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**City of Sebastopol**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA  
SPECIAL MEETING  
Meeting of Tuesday – August 8, 2023**

**SPECIAL Meeting Start Time: 6:00 pm**

Meeting to be held in Person and Virtual /Remote Participation

Zoom Link is to be used for providing public comment/Live Stream is utilized for viewing only of Meeting

In Person Location: Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA 95472

Remote/Virtual Zoom Link: (see below Join Meeting Link)

**Topic: City Council Meeting - August 8, 2023**

**Time: Aug 8, 2023 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85192856571?pwd=N01hN0l3M1I5Q250VU1HNnIVTjlvQT09>

**Meeting ID: 851 9285 6571**

**Passcode: 772409**

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- Here is the link: <http://bit.ly/sebcctv> or <https://www.ci.sebastopol.ca.us/City-Meetings-TV>

*Please note that minutes of meetings are not meant to be verbatim minutes and are meant to be the City's record of a summary of actions that took place at the meeting. The vote/action is the required information of the meeting actions that took place. Approved minutes are available on the City Council Meetings page.*

<https://www.ci.sebastopol.ca.us/Meeting-Event.aspx>

*Please click on the special Council meeting date. If minutes were approved, they will be listed under that specific Council Meeting date.*

*As a courtesy, please turn off all cell phones, electronic devices, and pagers during the meeting.*

*The public is advised that pursuant to Government Code section 54957.5 all writings submitted to the City and City Council are public records and will be made available for review.*

**6:00 pm City Council Special Meeting, In Person – Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA/Virtual Format (Zoom) See Link Below**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89557965455?pwd=Yk5nR0NaaVl6QXVvY2o4OUJ0SzdEUT09>

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**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS: NONE**

**STATEMENTS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** Conflicts of interest may arise in situations where a public official deliberating towards a decision, has an actual or potential financial interest in the matter before the Council. In accordance with state law, an actual conflict of interest is one that would be to the private financial benefit of a public official, a relative or a business with which the Councilmember is associated. A potential conflict of interest is one that could be to the private financial benefit of a Councilmember, a relative or a business with which the Councilmember is associated. A Councilmember must publicly announce potential and actual conflicts of interest, and, in the case of actual conflict of interest, must refrain from participating in debate on the issue or from voting on the issue and must remove themselves from the dais.

**PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA (FIRST COMMENT PERIOD):**

Up to Twenty (20) Minute Time Limit (Two Minutes for up to ten speakers). Additional public comment will be held at the end of the discussion and action items for up to an additional twenty (20) minutes. Mayor has discretion to allow for additional time beyond the 20 minutes allocated for public comment dependent upon the subject matter or number of speakers.

Process for calling on Speakers: Mayor or designee shall ask for public comment as follows: Speakers to be called on in an alternate manner (One speaker in person to be called on first; then one speaker remote to be called on second with additional speakers to be called on in the same manner) based upon the time limit.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

1. Approval of City Manager Recruitment Brochure. This item is to approve the brochure to be distributed for the Executive Firm Recruitment for a City Manager for the City of Sebastopol (Responsible Department: City Management/Human Resources)

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS: NONE**

**PUBLIC HEARING(s): NONE**

**REGULAR CALENDAR AGENDA ITEMS (DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION)**

2. Discussion and Consideration of Resolution Calling an Election to ask the Voters of the City of Sebastopol to Approve A Transactions and Use Tax of 0.25%; (2) Approving the Ballot Question and Form of the Ordinance to be Submitted to the Voters; (3) Requesting that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors Consolidate the Special Election with any other Said Election to be Held on November 7, 2023; (4) Directing the County Elections Department to Conduct the Election on the City's Behalf; (5) Setting Deadlines for Submission of Arguments and Rebuttal Arguments; and Providing for an Impartial analysis by the City Attorney; and (6) Approval of Resolution for Budget Amendment of \$5000 for education and outreach for Said Ballot Measure (Responsible Department: City Attorney/Ad Hoc Committee for Ballot Measure)

**ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:** Three minutes per speaker for up to twenty (20) minutes total for public comments but can be reduced at Mayor’s discretion depending upon the number of speakers or Mayor has discretion to allow for additional time beyond the 20 minutes allocated for public comment dependent upon the subject matter or number of speakers.

**CITY COUNCIL/CITY STAFF REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE MEETINGS:** NONE

**CLOSED SESSION:** NONE

**ADJOURNMENT OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

August 8, 2023 Special Meeting will be adjourned to the Regular City Council Meeting of September 5, 2023 at 6:00 pm (In Person and Remote/Zoom Virtual Meeting Format)

Please Note: City Council Regular Meeting of August 15, 2023 has been cancelled.

American Disability Act Accommodations/Accessibility: A request can be made orally or in writing, and submitted to the ADA Coordinator by email: [building@cityofsebastopol.org](mailto:building@cityofsebastopol.org) or to the City Clerk’s Office so as to avoid delay in reviewing and processing the request. Requests can be made by contacting the ADA Coordinator’s Office at (707) 823-8597, via email at [building@cityofsebastopol.org](mailto:building@cityofsebastopol.org) or by mailing such a request to the ADA Coordinator’s Office located at 7425 Bodega Avenue, Sebastopol, CA. Note that if you contact the ADA Coordinators Office, via mail, you need to make the request early enough that a response can be timely provided.

NOTICE: All Resolutions and Ordinances introduced and/or adopted under this agenda are waived of all reading of entire resolution(s) and ordinance(s). The City of Sebastopol is a general law city formed under the laws of the State of California. With respect to adoption of ordinances and resolutions, the City adheres to the requirements set forth in the Government Code. Unless otherwise required, the full reading of the text of standard ordinances and resolutions is waived.

SB 751 Legislative bodies of local agencies must publicly report: (1) any action taken and (2) the vote or abstention on each action taken by each member present for the action at a meeting.

If you have any questions regarding this meeting, please contact the City at Email: [info@cityofsebastopol.org](mailto:info@cityofsebastopol.org) or [citycouncil@cityofsebastopol.org](mailto:citycouncil@cityofsebastopol.org) or please call: 707-823-1153. The public is advised that pursuant to Government Code section 54957.5 all writings submitted to the City Council are public records and will be made available for review. The Sebastopol City Council welcomes you in person or remotely to its meetings that are generally scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month. Your interest and participation are encouraged and appreciated.

Government Code Section 54953.

(a) All meetings of the legislative body of a local agency shall be open and public, and all persons shall be permitted to attend any meeting of the legislative body of a local agency, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

(b) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the legislative body of a local agency may use teleconferencing for the benefit of the public and the legislative body of a local agency in connection with any meeting or proceeding authorized by law. The teleconferenced meeting or proceeding shall comply with all requirements of this chapter and all otherwise applicable provisions of law relating to a specific type of meeting or proceeding.

(2) Teleconferencing, as authorized by this section, may be used for all purposes in connection with any meeting within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body. All votes taken during a teleconferenced meeting shall be by rollcall.

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*There are times that the City Council open meetings may not be live streamed due to technical issues; if that is the case, the meeting will be video-taped and uploaded as soon as possible to the City Web Site. In the event of a disruption that prevents the legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the local agency's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.*

#### **COUNCIL PROTOCOLS FOR MEETING:**

*This in person and virtual/remote meeting is compliant with the Governor's Executive Order allowing for a deviation of teleconference rules required by the Brown Act. Traditional Brown Act and AB 2449 requirements can be utilized for all City Council meetings as long as required notice and posting is conducted per the Brown Act.*

*Please Note the presiding member of the legislative body conducting a meeting or their designee may remove, or cause the removal of, an individual for disrupting the meeting.*

*Prior to removing an individual, the presiding member or their designee shall warn the individual that their behavior is disrupting the meeting and that their failure to cease their behavior may result in their removal. The presiding member or their designee may then remove the individual if they do not promptly cease their disruptive behavior. This paragraph does not apply to any behavior described in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (b).*

*(b) As used in this section:*

*(1) "Disrupting" means engaging in behavior during a meeting of a legislative body that actually disrupts, disturbs, impedes, or renders infeasible the orderly conduct of the meeting and includes, but is not limited to, one of the following:*

*(A) A failure to comply with reasonable and lawful regulations adopted by a legislative body pursuant to Section 54954.3 or any other law.*

*(B) Engaging in behavior that constitutes use of force or a true threat of force.*

*(2) "True threat of force" means a threat that has sufficient indicia of intent and seriousness, that a reasonable observer would perceive it to be an actual threat to use force by the person making the threat.*