



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Winters City Council
Held on April 16, 2019

Mayor Bill Biasi called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Council Members Harold Anderson, Jesse Loren, Pierre Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Wade Cowan and Mayor Bill Biasi
Absent: None
Staff: City Manager John W. Donlevy Jr., City Attorney Ethan Walsh, Environmental Services Manager Carol Scianna, Economic Development Manager Dan Maguire, Management Analyst Dago Fierros, and City Clerk Tracy Jensen.

Eric Tavenier led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: City Manager Donlevy said there were no changes to the agenda. Motion by Council Member Neu, second by Council Member Loren to approve the agenda. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan, Mayor Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Verbal updates were provided by Council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Tina Lowden spoke regarding the removal of the electronic speed limit sign on Niemann; drivers are once again driving too fast.

Abigail Vargas spoke regarding her opposition to the implementation of the proposed vacation home ordinance.

Jon Tice spoke regarding the need for a general plan update over a general plan refresh, the lack of affordable housing, the lack of parking for the downtown

hotel, his preference for traffic signals over roundabouts, cars taking up the bike lane, Winters Police and Fire are the best around, and added Council is the boss of City employees.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Winters City Council Held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 **(Moved to Discussion Item #7)**
- B. Approval of Amplified Sound Permit Application
- C. Purchase of Recycled Content Patio Furniture for Library Garden Project

City Manager Donlevy gave an overview. Mayor Biasi said he had a conflict with Item B and would recuse himself for this item. Council Member Anderson, Neu, and Loren requested corrections to the minutes of the April 2, 2019 City Council meeting; Item A was then moved to Discussion Item #7.

On a motion by Council Member Loren, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cowan, Consent Calendar Item B was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Mayor Biasi

On a motion by Council Member Loren, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cowan, Consent Calendar Item C was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan,
Mayor Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

PRESENTATIONS

Dana Carey, Emergency Services Manager for the Yolo County Office of Emergency Services, detailed the Winters evacuation plan and confirmed the dates of the community outreach meetings: May 8th and May 22nd at the Public Safety Facility's EOC/Training Room from 6pm - 8pm.

Resident Kate Laddish thanked Dana and Yolo OES and requested the financially strapped be included in the evacuation planning for the disabled and the elderly that was discussed at the February 26th Yolo Board of Supervisors

meeting. There are 2,600 residents in Yolo County who receive in-home supportive services and IHSS would need assistance during an evacuation.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Planning Commission Vacancy

City Manager Donlevy gave an overview and said the terms of three Planning Commissioners will be expiring in June. Staff is recommending Council to select a 2-member subcommittee to interview candidates and authorize staff to advertise. Council agreed to move forward as recommended and proceed with the method used for the most recent vacancies, adding that Planning Commission members seeking reappointment should also be interviewed along with any new applicants. Mayor Pro Tem Cowan and Council Member Loren were chosen for the 2-member subcommittee and will interview applicants and bring their recommendations to Council of the top three candidates. As a matter of public record, the top five candidates will be announced, but candidate applications will not be included in a future City Council agenda packet.

Albert Vallecillo expressed his support of the method that has been used for the last 20 years.

Kate Laddish spoke in support of Council's decision to move forward with this application process and shared her enthusiasm about the public process and providing the opportunity to get involved as a part of this valuable body.

2. Downtown Merchants Trash Enclosure Proposal

Council Member Anderson recused himself due to a possible conflict of interest

Environmental Services Manager Carol Scianna gave an overview and presented a diagram of the proposed locations of the trash/recycling enclosure provided by the Downtown merchants.

Winters resident Eric Tavenier provided to Council a handout that addressed several of his concerns, including the lack of a licensed engineer for the design of the trash enclosure. He also requested that Council reject the Downtown Merchants proposed Location B due to safety concerns. City Attorney Walsh said Council is considering a potential location for the trash enclosure and not approving engineering plans. Having a dialog about where the trash enclosure will go is one step in the process.

Due to the placement of the transformer and alley improvements, Emarie VanGalio said the entire downtown merchant committee is recommending

Location B. Ellie Yeatman asked if the City plans to close the alley to traffic. Mayor Biasi replied the alley will not be closed.

On a motion by Council Member Neu and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cowan, Council agreed by the following vote to table the proposed location of the trash/recycling enclosure to the next City Council meeting:

AYES: Council Members Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan, Mayor Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Anderson
ABSTAIN: None

Council Member Anderson returned to the dais at this time.

3. Resolution 2019-09, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Winters Approving the SB 1 FY 2019/20 Road Rehabilitation Project List

Management Analyst Dago Fierros gave an overview and said the City's pavement condition index will be known when the City's streets are surveyed and agreed that construction does cause the streets to deteriorate. City Manager Donlevy confirmed the streets are surveyed every 5-7 years and were surveyed two years ago.

Tina Lowden, 320 Niemann Street, expressed her concern about the construction trucks and trailers tearing the streets apart and driving too fast.

On a motion by Council Member Loren and seconded by Council Member Neu, Council agreed by the following vote to approve staff recommendation and approve the project list, design concept, locations and budget, authorize bids for construction, authorize the City Manager to execute agreements with contractors, and adopt Resolution 2019-09, adopting a list of projects for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 funded by SB 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan,
Mayor Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

4. Climate Action Plan and Resiliency Update

Environmental Services Manager Carol Scianna gave an overview and said staff has been working with a regional group, Yolo Resiliency Planning Group (YSPG) for over a year, focusing on the best ways to help our residents be better prepared as impacts of climate change become more severe in our area. Financial assistance has been provided by Climate Change Compact of Yolo County to engage Davis Energy Group in drafting a Climate Action Plan, which was ultimately not implemented. Staff is currently working with a Civic Spark Fellow to create a template to assist the City in developing a climate resiliency plan. Council Member Loren asked if the City would form a commission and Carol suggested an ad hoc committee. Mayor Biasi asked if grants are available for the remaining cost and Carol indicated funds for this project have been budgeted this year.

Kate Laddish, 400 Morgan Street, supports the idea of a climate advisory group and requested that any such advisory body be advisory to and report to Council, and that Council appoint the members of this advisory group. Mayor Pro Tem Cowan recommended Kate Laddish as committee president or chairperson of this committee and Kate replied she would be honored.

5. Resolution 2019-10, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Winters Approving a Reduction in City Impact Fees for the Blue Mountain Terrace Senior Apartments Project

Economic Development Manager Dan Maguire gave an overview of this item as well as subsequent Item #6 and said these actions would have a positive impact on the project. Dan confirmed May 15th as the target closing date and that approval by the Department of Finance is needed.

On a motion by Council Member Neu and seconded by Council Member Loren, Council agreed by the following vote to adopt Resolution 2019-10 approving a reduction of City Impact fees in the amount of \$100,000 to assist in the development of the Blue Mountain Terrace Senior Housing Project:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan,
Mayor Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

6. Resolution 2019-11, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Winters Approving a Reduction in the Housing Trust Fund Loan Authority for the Blue Mountain Terrace Senior Apartments Project

Economic Development Manager Dan Maguire spoke to this item concurrently with Item 5.

On a motion by Council Member Neu and seconded by Council Member Loren, Council agreed by the following vote to approve Resolution 2019-11, authorizing a reduction in funding in the amount of \$100,000 from the previous authorized loan of \$565,000 from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to the Blue Mountain Terrace Senior Housing project:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan,
Mayor Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

7. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Winters City Council Held on
Tuesday, April 2, 2019 (Moved from Consent Item #1)

Council Members Anderson, Loren and Neu submitted revisions for the minutes of the April 2, 2019 City Council meeting.

On a motion by Council Member Neu and seconded by Council Member Loren, Council approved by the following vote the amended and corrected minutes from the April 2, 2019 City Council meeting based on the submitted revisions:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan,
Mayor Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CITY OF WINTERS AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE WINTERS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

1. None

CITY MANAGER REPORT: City Manager Donlevy said he took to heart the comments that were made at the last City Council meeting. The decorum of City Council meetings are of paramount importance. The things being said about the North Area planning are accusatory and as a result, a new tab on the City's website entitled "North Area Planning" has been added. Friday Updates are

uncommon, but they are becoming more popular. The City will continue to do our best.

Mayor Pro Tem Cowan asked if staff had started issuing building permits for the Olive Grove project and asked if there was a plan in place to address area flooding. If not, can it be tied to the permits? City Manager Donlevy said improvements need to be made and all requirements must be met as per the agreement with the City and the Building Official is aware of these requirements.

Mayor Biasi said the Fire Department offered for Council to ride on the Buffalo Fire Truck for the Youth Day Parade. The entire Council will be on board. Council Member Loren asked if she was the only Council Member who had been asked to be in the dunk tank on Youth Day.

INFORMATION ONLY: None

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Biasi adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m.



Bill Biasi, MAYOR

ATTEST:



Tracy S. Jensen, City Clerk