



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COTATI COMMUNITY**  
**REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
**WEDNESDAY JANUARY 11, 2012**  
**6:30 PM CLOSED SESSION**  
**7:00 PM REGULAR SESSION**  
**City Council Chambers, City Hall, 201 W. Sierra Avenue**

**6:30 PM CLOSED SESSION**

**CALL TO ORDER (CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS)**

Mayor Orchard called the closed session to order at 6:31 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Dell’Osso, Gilardi, and Landman, Vice Mayor Harvey and Mayor Orchard.

Mayor Orchard opened the floor to public comment on the closed session items; there being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Orchard closed the public comment period and adjourned to closed session

**CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)**

City Designated Representative: City Manager or designee

Employee Organizations: (1) Cotati Employees Association (2) Cotati Police Management Association  
(3) Cotati Police Officers Association

**7:00 PM REGULAR SESSION**

**CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Orchard called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Mayor Orchard stated that there was nothing to report out of Closed Session.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present: Dell’Osso, Gilardi, and Landman, Vice Mayor Harvey and Mayor Orchard.

Staff present:, Director of Administrative Services Jone Hayes, Assistant to the City Manager Marsha Sue Lustig, City Engineer/Director of Public Works Damien O’Bid, Police Chief Michael Parish, City Attorney Rich Rudnansky

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Orchard led the pledge of allegiance.

- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 14, 2011 REGULAR MEETING AND NOTICE OF WAIVING OF READING OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES INTRODUCED AND/OR ADOPTED UNDER THIS AGENDA (City Manager) (Action)**

**Moved** by Councilmember Dell’Osso, seconded by Vice Mayor Harvey and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2011 Regular meeting as presented and to waive reading of all resolutions and ordinances introduced and/or adopted under this agenda.

## **REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL**

City Manager Dianne Thompson opened the floor to public comment.

### **ELECTION OF MAYOR**

**Moved** by Councilmember Gilardi, seconded by Councilmember Landman to nominate Vice Mayor Harvey for Mayor. The motion passed unanimously.

### **ELECTION OF VICE MAYOR**

**Moved** by Councilmember Orchard, seconded by Councilmember Dell’Osso to nominate Councilmember Gilardi for Vice Mayor. The motion passed unanimously.

### **COMMENTS FROM NEWLY ELECTED MAYOR SUSAN HARVEY**

Mayor Susan Harvey commended Councilmember Orchard and summarized Councilmember Orchard’s work as Mayor during the past year, after which Mayor Harvey presented Councilmember Orchard with a commemorative plaque.

### **COMMENTS FROM FORMER MAYOR JANET ORCHARD**

Councilmember Orchard commented on her year as Mayor and congratulated new Mayor Susan Harvey and new Vice Mayor Pat Gilardi.

Councilmembers commended Councilmember Orchard for her work as Mayor during the past year.

City Manager Thompson expressed appreciation on behalf of herself and City staff for Councilmember Orchard’s work during her term as Mayor.

Mayor Harvey provided final comments and called a recess at 7:10 p.m.

## **RECEPTION**

Reception for the incoming and outgoing Mayor and Vice Mayor.

Mayor Harvey reconvened the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Rohnert Park-Cotati Library News offers a variety of programs for all ages. All events are free and open to the public. For more information, call the library at 584-9121 or visit [sonomalibrary.org](http://sonomalibrary.org).

On Thursday, January 12th at 7:00 p.m. the Cotati Creek Critters will host a presentation: The Laguna de Santa Rosa: Past, Present, and Future. The presenter is Denise Cadman, Natural Resource Specialist for the City of Santa Rosa. The event will take place in the Cotati Room at the Ray Miller Community Center. For additional information call 707-792-4222 or log onto CotatiCreekCritters.info

The Cotati Historical Society Museum is open regularly on Saturdays from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month from 5:30-8:00 p.m. For more information call 707-794-0304.

### **HONORARY MAYOR**

Mary Nguyen of Lawrence E. Jones Middle School presented a verbal report to the Council and responded to questions.

### **PRESENTATION**

Cordell Stillman, Deputy Chief Engineer with the Sonoma County Water Agency presented the Community Choice Aggregation Feasibility Study to the City Council and responded to questions.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Dianne Thompson reported on the latest information regarding Redevelopment Agency changes and dissolution, noted that mid-year budget review and strategic planning dates will be scheduled soon and reviewed Cotati's highlights of 2011.

### **APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA**

No changes.

### **CITIZEN BUSINESS**

The following individuals addressed the Council regarding items not on the agenda or regarding the presentation:

Greg Karraker

George Barich

Jan Kravitz

Kathryn Wickstrom

Councilmembers commented briefly on statements made during Citizen Business.

### **DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Moved** by Vice Mayor Gilardi, seconded by Councilmember Orchard and passed unanimously to approve item 2 on the Consent Calendar.

### **2. ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RENUMBERING CHAPTER 2.32, PERSONNEL, OF THE COTATI MUNICIPAL CODE (Administrative Services) (Action)**

Ordinance No. 834 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI AMENDING AND RENUMBERING CHAPTER 2.32 OF THE COTATI MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO PERSONNEL

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **3. COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS AS REPRESENTATIVES AND LIAISONS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS (City Manager) (Action)**

City Manager Thompson presented the staff report.

Mayor Harvey opened the floor to public comment.

George Barich commented regarding the code of ethics committee.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Orchard closed the public comment period.

Discussion ensued, with the Council agreeing to the following changes:

- ◆ Sonoma County Health Action: Councilmember Orchard as alternate;
- ◆ Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association Legislative Liaison: Councilmember Orchard and Mayor Harvey as member and alternate, respectively.
- ◆ Planning Commission Liaison: Councilmember Dell'Osso

**Moved** by Vice Mayor Gilardi, seconded by Councilmember Orchard and passed unanimously to assign representatives and liaisons to various committees and commissions for 2012.

## **ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND CALL TO ORDER OF JOINT MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL AND COTATI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Mayor Harvey adjourned the regular meeting and called to order the joint meeting at 8:45 p.m.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR (JOINT MEETING)**

Mayor Harvey opened the floor to public comment on the joint consent calendar.

The following individuals addressed the Council regarding items on the joint consent calendar.

Greg Karraker spoke in support of item 5.

George Barich spoke in support of item 5.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Harvey closed the public comment period.

**Moved** by Councilmember Landman, seconded by Councilmember Orchard and passed unanimously to approve items 4 - 6 on the consent calendar (joint meeting).

**4. APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ENFORCEABLE OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE (EOPS) PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 34169 (Administrative Services) (Action)**

Resolutions No. 2011-73 and CRA 240 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE COTATI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AMENDING THE ADOPTED ENFORCEABLE OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE

**5. ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT THE CITY OF COTATI ELECTS TO, AND SHALL, SERVE AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED COTATI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CCRA) PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 34173 (Administrative Services) (Action)**

Resolution No. 2011-74 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI DETERMINING THAT THE CITY OF COTATI ELECTS TO, AND SHALL, SERVE AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED COTATI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 34173

**6. WARRANTS AND AUDITED CLAIMS WARRANTS AND AUDITED CLAIMS FOR NOVEMBER 23, 2011 – DECEMBER 15, 2011 (Administrative Services) (Action)**

This motion receives and files the warrants and audited claims (the A/P Check Registers) as submitted.

**ADJOURNMENT OF JOINT MEETING; RECONVENING OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

Mayor Harvey adjourned the joint meeting and reconvened the regular meeting at 8:52 p.m.

**CITY COUNCIL REPORTS (Discussion)**

Councilmembers reported on recent and upcoming activities, including reports from meetings attended at City expense.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Harvey moved, and Council concurred, to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Tamara Taylor, Deputy City Clerk