.

Seeing no one else approach the podium, Mayor Hurst closed the Public Hearing.

4) City Manager's Comments

Assistant City Manager Huffaker spoke about staff efforts and challenges to balance the budget.

5) City Council Discussion

Mayor Hurst asked staff to upload the budget presentation to the website.

12. EMERGENCY ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA

13. REQUESTS & SCHEDULING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Member Garcia asked for an update on the Climate Action Plan. She also asked for a report on the 15 bills that Governor Brown signed recently regarding housing and potential for Watsonville to promote accessory dwelling units.

Member Hernandez asked for an ordinance banning plastic straws.

Member Coffman-Gomez asked that Council's representation on different agencies be listed online.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

/s/ Lowell Hurst

Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Beatriz Vázquez Flores

City Clerk