



LARKSPUR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES

Larkspur City Council Chambers
400 Magnolia Avenue, Larkspur CA
And Via Videoconference Per AB 361 (2021)

May 18, 2022

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REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Hillmer called the regular meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COUNCIL PRESENT: Scot Candell, Kevin Haroff, Gabe Paulson, Catherine Way, and Mayor Dan Hillmer

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: City Clerk Alison Foulis, Assistant to the City Manager Shannon O'Hare, Administrative Services Director Cathy Orme, City Manager Dan Schwarz, Community Development Director Elise Semonian, Public Works Director Julian Skinner, and City Attorney Sky Woodruff

Mayor Hillmer called for a moment of silence for the victims of the shooting in Buffalo, New York and then led the pledge of allegiance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public wished to comment.

3. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- 3.1 Update from Larkspur-Corte Madera School District by Superintendent Brett Geithman.

This presentation was heard later in the meeting, after Item 7.1, in order to allow Superintendent Geithman to attend the concurrent LCMSD Board Meeting.

4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Hillmer called for public comment and James Holmes asked a question regarding Item 4.3.

Upon motion by Councilmember Haroff, and seconded by Vice Mayor Paulson, the City Council approved the consent calendar in one motion. The vote was unanimously in favor. The approved consent calendar consisted of the following items:

- 4.1 Approve warrants.
- 4.2 Approve minutes of the April 20, 2022, regular meeting.
- 4.3 Adopt Resolution 33/22 authorizing City Council and City Advisory Body meetings to be held via teleconference for the 30-day period beginning June 9, 2022, and making related findings pursuant to AB 361.
- 4.4 Adopt Resolution 34/22 rejecting bid protest by Ghilotti Construction Company and awarding a construction contract to Ghilotti Bros., Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder for the Magnolia Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation Project (CIP 22-301M).
- 4.5 Adopt Resolution 35/22 awarding a construction contract to McGuire and Hester as the lowest responsible bidder for the Doherty Drive Complete Streets Project (CIP 22-302 and 24-302).

5. CITY MANAGER'S ORAL REPORT

City Manager Schwarz gave his oral report.

6. COUNCILMEMBERS' ORAL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Councilmember Way reported on the following items:

1. 5/12/2022 CMPA and CMFA Meetings
2. 1251 S Eliseo Drive Project Homekey Subcommittee Meetings
3. Chamber of Commerce
4. Touch Trucks Benefit for Larkspur Commons Foundation & Friends of the Larkspur Library
5. 5/28/2022 Ember Stomp Wildfire Prevention Festival

Vice Mayor Paulson reported on the following items:

1. 1251 S Eliseo Drive Project Homekey
2. Housing Element

Councilmember Haroff reported on the following items:

1. Chamber of Commerce
2. 5/12/2022 Event for City of Richmond Mayor

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 7.1 APPEAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION DECISION TO DENY APPLICATION DR/FAR #21-11; A REQUEST FOR DESIGN REVIEW AND FLOOR AREA RATIO EXCEPTION TO PERMIT SUBSTANTIAL REMODELING AND 1,424 SQUARE FEET OF ADDITIONS TO AN EXISTING SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AND THE CONVERSION OF THE LOWER FLOOR TO A BY-RIGHT ADU AT 39 CORTE TOLUCA; APN NO. 070-241-06; R-1 (FIRST RESIDENTIAL) ZONING DISTRICT; KIMBERLY AND MARK RESNICK, ALLPLICANT/PROPERTY OWNERS AND APPELLANTS.
Council to hold the public hearing and adopt Resolution 36/22 upholding the decision of the Planning Commission.

Community Development Director Semonian provided a presentation and Community Development Director Semonian and City Attorney Woodruff answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Hillmer opened the public hearing.

Applicant/Owner/Appellant Mark Resnick provided a presentation to the Council.

The Council received public comment from:

- Greg Shullet
- James Holmes
- Kevin Carroll

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Hillmer closed the public hearing.

Upon motion by Councilmember Candell, seconded by Councilmember Way, the City Council upheld the appeal and overturned the Planning Commission denial of application DR/FAR #21-11 for 39 Corte Toluca. The item was continued to the next regular meeting for adoption of an amended resolution reflecting the Council's decision. The vote was unanimously in favor.

3. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- 3.1 Update from Larkspur-Corte Madera School District by Superintendent Brett Geithman.

Superintendent Geithman provided a presentation to the Council and answered questions.

8. BUSINESS ITEMS

- 8.1 FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET

A. REVIEW OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Council to receive a presentation and provide feedback.

City Manager Schwarz and Administrative Services Director Orme presented the preliminary Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget and answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Hillmer called for public comment and no one wished to speak.

The Council provided feedback on the preliminary budget, which will be brought back to the Council for adoption at the next regular meeting.

B. CONDUCT WORKSHOP TO REVIEW PROPOSED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23
Council to receive a presentation and provide feedback.

Public Works Director Skinner presented the proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Hillmer called for public comment and no one wished to speak.
The Council received public comment from:

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The Council provided feedback on the proposed CIP, which will be brought back to the Council for adoption at the next regular meeting.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

At 9:30 p.m., Mayor Hillmer adjourned the meeting to closed session.

9. CLOSED SESSION

- 9.1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)
Agency designated representatives: Dan Schwarz, City Manager
Unrepresented employee: Senior Planner

Councilmember Way left the meeting at 9:42 p.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND ANNOUNCE ANY REPORTABLE ACTION

At 9:58 p.m., Mayor Hillmer reconvened the meeting in open session. Mayor Hillmer announced that there was no reportable action taken during the closed session.

10. ADJOURN

The Council adjourned the meeting at 9:59 p.m.

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Alison Foulis
City Clerk