



Regular Meeting Agenda

Minutes

Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 6:00 pm

621 11th Street, Fortuna CA

**Zoom Option: 1-669-900-9128 Meeting ID 851 4068 6313 Password
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- We May Disagree, But We Will Be Respectful of One Another
- All Comments Will Be Directed to the Issue at Hand, and Addressed to the City Council
- Personal Attacks are Unacceptable
- The City Council May Take Action on any Item on this Agenda.

1. CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE / ROLL CALL

Minutes:

Mayor Trent called the public meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the flag salute. ROLL CALL: Council Member Conley - Present, Council Member Losey - Present, Council Member Mobley - Present, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson - Present, Mayor Trent - Present

2. PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS

a. National Mentoring Month Proclamation

Minutes:

Council Member Losey read and presented the proclamation to Florence Parks, Executive Director of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America.

b. Introduction of Street Maintenance Worker II, Brandon Craig

Minutes:

General Services Superintendent Bob Natt introduced new Street Maintenance Worker II, Brandon Craig.

c. Introduction of Utility Worker II, Daniel Rockholt

Minutes:

Introduction to be done at a future meeting.

d. Police Department Quarterly Report

Minutes:

Lieutenant Eberhardt presented the Police Department's quarterly report.

e. Fire Department Quarterly Report

Minutes:

Fire Chief Rus Brown presented the Fire Department's quarterly report.

3. ORAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Minutes:

Public Works Director, Brendan Byrd, gave Storm Event update. There being no additional public comments, Mayor Trent closed the Oral Comment section.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There being no public comments, Mayor Trent closed the public comment section. Mayor Trent pulled item F, informed public of K9 Fundraiser Drive-By Lasagna event, Thursday at the Veteran's Building. Mayor Trent pulled item J., thanked and welcomed new Board/Commission Members. Council Member Losey moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson to approve Consent Calendar items a - p. AYES: Council Members Conley, Losey, Mobley, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, Mayor Trent NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED: 5/0

- a. City Council Minutes – December 18, 2023 (Regular Meeting)**
- b. Administrative Department Monthly Report**
- c. Community Development Department Monthly Report**
- d. Finance Department Monthly Report**
- e. Parks & Recreation Monthly Report**
- f. Police Department Monthly Report**
- g. Public Works Monthly Report**
- h. River Lodge Monthly Report**
- i. Report of Disbursements**
- j. Council Review and Approval of Commission/Committee Applications and Mayor's Appointment of Seats**
- k. Approve Selection of Community Development Director**
- l. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between City of Fortuna and Fortuna Union High School District for Shared Facility Use**
- m. Approve the City of Fortuna's Cash Handling Policy**
- n. Certify the City of Fortuna's Six-Year Sewer System Management Plan**
- o. Authorize City Manager to Submit Individual Grant Applications for Regional Early Action Planning Grant Programs for which the City of Fortuna is Eligible; Resolution 2024-01**
- p. Appoint Real Property Negotiator for the City of Fortuna Concerning the Real Property Located at 624 Main Street, Fortuna CA**

5. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

- a. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 2024-765, Amending Chapter 8.16 of the Fortuna Municipal Code to Provide for Revised Nuisance Regulation and Abatement**

Minutes:

STAFF REPORT: City Manager Merritt Perry provided staff report on Ordinance 2024-765, Amending Chapter 8.16 of the Fortuna Municipal Code to provide for revised nuisance regulation and abatement. PUBLIC COMMENTS: There being no public comments, Mayor Trent closed the public comment section. CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson to adopt Ordinance 2024-765, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fortuna Amending Chapter 8.16 of the Fortuna Municipal Code to Provide for Revised Nuisance Regulation and Abatement and Determining the Ordinance to be Exempt From CEQA", read by title only. Roll Call Vote. AYES: Council Member Conley, Losey, Mobley, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, Mayor Trent NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED: 5/0

b. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 2024-766, Adding Chapter 9.05 to Article 9 of the Fortuna Municipal Code to Adopt Social Host Regulations

Minutes:

STAFF REPORT: City Manager Merritt Perry provided staff report on Ordinance 2024-766, Adding Chapter 9.05 to Article 9 of the Fortuna Municipal Code to Adopt Social Host Regulations. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Community Member Lisa Oliva spoke in support of this ordinance. There being no additional public comments, Mayor Trent closed the public comment section. CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Mobley moved, seconded by Council Member Losey to adopt Ordinance 2024-766, "an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fortuna Adding Chapter 9.05 to Article 9 of the Fortuna Municipal Code to Adopt Social Host Regulations and Determining the Ordinance to be Exempt from CEQA", read by title only. Roll Call Vote. AYES: Council Member Conley, Losey, Mobley, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, Mayor Trent NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED: 5/0

c. Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance 2024-767, Amending Title 15 of the City of Fortuna Municipal Code by Streamlining the Permit Process for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

Minutes:

STAFF REPORT: City Manager Merritt Perry provided staff report on Ordinance 2024-767, Amending title 15 of the City of Fortuna Municipal code by streamlining the permit process for electric vehicle charging stations. PUBLIC COMMENTS: There being no public comments, Mayor Trent closed the public comment section. CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem Johnson moved, seconded by Council Member Mobley to adopt Ordinance 2024-767, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fortuna Adding Chapter 15.65 to Article 15 of the Fortuna Municipal Code to Provide Procedures for Expediting Permitting Processing for Electric Vehicle Charging Systems and Determining the Ordinance to be Exempt from CEQA", read by title only and continue the Public Hearing to Monday February 5, 2024 for the second reading. Roll Call Vote. AYES: Council Member Conley, Losey, Mobley, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, Mayor Trent NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED: 5/0

d. Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance 2024-768, Amending Title 15 of the City of Fortuna Municipal Code by Streamlining the Permit Process for Small Residential Rooftop Solar Energy Systems

Minutes:

STAFF REPORT: City Manager Merritt Perry provided staff report on Ordinance 2024-768, Amending title 15 of the City of Fortuna Municipal code by streamlining the permit process for small residential rooftop solar energy systems. PUBLIC COMMENTS: There being no public comments, Mayor Trent closed the public comment section. CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Losey moved, seconded by Council Member Mobley to adopt Ordinance 2024-768, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fortuna Adding Chapter 15.67 to Article 15 of the Fortuna Municipal Code to Provide for Expediting Permitting Processing for Small Residential Rooftop Solar Systems and Determining the Ordinance to be Exempt from CEQA.", read by title only and continue the Public Hearing to Monday February 5, 2024 for the second reading. Roll Call Vote. AYES: Council Member Conley, Losey, Mobley, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, Mayor Trent NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED: 5/0

6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Minutes:

City Manager Merritt Perry provided a verbal report.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Minutes:

Mayor Trent requested a revision to the Fortuna Municipal Code regarding Temporary Signs. Council Member Losey requested a presentation from Mark Thurmond, Author of Measure A.

8. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

- a. Council Member Kyle Conley
- b. Council Member Mike Losey
- c. Council Member Kris Mobley
- d. Mayor Pro Tem Mike Johnson
- e. Mayor Tami Trent

9. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson moved, seconded by Council Member Losey to adjourn to closed session at 7:16 p.m. Voice vote. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

- a. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS, City Negotiator: City Manager Merritt Perry, Employee Organizations: Fortuna Police Employees Association, Fortuna Employees Association, and the Unrepresented/Management group in accordance with Section 54957.6 of the Government Code.**
- b. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Section 54956.8 of the Government Code; Vacant Land at 624 Main Street, Fortuna CA; Negotiating Parties: City Manager Merritt Perry for the City of Fortuna and Ray Chisum as Negotiating Parties; Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of payment.**

10. ADJOURN

Minutes:

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Mobley moved, seconded by Mayor Trent to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm. MOTION CARRIED 5/0

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