



LARKSPUR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES

Via Teleconference Only
Per AB 361 (2021)

October 6, 2021

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REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Haroff called the regular meeting to order at 6:31 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, Director of Public Works Julian Skinner, Planning & Building Director Neal Toft, and City Attorney Sky Woodruff

Mayor Haroff led the pledge of allegiance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Council received public comment from:

- Brennan Wenck-Reilly

3. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

3.1 Bon Air Bridge Replacement Project – Fall 2021 Update

Public Works Director Skinner provided a presentation and answered questions from the Council.

No one from the public wished to speak.

4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

City Attorney Woodruff reported that Item 4.5 of the consent calendar concerns a change to the compensation of the City Manager and provided a summary of the changes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Paulson, and seconded by Councilmember Candell, 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 September 1, 2021, regular meeting.
- 4.3 Appoint Karl Tede to the Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee to fill a vacancy.
- 4.4 Adopt Resolution 52/21 authorizing a consulting services agreement for LAK Associates LLC to provide planning project review, environmental review, and general planning support services.
- 4.5 Adopt Resolution 53/21 authorizing Amendment No. 10 to the City Manager's Employment Agreement.

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. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Priority Setting Committee
2. 9/22/2021 – 9/24/2021 Cal Cities' Annual Conference
3. Madrone Canyon NRG's First Responders Appreciation Event

Councilmember Paulson reported on the following items:

1. Fire prevention activities and evacuation information
2. Marin Healthy Youth Partnership

Mayor Haroff reported on the following items:

1. 10/7/2021 MCE Marin Clean Energy Annual Retreat
2. Sir Francis Drake Blvd. streetlights and traffic lights
3. Larkspur Chamber of Commerce
4. Restrictive covenants
5. Drought

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

7.1 AUTHORIZE AN ENERGY SERVICES CONTRACT FOR LED STREETLIGHT RETROFIT PROJECT (CIP# 22-305) WITH AWARD OF CONTRACT TO TANKO LIGHTING, INC.

Council to consider adopting Resolution 54/21 authorizing the City Manager to execute an energy services contract with Tanko Lighting, Inc. for the audit, design, installation, and retrofit/replacement of the City's streetlight inventory with LED (light emitting diode) light fixtures.

Public Works Director Skinner provided a presentation and answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Haroff opened the public hearing and the Council received public comment from:

- David Moller
- James Holmes

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Haroff closed the public hearing and, upon motion by Vice Mayor Hillmer, seconded by Councilmember Way, the City Council adopted Resolution 54/21 authorizing an energy services contract for the LED Streetlight Retrofit Project (CIP #22-305) with an award of contract to Tanko Lighting, Inc. The vote was unanimously in favor.

8. BUSINESS ITEMS

8.1 ADDING A "VISION LARKSPUR IN 2030" PREFACE TO THE CITY'S CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

Council to direct staff whether to add a "Vision of Larkspur in 2030" Preface to the City's Climate Action Plan.

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

The Council received public comment from:

- James Holmes
- David Moller
- Max Perrey
- Marilyn Price
- Tom Flynn

Upon motion by Councilmember Paulson, seconded by Mayor Haroff, the City Council approved adding the "Vision of Larkspur in 2030" preface to the City's Climate Action Plan as presented in the staff report. The vote was unanimously in favor.

8.2 DECLARATION OF A CLIMATE EMERGENCY

Council to respond to request that the City Council declare a climate emergency.

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

The Council received public comment from:

- David Moller
- James Holmes
- Ken Strong

- Max Perrey
- Jack Haubold
- James Bill
- Marilyn Price
- Tom Flynn

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Hillmer, seconded by Councilmember Candell, the City Council adopted Resolution 55/21 declaring a climate emergency. The vote was unanimously in favor.

8.3 CONSIDERATION OF CONSTRUCTING PERMANENT WIDENED SIDEWALKS ON MAGNOLIA AVENUE FROM CANE STREET TO WARD STREET AS PART OF THE MAGNOLIA AVENUE ADA PROJECT (CIP 14-004)

Council to provide direction to staff on constructing widened sidewalks on Magnolia Avenue as part of the Magnolia ADA project or replacing sidewalks in-kind without widening. Council may also offer direction to staff to return with a policy for outdoor dining/parklets on sidewalks/in parking spaces prior to completion of the Magnolia ADA project.

Public Works Director Skinner provided a presentation and answered questions from the Council.

The Council received public comment from:

- Joan Lundstrom
- Eric Miller
- James Holmes
- Larry Chu
- Larry Lanctot
- Kathy Hartzell

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Hillmer, seconded by Councilmember Paulson, the City Council directed staff to proceed with the Magnolia Avenue ADA Project without widening the sidewalks (the original proposal). The motion was approved 3-2 (Councilmembers Candell and Way opposed).

8.4 AUTHORIZING TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS IN COMPLIANCE WITH ASSEMBLY BILL 361 AND DISCUSSION ON RETURNING TO IN-PERSON OR HYBRID MEETINGS

Council to adopt Resolution 56/21 authorizing City Council and City Advisory Body meetings to be held via teleconference for a 30-day period and provide direction to staff on the holding of in-person or hybrid meetings.

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

No one from the public wished to speak.

Upon motion by Councilmember Candell, seconded by Vice Mayor Hillmer, the City Council adopted Resolution 56/21 authorizing City Council and City Advisory Body meetings to be held via teleconference for the 30-day period beginning October 6, 2021, and making related findings pursuant to AB 361. The vote was unanimously in favor.

9. ADJOURN

The Council adjourned the meeting at 10:06 p.m.

Attested
/s/Alison Foulis
City Clerk