



# **MINUTES REGULAR JOINT CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR HOUSING AGENCY, & SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING**

**September 10, 2024**

**City of Watsonville  
Council Chambers  
275 Main Street, Top Floor**

**4:32 p.m.**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Mayor Quiroz-Carter, Mayor Pro Tempore Orozco, and Council Members Clark, Montesino, and Parker were present. Members Dutra and Salcido were absent.

**2. CLOSED SESSION CORRESPONDENCE (IF ANY)**

**3. CLOSED SESSION**

**(a) Public Comments**

**(b) Closed Session Announcement:**

The City Council recessed the meeting to discuss the items that follow at 4:33 p.m.

**3.a. PERSONNEL MATTERS**

(Government Code Section 54957)

**PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

Title: City Attorney, and City Clerk

**City Council Resumed at 5:07 p.m.**

**4. ROLL CALL**

Mayor Quiroz-Carter, Mayor Pro Tempore Orozco, and Council Members Clark, Montesino, and Parker were present. Members Dutra and Salcido were absent.

Staff members present were City Manager Vides, City Attorney Zutler, City Clerk Ortiz, Police Chief Zamora, Fire Chief Lopez, Administrative Services Director Duran, Community Development Director Merriam, I.T. Director Gill, Parks & Community Services Director Calubaquib, Airport Director Williams, Deputy City Manager Manning, Assistant Public Works & Utilities Director Fontes, Senior Environmental Projects Analyst Stolzenhaler, Circulation Manager Chavez, Police Sergeant Pisturino, Deputy City Clerk Pacheco, and Interpreter Landaverry.

**4.a. MOTION TO EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBER(S)**

**MOTION:** It was moved by Mayor Pro Tempore Orozco, seconded by Member Clark and carried by the following motion to excuse Member Salcido's absence.

AYES: MEMBERS: Clark, Montesino, Orozco, Parker, Quiroz-Carter  
NOES: MEMBERS: None  
ABSENT: MEMBERS: Dutra, Salcido

**5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**6. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**6.a. REPORT OF DISBURSEMENTS**

**6.b. MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS REPORT**

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

**PUBLIC INPUT – None**

**MOTION:** It was moved by Mayor Pro Tempore Orozco, seconded by Member Montesino and carried by the following vote to approve the Consent Agenda.

AYES: MEMBERS: Clark, Montesino, Orozco, Parker, Quiroz-Carter  
NOES: MEMBERS: None  
ABSENT: MEMBERS: Dutra, Salcido

**7.a. MOTION APPROVING MINUTES OF AUGUST 27, 2024**

**7.b. MOTION DESIGNATING MAYOR QUIROZ-CARTER AS VOTING DELEGATE AND COUNCIL MEMBER MONTESINO AS VOTING ALTERNATE FOR LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXPO ON OCTOBER 16-18, 2024, IN LONG BEACH, CA**

**7.c. MOTION APPROVING THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE KROGER NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT – REFERENCE NUMBER CL – 789817**

**7.d. RESOLUTION NO. 179-24 (CM)**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 BETWEEN THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE AND ETIC INC., A CORPORATION, FOR ADDED EMERGENCY STORM REPAIR WORK TO THE CORRALITOS CREEK WATER INTAKE AND FISH LADDER EMERGENCY REPAIRS PROJECT, AMENDING THE SCOPE OF WORK, ADDING TO THE COMPENSATION AMOUNT BY \$306,681.31; AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME**

**7.e. RESOLUTION NO. 180-24 (CM)**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE AND CAROLLO ENGINEERS INC., A CORPORATION, FOR ADDED DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE WWTF HEADWORKS AND INFLUENT PUMP STATION PROJECT, NO WW-24-14410, AMENDING THE SCOPE OF WORK, ADDING TO THE COMPENSATION AMOUNT BY \$83,109; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME; AND AUTHORIZING A BUDGET TRANSFER WITHIN THE SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**

- 7.f. **RESOLUTION NO. 181-24 (CM)**  
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE AND TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC., A CORPORATION, A CORPORATION, FOR ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING SOFTWARE AS A SERVICE, AMENDING TERMS TO CLARIFY LENGTH AND NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT; AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME
- 7.g. **RESOLUTION NO. 182-24 (CM)**  
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE AWARDDING PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT TO BEECHER ENGINEERING, INC., A CORPORATION, FOR ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE RECYCLED WATER TREATMENT FACILITY (RWTF) EXISTING ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT IMPROVEMENTS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$141,000; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME; AND AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFER WITHIN THE SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND WATER RECYCLING BUDGET
- 7.h. **RESOLUTION NO. 183-24 (CM)**  
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE ORDER OF ONE (1) 2024 JOHN DEERE 410 P-PIER BACKHOE LOADER FOR THE WATER SERVICES DIVISION FROM PAPE MACHINERY, THROUGH THE PURCHASING AUTHORITY OF SOURCEWELL (FORMERLY NJPA), IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$183,904.20; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE PURCHASE ORDER (FUNDED BY THE WATER ENTERPRISE FUND [0720])
- 7.i. **RESOLUTION NO. 184-24 (CM)**  
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING A TEN-MONTH LICENSE AGREEMENT, INCLUDING TWO (2) TWELVE-MONTH RENEWAL TERMS, BETWEEN THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE AND RYAN SMITH CONSULTING, AN INDIVIDUAL, FOR THE USE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 401 PANABAKER ROAD, WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA, COMMENCING ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2024, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME
- 7.j. **RESOLUTION NO. 185-24 (CM)**  
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT RE-ESTABLISHING THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BETWEEN THE CITIES OF WATSONVILLE, CAPITOLA, SANTA CRUZ, SCOTTS VALLEY, AND THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ; AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SAME
- 7.k. **RESOLUTION NO. 186-24 (CM)**  
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE AUTHORIZING ITS BANKS, INVESTMENT INSTITUTIONS AND THEIR CORRESPONDENTS TO HONOR SIGNATURES OF CITY MANAGER TAMARA VIDES, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR MARISSA DURAN, ASSISTANT FINANCE MANAGER PATRICIA RODRIGUEZ, AND ACCOUNTANT II ILDA ESTRADA ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE

**7.I. APPROVE REVISED SALARY LISTS FOR EACH BARGAINING UNIT**

**1) RESOLUTION NO. 187-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 245-23 (CM) AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT - CONFIDENTIAL, IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**2) RESOLUTION NO. 188-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 246-23 (CM) AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT – EXECUTIVE TEAM, IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**3) RESOLUTION NO. 189-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 247-23 (CM) AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT – FIRE MANAGEMENT, IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**4) RESOLUTION NO. 190-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 248-23 (CM) AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT - INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 1272 (IAFF), IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**5) RESOLUTION NO. 191-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 249-23 (CM) AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT - MANAGEMENT, IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**6) RESOLUTION NO. 192-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 250-23 (CM) AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY**

**OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT - MID-MANAGEMENT, IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**7) RESOLUTION NO. 193-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 251-23 (CM) AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT - OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. 3, IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**8) RESOLUTION NO. 194-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 253-23 (CM), AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT – POLICE MANAGEMENT, IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**9) RESOLUTION NO. 195-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 252-23 (CM), AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT – POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**10) RESOLUTION NO. 196-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 254-23 (CM) AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT - PUBLIC SAFETY MID-MANAGEMENT, IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**11) RESOLUTION NO. 197-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 255-23 (CM) AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST BY BARGAINING UNIT - SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION LOCAL 521 (SEIU), IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE**

**12) RESOLUTION NO. 198-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE  
RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 256-23 (CM) AND APPROVING THE CURRENT CITY  
OF WATSONVILLE SALARY LIST (TEMPORARY) FOR UNREPRESENTED POSITIONS  
IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 570.5 (REQUIREMENT FOR A PUBLICLY  
AVAILABLE PAY SCHEDULE) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CALIFORNIA  
CODE OF REGULATIONS AND LISTING ALL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION LEVELS  
ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE MASTER PAY SCHEDULE**

**7.m. RESOLUTION NO. 199-24 (CM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE  
NOMINATING MEMBER TO THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ LATINO AFFAIRS  
COMMISSION**

**8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA – None**

**9. PRESENTATIONS & ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**9.a. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Assistant Public Works & Utilities Director Fontes invited the Council and public to attend the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting that would take place the following week.

? male, El Frijolito owner, spoke about challenges with reopening the restaurant and the negative impacts of its extended closure. He requested assistance from Council to reopen the restaurant.

Darrin Ferguson, local chiropractor, spoke in support of El Frijolito and expressed concerns over the requirements for the restaurant to reopen.

Roy requested Council support El Frijolito's owners in their efforts to reopen the restaurant.

Yadira Vega, El Frijolito owner, stated they were willing to meet all City requirements and requested Council's assistance with reopening her restaurant.

Chris Codiga spoke in support of El Frijolito, listed challenges faced by the owners because of the closure, and spoke about the negative impacts of the restaurant being closed for an extended period of time.

Mark Failor stated his support of El Frijolito and spoke about efforts made to resolve issues preventing the restaurant from reopening. He requested Council support their efforts.

**9.b. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COUNCIL**

Member Parker invited the public to the Santa Cruz County Fair. She spoke about District 7 meetings she held recently and about other meetings she attended over the past weeks. She spoke about the placement of election signs and encouraged everyone to vote.

Member Clark stated the Santa Cruz County Fair's opening ceremony would take place the following day and thanked all the volunteers who contributed to organizing it.

Mayor Pro Tempore Orozco acknowledged Board of Library Trustee Ruth Landmann for collaborating with the Library to take the BiblioVan to District 3. She spoke about her

attendance to Fire in the Sky and congratulated Airport staff for their work. She invited the public to provide feedback on the City's first Public Art Master Plan.

Member Montesino spoke about increased traffic due to the new school year and encouraged everyone to be careful and considerate of others. He invited the public to attend the Santa Cruz County Fair and stated a discount was available to those using the bus to get there.

Mayor Quiroz-Carter spoke about a District 2 meeting she held recently and the City's See-Click-Fix application. She encouraged everyone to ride the bus to the Fair.

**4.a. MOTION TO EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBER(S)**

**MOTION:** It was moved by Member Montesino, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Orozco and carried by the following vote to excuse Member Dutra's absence.

AYES:	MEMBERS:	Clark, Montesino, Orozco, Parker, Quiroz-Carter
NOES:	MEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	MEMBERS:	Dutra, Salcido

**9.c. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Quiroz-Carter stated no reportable action was taken during the Closed Session.

**9.d. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH**

**9.e. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

**9.f. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING AMY GUTIERREZ FOR HER BRAVE & HEROIC ACTIONS & KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE DURING AN EMERGENCY SITUATION**

**9.g. PRESENTATION REGARDING THE PAJARO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND – MEASURE M BY SUPERINTENDENT DR. HEATHER CONTRERAS**

In answering Member Montesino, Superintendent Contreras stated the remaining funds from Pajaro Valley Unified School District (PVUSD)'s last bond measure had been allocated. She spoke about identifying priority projects for each school site.

Superintendent Contreras, in answering Member Parker, spoke about using bond funds for renovations planned for the Henry J. Mello Center.

In answering Mayor Pro Tempore Orozco, Superintendent Contreras spoke about the importance of schools prioritizing needs according to available funding.

Mayor Pro Tempore Orozco spoke in support of using bond funds to build workforce housing. Member Montesino spoke about the possibility of utilizing local contractors for Measure M projects.

**10. REPORTS TO COUNCIL – No Action Required**

**10.a. CITY MANAGER’S UPDATE REPORT**

**10.b. GOING GREEN WITH SB 1383: WATSONVILLE WASTE REDUCTION REPORT BY SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS ANALYST STOLZENTHALER**

In answering Member Parker, Senior Environmental Projects Analyst Stolzenhaller spoke about the reasons why compostable foodware was not currently allowed in the organics waste green carts.

Senior Environmental Projects Analyst Stolzenhaller, in answering Member Clark, spoke about funding sources for Senate Bill 54, the Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act.

Member Clark spoke in support of waste reduction efforts and the City’s approach to encourage residents to participate.

**11. EMERGENCY ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA – None**

**12. REQUESTS & SCHEDULING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Member Parker requested a timeline for reopening of El Frijolito restaurant.

Member Montesino requested a presentation regarding clean-up efforts throughout the City, including the downtown area.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

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Vanessa Quiroz-Carter, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Irwin I. Ortiz, City Clerk