



CITY OF SEASIDE
CITY COUNCIL

FINAL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER
Thursday, November 2, 2017
7:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Rubio called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

2. **ROLL CALL – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

PRESENT: Alexander, Campbell, Jones, Pacheco, Rubio

ABSENT: None

3. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council Member Jones led the Pledge and Pastor Brit provided the invocation.

4. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**

No changes were requested.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Rubio invited comments from the public.

- David Whitman spoke in support of short term rentals and spoke against made at the last meeting and that STRs create gentrification and price out renters. He provided numerous examples of populations that are growing which have caused the housing shortage. It is the evolution of our area and there is no one to blame. Although STRs are illegal in other cities, they still exist and believes we have the choice to redirect what's happening in our city, in a positive way.
- Seth Smith Santa Cruz Veteran's Alliance spoke toward the recently passed cannabis ordinance, and to his efforts to obtain a City of Seaside Cannabis Dispensary permit.
- Brian Brocksom, navy veteran and General Manager of the Santa Cruz Veteran's Alliance spoke in support of bringing a cannabis dispensary to Seaside.
- Arron Newsom, co-founder of the Santa Cruz Veteran's Alliance spoke to his service in the US Military speaking to the benefits cannabis provides to individuals and communities. He spoke to being an applicant.
- Jason Sweat Co-founder of Santa Cruz Veteran's Alliance also supported their selection.
- Peter Baerd, property owner on Broadway spoke to the number of cannabis operators who are interested in leasing property on Broadway and indicated there is a problem with the indemnification language that is required in the leasing contract and requested that there be a way to modify the language.
- Andrew Goluchi founder of the Nug Company, expressed intent to be a cannabis dispensary permit applicant.
- Bill Kennedy, The Nug Company, thanked the City for passing the ordinance and spoke in support of his selection.
- Lucile Veronica announced a workshop hosted by the Alumni Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority inviting middle and high school youth Saturday November 4th from 9:30 to 12:30 at the Seaside Community Center, Soper Field. The purpose is to foster healthy

communication understanding relationships between law enforcement officials and our youth.

6. **PUBLIC AGENCY COMMUNICATIONS**

Gloria Stearns Economic Development Manager invited the public to attend the next SeaStars Volunteer Group in partnership with FOSPA and Return of the Natives at Beta Park, November 18th at 10 AM.

7. **PRESENTATIONS**

A. **UPDATE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM 2018-2020 MULTI-YEAR CYCLE AND 2018-2019 ANNUAL PLAN PROGRESS**

Administrative Analyst Sharon Mikesell spoke to the next two year cycle for the CDBG Program which kicked off with a community needs workshop, brainstorming and prioritizing eligible activities. The top priorities for the Committee included crime prevention, youth services , youth centers, emergency repairs to homes, employment training, homeless facilities , fair housing, streets and sidewalks. She spoke to the Federal requirements for CDBG funding. Next steps include the Mandatory Proposal Workshop November 15th at 6:30 PM.

8. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Mayor Rubio invited comments from the public and the Council and had no requests to speak.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Alexander and seconded by Council Member Dave Pacheco and passed by the following vote the City Council approved the Consent Calendar as presented.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Alexander
SECONDER:	Council Member Dave Pacheco
AYES:	Ralph Rubio, Dennis Alexander, Jason Campbell, Dave Pacheco, Kayla Jones
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

A. **APPROVE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 21, 2017 MEETING**

Action: Approved

B. **APPROVE AND FILE CITY CHECKS**

Action: Approved

C. **APPROVE A FEE WAIVER FROM COMMUNITY HOSPITAL RECOVERY CENTER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION FOR THE USE OF THE LAGUNA GRANDE HALL FOR THEIR ANNUAL INSTALLATION DINNER EVENT**

Action: Approved

D. **CONSIDER FEE WAIVER REQUEST FROM DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY FOR USE OF OLDEMEYER CENTER FOR TWO COMMUNITY EVENTS IN 2018**

Action: Approved

9. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

A. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING TEXT AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 17.40 OF THE SEASIDE MUNICIPAL CODE THAT SETS FORTH STANDARDS FOR ELECTRONIC MESSAGE DISPLAY SIGNS RELATED TO PUBLIC AND PRIVATE MEETING FACILITIES WITHIN RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICTS CITYWIDE, AND ADDRESSING OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO THAT ARE IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENT (SECOND READING - ROLL CALL VOTE).

ACTION: Adopted Resolution 1045

City Manager Malin spoke to the extensive presentation delivered on this item at the last City Council meeting and reported no changes were made since the last meeting.

Mayor Rubio invited comments from the public and the Council and had no requests to speak.

On motion by Council Member Alexander, and seconded by Council Member Campbell and passed by the following roll call vote the City Council adopted ordinance 1045 amending chapter 17 of the Zoning code allowing standards for electronic message display signs at public meeting facilities.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Alexander
SECONDER:	Council Member Jason Campbell
AYES:	Ralph Rubio, Dennis Alexander, Jason Campbell, Dave Pacheco, Kayla Jones
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

B. APPROVE A RESOLUTION AWARDDING A SOLAR SYSTEM CONTRACT TO SCUDDER SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$704,820 TO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT A SOLAR SYSTEM AT CITY HALL, AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE CONTRACT AND INCREASE THE SOLAR PROJECT BUDGET BY \$204,820

City Manager Malin spoke to the presentations made at the last City Council meeting by each proposing vendor and indicated that a full review of the proposals was conducted by staff and modifications were made to the proposal. The new design includes moving the solar panel structures to the Police Department Parking to allow for shielding and provide protection for the fleet and keep the cool to the vehicles for the officers. Both proposing firms were provided the opportunity to revise their proposal and the selection made was Scudder Solar due to being more cost efficient. Mr. Malin followed up with the strategic plan to remove the berm separating the parking lot, as requested by the Department for security purposes. It will be removed prior to the installation of the structure. Mr. Malin answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Rubio invited comments from the public and had no requests to speak.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Alexander and seconded by Council Member Dave Pacheco and passed by the following vote the City Council Approved Resolution 17-76 Authorizing the City Manager to execute the Solar Systems Contract with Scudder Solar Energy Systems.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Alexander

SECONDER:	Council Member Dave Pacheco
AYES:	Ralph Rubio, Dennis Alexander, Jason Campbell, Dave Pacheco, Kayla Jones
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

C. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION FOR COUNCIL MEMBER JONES REQUEST TO CREATE A HOMELESS COMMISSION AND AN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

City Manager Malin spoke to the previous requests to add the two new advisory bodies; an Environmental Committee and a Homeless Commission. The Homeless Commission would review the circumstances of homelessness in the City of Seaside and make recommendations. The Environmental Committee would have the charge to advocate for sound policy and actions related to environmental sustainability. Staff is ready to support a committee or commission and requested direction from the Council.

The Council questioned Mr. Malin regarding the difference as it pertains to the type of advisory body to which he explained the four possible categories of effort in advisory bodies; ad-hoc, task force, committee, commission. They discussed the intent and benefit of a commission over a committee. They discussed the duties of each commission, the number of members and discussed concerns of duplication of efforts, and the idea to adopt them both as committees initially until they are firmly established and have an established membership with expertise. They also discussed and agreed that both should meet once per month.

Council Member Pacheco expressed concern that the Homeless Commission, as drafted, would encroach upon some of the duties of the CDAC and requested to add a clarifying language requiring coordination with the CDBG committee and the Coalition of Homeless Service Providers and be charged with making recommendations to the City Council as relates to budget funds for homeless programs.

Mayor Rubio invited comments from the public on this item.

- Dan Fernandez applauded the efforts of the Council thinking that this direction is very important and both issues will have impacts locally as well as globally.
- Ray Dandridge it's a good idea to look at these items, but sometimes one city can create a problem for another city. Please consider impacts it could create for other cities.
- John Wizard questioned if a committee is subordinate to a commission, as he wanted to make sure decisions would not be overruled prior to getting to the Council.
- Felix Bachofner suggested rewording the Environmental body details to be more generalized to "colleges or universities" and not exclusively CSUMB and MPC students. He also urged considering the Homeless Body as a task force, as we hope it is a defined term duration and would indicate we are trying to stop homelessness from being an ongoing issue. Also because homelessness is a regional question and should be addressed regionally. A task force, with a laser focus to bond together regionally to solve the problem will have more impact.

The Council questioned the vagueness of the commission membership requirements, if there is enough staff capacity to take on both of these advisory bodies without impacting services and discussed adding alternates for students and agreed to modify the names of the universities to be more inclusive.

Council Member Jones motioned and was seconded by Council Member Pacheco to approve both as commissions, meet once a month and keep membership numbers and approve as amended.

Speaking on the Second Mayor Rubio suggested to keep them both as committees to be able to start recruiting right away and then formalize to a commission at a later date once the membership and duties are firmly established. Mayor Pro Tem Alexander agreed with these comments. Council Member Jones agreed and withdrew her motion.

On motion by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Campbell and passed by the following vote, the City Council approved the addition of a Homeless Committee and an Environmental Committee, as amended with the requirement to review progress in a few months, with monthly meetings and nine members.

RESULT:	Approved
MOVER:	Council Member Jones
SECONDER:	Council Member Campbell
AYES:	Ralph Rubio, Dennis Alexander, Jason Campbell, Dave Pacheco, Kayla Jones
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

10. MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL, CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY COMMENTS AND REPORTS ON COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

City Manager Malin reported on the Campus Town Specific Plan charrette happening all week and the culmination of the week design process revealed at 6:00 PM at Soper Field on November 3rd. Council Member Pacheco Request short term rental ordinance come back to City Council for comments, prior to submission to the Planning commission and also agendize the Fireworks recommendation by the first meeting in December. Council Member Jones reported an event hosted by Assembly Member Stone on the status of the boys of color at the Oldemeyer Center . It will live stream and recorded for the public. Today is the last day to register for the Families of Color Monterey Bike Clinic. Council Member Campbell requested to agendize a discussion and study session on the future of FORA, and how it will impact the City of Seaside. Council Member Alexander requested that anyone interested in helping Seaside parks to consider joining the Friends of the Seaside Parks Association who meets the last Monday of every month at the Oldemeyer Center. Mayor Rubio reported on his meeting at LAFCO which entailed discussion of the annexations and sphere of influence in the Salinas Valley and their new economic zone proposing outside of their sphere of influence. He requested that with the Cutino park design, that staff ensure that we have a field that is safe and accommodates the greatest number of people. He reported that Monterey One water was discussing the pure Water Monterey project and the request by the CUPC to look at expanding that project and they are considering testimony for our Executive Director. Mayor Rubio spoke to his absences during the summer because of his health issues and thanked everyone for their concerns and patience and assured everyone that he is doing much better.

11. ADJOURNMENT

On motion the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Lesley Milton-Rerig, City Clerk


Ralph Rubio, Mayor