



MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 15, 2022

City of Watsonville
City Council Chambers

5:33 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Mayor Parker, Mayor Pro Tempore Montesino and Council Members Estrada, García, Hurst, and Quiroz-Carter were present. Member Dutra was absent.

2. INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES & RECOGNITION OF RETIREES

3. CLOSED SESSION CORRESPONDENCE (IF ANY)

4. CLOSED SESSION

(a) Public Comments – None

(b) Closed Session Announcement:

The City Council recessed the regular Council Meeting to discuss the matters that follow at 5:44 p.m.

4.a. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

(Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Negotiators: Nathalie Manning, Marissa Duran, and Mark Wilson, Burke, Williams & Sorensen

Employee organization: Service Employees International Union, Local 521 Clerical Technical (SEIU)

4.b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9:
(one potential case)

4.c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION

(Government Code Section 54956.9(a))

Pending Litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(1):

Name of Case: City of Watsonville v Shawki Deyn Properties, LLC - Santa Cruz Superior Court (Case No. 21CV01599)

6:32 p.m.

5. ROLL CALL

Mayor Parker, Mayor Pro Tempore Montesino (arrived at 6:36 p.m.) and Council Members Estrada, García, Hurst, and Quiroz-Carter were present. Member Dutra was absent.

Staff members present were City Manager Mendez, City Attorney Zutler, City Clerk Ortiz, Assistant City Manager Vides, Public Works & Utilities Director Di Renzo, Police Chief Zamora, Fire Chief Lopez, Interim Administrative Services Director Duran, Community Development Director Merriam, IT Director Gill, Parks & Community Services Director Calubaquib, Library Director Martinez, Airport Director Williams, Deputy City Manager Manning, Assistant Police Chief Sims, Assistant Public Works & Utilities Director Fontes, Police Fiscal Manager Maldonado, Police Captain Figueroa, Principal Planner Meek, Principal Planner Orbach, GIS Analyst II Cole, GIS Analyst II Hanley, Deputy City Clerk Pacheco, and Interpreter Jauregui.

5.a. MOTION TO EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBER(S) (If any)

MOTION: It was moved by Member García, seconded by Member Estrada and carried by the following vote to excuse Member Dutra's absence.

AYES:	MEMBERS:	Estrada, García, Hurst, Quiroz-Carter, Parker
NOES:	MEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	MEMBERS:	Dutra, Montesino

6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

7.a. REPORT OF DISBURSEMENTS

7.b. MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS REPORT

7.c. CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE WRITTEN REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

7.d. WRITTEN REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS REGARDING ACTIONS TAKEN ON THEIR REGIONAL COMMISSIONS/BOARD MEETINGS THAT MAY AFFECT THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE (None)

8. PRESENTATIONS & ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

8.a. INTRODUCTION OF COMMUNITY LEADER FOR A DAY PARTICIPANTS

9. REPORTS TO COUNCIL -- No Action Required

9.a. PRESENTATION BY CHIEF OF POLICE ZAMORA REGARDING THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON POLICING AND SOCIAL EQUITY

In answering Member García, Police Chief Zamora spoke about staffing of the CARE team, potential benefits of adding a Police Officer and a clinician, expanded hours, and recruiting challenges.

Police Chief Zamora, in answering Member García, provided details regarding the purpose of the Chief's Advisory Board that would be established in the future.

In answering Member Estrada, Police Chief Zamora spoke about progress made towards implementing the Ad Hoc Committee on Policing and Social Equity's recommendations, including addition of staff in newly created positions, expansion of previously existing programs and community engagement.

Member Estrada requested presentations focused on work done by Police as a direct effort to implement the recommendations made by the Ad Hoc Committee on Policing and Social Equity be included in future updates.

Member Hurst spoke about challenges in addressing community concerns with Police and the importance of continuing efforts with prevention programs.

Mayor Parker spoke about the progress made by Police in implementing the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations and commended them for their programs which other police departments wanted to emulate.

8.b. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (2 MINUTES EACH)

Steve Trujillo, District 7, thanked City Clerk Ortiz and his staff for their work during the Election, and Police Chief Zamora for his report regarding the Ad Hoc Committee on Policing and Social Equity. He stated the Cabrillo College Board of Directors voted to rename the College and spoke about the reasons behind the decision. He spoke about potential for changing the City's name due to similar concerns.

Marta Bulaich, District 1, stated concerns with various traffic studies conducted over the past years in the areas surrounding CEIBA College Preparatory School, which were referenced during a community meeting held by the City and the school in September.

Omar Alvarez-Alvarez, District 7, Empower Watsonville Youth Leadership Program, spoke about their internship program. He invited the public to an informational conference in December.

Bobby Marchessault, District 2, requested information regarding a parking lot on Bridge Street where new fencing was put up recently. He spoke about concerns with implementation of the Ad Hoc Committee on Policing and Social Equity's recommendations. He provided suggestions for increased implementation efforts.

Assistant Public Works & Utilities Director Fontes invited Council and the public to attend World Day of Remembrance on November 20th to commemorate road traffic victims. He provided updates on traffic calming measures, including bike and pedestrian lanes that had been installed throughout the City.

Bernie Gomez, District 1, spoke about the importance of the cultural and social aspects of recommendations made by the Ad Hoc Committee, community engagement and representation, and equity in the City's budget.

8.c. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COUNCIL

Member Quiroz-Carter spoke about her participation at a community meeting with District 2 residents to address concerns and about her attendance to recent events over the past weeks.

Member Hurst spoke about his attendance at various events over the past weeks.

Member García stated she was interviewed by six volunteers from Regeneración who expressed interest in expanded community engagement during the City's budget preparation process. She spoke about the importance of ensuring public input is valued.

Member Estrada thanked all residents who voted in the General Election, those that were involved in election activities, City Clerk Ortiz, and City staff that worked during the Election.

Mayor Pro Tempore Montesino thanked residents for voting in the General Election and spoke about the potential impact of specific measures on the ballot.

Mayor Parker thanked City Clerk Ortiz for his efforts during the General Election and spoke about the importance of voting.

8.d. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Zutler stated Council received reports on all items, but took no reportable action.

8.e. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 16TH AS GIS DAY

8.f. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER AS NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

10. CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC INPUT – None

MOTION: It was moved by Member García, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Montesino to approve the Consent Agenda.

At Member Hurst's request, Mayor Parker removed Item 10.b. to be considered under Item 11.

In answering Member García, Public Works & Utilities Director Di Renzo spoke about research conducted to determine salary adjustments under Item 10.k.

Member Hurst in support of Items 10.e., 10.f., 10.h., and 10.j.

Mayor Pro Tempore Montesino spoke in support of Item 10.e. and about the potential positive impact of Item 10.k. in helping to address staff retention challenges.

Mayor Parker spoke in support of Item 10.h.

MOTION: The above motion carried by the following vote.

AYES:	MEMBERS:	Estrada, García, Hurst, Montesino, Quiroz-Carter, Parker
NOES:	MEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	MEMBERS:	Dutra

10.a. MOTION APPROVING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 25, 2022

- 10.b. MOTION APPROVING CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL MEMBER DUTRA TO ATTEND VICTORY INSTITUTE 2022 INTERNATIONAL LGBTQ LEADERS CONFERENCE ON DECEMBER 1-4, 2022 IN WASHINGTON D.C. (ESTIMATED COST OF \$1,576.20. SUCH COST WILL BE PAID FROM COUNCIL MEMBER DUTRA'S TRAVEL FUNDS) - Item removed. See Item 11.
- 10.c. RESOLUTION NO. 219-22 (CM)
RESOLUTION APPROVING THIRD AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT WITH CSG CONSULTANTS, INC., FOR BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, FIRE PLAN REVIEW, FIELD BUILDING INSPECTION, AND SUPPLEMENTAL PERMIT TECHNICIAN SERVICES, INCREASING COMPENSATION IN AN AMOUNT OF \$170,000 FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 AND AUTHORIZING \$170,000 BUDGET APPROPRIATION FROM THE GENERAL FUND
- 10.d. RESOLUTION NO. 220-22 (CM)
RESOLUTION APPROVING FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT WITH CAROLLO ENGINEERS INC., FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE ZONE 2 RESERVOIR PROJECT, NO. WA-20-14829, ADDING LANGUAGE TO CONTRACT REQUIRED BY THE GRANT RECEIVED FROM SANTA CRUZ INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT; EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT FROM DECEMBER 31, 2023 TO DECEMBER 31, 2024
- 10.e. RESOLUTION NO. 221-22 (CM)
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING & DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER & CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE & EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH SARGENT TOWN PLANNING, A CORPORATION, FOR COMPLETION OF THE 2050 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE & ASSOCIATED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR); IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,980,000 & APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE ARPA FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,100,000 & THE GENERAL FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$880,000
- 10.f. RESOLUTION NO. 222-22 (CM)
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING & DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER & CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE & EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH KIMLEY-HORN & ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE 6th CYCLE (2023-2031) HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$180,000 & APPROPRIATING \$165,000 FROM THE SPECIAL GRANTS FUND (0260)
- 10.g. RESOLUTION NO. 223-22 (CM)
RESOLUTION AWARDED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO CSG CONSULTANTS, INC., FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE FREEDOM BOULEVARD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, NO. ST-22-14838, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000
- 10.h. RESOLUTION NO. 224-22 (CM)
RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT TO MCKIM CORPORATION FOR THE FREEDOM BOULEVARD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, NO. ST-22-14838, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,279,406.52; AUTHORIZING \$1,321,431.27 BUDGET RE-APPROPRIATION (\$74,000 FROM THE SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND; \$78,200 FROM THE WATER ENTERPRISE FUND; \$1,000,000 FROM THE SPECIAL GRANTS FUND; AND \$169,231.27 FROM ARPA FUNDS

- 10.i. **RESOLUTION NO. 225-22 (CM)**
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER FOR PURCHASE OF ONE (1) NEW 2023 PETERBILT, 10-YARD CAPACITY DUMP TRUCK FOR THE WATER SERVICES DIVISION FROM RUSH TRUCK CENTERS, THROUGH THE PURCHASING AUTHORITY OF SOURCEWELL (FORMERLY NJPA), CONTRACT NO. 060920-PMC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,202.55 (FUNDED BY THE WATER ENTERPRISE FUND 0720)
- 10.j. **RESOLUTION NO. 226-22 (CM)**
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING & DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING OF \$2,000,000 THROUGH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA CANNABIS EQUITY GRANT TO SUPPORT CANNABIS EQUITY BUSINESSES IN THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE, & IF AWARDED, TO EXECUTE & SUBMIT ALL DOCUMENTS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO APPLICATIONS, AGREEMENTS, & PAYMENT REQUESTS, WHICH MAY BE NECESSARY; & APPROPRIATING SUCH FUNDS TO THE SPECIAL GRANTS FUND
- 10.k. **RESOLUTIONS APPROVING & AUTHORIZING NEW & REVISED PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES JOB CLASSIFICATIONS & REVISED SALARIES FOR LISTED JOB CLASSIFICATIONS**
- 1) **RESOLUTION NO. 227-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION APPROVING & AUTHORIZING THE NEW JOB CLASSIFICATION & JOB DESCRIPTION FOR SENIOR BUILDING MAINTENANCE WORKER (OE3 UNIT) AT THE ESTABLISHED SALARY RANGE OF \$28.20 to \$37.79 PER HOUR
- 2) **RESOLUTION NO. 228-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REVISED JOB DESCRIPTION OF TRAFFIC OPERATIONS COORDINATOR (MID-MANAGEMENT) & THE REALLOCATION OF THE SALARY RANGE FROM \$32.41 – \$43.43 PER HOUR TO \$38.52 – \$51.62 PER HOUR
- 3) **RESOLUTION NO. 229-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION APPROVING & AUTHORIZING THE NEW JOB CLASSIFICATION & JOB DESCRIPTION FOR EQUIPMENT SERVICE COORDINATOR (MID-MANAGEMENT) AT THE ESTABLISHED SALARY RANGE OF \$28.75 to \$38.52 PER HOUR & REPEALING THE JOB CLASSIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR
- 4) **RESOLUTION NO. 230-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION APPROVING & AUTHORIZING THE NEW JOB CLASSIFICATION & JOB DESCRIPTION FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR TRAINEE (OE3 UNIT) AT THE ESTABLISHED SALARY RANGE OF \$26.20 to \$35.11 PER HOUR
- 5) **RESOLUTION NO. 231-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REVISED JOB DESCRIPTION OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR I (OE3) AT THE ESTABLISHED SALARY RANGE OF \$30.13 – \$40.38 PER HOUR
- 6) **RESOLUTION NO. 232-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REVISED JOB DESCRIPTION OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR II (OE3) AT THE ESTABLISHED SALARY RANGE OF \$33.30 – \$44.63 PER HOUR

- 7) **RESOLUTION NO. 233-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REVISED JOB DESCRIPTION OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR III (OE3) AT THE ESTABLISHED SALARY RANGE OF \$38.38 – \$51.43 PER HOUR
- 8) **RESOLUTION NO. 234-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION APPROVING & AUTHORIZING THE NEW JOB CLASSIFICATION & JOB DESCRIPTION FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT LEAD OPERATOR (MID-MANAGEMENT) AT THE ESTABLISHED SALARY RANGE OF \$42.22 to \$56.57 PER HOUR
- 9) **RESOLUTION NO. 235-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE ESTABLISHED JOB DESCRIPTION OF WATER SERVICES TECHNICIAN I (OE3) & THE REALLOCATION OF THE SALARY RANGE FROM \$23.94 – \$32.08 PER HOUR TO \$28.35 – \$37.99 PER HOUR
- 10) **RESOLUTION NO. 236-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE ESTABLISHED JOB DESCRIPTION OF WATER SERVICES TECHNICIAN II (OE3) AND THE REALLOCATION OF THE SALARY RANGE FROM \$27.04 – \$36.24 PER HOUR TO \$31.33 – \$41.99 PER HOUR
- 11) **RESOLUTION NO. 237-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE ESTABLISHED JOB DESCRIPTION OF WATER SERVICES TECHNICIAN III (OE3) & THE REALLOCATION OF THE SALARY RANGE FROM \$31.36 – \$42.02 PER HOUR TO \$34.99 – \$46.09 PER HOUR
- 12) **RESOLUTION NO. 238-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE ESTABLISHED JOB DESCRIPTION OF WATER SERVICES CREW LEADER (MID-MANAGEMENT) & THE REALLOCATION OF THE SALARY RANGE FROM \$35.16 – \$47.11 PER HOUR TO \$38.52 – \$51.62 PER HOUR
- 13) **RESOLUTION NO. 239-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE NEW JOB CLASSIFICATION & JOB DESCRIPTION FOR UTILITY ACCOUNT SPECIALIST (SEIU 521) AT THE ESTABLISHED SALARY RANGE OF \$26.59 to \$35.64 PER HOUR
- 14) **RESOLUTION NO. 240-22 (CM)**
A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE ESTABLISHED JOB DESCRIPTION OF PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER (MANAGEMENT) & THE REALLOCATION OF THE SALARY RANGE FROM \$52.77 – \$70.71 PER HOUR TO \$57.61 – \$77.20 PER HOUR
- 10.I. **ORDINANCE NO. 1448-22 (CM)**
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 49 (CANNABIS EQUITY PROGRAM) OF TITLE 5 (PUBLIC WELFARE, MORALS, AND CONDUCT) OF THE WATSONVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCORPORATE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CANNABIS EQUITY ASSESSMENT
11. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

10.b. MOTION APPROVING CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL MEMBER DUTRA TO ATTEND VICTORY INSTITUTE 2022 INTERNATIONAL LGBTQ LEADERS CONFERENCE ON DECEMBER 1-4, 2022 IN WASHINGTON D.C. (ESTIMATED COST OF \$1,576.20. SUCH COST WILL BE PAID FROM COUNCIL MEMBER DUTRA'S TRAVEL FUNDS)

Member Hurst stated his concerns with using City funds to attend a training that helps Council Members with campaigning.

Member García expressed reasons for supporting Item 10.b. and spoke about the challenges faced by the LGBTQ community.

1st MOTION (FAILED): It was moved by Member Hurst and failed due to lack of second to deny approval of Item 10.b.

In answering Mayor Parker, City Attorney Zutler stated City funds could not be used to support a specific campaign. She added that the conference Member Dutra requested to attend did not focus on campaigning.

2nd MOTION: It was moved by Member García, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Montesino to approve Item 10.b.

Member Hurst stated his reasons for not supporting the second motion and expressed concerns with possible future issues should Council approve the item.

City Attorney Zutler, in answering Mayor Parker, stated campaign regulations referred to City prohibitions on supporting specific candidates or campaigns.

2nd MOTION: The above motion carried by the following vote.

AYES:	MEMBERS:	Estrada, García, Montesino, Quiroz-Carter, Parker
NOES:	MEMBERS:	Hurst
ABSENT:	MEMBERS:	Dutra

12. EMERGENCY ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA – None

13. REQUESTS & SCHEDULING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pro Tempore Montesino requested a report on safety improvements along Green Valley Road.

Member Quiroz-Carter requested an informational item regarding traffic safety.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Ari Parker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Irwin I. Ortiz, City Clerk