



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COTATI COMMUNITY**  
**REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2010, 6:00 PM CLOSED SESSION**  
**7:00 PM REGULAR SESSION**  
**City Council Chambers, City Hall, 201 W. Sierra Avenue**

**6:00 PM CLOSED SESSION CALL TO ORDER (CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS)**

Mayor Coleman-Senghor called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION (CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE)**

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(a))**

The Colvin Group Fund 1, L.P. vs. City of Cotati, et al. (Sonoma County Superior Court Case # SCV248067)

**REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

**7:00 PM REGULAR SESSION**

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

Mayor Coleman-Senghor called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. He indicated that there was nothing to report out of the closed session.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present: Councilmembers Gilardi, Harvey and Landman, Vice Mayor Orchard and Mayor Coleman-Senghor.

Staff present: Administrative Services Director Jone Hayes, Interim Police Chief Susan Jones, Acting Community Development Director/Assistant to the City Manager Marsha Sue Lustig, City Engineer/Director of Public Works Damien O'Bid, City Attorney Rich Rudnansky, Deputy City Clerk Tamara Taylor, City Manager Dianne Thompson

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Harvey led the pledge of allegiance.

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 25 AND SEPTEMBER 8, 2010 REGULAR MEETINGS 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 August 25 and September 8, 2010 Regular meetings as presented at to waive reading of all resolutions and ordinances introduced and/or adopted under this agenda.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cotati citizens and other interested parties are encouraged to register for City of Cotati community updates via e-mail and text at [nixle.com](http://nixle.com).

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 5:30-8:30 p.m.

A water conservation forum, ‘The 7 Wonders of Water Conservation’ will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 29 in the Cotati Room, located in the Ray Miller Community Center at 216 E. School Street. Additional information can be found on event page on the City’s event page at [www.ci.cotati.ca.us](http://www.ci.cotati.ca.us).

The Cotati Oktoberfest will be held Saturday, October 9, 12 noon - 6 p.m. in La Plaza Park.

**PROCLAMATION**

**RUSSIAN RIVER CLEAN-UP DAY**

Mayor Coleman-Senghor read the proclamation and announced that it would be delivered to the Russian River Watershed Cleanup Committee of the Sonoma County Conservation Council.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**HEAL CITIES CAMPAIGN**

Francesca Wright, representing the Healthy Eating Active Living Cities (HEAL) Campaign presented the Council with a report on the HEAL Campaign, which is a collaboration among California Center for Public Health Advocacy, the League of California Cities, and the Cities Counties and Schools Partnership.

**SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL**

Elizabeth Dadko, Beth Dadko, Co-Coordinator of the Countywide Safe Routes to School Workgroup presented a report to the Council on the Safe Routes to School program.

Councilmembers commented briefly on the presentations.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Dianne Thompson updated the Council on current recruitments, the upcoming Police Chief Community Meeting on October 6 and construction of the soundwalls and retaining wall on Hwy. 101.

## **APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA**

**Moved** by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Landman and passed unanimously to approve the final agenda.

## **CITIZEN BUSINESS**

Greg Karraker discussed SmartMeter installation and outreach.

Eric Kirchmann commended members of the Police Department and commented on the pedestrian island on East Cotati Avenue.

Jan Kravitz addressed the City Council regarding the flagpole repair project.

George Barich commented on the Mayor's choice to not participate in the salute to the flag.

Jenny Blaker announced that Cotati Creek Critters will hold a trash pickup on October 9 and commented on the presentations and the iwalk program.

Ken Coleman commented on his ethics complaint and recall election funding.

Councilmembers briefly discussed public comments.

## **DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

After brief discussion, the Council concurred to schedule the adoption of a resolution supporting Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL).

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **2. APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION REGARDING ROBLAR ROAD QUARRY IMPACTS (Community Development) (Action)**

Assistant to the City Manager/Acting Community Development Director Marsha Sue Lustig presented the staff report.

Mayor Coleman-Senghor opened the floor to public comment.

The following individuals spoke:

Garrett Soiland (in support of the quarry)

Greg Karraker (in support of the quarry)

John C. Barry (in opposition to the quarry)

Jan Kravitz (commented on the traffic impacts)

George Barich (commented on the impacts of the quarry on the community)

Sue Buxton (in opposition to the quarry)

Jason Merrick (in opposition to the quarry)

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

Discussion ensued relative to public comments and the proposed resolution, including indemnity, the landfill, water supply and concerns about the impact on open space. The Council concurred to add the words “bicycle safety” after “pedestrian safety” and to send a letter that includes open space concerns, and a copy of the resolution, to the Board of Supervisors.

**Moved** by Councilmember Landman seconded by Councilmember Harvey and passed unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2010-58 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI PROTESTING THE LOCATION OF A PROPOSED ROCK QUARRY ON ROBLAR ROAD, with the addition of the words “bicycle safety” after “pedestrian safety” and to send a letter that includes open space concerns, and a copy of the resolution, to the Board of Supervisors.

Mayor Coleman-Senghor called a recess at 8:40 p.m. and reconvened at 8:47 p.m.

## **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 Coleman-Senghor adjourned the Regular meeting and called to order the joint meeting at 8:47 p.m. and opened the floor to public comment on the Consent Calendar (Joint Meeting).

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

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

**Moved** by Councilmember Gilardi, seconded by Councilmember Harvey and passed unanimously to adopt item 3 on the Consent Calendar.

#### **3. WARRANTS AND AUDITED CLAIMS (Administrative Services) (Action)**

This motion receives and files warrants and audited claims for August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010

## **REGULAR AGENDA (JOINT MEETING)**

### **4. FUNDING REQUEST FROM RANCHO ADOBE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (City Manager) (Action)**

Attorney Robin Donoghue presented the staff report.

Rancho Adobe Fire District Chief Frank Treanor presented a request for funding for the Rancho Adobe Fire Station #1.

Mayor Coleman-Senghor opened the floor to public comment.

The following individuals spoke in support of the Rancho Adobe Fire District's request for funding.

Lianna Kellian

Eric Kirchmann

Greg Karraker

George Barich

John C. Barry

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

Attorney Robin Donoghue responded to questions from the Council regarding redevelopment law as it pertains to funding between public agencies, the statutory definition of 'blight', the process that would be required to provide the requested funding and monitor the use of the funds.

Chief Treanor responded to questions regarding the condition and design of the siding and the building, work that has been done on the building by the firefighters and why the building had not been maintained by the firefighters previously.

Battalion Chief Davidson discussed the history of the Fire District's attempts to maintain the siding.

Attorney Robin Donoghue noted that elsewhere in state law capital improvement is under 100K-150K and maintenance is less than that.

Discussion ensued regarding whether the findings could be made to provide the funding and funding priorities. Council directed staff to take the next step in looking into the process.

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

Mayor Coleman-Senghor adjourned the Joint meeting and called to order the Regular meeting at 9:59 p.m.

**CITY COUNCIL REPORTS (*Discussion*)**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Coleman-Senghor adjourned the meeting at 10:03 p.m. in the memory of Dave Thomas.

Respectfully Submitted,

s/s Tamara Taylor, Deputy City Clerk