



MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 30, 2021

City of Watsonville
Teleconference/Remote

4:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Council Members Estrada, García, González, Hurst, and Montesino were present via teleconference through Zoom Webinar. Mayor Dutra and Mayor Pro Tempore Parker were absent.

Staff members present via teleconference through Zoom Webinar were City Manager Huffaker, City Attorney Smith, City Clerk Vázquez Flores, Assistant City Manager Vides, Deputy City Manager Manning, Public Works & Utilities Director Palmisano, Fire Chief Lopez, Administrative Services Director Czerwin, Airport Director Williams, Innovation & Technology Director Boyes, Parks & Community Services Director Calubaquib, Assistant City Clerk Ortiz, and Interpreter Landaverry.

City Clerk Vázquez Flores advised the Council that pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2-1.107, in the absence of the Mayor and Vice Mayor, the Council needed to elect a temporary chair to facilitate the meeting. City Clerk Vázquez Flores opened the nomination period for a temporary chair.

MOTION: It was moved by Member Hurst, seconded by Member García and carried by the following vote to elect Member Estrada as temporary chair:

AYES:	MEMBERS:	Estrada, García, González, Hurst, Montesino
NOES:	MEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	MEMBERS:	Parker, Dutra

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Jack Brown, resident of Santa Cruz County, stated that Council, at the previous meeting, made a motion to hold an emergency meeting to discuss the proposed Consent Agenda Item, which was a violation of the Brown Act. He added that the meeting should be invalidated because such item did not meet criteria to be discussed at an emergency meeting. He stated that the agenda indicated it had been noticed 72 hours in advance of the meeting, which was untrue. He asked Temporary Chair Estrada to adjourn the meeting immediately.

The following speakers spoke in support of Item 3.a:

Steve Trujillo

Takashi Mizuno

Trina Coffman-Gomez

Mckenna Maness

Nancy Faulstich, Regeneración Pájaro Valley Climate Action

Gina Cole, Bike Santa Cruz County

Graham Freeman, Bike Santa Cruz County

Celeste
Barry Scott
David Van Brink
Mark Johannessen
Stephanie Wells, Santa Cruz County resident
Monterey County Supervisor Luis Alejo
Faina Segal
Judy Gittelsohn

MOTION: It was moved by Member Montesino, seconded by Member González and carried by the following vote to approve the Consent Agenda:

AYES: MEMBERS: García, González, Hurst, Montesino, Estrada
NOES: MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: MEMBERS: Parker, Dutra

- 3.a **RESOLUTION NO. 133-21 (CM):**
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE URGING THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TO ACCEPT THE DRAFT BUSINESS PLAN FOR ELECTRIC PASSENGER RAIL ON THE SANTA CRUZ BRANCH RAIL LINE PREPARED AS PART OF THE ANALYSIS/RAIL NETWORK INTEGRATION STUDY

4. **ADJOURNMENT**
The meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

/s/ Francisco Estrada
Chair

ATTEST:

/s/ Beatriz Vázquez Flores
City Clerk