

MINUTES

Meeting of the Scotts Valley City Council

Date: February 19, 2014

POSTING:

The agenda was posted on 2-14-14 at City Hall, the SV Senior Center, and the SV Library, by the City Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Reed
Vice Mayor Bustichi
Council Member Aguilar
Council Member Johnson
Council Member Lind

City Manager Ando
City Attorney Powell
Comm Dev Dir/Deputy City Mgr Kates
Public Wks Director Hamby
Police Chief Weiss
Police Lieutenant Wilson
City Clerk Ferrara

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM Aguilar reported that AMBAG met and discussed the release of the draft Regional Housing Needs Allocation Plan and the Transportation Plan. She stated that these documents are available for a 60-day review at www.ambag.org and that public hearings will be held in Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Monterey, and San Benito to receive input.

Mayor Reed reported that the Library Joint Powers Board met and discussed a new governance model because the Joint Powers Authority agreement that was signed by the County of Santa Cruz, and all four cities in Santa Cruz County, is set to expire in 2017, and if there is to be a library bond on the November 2014 ballot, a governance plan must be in place for the life of the bonds or the parcel tax.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

- (1) CM Ando invited Diane Bianconi, Erik Nelson, and Jen Isola up to introduce our new Executive Development Director for the Scotts Valley Chamber of Commerce, Niki DeLauder.
- (2) The City accepted applications through last Wednesday for one opening of Maintenance Worker I position. We received 50 applications. Staff has reviewed the applications, and we are trying to set up an oral board interview for March 4.

- (3) The City received the final signed documents from the Board of Equalization for our half-cent sales tax, so everything is set for it to start on April 1, 2014. We will see the first funds with the June 23, 2014 payment.
- (4) CM Ando received an e-mail from the Department of Finance asking questions about our Long Range Property Management Plan (LRPMP), and they will be starting that review now rather than April or May.
- (5) With all of the progress with the Town Center, CM Ando met with the Fire Chief to preliminarily look at how the fireworks event would change in the future after the development of the vacant Skypark parcels. Staff has also contacted the pyrotechnics company we contract with to get their ideas as well.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Wendy Brannan, SV resident, stated that she is not in support of the community garden as approved by the Council for a variety of reasons including limited staff, and construction and maintenance costs.

Maggie Ivy, Santa Cruz County Conference and Visitors Council, gave an update on the tourism industry in Santa Cruz, stated that the hotel industry is up, and distributed the 2014 Official Santa Cruz County Traveler's Guide to the Council.

Mayor Reed announced that upcoming school auctions will be held at Brook Knoll on March 1 and Vine Hill on March 22, and stated that the City Parks and Recreation staff will be providing childcare during the auction.

CM Lind announced that the Fallen Officer Foundation Annual Ball held on February 8 was extremely successful and thanked the community for their support.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

VM Bustichi requested that Item C be moved to the regular agenda for a separate vote as he cannot vote on this item due to a conflict of interest.

M/S: Aguilar/Lind

To approve the Consent Agenda as amended moving Item C to the regular agenda for a separate vote.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Aguilar, Bustichi, Johnson, Lind, Reed)

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve City Council meeting minutes of 2-5-14
- B. Approve check register – 1-31-14

ALTERATIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

M/S: Aguilar/Lind

To approve the Regular Agenda as amended moving Item C from the consent agenda to the regular agenda for a separate vote.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Aguilar, Bustichi, Johnson, Lind, Reed)

REGULAR AGENDA

- C. Approve Resolution No. 1826.4 approving the final map for The Manor at Scotts Valley, 4803 Scotts Valley Drive, APN 022-082-58**

VM Bustichi recused himself from this item due to a conflict of interest, as this property is within 500 feet of his commercial property on Scotts Valley Drive.

M/S: Aguilar/Johnson

To approve Resolution No. 1826.4 approving the final map for The Manor at Scotts Valley, 4803 Scotts Valley Drive, APN 022-082-58.

Carried 4/0/1 (AYES: Aguilar, Johnson, Lind, Reed / ABSENT: Bustichi)

- 1. Consider removal of northbound-southbound Glenwood Drive stop signs at Casa Way and Kerry Court and installation of "No Stopping M-F from 12-4pm" signs on a portion of Casa Way**

PL Wilson presented the written staff report and responded to questions from Council.

CM Aguilar clarified that the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee unanimously recommended that the stop sign be removed in order to do a warrant study, or a modified warrant study, to determine if a stop sign or stop light is needed at that intersection or not.

Valerie Bariteau, Principal at Scotts Valley High School, responded to questions from Council.

John Hohmann, retired Scotts Valley Police Lieutenant and current DARE Officer, spoke in support of the removal of the stop sign.

Scott Councilman, Casa Way resident, questioned where people will park if parking is restricted on Casa Way and expressed concerns regarding the maintenance of the portion of Casa Way that is private.

Michael Shulman, Kerry Court resident, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop sign and encouraged the City Council to put together a broader committee to study this issue.

Frans Lind, Grace Way resident, recommended considering the installation of no right turn and no left turn signs during specific times.

Stacy Mitchell, Kerry Court resident, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop signs.

Tana Castro-Boysen, Kerry Court resident, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop signs.

Debbie Jolley, Sandraya/Casa Way resident, spoke in support of the removal of the stop signs.

Dan Dzaack, Casa Way resident representing four families on Casa Way, spoke in support of the removal of the stop signs.

Kathleen Herr, Kerry Court resident, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop signs.

Josh Holman, Kerry Court resident, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop signs.

Jim Reno, Kerry Court resident, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop signs.

Delane Stern, Kerry Court resident, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop signs.

Art Bubb, School Board Member, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop signs.

Judy Stevens, Casa Way resident, spoke in support of the removal of the stop signs.

Josh Fritz, Boy Scout Troop 604 and SVHS student, expressed concerns regarding traffic in this area.

Robert Aldana, Casa Way resident, spoke in support of the removal of the stop signs.

Bill Finch, Grace Way resident, spoke in support of the removal of the stop signs.

Seri, Vine Hill student, spoke in support of the removal of the stop signs.

Debbie Muth, Casa Way resident, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop signs.

John, Fox Sparrow Court, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop signs.

Miranda Kaplan, Casa Way resident, recommended stop signs on Casa Way, Grace Way, and Hacienda.

Chad Mitchell, Kerry Court resident, spoke in opposition to the removal of the stop signs.

M/S: Aguilar/

To approve Resolution No. 996.45.1 eliminating the four-way stop intersection at the intersection of Glenwood Drive, Casa Way and Kerry Court and making that intersection a two-way stop for sixty days in order to do a warrant study and put in a warning system for the crosswalks.

Motion failed for lack of a second

M/S: Bustichi/Aguilar

To approve Resolution No. 996.45.1, as amended, eliminating the four-way stop intersection at the intersection of Glenwood Drive, Casa Way and Kerry Court, and making that intersection a two-way stop, in order to do a warrant study and traffic counts; adding Section 5 to the resolution, directing staff to prepare a warrant study, which includes but is not limited to, traffic counts on Casa Way, Hacienda, and Grace Way, and the intersections of Kerry Court, Casa Way and Glenwood Drive; and also direct City and Police Department staff to work jointly with the School District to look into other traffic calming measures.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Aguilar, Bustichi, Johnson, Lind, Reed)

M/S: Aguilar/Lind

To approve Resolution No. 1087.69 creating no stopping areas along Casa Way, as amended adding limits for restrictions during the school year only, and revisit this in six months.

Carried 4/0/1 (AYES: Aguilar, Johnson, Lind, Reed / NOES: Bustichi)

2. **Consider approval of Resolution No. 1660.3 amending the policy for the consideration of sewer hook-ups for properties located outside of the City limits**

PWD Hamby presented the written staff report and responded to questions from Council.

Mike Keogh, County resident in the City's sphere of influence, spoke in support of this resolution.

M/S: Johnson/Bustichi

To approve Resolution No. 1660.3 amending the policy for the consideration of sewer hook-ups for properties located outside of the City limits but within the City's sphere of influence.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Aguilar, Bustichi, Johnson, Lind, Reed)

3. **Consider approval of Police Officer recruitment and retention incentives**

PC Weiss presented the written staff report and responded to questions from Council.

M/S: Aguilar/Lind

To approve police office recruitment and retention incentives as follows: 1) \$2,000 upon successful completion of field training; 2) \$1,500 upon successful completion of their 1-1/2 years probationary period; 3) \$1,500 at the completion of their third year of employment; and \$2,000 as a moving expense/incentive to newly hired police officers.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Aguilar, Bustichi, Johnson, Lind, Reed)

4. **Future Council agenda items**

None.

Council unanimously agreed to continue closed session to the next regular meeting of 3-5-14.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The City Council convened to closed session at _____ to discuss the following items:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9a, the City Council met in closed session to confer with their legal counsel regarding existing litigation: City of Scotts Valley vs. County of Santa Cruz, et al, Case No. CIV467230 San Mateo County Superior Court and Case No. A126357 Court of Appeal, First District.
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9a, the City Council met in closed session to confer with their legal counsel regarding existing litigation: City of Scotts Valley vs. County of Santa Cruz, et al, Case No. CV17722.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Approved: _____

Jim Reed, Mayor

Attest: _____

Tracy A. Ferrara, City Clerk