



MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
COTATI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND SPECIAL JOINT
MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
COTATI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
WEDNESDAY APRIL 27, 2011
7:00 PM REGULAR SESSION (CLOSED SESSION TO FOLLOW)
City Council Chambers, City Hall, 201 W. Sierra Avenue

7:00 PM REGULAR SESSION

CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Orchard called the Regular session to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All Councilmembers present: Gilardi, and Landman, Vice Mayor Harvey and Mayor Orchard.

Staff present: Director of Administrative Services Jone Hayes, Acting Community Development Director/Assistant to the City Manager Marsha Sue Lustig, City Engineer/Director of Public Works Damien O'Bid, Police Chief Michael Parish, City Attorney Robin Donoghue, Deputy City Clerk Tamara Taylor and City Manager Dianne Thompson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Orchard led the pledge of allegiance.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 13, 2011 REGULAR MEETING AND NOTICE OF WAIVING OF READING OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES INTRODUCED AND/OR ADOPTED UNDER THIS AGENDA (*Action*)

Moved by Councilmember Gilardi seconded by Councilmember Landman and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2011 Regular meeting minutes as presented and to waive reading of all resolutions and ordinances introduced and/or adopted under this agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City of Cotati together with the California Association for Local Economic Development (CALED) is conducting an Economic Development Leadership Forum on Saturday, April 30th, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, which is located at 201 W Sierra Ave., Cotati, CA 94931. Please contact the City Manager's office at ttaylor@ci.cotati.ca.us or (707) 665-3622 should you have any questions about the forum.

A General Plan Vision Workshop will be held on Monday, May 9, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber. Details can be found on the web at cotati.generalplan.org.

PROCLAMATIONS

7 PRINCIPALS OF RUSSIAN RIVER FRIENDLY LANDSCAPING AND GARDENING

Vice Mayor Susan Harvey read the proclamation. Mayor Orchard noted that it would be sent to the Russian River Watershed Association.

COMMENDING JERRY PAGNUSAT FOR 30 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF COTATI

This item was moved to after the presentation by the Sonoma County Water Agency.

Mayor Orchard presented the proclamation to Mr. Pagnusat, who responded to questions from the Council and described his time as a Design Review Committee member and Planning Commissioner. Councilmember Gilardi, Vice Mayor Susan Harvey and Councilmember Landman each commended him.

HONORARY MAYOR

This item was heard immediately after the first proclamation.

Grant Thomas of Phoenix High School provided a verbal report to the City Council and responded to questions from the Council. Mayor Orchard presented him with a certificate of commendation.

PRESENTATION

Marcus Trotter of the Sonoma County Water Agency presented a briefing on Santa Rosa Plain Groundwater management.

Mayor Orchard presented the proclamation to Jerry Pagnusat at this time, after which she called a recess at 7:33 p.m. and invited those present to enjoy a reception in honor of Jerry Pagnusat.

RECEPTION

A brief reception was held in honor of Jerry Pagnusat.

Mayor Orchard reconvened the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Dianne Thompson reported the following:

A mayoral proclamation was issued to the Sonoma Housing Coalition declaring May 8th through 15th Affordable Housing Week in the City of Cotati.

APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA

No changes.

CITIZEN BUSINESS

Tamara Davis, former Cotati Mayor, addressed the Council regarding the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors' supervisorial re-districting committee.

Greg Karraker read and presented an ethics complaint to the Council.

Kathryn Wickstrom addressed the Council regarding comments made by the Honorary Mayor and about time limits for public speakers.

George Barich expressed his concerns regarding conduct of Council members.

Ken Coleman asked about the telecasting and webcasting of City Council meetings, and youth activities.

Councilmembers briefly addressed comments made during Citizen Business.

DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councilmember Landman, seconded by Vice Mayor Susan Harvey and passed unanimously to approve item 2 on the consent calendar.

- 2. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN SIDE LETTERS OF AGREEMENT TO THE CURRENT MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE COTATI POLICE OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION (CPOA), AND THE COTATI POLICE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (CPMA) (Administrative Services) (Action)**

This motion to authorizes the City Manager to sign Side letters of agreement to the current Memoranda of Understanding between the City and the Cotati Police Officer's Association (CPOA), and the Cotati Police Management Association (CPMA).

REGULAR AGENDA

- 3. REVISED MEMORANDUM OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDINGS FOR THE NORTH COAST INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (Engineering/Public Works) (Report)**

City Engineer/Director of Public Works Damien O'Bid presented the staff report and responded to questions.

Mayor Orchard opened the floor to public comment.

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

Brief discussion ensued; the Council members expressed support for the proposal.

Moved by Councilmember Landman seconded by Vice Mayor Susan Harvey and passed unanimously to authorize the Mayor to execute the revised *Memorandum of Mutual Understandings Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (November 11, 2010)*.

4. ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI; AND ADOPTION OF AN URGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT TO PERS AGREEMENT (Administrative Services) (Action)

This item was pulled from the agenda.

Mayor Orchard announced that the Special joint meeting would be called to order immediately before after adjournment of the Regular meeting before the closed session

5. RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING COUNCILMEMBER COLEMAN-SENGHOR (City Manager) (Action)

Moved by Councilmember Gilardi seconded by Vice Mayor Susan Harvey and passed unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2011-17 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI COMMEMORATING COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERT COLEMAN-SENGHOR.

6. CITY COUNCIL VACANCY (City Manager) (Action)

City Manager Dianne Thompson presented the staff report.

Mayor Orchard opened the floor to public comment.

The following individuals spoke:

George Barich (favored holding a special election);

Greg Karraker (favored holding a special election);

Ken Coleman (favored holding a special election);

John Moore (expressed support for appointment)

Earl Johnson (suggested offering the seat to Robert Coleman-Senghor's widow)

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

Discussion ensued regarding the appointment process, with the Council members concurring in support to fill the vacancy by appointment.

Moved by Councilmember Gilardi seconded by Vice Mayor Susan Harvey and passed unanimously to adopt a motion to appoint a Council Member to fulfill the remainder of Robert Coleman-Senghor's term.

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

City Manager Dianne Thompson presented the staff report.

Discussion ensued relative to the possible assignments to fill the vacancies on the various committees due to the untimely passing of Councilmember Coleman-Senghor.

The Council concurred on the following appointments:

City Council Protocol Policy subcommittee: Mayor Orchard and Vice Mayor Harvey

Economic Development subcommittee: Mayor Orchard and Councilmember Gilardi

Solar Sonoma County: Vice Mayor Harvey

Legislative Liaison to the Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association: Mayor Orchard (primary) and Vice Mayor Harvey (alternate)

Liaison to the Library Advisory Board: Vice Mayor Harvey

It was further agreed to add Councilmember Landman as a member of the Sonoma County LAFCO (Local Agency Formation Commission) to the Appointments and Assignments list.

Mayor Orchard opened the floor to public comment.

Joyce Garcia asked what LAFCO was.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Orchard closed the public comment period and responded to Ms. Garcia's question.

Moved by Councilmember Gilardi seconded by Councilmember Landman and passed unanimously to assign representatives and liaisons to various committees and commissions for 2011 as noted above.

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

Mayor Orchard adjourned the Regular meeting and called to order the Regular joint meeting at 8:40 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR (JOINT MEETING)

Moved by Councilmember Gilardi seconded by Councilmember Harvey and passed unanimously to approve item 8 on the joint consent calendar.

8. WARRANTS AND AUDITED CLAIMS March 24th, 2011 – April 13th, 2011 (Administrative Services) (Action)

This motion receives and files warrants and audited claims for March 24th, 2011 – April 13th, 2011.

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

Mayor Orchard adjourned the Regular joint meeting and reconvened the Regular meeting at 8:42 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE AND PENDING LEGISLATION (Action)

Request from the Climate Protection Campaign for letter of support for Public Interest Energy Research (PIER) program.

City Engineer/Director of Public Works Damien O'Bid described the PIER program.

City Manager Dianne Thompson indicated that the City's position is to recommend that the City Council authorize the Mayor to send a letter of support for the PIER program.

Discussion ensued, with Council concurring in support of the City's position.

Moved Councilmember Gilardi, seconded by Vice Mayor Susan Harvey, and passed unanimously to authorize the Mayor to send a letter of support for the PIER program.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS (Discussion)

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

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

Mayor Orchard adjourned the Regular meeting and called to order the Special joint meeting at 8:58 p.m.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS) AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI; AND INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT TO PERS AGREEMENT (Administrative Services) (Action)

Director of Administrative Services Jone Hayes presented the staff report.

Mayor Orchard opened the floor to public comment.

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

Discussion ensued.

Moved by Councilmember Landman seconded by Councilmember Gilardi and passed unanimously to adopt and waive the reading of the text of Resolutions No. 2011-16 and CRA 234 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI; and to introduce Ordinance No. 831 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI AND THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

ADJOURNMENT OF SPECIAL JOINT MEETING; RECONVENING OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL TO CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Orchard adjourned the Special joint meeting and called to order the closed session at 9:01 p.m. All councilmembers present as noted above.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION

None.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Government code Section 54956.9(a)) Wildease, LLC, dba Countryside Mobilehome Park vs. City of Cotati, et. al. (Sonoma County Superior Court Case # SCV 247044)

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)
Agency designated representatives: Dianne Thompson, Jone Hayes , Employee Organizations: Cotati Employees Association, Cotati Police Officers Association, Cotati Police Management Association., Unrepresented employee(s): Director of Administrative Services, Director of Public Works/City Engineer, Director of Community Development, Community Development Manager, Deputy City Clerk, Police Chief

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Tamara Taylor, Deputy City Clerk