



LARKSPUR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES

Via Teleconference Only
Per Governor's Executive Order N-29-20

February 17, 2021

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REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Haroff called the regular meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: City Clerk Alison Foulis, Assistant to the City Manager Shannon O'Hare, City Manager Dan Schwarz, Public Works Director Julian Skinner, Planning & Building Director Neal Toft, and City Attorney Sky Woodruff

Mayor Haroff led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was received from:

- Joan Dobkowski
- Kevin Carroll
- Tony Mekisich
- Simon Bensinchin
- Bridget Gleason

3. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- 3.1 LARKSPUR COMMUNITY FOUNDATION: *Update, including recent virtual Heart of Larkspur celebration, presented by Sheri Mowbray*

Larkspur Community Foundation representative Sheri Mowbray provided the presentation to the City Council and answered their questions.

4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion by Councilmember Way, and seconded by Councilmember Paulson, the City Council approved the remaining 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 February 3, 2021, regular meeting.
- 4.3 Annual progress report on the Larkspur General Plan and Housing Element for calendar year 2020.
- 4.4 Adopt Resolution 04/21 authorizing submittal of applications for all CalRecycle grants for which the City of Larkspur is eligible.
- 4.5 Adopt Resolution 05/21 accepting the Corte Alejo Storm Drain Improvement Project (CIP 11-047) as complete.
- 4.6 Adopt Resolution 06/21 authorizing amendments to the authorized positions list for the Larkspur Library, including recruitment of one position currently subject to City's hiring freeze.

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. 2/12/2021 Central Marin Fire Authority and Central Marin Police Authority meetings at which the annual audits for each agency were approved.

Councilmember Paulson reported on the following items:

1. Neighborhood Response Groups (NRGs) and Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWPA) activities to prepare for the upcoming fire season.
2. Acknowledgement of the Marin Park mobilehome residents.

Councilmember Candell reported on the following items:

1. 2/17/2021 Larkspur Chamber of Commerce meeting and upcoming survey.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 7.1 CONSIDERATION OF RENAMING OF SIR FRANCIS DRAKE BOULEVARD
Continuation of Public Hearing begun on February 3, 2021 will include two matters introduced during that meeting: co-naming and the use of City funds otherwise spent on this project for diversity, inclusivity, and equity initiatives.

City Manager Schwarz presented the staff report and answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Haroff opened the public hearing and public comment was received from the following individuals:

- Nadine Muller
- Bill McQuaid
- Andrew Allen
- Cheri St. John
- Alicia T
- Lila Hillard
- Jack Gundersheim
- Jacob Johnson
- Tamara Alliston
- Sarah Swigart
- James Holmes
- Zeke Johnson
- Bruce Brugler
- Larry Chu

Mayor Haroff closed the public hearing.

Upon motion by Councilmember Paulson, seconded by Councilmember Candell, the City Council approved a motion to retain "Sir Francis Drake Boulevard" as the legal name of the road, to adopt as a co-name whatever is the consensus of the other jurisdictions through which the road runs, and in the absence of that to explore a historical designation or ceremonial name. The motion was approved 4-1 (Haroff opposed).

- 7.2 CONSIDERATION OF USE OR DISPOSITION OF SIR FRANCIS DRAKE STATUE

City Manager Schwarz presented the staff report and answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Haroff opened the public hearing and public comment was received from the following individuals:

- Bill McQuaid
- Cheri St. John
- Alicia T.
- Joan Lundstrom
- Georgetta Beck
- Lisa Hinman
- Robert Miltner
- Kevin Carroll

- Danette Citti
- Lauren Brown
- Brenda Brown
- James Holmes
- Larry Chu

Mayor Haroff closed the public hearing.

It was the consensus of the Council to not restore the Sir Francis Drake statue to its original site along the waterfront. The Council directed staff to continue research into the process, procedure, and cost matters related to either identifying another public site in Larkspur for the statue's display, initiating the disposition of the statue, or arranging for its storage.

8. BUSINESS ITEMS

- 8.1 UPDATE ON CITY ACTIVITIES AND FINANCES WITH REGARDS TO CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)
Standing item to update the City Council on City activity and financial & budget implications during and in response to the COVID-19 Emergency.

City Manager Schwarz provided an update and answered questions from the City Council.

No one from the public wished to comment.

9. ADJOURN

The Council adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Attested
/s/Alison Foulis
City Clerk