

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 17, 2024**

As Approved by the City Council at their regular meeting of January 7, 2025

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.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Zollman called the meeting to order at 5:09 pm

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Stephen Zollman
Vice Mayor Jill McLewis
Councilmember Phill Carter
Councilmember Neysa Hinton
Councilmember Sandra Maurer

Absent: None

Staff: City Manager Don Schwartz
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Mary Gourley
City Attorney Alex Mog
Administrative Services Director
Building Official
Community Development Director

1. Brown Act Training (City Attorney).

The City Attorney will be providing a Brown Act training to the City Council. The Ralph M. Brown Act is California's open meetings law. It mandates open and transparent government meetings for local legislative bodies. The Ralph M. Brown Act is a "public access law" that ensures the public's right to attend the meetings of public agencies, facilitates public participation in all phases of local government decision-making, and curbs misuse of the democratic process by secret legislation. Under the Act, all meetings of local legislative bodies are open and public, and all persons are permitted to attend the meetings except as otherwise provided by State Law.

City Attorney Alex Mog presented the Brown Act Training.

Mayor Zollman opened for questions of the City Attorney. City Attorney Mog answered questions.

Mayor Zollman opened for public comment. There were none.

Mayor Zollman asked for further questions from Council. There were none.

Mayor Zollman thanked City Attorney Mog for the training.

City Council Action: None Required. Receipt of Training
Minute Order Number: 2024-317

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Zollman adjourned the special meeting (Brown Act Training) at 5:55 pm to the regular City Council Meeting to be held December 17, 2024 at 6:00pm.

6:00 pm Regular City Council Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Zollman called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Stephen Zollman
Vice Mayor Jill McLewis
Councilmember Phill Carter
Councilmember Neysa Hinton
Councilmember Sandra Maurer

Absent: None

Staff: City Manager Don Schwartz
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Mary Gourley
City Attorney Alex Mog
Administrative Services Director
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SALUTE TO THE FLAG : Mayor Zollman led the salute to the flag.

REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB 2449 (IF NEEDED): To consider and take action on any request from a Council Member to participate in a meeting remotely due to Just Cause or Emergency Circumstances pursuant to AB 2449 (Government Code Section 549539(f)). There were no requests. All Councilmembers were in attendance.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS: 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.

There were no stated conflicts of interest by City Councilmembers.

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.

The following member(s) of the public spoke during public comment.

Member of the audience
Myriah

- Michael
- Ann
- Kevin
- Linda

CONSENT CALENDAR: The consent agenda consists of items that are routine in nature and do not require additional discussion by the City Council or have been reviewed by the City Council previously. These items may be approved by one motion without discussion unless a member of the City Council requests that the item be taken off the consent calendar.

The Mayor will read aloud the title of each consent item (either full agenda title or a simplified version of the agenda title), and ask if a Councilmember wishes to remove one or more items from the consent calendar; and then open public comment to the members of the public in attendance. At this time, a member of the public may speak for up to two (2) minutes on the entire consent calendar and request at that time that an item or items removed for discussion.

If an item or items are removed from the consent calendar, the item shall be placed at the end of the regular agenda items unless otherwise determined by the Mayor. Council Members may comment on Consent Calendar items or ask for minor clarifications without the need for pulling the item for separate consideration. Items requiring deliberation should be pulled for separate consideration and shall be placed at the end of the regular agenda items unless otherwise determined by the Mayor.

Mayor Zollman asked if any Councilmember wanted to remove a consent calendar item.

There was none.

Mayor Zollman opened for Public Comment(s). The following member(s) of the public spoke during public comment:

- Michael
- Kyle
- Linda

Mayor Zollman called for a motion.

MOTION:

Mayor Zollman moved and Vice Mayor McLewis seconded the motion to approve Consent Calendar Items Number(s) 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11,

Mayor Zollman called for a roll call vote. City staff conducted a roll call vote.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Carter, Hinton, Maurer, Vice Mayor McLewis and Mayor Zollman
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

2. Approval of Minutes of Special City Council Meeting – Closed Session Meeting of December 2, 2024
(Responsible Department: City Clerk)

City Council Action: Approved Minutes of Special City Council Meeting – Closed Session Meeting of December 2, 2024

Minute Order Number: 2024-318

3. Approval of Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of December 3, 2024 (Responsible Department: City Clerk)

City Council Action: Approved Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of December 3, 2024

Minute Order Number: 2024-319

4. Approval of Minutes of Special City Council Meeting – Closed Session Meeting of December 9, 2024
(Responsible Department: City Clerk)

City Council Action: **Approved Minutes of Special City Council Meeting – Closed Session Meeting of December 9, 2024**

Minute Order Number: **2024-320**

5. Approval of Adoption of Ordinance Number 1151: Ordinance to Repeal Ordinance Number 1132
(Electronic Filing of Campaign Finance Disclosure and Statements of Economic Interests) (Responsible
Department: City Clerk/City Attorney)

City Council Action: **Approved Adoption of Ordinance Number 1151: Ordinance to Repeal Ordinance Number 1132 (Electronic Filing of Campaign Finance Disclosure and Statements of Economic Interests)**

Minute Order Number: **2024-321**

Ordinance Number:

6. Receipt of Code of Conduct Policies (Request for Councilmembers to Sign Yearly) (Responsible
Department: City Clerk)

City Council Action: **Approved 6. Receipt of Code of Conduct Policies (Request for Councilmembers to Sign Yearly)**

Minute Order Number: **2024-322**

7. Approval of Local Appointments List (Maddy Act Government Code Sections § 54970- 54975) This is a
current list (As of December 31, 2024) of City Commission/Board/Committees: Planning Commission,
Design Review, Public Arts and Climate Action Committee (Responsible Department: City Clerk)

City Council Action: **Approved of Local Appointments List (Maddy Act Government Code Sections § 54970-54975) This is a current list (As of December 31, 2024) of City Commission/Board/Committees: Planning Commission, Design Review, Public Arts and Climate Action Committee**

Minute Order Number: **2024-323**

8. Receipt of Notice that the City of Sebastopol Offices will be Closed Monday December 23rd – Thursday
December 26th. In response to approved employee agreements, as well as minimal staffing, the City will
be closed for the Holiday period. The Police Department and Fire Departments will be staffed and Public
Works will be on Stand by. The Building Department, Administrative Services, Planning and Public Works
Offices will be closed. (Responsible Department: Assistant City Manager/City Clerk)

City Council Action: **Approved Receipt of Notice that the City of Sebastopol Offices will be Closed Monday December 23rd – Thursday December 26th. In response to approved employee agreements, as well as minimal staffing, the City will be closed for the Holiday period. The Police Department and Fire Departments will be staffed and Public Works will be on Stand by. The Building Department, Administrative Services, Planning and Public Works Offices will be closed.**

Minute Order Number: **2024-324**

9. Approval of AB 1600 Report for Fiscal Year 2023-24. "AB 1600" refers to Assembly Bill 1600, a California
state law that establishes guidelines for the collection and usage of "development impact fees" imposed
on new development projects, essentially requiring local governments to justify and transparently
account for fees they charge developers to fund necessary public infrastructure related to new
development; it's often called the "Mitigation Fee Act. AB 1600 requires agencies to annually report on
the fees collected and their use. (Responsible Department: Engineering)

City Council Action: **Approved Approval of AB 1600 Report for Fiscal Year 2023-24. "AB 1600" refers to Assembly Bill 1600, a California state law that establishes guidelines for the collection and usage of "development impact fees" imposed on new development projects, essentially requiring local governments to justify and transparently account for fees they charge developers to fund necessary public infrastructure related to new development; it's often called the "Mitigation Fee Act. AB 1600 requires agencies to annually report on the fees collected and their use.**

Minute Order Number: **2024-325**

10. Approval of Agreements with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA) for Implementation of a Local Transactions and Use Tax for ¼ cent sales tax as approved at the November 5, 2024 Municipal Election and Agreement with Sonoma County for Regarding Measure U and Measure I. In exchange for the City waiving collection of a portion of the ½ cent sales tax authorized by Measure U, Sonoma County will pay the City an amount equal to what the City would receive if it collected the full amount (Responsible Department: City Attorney)

City Council Action: Approved Agreements with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA) for Implementation of a Local Transactions and Use Tax for ¼ cent sales tax as approved at the November 5, 2024 Municipal Election and Agreement with Sonoma County for Regarding Measure U and Measure I. In exchange for the City waiving collection of a portion of the ½ cent sales tax authorized by Measure U, Sonoma County will pay the City an amount equal to what the City would receive if it collected the full amount

Minute Order Number: 2024-326
Resolution Number(s): 6631-2024
6632-2024
6633-2024

11. Adoption of a Resolution approving the Final Map and Subdivision Improvements Agreement for the Canopy Subdivision located at 1009-1011 Gravenstein Highway North, APN 060-261-026 & 028 (Property), and accepting the dedication of public easements for utilities, emergency vehicle access and public (pedestrian and bicycle) access (Responsible Department: Engineering)

City Council Action: Approved a Resolution approving the Final Map and Subdivision Improvements Agreement for the Canopy Subdivision located at 1009-1011 Gravenstein Highway North, APN 060-261-026 & 028 (Property), and accepting the dedication of public easements for utilities, emergency vehicle access and public (pedestrian and bicycle) access

Minute Order Number: 2024-327
Resolution Number: 6634-2024

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS: Informational Items or Presentations are items that are informational only and do not require action by the City Council. Presentations shall be scheduled as necessary for the promotion of an event or service or general information items to the Council and should be limited to ten (10) minutes total in length of item (total length includes questions of Council to presenter and public comment). **NONE**

PUBLIC HEARING(s): NONE

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

12. Receipt of Council Appointment to Committee Requests and Discussion of 2025 City Council and City Staff Annual Board and Committee Assignments. After discussion of the requests, the item will be returned to the next City Council Meeting for City Council to consider and ratify the Mayor’s recommendations for committee assignments per City Council Protocol. (Responsible Department: City Clerk)

City Clerk Gourley presented the agenda item recommending the City Council discuss of Council Appointment to Committee Requests and Discussion of 2025 City Council and City Staff Annual Board and Committee Assignments. After discussion of the requests, the item will be returned to the next City Council Meeting for City Council to consider and ratify the Mayor’s recommendations for committee assignments per City Council Protocol.

Mayor Zollman opened for questions of City staff. City staff answered questions.

Mayor Zollman opened for public comment. The following members(s) of the public provided public comment:

- Kyle
- Myriah
- Linda
- Robert

Mayor Zollman asked for additional comments.

Maurer – Retracted her name from Legislative Committee

McLewis – Advocate for Legislative Committee

Hinton- primary committee SCTA; and also homeless coordinator; CIRA (either primary or alternate); EIFD

Maurer – Step aside for SCP

Maurer – Zero Waste – alternate

Seb Arts – no need for alternate

Hinton – Rotary Club

Council consensus to ratify council liaisons as noted in report.

Mayor Zollman thanked the Council for receipt of the requests for committee assignments and stated the item will be returned to the next City Council Meeting for City Council to consider and ratify the Mayor's recommendations for committee assignments per City Council Protocol.

City Council Action: None taken. Council consensus to ratify council liaisons as noted in report.

Mayor Zollman thanked the Council for receipt of the requests for committee assignments and stated the item will be returned to the next City Council Meeting for City Council to consider and ratify the Mayor's recommendations for committee assignments per City Council Protocol.

Reference Order Number: 2024-328

13. Discussion and Consideration of Staff Support for Climate Action Committee. (Responsible Department: Planning/City Manager)

Community Development Director presented the agenda item recommending the City Council Discuss and consider staff support for the Climate Action Committee.

Mayor Zollman opened for questions of City staff. City staff answered questions.

Motion to appeal decision of Mayor:

Appeal. Should any Councilmember be dissatisfied with a ruling from the chair, he/she may move to appeal the ruling to the full Council. The motion must be seconded to put it before the Council. A majority vote in the negative or a tie vote sustains the ruling of the chair. The motion is debatable and the chair may participate in the debate. For example, if the chair determines a member of the public is making a comment on an impermissible topic and ends their opportunity to speak, another member may appeal that decision.

Councilmember Hinton moved and Councilmember Maurer seconded the motion to allow the Chair of the CAC to make comments.

Mayor Zollman allowed the CAC chair to speak for no more than 10 minutes.

Councilmember Hinton withdrew her motion.

Chair Lee made remarks.

Mayor Zollman opened for public comment. The following member(s) of the public spoke during public comment.

- Steve
- Ann
- Michael
- Linda
- Ambrosia
- Kyle
- Oliver

City Council Discussion, Deliberations, or direction to Staff:

The Council provided additional public comment.

Mayor Zollman called for a motion.

MOTION:

Councilmember Maurer moved and Councilmember Hinton seconded the motion to support Option Number 2
Option 2: Reduce the number of staff hours supporting the work of the CAC. This is a simple option to reduce costs that would simply provide the CAC with a monthly “budget” of staff hours. Consideration will need to be given the type of work that the CAC is undertaking, as it is the largest driver of staff work. For example, CAC actions related to organizing the compost giveaway involve no staff hours, while crafting an Ordinance for Council consideration involves iterative staff reviews and the preparation of staff reports. Limiting staff hours to 10 per month would allow monthly meetings to continue to be held in compliance with the Brown Act but would reduce CAC members’ reliance on Planning staff to carry out their work and may require that work to be re-prioritized. Staff hours not used in any month would roll over. This Option does have Brown Act considerations in that the Act continues to limit members’ ability to talk to one another about their projects and planning staff requests outside of an open, noticed public meeting.

Direct staff to return with agenda item to consider reducing the size of the committee.

Mayor Zollman called for a roll call vote. City staff conducted a roll call vote.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Carter, Hinton, Maurer and Mayor Zollman

Noes: Vice Mayor McLewis

Absent: None

Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved support Option Number 2

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Staff hours not used in any month would roll over. This Option does have Brown Act considerations in that the Act continues to limit members' ability to talk to one another about their projects and planning staff requests outside of an open, noticed public meeting.

Direct staff to return with agenda item to consider reducing the size of the committee.

Minute Order Number: 2024-329

14. Consideration of Council Approval of the Sebastopol Fire Department Stipend Policy. There is no budget amendment required for approval of this policy. (Responsible Department: Fire/City Manager/Human Resources)

Fire Chief Bray presented the agenda item recommending the City Council Discuss and consider Approval of the Sebastopol Fire Department Stipend Policy. There is no budget amendment required for approval of this policy

Mayor Zollman opened for questions of City staff. City staff answered questions.

Mayor Zollman opened for public comment. There was none.

City Council Discussion, Deliberations, or Direction to Staff:

There was no further discussion.

Mayor Zollman called for a motion.

MOTION:

Vice Mayor McLewis moved and Councilmember Maurer seconded the motion to approve Sebastopol Fire Department Stipend Policy

Mayor Zollman called for a roll call vote. City staff conducted a roll call vote.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Carter, Hinton, Maurer, Vice Mayor McLewis and Mayor Zollman

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved Sebastopol Fire Department Stipend Policy

Minute Order Number: 2024-330

15. Consideration of Council Approval of Fire Captain Job Description and Salary Range. There is no budget amendment required for the approval of the job description or salary range. (Responsible Department: Fire/City Manager/Human Resources)

Fire Chief Bray presented the agenda item recommending the City Council Discuss and consider Approval of the Fire Captain Job Description and Salary Range.

Mayor Zollman opened for questions of City staff. City staff answered questions.

Mayor Zollman opened for public comment. There was none

City Council Discussion, Deliberations, or Direction to Staff:

There were no additional comments.

Mayor Zollman called for a motion.

MOTION:

Councilmember Hinton moved and Councilmember Maurer seconded the motion to approve of the Fire Captain Job Description and Salary Range.

Salary Range

10,888	1.0% below median	Aligns with Windsor, St. Helena, Santa Rosa, North SC Fire, Cloverdale
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Mayor Zollman called for a roll call vote. City staff conducted a roll call vote.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Carter, Hinton, Maurer, Vice Mayor McLewis and Mayor Zollman
 Noes: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved Fire Captain Job Description and Salary Range.

Salary Range

\$10,888 1.0% below median Aligns with Windsor, St. Helena, Santa Rosa, North SC Fire, Cloverdale
 Minute Order Number: 2024-331

- 16. Consideration of Contract Amendment for Scope of Work for City Gate Contract for Fire Department Reorganization Items for an Additional Allocation of \$25,000. The FY 24 25 budget has budgeted and allocated \$50,000 for Consolidation Negotiation Advising and the City hired CityGates for fire negotiation items. This item requires Council approval for City Manager to sign this contract which is above the purchasing authority. \$25,000 will be transferred within the fire department budget which is within the City Manager’s authority. There is no increase to the budget. (Responsible Department: City Manager)

City Manager Schwartz presented the agenda item recommending the City Council Discuss and consider Approval of Contract Amendment for Scope of Work for City Gate Contract for Fire Department Reorganization Items for an Additional Allocation of \$25,000.

Mayor Zollman opened for questions of City staff. There were none

Mayor Zollman opened for public comment. The following member(s) of the public spoke during public comment.

- Linda

City Council Discussion, Deliberations, or Direction to Staff:

The council provided additional comments.

Mayor Zollman called for a motion.

MOTION:

Councilmember Maurer moved and Mayor Zollman seconded the motion to approve Contract Amendment for Scope of Work for City Gate Contract for Fire Department Reorganization Items for an Additional Allocation of \$25,000.

Mayor Zollman called for a roll call vote. City staff conducted a roll call vote.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Carter, Hinton, Maurer, Vice Mayor McLewis and Mayor Zollman

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved Contract Amendment for Scope of Work for City Gate Contract for Fire Department Reorganization Items for an Additional Allocation of \$25,000.

Minute Order Number: 2024-332

17. Consideration of Council Approval to Proceed with Update to Staffing Assessment Study. This item has been budgeted in the FY 24 25 City Budget for \$10,000; therefore there is no budget amendment required. This item was reviewed by the Budget Committee at their meeting of December 2, 2024. City staff is requesting Staffing Assessment be Completed prior to the 2025 Goals and Priority Setting (Responsible Department: Assistant City Manager/City Clerk)

City Clerk Gourley presented the agenda item recommending the City Council Discuss and consider Approval to Proceed with Update to Staffing Assessment Study. This item has been budgeted in the FY 24 25 City Budget for \$10,000; therefore there is no budget amendment required.

Mayor Zollman opened for questions of City staff. City staff answered questions.

Mayor Zollman opened for public comment. There was none.

City Council Discussion, Deliberations, or Direction to Staff:

There was no further discussion.

Mayor Zollman called for a motion.

MOTION:

Vice Mayor McLewis moved and Councilmember Maurer seconded the motion to approve proceeding with Update to Staffing Assessment Study.

Mayor Zollman called for a roll call vote. City staff conducted a roll call vote.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Carter, Hinton, Maurer, Vice Mayor McLewis and Mayor Zollman

Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved proceeding with Update to Staffing Assessment Study.
Minute Order Number: 2024-333

18. Consideration of Approval for Budget Amendment for Additional \$1500 for newly elected Councilmember to attend the League of CA Cities /CAL Cities New Mayors and Council Members Academy, January 22-24, 2025 in Sacramento (Responsible Department: City Clerk)

City Clerk Gourley presented the agenda item recommending the City Council Discuss and consider Approval for Budget Amendment for Additional \$1500 for newly elected Councilmember to attend the League of CA Cities /CAL Cities New Mayors and Council Members Academy, January 22-24, 2025 in Sacramento

Mayor Zollman opened for questions of City staff. City staff answered questions.

Mayor Zollman opened for public comment. There was none.

City Council Discussion, Deliberations, or Direction to Staff:

There was no further discussion.

Mayor Zollman called for a motion.

MOTION:

Vice Mayor McLewis moved and Mayor Zollman seconded the motion to approve Budget Amendment for Additional \$1500 for newly elected Councilmember to attend the League of CA Cities /CAL Cities New Mayors and Council Members Academy, January 22-24, 2025 in Sacramento.

Mayor Zollman called for a roll call vote. City staff conducted a roll call vote.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Carter, Hinton Vice Mayor McLewis and Mayor Zollman
Noes: Councilmember Maurer
Absent: None
Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved Budget Amendment for Additional \$1500 for newly elected Councilmember to attend the League of CA Cities /CAL Cities New Mayors and Council Members Academy, January 22-24, 2025 in Sacramento.

Minute Order Number: 2024-334
Resolution Number: 6635-2024

19. Designating Voting Delegate and Alternate(s) to Vote in the Mayor's Absence for the 2025 Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers City Selection Committee Meetings and Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Board and General Membership Association Meetings (Responsible Department: City Clerk)

City Clerk Gourley presented the agenda item recommending the City Council Discuss and consider Designating Voting Delegate and Alternate(s) to Vote in the Mayor's Absence for the 2025 Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers City Selection Committee Meetings and Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Board and General Membership Association Meetings.

Mayor Zollman opened for questions of City staff. City staff answered questions.

Mayor Zollman opened for public comment. There was none.

City Council Discussion, Deliberations, or Direction to Staff:

There was no further discussion.

Mayor Zollman called for a motion.

MOTION:

Councilmember Maurer moved and Mayor Zollman seconded the motion to ratify and approve Designating Voting Delegate and Alternate(s) to Vote in the Mayor's Absence for the 2025 Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers City Selection Committee Meetings and Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Board and General Membership Association Meetings as follows:

1. Mayor
2. Vice Mayor
3. Carter
4. Hinton
5. Maurer

Mayor Zollman called for a roll call vote. City staff conducted a roll call vote.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Carter, Hinton, Maurer, Vice Mayor McLewis and Mayor Zollman
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved Designating Voting Delegate and Alternate(s) to Vote in the Mayor's Absence for the 2025 Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers City Selection Committee Meetings and Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Board and General Membership Association Meetings as follows:

1. Mayor
2. Vice Mayor
3. Carter
4. Hinton
5. Maurer

Minute Order Number: 2024-335

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: Two 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.

- Kate

CITY COUNCIL/CITY STAFF REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE MEETINGS:

20. City Manager and/or City Clerk Reports: (This will be either verbal reports at the meeting, or written reports provided at or prior to the meeting)
 - a. Departmental Reports
 - b. Update/Status of Active Transportation Plan

Reference Order: 2024-336

21. City Council Reports/Committee/Sub-Committee Meeting Reports: (Reports by Mayor/City Councilmembers Regarding Various Agency Meetings/Committee Meetings/Sub-Committee Meeting /Conferences Attended and Possible Direction to its Representatives (If Needed) on Pending issues before such Boards. ((This will be either verbal reports at the meeting, or written reports provided at or prior to the meeting)
 - a. Budget Committee Report Out
22. Council Communications Received (Information/Meetings/Correspondence Received from the General Public to Councilmembers)

CLOSED SESSION: NONE

ADJOURNMENT OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Zollman adjourned the December 17th, 2024 City Council Regular Meeting at 8:56 pm to the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 6:00 pm, Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary C. Gourley
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

City Council Meeting - December 17, 2024

PLEASE STAND BY FOR REALTIME CAPTIONS.

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RECORDING IN PROGRESS.

WE ARE READY.

I.T.? OKAY. SO I'M GOING TO CALL THE SPECIAL MEETING OF DECEMBER 17th TO ORDER AT 5:11. AND MARY, ARE YOU ABLE TO TAKE A CALL?

YES. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YES. CAN I PRINT

HERE.

COUNCILMEMBER MAURER. TO MAKE HERE.

VICE CHAIR McLEWIS.

HERE.

MAYOR ZOLLMAN PRESENT MEDICARE.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MEMBERS ARE IN ATTENDANCE.

I WANTED TO TYPE UP A SCRIPT WITH THE FILING. IF I OR ANY MEMBER OF THE STAFF MAY CAUSE REMODELED ANY INDIVIDUAL FOR DISRUPTING THE MEETING FOR DISRUPTING THE MEETING IN BEHAVIOR DURING THE MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY THAT DISRUPTS, DISTURBS, IMPEDES, OR RENDERS ANY PIECE OF DISORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL IS SPEAKING DURING ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA. WE ARE GOING TO TURN TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER ONE. AND I WILL READ THE AGENDA ITEM. THIS IS FOR 25 TRAINING FOR THE CITY ATTORNEY WILL PROVIDING BROWN ACT TRAINING TO THE CITY COUNCIL. I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE OUR CITY ATTORNEY, ALEX MOG , AND I WILL TURN IT OVER TO HIM AND.

THANK YOU ENTITY, COUNCIL PALAZZO SAID, THIS IS A BROWN ACT TRAINING AND A REFRESHER FOR EVERYONE. AND NEW COUNCILMEMBER, IT IS A LOT WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH ALL THE TIME. SO WE HAVE THE SESSIONS FROM TIME TO TIME AND THAT IS ALL CYLINDER PROTOCOL. WE ARE GOING TO COVER A LOT TONIGHT. FEEL FREE TO RAISE A HAND WHEN YOU HAVE A QUESTION. THAT WILL KEEP US MOVING A LITTLE QUICKER. ALL RIGHT. SO THE BROWN ACT IS CALIFORNIA'S OPEN MEETING LAW. THAT IS ASSIGNED TO ENSURE THE PUBLIC IS ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BUSINESS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT. THE LAW ONLY APPLIES TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. OF COURSE, THE STATE LEGISLATURE DECIDED TO EXEMPT THEMSELVES FROM IT. IT APPLIES TO CITY COUNCIL, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, YOU KNOW, ALL OF THE DISTRICTS AROUND THIS AS WELL. SO WHAT THE BROWN ACT REQUIRES, IF AT ALL MEETINGS OF LEGISLATIVE BODIES BE OPEN. THAT IS THE CRUX OF THE BROWN ACT THAT SOUNDS VERY SIMPLE, BUT OF COURSE, WITH EVERYTHING, COMPLICATIONS AND EXCEPTIONS AND THAT SORT OF THING. WE WILL WALK YOU THROUGH EACH ONE OF THOSE THINGS. FIRST THE QUESTION IS, WHAT IS A LEGISLATIVE BODY? A LEGISLATIVE BODY IS GOVERNING BODY LIKE THE CITY COUNCIL. YOU ARE THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY. ANY APPOINTED BODY, ANYBODY YOU APPOINT, THE PLANNING COMMISSION. THE PRIVATE ACTION COMMITTEE. THOSE ARE ALL LEGISLATIVE BODIES

SUBJECT TO THE BROWN ACT, AS WELL AS ANY STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE CITY COUNCIL. THE BUDGET COMMITTEE. WHAT IS NOT A LEGISLATIVE BODY IS AN AD HOC COMMITTEE COMPRISED OF LESS THAN A FORM OF THE BODY. SOLELY LESS THAN A QUORUM. WE WILL TALK ABOUT THAT A LITTLE BIT MORE IN DEPTH LATER ON. THE CITY HAS A LOT OF THEM. HAVING A LOT OF COMMITTEES. SO WE MENTIONED MEETINGS OF LEGISLATIVE BODIES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND WHAT QUALIFIES AS A MEETING? A MEETING IS A CONGREGATION OF A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, OF THE SAME TIME AND PLACE TO HEAR, DISCUSS, TO DELIBERATE ON AN ITEM OF BUSINESS WITHIN THE AGENCY UNDER JURISDICTION. SO ANY TIME THERE ARE THREE OF YOU THAT HAVE MET COLLECTIVELY, THAT QUALIFIES AS A MEETING. WHETHER IT IS IN THIS ROOM OR OUTSIDE. I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT THAT THE LANGUAGE IN HERE IS TO HEAR, TO DISCUSS, OR TO DELIBERATE. THAT IS VERY BROAD BUT IT IS NOT JUST VOTING ON SOMETHING OR HAVING A FORMAL CONVERSATION . IS EVEN HEARING SOMEONE TALK ABOUT A TOPIC, YOU KNOW? THREE PEOPLE MEETING WITH THE SAME CONSTITUENT WOULD VIOLATE THE BROWN ACT BECAUSE YOU WOULD BE LISTENING TO THE CONSTITUENT TALK ABOUT THAT ISSUE.

WHAT A SOMEONE, ANOTHER COUNCILMEMBER, JUST SAYS SOMETHING TO YOU AND YOU HEARD IT BECAUSE THEY SAID IT, DO NOT HAVE TIME TO SAY -- BUT THEY HAVE ALREADY SAID IT? AND THEN WITH SOMEBODY ELSE ON THAT SAME TOPIC. WHAT YOU DO THEN?

YEAH, LET'S TALK ABOUT THAT IN A COUPLE MORE SLIDES WE WILL TALK ABOUT THAT CHAIN OF COMMUNICATION THAT I WILL HOLD OFF ON ANSWERING.

YEAH, THANK YOU FOR THIS FLIGHT. HONESTLY, THIS WAS DEFINITELY A MUCH BROADER SCOPE THAN I HAVE EVER ENCOUNTERED. TO DELIBERATE ON ANY ITEM OR DISCUSS ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS WITHIN THE AGENCY JURISDICTION. SO THE WAY I AM READING THIS IS THE FACT OF WHETHER IT IS AGENDA ITEMS ARE NOT, WHETHER IT IS THE FUTURE TOPIC OR NOT, IT IS BASICALLY ANY TOPIC WITHIN AGENCIES, THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION.

CORRECT.

SO WHAT WOULD THAT BE?

IF YOU'RE HAVING A SOCIAL DISCUSSION, WHAT YOU DOING FOR CHRISTMAS? THAT IS JUST A SOCIAL CONVERSATION. BUT ANYTHING THAT IS WITHIN THE CITY'S AUTHORITY. WHETHER IT IS BEFORE YOU NOW OR COMMENT BEFORE YOU IN THE FUTURE, THAT WOULD QUALIFY AS SOMETHING.

IT SOUNDS LIKE WHAT YOU ARE SAYING IS IT COULD BE SOMETHING.

YES.

SO WE ATTEND AS REGULAR COUNCILMEMBERS. WE ATTEND SACRAMENTO CONFERENCES THAT WE ARE HEARING ON A GIVEN EXAMPLE, MEASURE J . WHERE ALL HEARING IT IN THE SAME ROOM. SO A VARIETY OF COUNCILS. AND THEN WE TAKE IT UP AS A PROCLAMATION ON A FUTURE AGENDA. HOW DOES THAT WORK?

SO THAT IS THE PERFECT SEGUE TO THE EXCEPTION. AND THERE ARE A LOT OF EXCEPTIONS. THE EXCEPTIONS ARE THE BROWN ACT IS SUPPOSED TO BE CONSTRUED BROADLY. SO THERE ARE EXCEPTIONS NARROWLY, BUT THERE

ARE NUMBER OF EXCEPTIONS. GOING TO A CONFERENCE. WE ARE ALL TALKING ABOUT CITY BUSINESS THEIR BID OR TOPICS WITHIN CITY BUSINESS. THAT IS AN EXCEPTION. COMMITTEE MEETINGS THAT ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. AT A PRIVATE MEETING. LET'S SAY THE CHAMBER WANTS TO TALK ABOUT IMPROVEMENTS FOR DOWNTOWN. THEY OPEN THE DOORS TO ANYONE TO COME. INDIVIDUAL CONTACTS WITH YOU CAN HAVE AN INDIVIDUAL CONVERSATION WITH ANOTHER COUNCILMEMBER ARE WITH, YOU KNOW, ONE-ON-ONE CONVERSATIONS WITH YOUR CONSTITUENTS. MEETINGS OF OTHER LEGISLATIVE BODIES BUT YOU CAN ALL GO TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING AND TALK ABOUT, YOU KNOW, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR YOU THAT MEASURE J PROVIDES MORE FUNDING TO CITIES. ANY OF THOSE THINGS. YOU CAN ATTEND OTHER STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, BUT YOU CANNOT PARTICIPATE IN THEM. YOU CAN GO TO A BUDGET MEETING AND SIT THERE. YOU CANNOT PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU CAN JUST SIT AND BE THERE. SOCIAL OR CEREMONY EVENTS. THINGS LIKE THAT. BUT THE KEY POINT IS, AT THOSE EVENTS, AS A GROUP, AND MAKE CONGREGATE AS A MAJORITY AND TALK ABOUT IT. YOU MIGHT BE AT A HEARING ABOUT IDEAS FOR HOMELESSNESS, YOU KNOW, DEALING WITH HOMELESSNESS. THAT'S FINE. BUT WHAT YOU CANNOT DO IS ALL SIT IN THE BACK AND SAY WE SHOULD TRY XYZ WHEN WE GET BACK THERE.

SO AT THESE CONFERENCES, WE CAN HEAR ABOUT IT, BUT THREE OF US CANNOT DISCUSS IT UNLESS WE SAY -- AND THEN COME TO DISCUSS? ANY SITUATIONS, WE CAN HEAR BUT WE CANNOT DISCUSS?

CORRECT. YOU CANNOT DISCUSS AMONGST YOURSELVES THAT IF YOU'RE THERE, YOU COULD GO UP TO THE MICROPHONE AND ASK A QUESTION OF THE PRESENTER. YOU KNOW, YOU SHOULD NOT BE DISCUSSING IT. IF IT IS A TOPIC YOU WANT TO LEARN AND DISCUSS IT WITH THE COUNCIL, YOU SHOULD COME BACK AS A FUTURE AGENDA ITEM.

WE CAN STILL ALL HANG OUT TOGETHER?

YES.

OKAY.

SO AND COUNCILMEMBER, YOU MENTIONED THIS EARLIER. SO FAR, TALKING ABOUT JUST THREE OF YOU AT ONCE. BUT THE BROWN ACT ALSO DOES NOT ALLOW A SERIAL MEETING. THROUGH A SERIES OF COMMUNICATIONS, A MAJORITY ENDS UP TALKING. SO WE WILL TALK ABOUT SERIAL MEETINGS IN A MINUTE BUT I WANT TO CLARIFY IT DOES NOT PREVENT ALL OF YOU FROM TALKING TO THE SAME PERSON. IT DOES NOT PREVENT EACH OF YOU FROM HAVING CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CITY MANAGER ABOUT THE SAME ITEM OF CITY BUSINESS, AS LONG AS THOSE ARE INDIVIDUAL CONVERSATIONS.

BUT THAT ALSO MEANS THE CITY MANAGER CANNOT TALK TO EACH PERSON.

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THE FIRST IS HUB AND SPOKE BUT IT IS FINE FOR EACH OF YOU TO HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH DON OR MARY ABOUT A SPECIFIC TOPIC. WHAT CANNOT HAPPEN IS DON AND MARY CANNOT SHARE THAT INFORMATION BACK AS THEY HAVE AN ADDITIONAL CONVERSATION. SO ONE PERSON IS SPREADING INFORMATION. SO EVEN THOUGH YOU MAY NOT ALL TALK TO

EACH OTHER, YOU'RE USING DON KIND OF AS THE INTERMEDIARY. THAT IS NOT --

I WANT TO CLARIFY BUT MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT MARY AND I ARE OR WHOEVER CAN SHARE THE SAME INFORMATION WITH THE COUNCILMEMBER UP AND WHAT WE CANNOT SHARE IS YOUR VIEWS ON THE MATTER WITH OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS?

CORRECT. CORRECT.

SO FOR EXAMPLE, I HAVE A MEETING WITH A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. AND I TELL THAT MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, SAY IT IS SOME HOT TOPIC WE ARE COVERING. AND I SAY, WELL, I WOULD NOT DO THIS, FOR EXAMPLE. I WILL NOT DO THIS. AND JUST MAKE A STATEMENT LIKE THAT BUT I'M NOT JUST LISTENING BUT I'M ACTUALLY SAYING WHAT I WOULD OR WOULD NOT DO. AND SO WHILE THEY COULD THEN TAKE MY POSITION, EVEN THOUGH I AM NOT SAYING HOW I'M GOING TO VOTE, I AM SAYING, I WOULD NOT DO THAT. THEY COULD TAKE IT AND THEN GO TO EVERY COUNCILMEMBER WELL, COUNCILMEMBER MAURER SAID SHE WOULD NOT DO THAT , AND THEN THAT BECOMES A SERIAL MEETING?

CORRECT.

DOES THAT MEAN I SHOULD EVER TAKE A POSITION ON ANYTHING IN TERMS OF --?

SO THE BROWN ACT IS REALLY MEANT TO COME OUT WHAT THE BOARD IS, YOU KNOW, WHAT CITY COUNCIL IS DOING. SO IF A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC STARTS TELLING YOU, YOU KNOW, I TALKED TO THE MAYOR AND THE VICE MAYOR AND THEY TOLD ME, YOU CAN ASK THEM. YOU CANNOT TELL ME THAT. THAT SORT OF THING.

SO IT IS ON US?

YES.

IT IS ON EVERY INDIVIDUAL COUNCILMEMBER? EVEN THOUGH I SAID THAT TO THAT PERSON, EACH OF THE OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS, THEY HAVE TO BE THE SAME WAY?

YES, CORRECT. AND WE WILL GET TO ENFORCEMENT LATER ON. IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS WHERE IT IS NOT, THERE IS NO, YOU KNOW, WE CANNOT LOOK AT THE CASE WHERE SOMEONE WAS PUBLISHED FOR THAT. AND THEN SOMETHING MINOR LIKE THAT. IT IS NOT INTENTIONAL BY A COUNCILMEMBER PETTIT IS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO SERVED. YOU KNOW, THAT IS NOT MUCH WE CAN DO ABOUT THAT DECIDES TRYING TO PREVENT IT BY SAYING, YOU KNOW, DO NOT TELL ME THAT THEY MIGHT SEND YOU AN EMAIL AND YOU GOT UP BEFORE YOU COULD TELL ANYONE. IT IS JUST IMPORTANT TO WHERE YOU CAN INFORM THE PUBLIC.

SO EVEN THOUGH, SO THAT BRINGS ME TO SOMETHING I THINK IS TRUE, BUT I MIGHT AS WELL VERIFY IT. THAT REALLY REALLY NOT ALLOWED TO TAKE FINAL POSITIONS UNTIL WE ARE ON THE DAIS AND WE HAVE HEARD FROM THE FULL PUBLIC? SO, JUST TO CLARIFY?

THAT IS ESPECIALLY TRUE FOR ANY TIME THERE IS AN APPLICATION BEFORE YOU. AT THE DEVELOPMENT -- IT IS OKAY TO TAKE POSITIONS SORT OF LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS. BUT ANYTIME THERE IS AN APPLICATION, YOU REALLY HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THAT PERSON HAS THE DAY BEFORE YOU HAVE THE DECISION IN A PUBLIC FORUM.

CAN YOU GIVE US A COUPLE EXAMPLES OF WHAT YOU MEAN BY LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS?

YES BUT WHEN YOU ARE ADOPTING RULES AND ORDINANCES. THAT SORT OF THING. THAT IS A LEGISLATIVE ACT. SO WHEN YOU DECIDE TO PUT A MEASURE ON THE BALLOT FOR SALES TAX, THAT IS LEGISLATIVE AND WHEN YOU HAVE AN APPLICATION TO MAKE, FOR EXAMPLE, THERE IS SOMETHING ON THE AGENDA REGARDING THE FINAL MAP FOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. YOUR ACTING AS A WAS A JUDICIAL BODY. YOU APPLY THE RULES YOU HAVE ALREADY ADOPTED TO THE APPLICATION. SO WHEN YOU APPLY THE RULES YOU HAVE ALREADY ADOPTED TO SOMETHING, IN THAT SITUATION, YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO NOT TAKE A POSITION UNTIL YOU HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING THAT EVERYONE CAN COME AND GIVE, AND SAY WHAT THEY WANT TO. BUT I WILL MOVE ON BECAUSE, SORRY, MARY.

SINCE WE ARE JUST SORT OF -- SO TO AVOID THESE THINGS, WHAT I HAVE BEEN TAUGHT IS THAT IF THERE'S ANYTHING I WANT TO CONVEY TO MY FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS, WE SEND IT TO MARY AND THAT MARY SENDS IT OUTPUT IS THAT RIGHT?

MARY CANNOT CONVEY YOUR OPINIONS.

NO. JUST AS FAR AS INFORMATION.

LET'S SAY YOU HAD A REGIONAL BOARD MEETING. YEAH, SEND THAT TO MARY AND SHE WILL SEND IT OUT TO THE GROUP.

OKAY.

SO ANOTHER TYPE OF MEETING IS CALLED A DAISY CHAIN. THAT IS WHEN ONE PERSON TALKS TO THE NEXT PERSON. THAT IS FINE. IF THAT IS HOW IT HAPPENS, THAT IS FINE. BUT THEN THE SECOND COUNCILMEMBER TALK TO A THIRD COUNCILMEMBER. I KNOW THEY HAVE TALKED TO OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS. THERE HAS BEEN A MAJORITY WHO HAVE DISCUSSED AMONGST THEMSELVES. SO THAT IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE THAT WOULD VIOLATE THE BROWN ACT. IT IS JUST IMPORTANT TO THINK ABOUT WHO WE ARE HAVING CONVERSATIONS WITH AND BEING VERY MINDFUL OF THAT. IT IS FINE TO HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH ONE OTHER PERSON, BUT JUST REMEMBER THAT YOU HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH THIS PERSON ABOUT EX. ANOTHER WAY THIS CAN HAPPEN, ONE WAY TO AVOID IT IS REPLAYING ALL TO EMAILS. THAT COUNTS AS A FORM OF COMMUNICATION. WEAPONS AND EMAILS BCC JUST SO YOU CANNOT ACCIDENTALLY HIT REPLY ALL AND SAY SOMETHING. SO SERIAL MEETINGS APPLY. THIS IS A TOPIC BY TOPIC ROLE. IF YOU, IF COUNCILMEMBER CAPITAL A TOXIC COUNCILMEMBER BE ABOUT X, COUNCILMEMBER A CAN TALK TO COUNCILMEMBER C ABOUT Y. SO TALKING ABOUT TWO DIFFERENT TOPICS AND THAT IS OKAY. BUT IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT THE BROWN ACT IS SUPPOSED TO BE APPLIED BROADLY. THAT'S IN THE INTEREST OF TRANSPARENCY. SO YOU NEED TO BE DEFINING WHAT THE TOPIC IS BROADLY. SO THAT IS JUST SOMETHING WE DO NOT WANT TO TAKE -- DEFINING WHAT THEY ARE. THERE IS ALSO A -- ASPECT TO THIS, RIGHT? WE JUST PASSED THE SALES TAX MEASURE. IF 10 YEARS FROM NOW, WE TALKED TO A COUNCILMEMBER ABOUT, HEY, WE SHOULD PUT A TAX ON THE BALLOT. THAT IS CLEARLY A DIFFERENT CONVERSATION ON A DIFFERENT TOPIC BUT THERE IS NO FINE LINE RULE ABOUT WHEN IT IS A NEW TOPIC BUT IT IS IMPORTANT TO USE YOUR BEST JUDGMENT. BUT I WOULD GENERALLY SAY THAT JUST BECAUSE THE COUNCIL HAS ACTED ON SOMETHING, IT COULD COME BACK TO YOU. IT COULD COME BACK, YOU KNOW, LET'S TAKE THE SALES TAX, FOR EXAMPLE. YOU GO TO PUT IT ON THE BALLOT. WE KNOW IT MAY COME BACK BECAUSE

WE HAVE TO TALK ABOUT A SPENDING PLAN. OR WHETHER WE ARE GOING TO, YOU KNOW, WORK WITH THE STATE ON A SOLUTION. OKAY. THOSE ARE ISSUES JUST REMEMBER, AS WE ARE GOING THROUGH THE BROWN ACT, WE ALWAYS, THE BROWN ACT IT SAYS ABOUT WE NEED TO INTERPRET ALL THESE RULES BROADLY IN FAVOR OF THE MOST PUBLIC -- SO AT HOT COMMITTEES. AN AD HOC COMMITTEE IS COMPRISED OF LESS THAN A QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL. THAT IS THE FIRST THING. THAT MEANS THERE CAN ONLY BE TWO OF YOU ON THE COMMITTEE. MOTHER COUNCILMEMBER CAN ATTEND THE MEETING. OR PARTICIPATE IN IT. AND OTHER PEOPLE CAN BE ON THE MEETING. NO ONE ELSE CAN BE IN THE MEETING. SO WE HAVE STAFF THAT STAFF THOSE MEETINGS, BUT THEY ARE NOT MEMBERS. IF THERE IS AN AD HOC COMMITTEE WHERE OTHER PEOPLE HAVE A VOTE IN, BESIDES THE TWO COUNCILMEMBERS, THEN IT IS NO LONGER AN AD HOC COMMITTEE. IT IS JUST APPOINTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL. THE OTHER THING THAT IS IMPORTANT IS AN AD HOC COMMITTEE HAS TO HAVE A LIMITED PURPOSE. SO FOR EXAMPLE, THE BUDGET COMMITTEE, THAT IS, WE ARE ALWAYS WORKING ON OUR BUDGET. THAT IS A STANDING ITEM. IN CONTRAST, THE FIRE CONSOLIDATION ORGANIZATION, THAT IS THE PURPOSE AND WE ARE WORKING ON FIRE REORGANIZATION. ONCE THAT IS DONE, THAT IS OVER. THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER PURPOSE FOR THAT BODY. SO THE AD HOC COMMITTEE HAS TO HAVE A PURPOSE BUT IF THEY HAVE THAT LINEAR PURPOSE, THEN YOU CAN BE AN AD HOC. AN AUDIT -- AD HOC'S ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE BROWN ACT. I WILL SAY, WE HAVE A LOT OF COMMITTEES. IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER WE NEED TO BE CAUTIOUS OF WHERE THERE IS OVERLAPPING JURISDICTION, THE BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR EXAMPLE IS VERY BROAD AUTHORITY. SO THAT IS A STANDING COMMITTEE AND THAT IS OKAY. YOU ARE REALLY NOT TOO -- TO GO TO THE COMMITTEE ABOUT ONE TOPIC, AND THEN WRAP WITH ANOTHER AD HOC COMMITTEE WHERE THERE IS SOME OVERLAP. AND THEN SUDDENLY YOU GET THOSE THREE PEOPLE. SOCIAL MEDIA IS ANOTHER THING TO BE AWARE OF AS PART OF THE BROWN ACT. SO IT IS POSSIBLE IF YOU TO COMMUNICATE OVER SOCIAL MEDIA. IT USED TO BE VERY UNCLEAR WHAT THE EXACT RULES WERE. THE LEGISLATIVE DECIDED FOR CLARITY ABOUT THREE OR FOUR YEARS AGO, THEY WOULD HAVE RULES ON SOCIAL MEDIA. YOU MAY NOT RESPOND DIRECTLY TO ANY COMMUNICATIONS POSTED BY ANY OF YOUR FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS ON SOCIAL MEDIA ABOUT SOMETHING THAT IS WITHIN CITY BUSINESS. IF SOMEONE SAYS, THEY POST ON FACEBOOK, HAPPY HOLIDAYS. YOU CAN REPLY HAPPY HOLIDAYS BACK BUT IF SOMEONE POST ON SOCIAL MEDIA, FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS, HELLO. I AM OPPOSED TO MEASURE J AND YOU CANNOT ENGAGE WITH THAT IN ANY WAY. THAT MEANS YOU CANNOT REPLY TO IT AND YOU CANNOT REPOST IT. YOU CANNOT HAVE A THUMBS UP ON IT. YOU CANNOT ENGAGE WITH IT IN ANY WAY.

I JUST WANT TO COMMENT. THE ATTORNEYS SAID -- SHOULD NOT EVEN BE FRIENDS ON SOCIAL MEDIA. I MEAN --

YEAH -- WITH PEOPLE. BECAUSE EVEN THIS NEXT COMMENT. YOU CAN ENGAGE WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON SOCIAL MEDIA, BUT YOU HAVE TO MAKE SURE YOU ARE ENGAGING WITH YOUR FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS. SO IF A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC POST SOMETHING AT A COUNCILMEMBER RESPONSE TO THAT, ADDITIONAL COUNCILMEMBERS

CANNOT BE RESPONDING TO THE FIRST COUNCILMEMBER'S COMMENT. SO IT IS SOMETHING. I DON'T HAVE TO GO TO THAT EXTREME, BUT YOU HAVE TO BE VERY CAUTIOUS TO MAKE SURE YOU ARE ONLY ENGAGING WITH MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

I JUST WANT TO CONFIRM. I HAVE HAD OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS POST THINGS LIKE -- OR GIVEAWAY. I HAVE REPOSTED THAT POST. THERE IS NO ENGAGEMENT. IT IS A REPOST. IS THAT ALLOWABLE?

SO A REPOST WOULD COUNT AS ENGAGEMENT. I THINK OF THOSE PARTICULAR SITUATIONS, THERE ARE EXAMPLES THAT ARE NOT REALLY CITY BUSINESS. IF IT WAS, YOU KNOW, COME TO A CITY COUNCIL MEETING. AND THEN COME AND STOP MEASURE J. THAT WOULD BE.

OKAY, OKAY. AND ARE YOU CLEAR? BECAUSE A LOT OF THIS STUFF JUST CAME OFF THE CITY OF -- WEBSITE. IT WAS CONVENIENCE OF POSTING FROM ANOTHER COUNCILMEMBER.

CORRECT.

GOOD. THANK YOU.

YES?

DOES THIS ONLY APPLY TO SOCIAL MEDIA AS AN FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM? SO WHAT ABOUT EMAILS?

SO EMAILS GO BACK. THOSE YOU CANNOT BE ENGAGING WITH EACH OTHER THROUGH EMAIL. I MEAN, THE SAME RULES APPLY TO EMAIL THAT APPLY TO ANY OF YOUR CONVERSATIONS. YOU CAN HAVE EMAIL ONE-ON-ONE WITH SOMEONE. YOU CANNOT BE COMMUNICATING THROUGH EMAIL ABOUT SOMETHING IN CITY BUSINESS WITH THE MAJORITY.

OKAY. SO I SET OUT WHAT I CALL AN ALERT. A RECAP OF THE MEETINGS BEFORE AND AFTER THE MEETING. AND I HAD ONE COUNCILMEMBER ON THAT. SHOULD I REMOVE THAT PERSON?

I WOULD SUGGEST YOU DO. IF THERE IS ONLY ONE, THAT IS FINE. BUT IF THERE ARE TWO, NOW YOU ARE COMMUNICATING WITH TWO BUT I DO NOT KNOW EXACTLY WHAT IS IN THE RECAP. YOU MIGHT BE EXPRESSING HER OPINIONS ABOUT ITEMS AS WELL. YOU KNOW, I LOOK FORWARD TO THAT ITEM COMING BACK TO THE CITY COUNCIL NEXT WEEK READ I WOULD RECOMMEND NOT INCLUDING COUNCILMEMBERS ON IT.

OKAY, THANK YOU.

AND THAT IS IF YOU ARE EXPRESSING AN OPINION, SO -- AN SO IF THAT IS REALLY ALL THERE IS, THEN THAT IS NOT A PROBLEM. IF IT IS JUST ONE PERSON GETTING IT. WHAT THAT MEANS YOU HAVE NOW DONE THE BROWN ACT WITH EVERY TOPIC WITH THAT ONE COUNCILMEMBER. YOU KNOW, LIKE, IT ALSO DEPENDS WHAT IS THE D.A. GOING TO COMPRESS CHARGES IF ARE BASICALLY PROVIDING MINUTES FROM A MEETING? PROBABLY NOT. BUT IT IS GOOD TO ADD THAT.

I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS OUT OF PLACE, BUT WHAT IF YOU ARE -- IN TERMS OF LEADERSHIP AND YOU KIND OF WANT TO SEE SOMETHING HAPPEN. YOU FIND SOMEBODY ELSE THAT IS INTERESTED IN IT. ALSO PART OF THE COUNSELOR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. YOU WANT TO DISCUSS HOW TO MOVE FORWARD WITHIN THAT OBJECTIVE. HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH THAT?

THAT IS FINE, BUT IT CAN ONLY BE TWO PEOPLE. YOU CANNOT COMMUNICATE WITH THE MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL. YOU CAN FIND ONE PERSON. ONE PERSON TO TALK TO ABOUT SOMETHING AT BRAINSTORM WITH THEM. YOU HAVE TO BE REALLY CAREFUL NOT TO HAVE MULTIPLE OF

THOSE CONVERSATIONS. LET'S SAY YOU REACH OUT TO SOMEONE AND TELL THEM THE IDEA OF GOOD THEY SAY NO, THAT IS NOT SOMETHING I CAN SUPPORT IT AND NOW YOU ARE DONE. YOU TALK TO ONE PERSON. YOU CANNOT GO TO ANOTHER PERSON TO SEE IF THEY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH YOU ON SOMETHING. SO HOPEFULLY, YOU WILL GET A GOOD SENSE OF THINGS FROM PUBLIC CONVERSATIONS ABOUT WHO YOU CAN REACH OUT TO. ALSO CAN ALWAYS BRING SOMETHING TO THE COUNCIL. YOU KNOW, ADD IT TO THE AGENDA. TO OUR AGENDA PROCESS ON THE COUNCIL. SO THE FULL COUNCIL CAN DISCUSS IT .

THAT KIND OF BRINGS UP THE SECONDARY ISSUE. IF YOU WANTED TO COLLABORATE OR BRAINSTORM OR WHATEVER. ONE OF THE FEARS -- WHAT IS THE VENUE FOR THAT?

IT IS TO ADD SOMETHING TO THE AGENDA AND HAVE IT PUT ON THE AGENDA. SAY YOU WANT TO HAVE A DISCUSSION OF OPTIONS FOR ADDRESSING CAPITAL EX. YOU'LL ADD THAT TO THE AGENDA AND YOU CAN TALK ABOUT IT IN AN OPEN MEETING. AND THEN IT IS JUST WITH ONE PERSON IS ALL YOU CAN COMMUNICATE WITH. YEAH.

I SPENT A LOT OF YEARS BEING ACTIVE. THIS POSITION IS SO DIFFERENT BECAUSE I AM MORE APT TO BE A LISTENER. I CANNOT BE TELLING ANYBODY WHAT TO DO. SO IT IS REALLY, REALLY DIFFERENT. IT IS SO HARD TO MAKE THAT MENTAL SHIFT. I HAVE HAD TWO YEARS PRACTICE SO I AM BETTER AT IT. SO SOMETIMES THAT OUTLINE IS REALLY FUZZY ABOUT, LIKE, WHAT I SET UP MY RECAP, I BASICALLY SAY WHAT I STATED BUT IF I STATED IT PUBLICLY, I CAN PUT IT IN MY RECAP. BUT THAT OUTLINE IS REALLY FUZZY ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT I CAN BE AN ACTIVIST. FOR EXAMPLE, SAY I MET SOMEONE AND WE HAVE A PROJECT WE WANT TO GET DONE. WE WANT TO SEE IT HAPPEN. IT IS KIND OF FUZZY. HOW DO WE DO THAT IN TERMS OF PROMOTING OUR GOAL? OR YOU KNOW, I JUST I AM NOT SURE HOW TO GET THAT GOING. I WANT IT FOR THE CITY. IT SOMETIMES FEELS LIKE MY HANDS ARE TIED.

I WOULD SAY, YOU KNOW, IF YOU ARE BROWN ACT, THE PROPER TENSES, WITH ANOTHER COUNCILMEMBER, THE TWO OF YOU SHOULD WORK ON SOMETHING. YOU'RE WELCOME TO TALK TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, I HEAR THAT, AND GET BACK. GET IT TO A PLACE WHERE YOU THINK IT IS READY TO TAKE TO THE CITY COUNCIL. YOU KNOW, GO THROUGH THE PROCESS TO GET SOMETHING PUT ON THE AGENDA AND SUBMIT IT. THE AGENDA SETTING COMMITTEE WILL SET IT. THEY WILL ADVOCATE TO THE CITY COUNCIL. YOU MIGHT SAY THAT POINT, THIS IS WHERE WE HAVE GONE SO FAR. WE HAVE DONE XYZ LEGWORK. THIS IS WHERE WE ARE AT. WE WANT YOUR SUPPORT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS TO GET YOUR FEEDBACK WITH AND TO CONTINUE WORKING. I TOTALLY HEAR YOU ABOUT, YOU KNOW, WHAT IT IS LIKE TO BE AN ACTIVIST. I THINK LOOKING AT IT FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE TABLE, YOU KNOW, IF YOU ARE BRAINSTORMING WITH TWO OR THREE COUNCILMEMBERS, IT IS EASY TO A SITUATION WHERE YOU ARE BRAINSTORMING. TALKING ABOUT THIS IS A GOOD IDEA. NO, THAT IS NOT. YOU ARE WORKING THROUGH EVERYTHING AND YOU ARE MAKING A DECISION. YOU ARE MAKING A DECISION IN PRIVATE, RATHER THAN THROUGH THE PUBLIC PROCESS. THAT IS WHAT THE BROWN ACT IS TRYING TO AVOID. YOU SHOULD BE, YOU KNOW, IF YOU ARE GOING TO EVALUATE THE OPTIONS AND THINGS THAT SHOULD BE

HAPPENING IN PUBLIC SO THE PUBLIC CAN PARTICIPATE AND GET MORE COMMENTS. A WAS A GOOD OPTION AND YOU SHOULD NOT ELIMINATE THAT.

I GUESS MY QUESTION IS, IF I HAD SOME INSPIRED IDEA ABOUT A PROJECT THAT I WANTED TO SEE HAPPEN FOR THE CITY, HOW DO I GO ABOUT DOING THAT WITHOUT VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT? I UNDERSTAND I CAN GET ONE OTHER PERSON BUT IF I AM PROMOTING A CERTAIN GOAL OR AN END THING, AND THEN SAY SOMEBODY IN THE PUBLIC GOES TO ANOTHER COUNCILMEMBER. OH, THAT IS WHAT THEY ARE DOING. THEY ARE TRYING TO DO THIS. YOU UNDERSTAND? THERE IS OUTLINE BETWEEN JUST BEING A LISTENER AS A COUNCILMEMBER, AND HEARING THE PUBLIC. AND THEN HAVING A PROJECT YOU WANT TO PROMOTE. SO ONE OF THE THINGS I REMEMBER THAT WAS SAID IS ULTIMATELY, COUNCILMEMBERS ARE CITY ACTIVISTS. THAT IS WHAT SHE SAID. I'M STILL, YOU KNOW, HOW DO I DO THAT WITHOUT VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT?

I MEAN, FOR YOU TO GO TALK TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, ENGAGE WITH THEM. DO ACTIVIST WORK WITH THEM TO ENCOURAGE THEM. IF YOU ARE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE TABLE AND AN ACTIVIST THAT COMES TO US I'M COMING TO WITH THIS PLAN THAT COUNCILMEMBER A AND B TALK TO ME ABOUT. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A COUNCILMEMBER TO SAY I CANNOT TALK TO ABOUT THAT. I CANNOT KNOW WHAT THOSE TWO ARE THINKING. SOMETHING WILL HAVE TO BE DISCUSSED IN A MEETING.

THANK YOU. SO MEETINGS IN GENERAL HAVE TO BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THERE ARE EXCEPTIONS. CLOSED SESSION. THE PUBLIC INCOME. THEY ARE ABLE TO MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING, BUT THEN THEY HAVE TO LEAVE. DISCUSSIONS IN CLOSED SESSION ARE CONFIDENTIAL BUT YOU CANNOT DISCUSS ANYTHING THAT WAS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION UNLESS A MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL AUTHORIZES IT TO BE DISCUSSED. SO THERE ARE A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT TOPICS. REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS. LITIGATION. YOU KNOW, THINKING ABOUT INITIATING LITIGATION. THERE IS EXISTING LITIGATION. PERSONNEL MATTERS. LABOR NEGOTIATIONS. IF WE ARE TALKING ABOUT PUBLIC SECURITY -- THOSE ARE, YOU KNOW, THE SEVEN CATEGORIES OF THINGS WE CAN TALK ABOUT IN CLOSED SESSION. OTHERWISE, EVERYTHING ELSE NEEDS TO BE IN -- I WILL GO THROUGH THIS PART QUICKLY. GET A SORT OF HIGH LEVEL AND MARY TAKES CARE OF ALL OF THIS BUT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR YOU GUYS TO KNOW THE BACKGROUND, BUT YOU WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OF THIS. REGULAR MEETINGS MUST BE POSTED 72 HOURS AHEAD OF TIME. SPECIAL MEETINGS CAN BE 24 HOURS AHEAD OF TIME. THERE ARE EXCEPTIONS FOR THAT. IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, OR AN EMERGENCY. SO THE EMERGENCY ITEM IS REALLY A MEDIA HEALTH AND SAFETY NEED. A CATASTROPHIC THING. AN URGENT ITEM IS SOMETHING THAT HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE AGENCY AFTER THE AGENDA IS POSTED. IN BOTH SITUATIONS, TAKE THE SIMPLE MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL TO DISCUSS THESE ITEMS IF THEY WANT TO PURSUE THEM. AGAIN, THESE EXCEPTIONS ARE PRIMARILY DOUBLED AS AN I'M SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOU THERE IS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC AND THE DOORS ARE CLOSED BUT I DO NOT WANT THEM TO THINK HE CANNOT COME IN. THANK YOU, MR. BROWN. THANK YOU. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION. THE PUBLIC HAS A RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS. OF THE CITY COUNCIL. THEY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE

PUBLIC COMMENT. THAT MEANS FOR REGULAR MEETINGS, THEY CAN GIVE A GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. AND THEN EACH INDIVIDUAL AGENDA ITEM AT THE CITY COUNCIL IS HEARING AND DISCUSSING ON AND VOTING, THEY CAN GET PUBLIC COMMENT. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS CAN, YOU KNOW, BRIEFLY RESPOND AND PROVIDE INFORMATION. DIRECT THEM TO STAFFORD YOU CANNOT ENGAGE THEM IN DISCUSSION IF IT IS AN ITEM THAT IS NOT ON THE AGENDA. YOU KNOW, EVERYONE HAS THE SAME RIGHTS. YOU CANNOT GIVE SOME PEOPLE MORE TIME AND OTHER PEOPLE SHORTER TIME. THINGS LIKE THAT. THE PUBLIC, IT IS OKAY FOR US TO ASK THE PUBLIC TO IDENTIFY THEMSELVES BUT IT IS NOT REQUIRED. IN SOME CITIES, THAT IS THE PRACTICE FOR THEM TO GIVE THEIR ADDRESS BUT IN SOME STATES IT IS NOT. IT IS NOT REQUIRED. THERE ARE NO SECRET BALLOTS ALLOWED, EVEN IF THEY ARE PRELIMINARY. ALL VOTES NEED TO BE PUBLIC GOOD IN OUR THUMBS UP, THUMBS DOWN OR THAT IS PUBLIC. EVEN THOUGH THAT IS NOT A FORMAL VOTE. WE CAN DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT -- AND WE CANNOT LIMIT NEGATIVE COMMENTS. JUST BECAUSE SOMEONE IS DISAGREEING WITH US DOES NOT MEAN WE CAN LIMIT THEIR ABILITY TO SPEAK. OF COURSE, IF THEY ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT THE -- YOU KNOW, THAT IS A DIFFERENT QUESTION. BUT THEY ARE TELLING US, YOU ARE MAKING A WRONG CHOICE OR THIS AND THAT. AND JUST SO YOU KNOW, IF THERE IS SOMEONE NEEDS TRANSLATION SERVICES, THEY TAKE TWICE AS MUCH TIME TO PROVIDE THE TRANSLATOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. IN THE PUBLIC HAS THE RIGHT TO AUDIO AND VISUAL, EVEN THOUGH WE ARE DOING OUR OWN VIDEO RECORDING. SO PARTICIPATING REMOTELY, THERE ARE TRADITIONAL RULES AND THERE ARE TRADITIONAL RULES BEFORE COVID. THIS IS HOW WE USED TO DO IT EXCLUSIVELY. WE HAD THE ADDRESS OF WHERE YOU ARE PARTICIPATING. THE AGENDA ITSELF. SO IF YOU'RE PARTICIPATING FROM HOME, YOUR HOME ADDRESS WILL HAVE TO BE THERE BUT YOU HAVE TO POST THE AGENDA AT THAT LOCATION. THAT LOCATION WILL HAVE TO BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. SO THAT IS HOW WE USED TO DO IT TRADITIONALLY. AND A QUORUM ALWAYS HAS TO PARTICIPATE FROM WITHIN THE CITY. AND WHATEVER WE DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS, ALL VOTES NEED TO BE BY WILL COUNT YOU CANNOT JUST BE YAYS AND NAYS. YOU CAN PARTICIPATE BY PHONE, VIDEO, OR BOTH. THERE WERE TEMPORARY WILLOWS DURING COVID. WE WERE VERY FLEXIBLE. BUT THOSE TO WAIT IN THE LEGISLATURE ADOPTED NEW ROLES THAT PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL WAY TO PARTICIPATE IN DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES. SO AT LEAST, PEOPLE BEING ABLE TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY ALONG AS A QUORUM IS PARTICIPATING FROM THE SAME LOCATION IN THE CITY BUT YOU CAN ONLY DO THIS IF YOU HAVE JUST CAUSE OR EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES. AND IN THIS SITUATION, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO POST YOUR ADDRESS. IF YOU ARE HOMESICK, YOU DO NOT WANT PEOPLE FROM THE PUBLIC COMING TO YOUR HOUSE. BUT THERE ARE LIMITS ON HOW OFTEN YOU CAN DO THIS. YOU CAN DO IT FOR JUST CAUSE OR EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES. JUST CAUSE MEANS CHILDCARE GIVEN AID, A CONTAGIOUS ILLNESS, PHYSICAL AND MENTAL DISABILITY YOU ARE ON. OFFICIAL TRAVEL FOR A PUBLIC AGENCY. I KNOW WE HAVE USED THIS BEFORE WHEN TWO OF OUR MEMBERS -- AT A CONFERENCE. THEY WERE ON OFFICIAL TRAVEL. EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES MEANS FAMILY OR PHYSICAL MEDICAL EMERGENCY. YOU ARE ALLOWED TO SEIZE BOTH COMBINED FOR FIVE MEETINGS OF THE CITY

COUNCIL PER YOUR MAXIMUM. AND OF THIS AMOUNT, ONLY TWO 10 BEFORE JUST CAUSE.

DOING A TIME CHECK. I LIKE TO AFFORD MY FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS AT LEAST A FIVE MINUTE BREAK BEFORE WE START AT 6:00 BUT I DO NOT WANT TO RUSH YOU.

WHEN YOU'RE PARTICIPATE THROUGH THESE MEANS, YOU HAVE TO HAVE VIDEO AND AUDIO ON. YOU NEED TO BE VISUAL. MUSCLE HAVE TO GO THROUGH THIS PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING IF THERE ARE OTHER PEOPLE IN THE ROOM AND YOU HAVE TO PROVIDE A GENERAL DESCRIPTION. MAYBE THE REASON AND THAT CITY COUNCIL HAS SO CONSEQUENCES OF VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT. THERE ARE A COUPLE. I WOULD SAY THAT THE ONE LISTED LAST IS THE MOST SERIOUS. THAT IS THE LOSS OF PUBLIC TRUST. THAT IS THE ONE THAT IS MOST LIKELY TO HAPPEN. IT PUTS THE CITY IN A BAD WAY AND WE LOSE PUBLIC TRUST. PEOPLE THINK YOU'RE NOT BEHAVING PROPERLY. THAT IS WHAT IS MOST LIKELY TO HAPPEN. ERRATICALLY, THERE COULD BE CRIMINAL PENALTIES IF YOU ARE KNOWINGLY VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT. THE CASES WERE THAT IS UP AND HAVE BEEN VERY EXTREME CASES. SO VERY DELIBERATE TO VIOLATE THIS ACT. IF WE MAKE A DECISION, A FINAL DECISION, AND WE VIOLATE THE BROWN ACT IN MAKING THAT. LET'S SAY WE BUILD ON SOMETHING THAT WAS NOT ON THE AGENDA. THAT DECISION COULD BE NULLIFIED BY A COURT. WE WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK INTO THE PROCESS OVER AGAIN. WE CAN ALSO BE ORDERED TO REDO SOMETHING BUT LET'S SAY WE DID NOT MAKE A DECISION BUT WE TALKED ABOUT SOMETHING. WE CAN BE ORDERED TO REDO THAT CONVERSATION. OF COURSE, IF SOMEONE GOES THROUGH THE PROCESS OF SUING US TO GET US TO REDO SOMETHING, AND THEY WIN, THEY ARE GOING TO GET THE ATTORNEY FEES. SO REALLY, THE LOSS OF PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN THE FINANCIAL PENNANT HEELS ARE THE TWO JUST MOST COMMON SCENARIOS FOR THAT IS THE END. I AM HAPPY IF THEIR CONVERSATIONS AND QUESTIONS, OF COURSE, I AM AVAILABLE AFTER THE MEETING ADJOURNS AS WELL.

EITHER QUESTION. IT IS NOT NECESSARILY BROWN ACT. BUT IT IS WHEN YOU ARE REPRESENTING YOURSELF VERSUS THE COUNCIL VERSUS THE CITY. SOMETIMES THAT IS CONFUSING.

SO WHEN YOU ARE OUT IN THE PUBLIC, YES, YOU ALWAYS, YOU KNOW, IF TALKING ABOUT A POSITION WITH SOMEONE. UNLESS THE COUNCIL HAS VOTED AND WE TOOK MAJOR U ON THE VALID. THE COUNCIL PUT THAT ON TO SUPPORT THAT. I WILL SAY THIS IS MY OPINION. THE COUNCIL HAS NOT TAKEN ACTION ON IT. THOSE SORTS OF THINGS. AND REPRESENTING THAT YOU ARE -- EXPRESSING YOURSELF IN YOUR INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, NOT ON BEHALF OF THE FULL COUNCIL. THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES WHEN THEY ARE A CEREMONIAL THING. I AM HAPPY TO SUPPORT XYZ. YOU KNOW? NONSPECIFIC POLICY POSITION. BUT I'M HAPPY TO SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES. SOMETHING LIKE THAT. THAT IS OKAY. BUT ANYTHING THAT IS REALLY SPECIFIC POLICY -WISE, I RECOMMEND YOU ALWAYS RECOMMEND SPEAKING --

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES?

I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU.

YEAH. AND IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT A SITUATION, ALWAYS FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO ME OR MARY. WE CAN TALK WITH YOU ABOUT THEM.

THANK YOU.

SO I AM FOLLOWING MY SCRIPT HERE. ACCORDING TO THE SCRIPT, THAT I OPEN THIS UP FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS?

RIGHT BUT I JUST NEED TO OPEN UP THE PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THIS ITEM ONLY. IF THERE IS ANYONE IN CHAMBERS WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT ON THE BROWN ACT TRAINING? SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. SEEING NONE, NO PUBLIC COMMENT .

THANK YOU BUT I WILL BRING IT BACK UP TO THE DAIS FOR ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM MY FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS. SEEING NONE, THANK YOU, ALEX. I AM STILL READING THE SCRIPT. [LAUGHTER] THE REGULAR MEETING WILL START AT 6:00 P.M. I REALLY TRYING TO -- SO IT IS, WE WILL ADJOURN AND WE WILL RECONVENE. EVERYONE IN YOUR SEATS, COUPLE OF MINUTES BEFORE 6:00. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. ZACH, CAN YOU PASS THE MEETING UNTIL 6:00?

RECORDING STOPPED.

[THE EVENT IS ON A RECESS. THE SESSION WILL RECONVENE AT 6:00 P.M. PST. CAPTIONER ON STANDBY.]

RECORDING IN PROGRESS.

OKAY, STAFF. ARE WE READY? OKAY. I AM GOING TO GO AHEAD AND FIRSTLY, WELCOME. THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE BUT I'M GOING TO CALL THIS MEETING, DECEMBER 17, 2024, OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF SEBASTOPOL TO ORDER AT 6:01 BUT I WILL ASK THE CLERK TO TAKE ROLL CALL

THANK YOU. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

HERE.

THANK YOU. COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

HERE.

COUNCILMEMBER MAURER.

HERE.

VICE CHAIR McLEWIS

HERE.

MAYOR ZOLLMAN.

PRESENT.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL ARE IN ATTENDANCE.

PLEASE STAND FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS ONE NATION UNDER GOD INDIVISIBLE WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

THANK YOU. FOLLOWING OUR NORMAL PUBLISHED AGENDA, WE WILL GO TO, I SEE THE LEG. WE DO, OH, I AM READING MY SCRIPT HERE TO MAKE SURE I'M NOT MISSING ANYTHING. THERE ARE NO PROCLAMATIONS. WE WILL NOT BE NEEDING TO COVER THAT TONIGHT. AND THEN WE GO TO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. I'M LOOKING TO MY FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS TO SEE IF THERE ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEM ON THE PUBLIC AGENDA? LOOKING TO MY LEFT, LOOKING TO MY RIGHT. SEEING NONE. WE ARE MOVING ALONG TO PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON MATTERS WITHIN THE

JURISDICTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL. THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL. WHICH ARE NOT OTHERWISE LISTED AND PUBLISHED ON THE AGENDA. DUE TO THE LENGTH OF RECENT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS, IT IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED THAT YOUR COMMENTS BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL BY SENDING THEM VIA EMAIL TO THE CITY COUNCIL AT CITY OF SEBASTOPOL .GOV PUBLIC COMMENT WRITTEN IN THE SUBJECT LINE BUT IF A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUIRES A RESPONSE FROM THE CITY, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY AT CITY COUNCIL AT CITY OF SEBASTOPOL .GOV. THE CITY WILL INSERT THE QUESTION OR COMMENT IS SUBMITTED TO THE CORRECT DEPARTMENT. AND I'M GOING TO ASK MY CLERK TO START OUR PUBLIC COMMENT. SHE WILL PROVIDE THE DIRECTIONS FOR HOW WE ENTERTAIN PUBLIC COMMENT. I WILL STATE THAT THERE IS THE FOLLOWING TO BE STATED. I ADDED A MEMBER OF STAFF REMOVE OR COST REMOVAL OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS OBSTRUCTING AN MEETING. THIS MEANS ENGAGING IN BEHAVIOR DURING A MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY THAT ACTUALLY DISRUPTS, DISTURBS, IMPEDES, OR RENDERS INFEASIBLE THE ORDER OF THE CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. MARY, WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT?

THANK YOU, MAYOR ZOLLMAN BUT I WANTED TO REITERATE . OUR POLICY IS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, IT IS A 20 MINUTE TIME LIMIT FOR THE FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT THAT IF WE DO NOT GET TO ALL SEEKERS, THERE IS A SECOND PERIOD OF THE END OF THE MEETING AS WELL WHICH IS 20 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC, OF TWO MINUTES WOULD I WILL GO IN CHAMBERS FIRST AND THEN I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. TYPICALLY, IT BE 'S VEHICLES TOTAL FOR OUR TIME ON THE . IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, I WILL GO IN CHAMBERS FIRST AND THEN I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM BUT IF YOU CAN PRESS THE MICROPHONE TO MAKE SURE THE MICROPHONE IS ON BUT I WILL JUMP IN WHEN YOU HAVE ABOUT 30 SECONDS LEFT. GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE . IS THE GREEN LIGHT LET?

NOW IT IS ON. SO THIS HAS EVERYTHING TO DO WITH WHO WE ARE AND WHERE WE ARE IN THIS TIME AND PLACE. WITH GAZA AND BRAZIL AND THE ELITE -- I AM HERE. I AM CALLING FOR THE STONE TEMPLE THE JETS. HUMAN TRAFFICKING, CDTFA TRAFFICKING , AND ALL. [INAUDIBLE] SO ARE WE ALL. MARTIN LUTHER KING, THE MOTHER ROLLED BOYCOTTS. -- DR. JEFFREY McDONALD. GONE 144 YEARS. AND ALTHOUGH WORLD LOGS OF THE TRAIL OF TEARS. THE FREEDOM -- LABOR, THEY ARE FOOLS ON THIS QUEST. AS GANDHI WAS STUDIED BY KING. [INAUDIBLE] DIRECTLY APPLIED WITH CALLS ALL THE ANGELS TO THINK THAT THE PROBLEM IS WE FORGET THAT WE ARE THE GOVERNMENT. WE HAVE THE POWER TO CORRECT. -- SOMETHING AS SACRED AS A MOTION. LIKE THE TIDE RISING IN THE OCEAN. - - A DOCUDRAMA IS NOT THAT THERE'LL BE SOME SERIOUS TROUBLE NOW. THE DRAGONS, LIENS, AND THE GODS OF WAR HAVE RAISED THEIR HACKLES. BE READY FOR -- 40 DAYS AND 40 NIGHTS. THE POLITICAL AND RELIGION REALM WILL NEVER DO WHAT WE MUST. A 40 DAY FREEDOM STRIVE FOR LIBERTY AND JUSTICE. IT IS THE PROMISED LAND OR BUS.

SIR, YOU HAVE ABOUT 20 SECONDS.

I AM HERE AND COMMANDING, CALLING FORCE ALL WARRIORS WHOSE HEART CONTAINED -- THE FREEDOM STRIKE FROM CLEARING THE EARTH OF ANIMALS, OF CHILDREN -- ON THE U.S. CONSTITUTION. -- TO DENY YOURSELF

AND DENY US BOTH AND DENIED THE -- THE ONLY AUTHORITY THAT LAYS DOWN THE SWORD. I SAY IT IS DONE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. SIR, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM FIRST. I WILL DO THAT AND THAT I WILL COME BACK TO YOU. WHEN YOU GO OUT TO THE VIRTUAL , THEN WE COME BACK IN CHAMBER AND YOU CAN BE UP NEXT. NEXT, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. MARIA, IF YOU CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE ? THERE YOU GO.

YEAH, I CAN. THANK YOU.

HELLO. I JUST WANTED TO HOP ON TO SAY THANK YOU. OUR TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY WAS A BEAUTIFUL EVENT. THE COUNCIL PEOPLE WHO SHOWED UP, MAYOR ZOLLMAN HELPED TURN THE LIGHTS ON THE TREE. AND PUBLIC WORKS WAS INCREDIBLY HELPFUL. I SEE YOU GUYS THERE, ESPECIALLY KEVIN, HAVING ME WRAP TREES. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT WAS A REALLY NICE COMMUNITY EVENT THAT IT TOOK A VILLAGE AND I WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY WHO CAN HEAR THE SNOW THAT HELPED US OUT.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT -- NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS.

GOOD EVENING. IS THIS ON? MY NAME IS NICOLE -- SEBASTOPOL JASON OF THE CITY LIMITS BUT I WANTED TO GO ON THE RECORD AS SAYING -- WITH A TAX INCREASE. WE JUST WENT THROUGH SOME BROWN ACT TRAINING. I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT WITH YOUR AGENDA DID NOT HAVE THE ADDRESS OF THIS MEETING ON IT BUT IF YOU LOOK AT PAGE ONE, SAYS THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PERSON OR VIRTUAL. THERE IS NO ADDRESS GIVEN THERE. AT THE BOTTOM OF PAGE ONE, IT SAYS 7120 -- AVENUE. BUT THE MEETING AT 7120 -- AVENUE. FOR ALL I KNOW, IT COULD WELL BE THERE. NO ADDRESS OF THIS AGENDA HERE. THE INFORMATION ON HOW TO CONNECT VIA ZOOM. I WILL POINT OUT THAT THAT IS A BROWN ACT VIOLATION THAT NEEDS TO BE NOTICED FOR THE MEETING IS LOCATED. I CONSIDER THIS MEETING TO BE VOID. IT SHOULD BE CANCELED THAT IT IS NOT PROPERLY NOTICED. IT IS A BROWN ACT VIOLATION. YOU HAVE ALSO BEEN TOLD THAT THE MEETING LOCATION, THE AGENDA MUST BE POSTED AT THAT LOCATION. I DID NOT SEE ANY POSTING OF THE AGENDA OUTSIDE THIS BUILDING. IT IS POSTED OUTSIDE CITY HALL. THE AGENDA [INAUDIBLE] THE LOCATION OF THE MEETING. I DO NOT SEE THE AGENDA POSTED OUT HERE. I WOULD SAY YOU ARE VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT . NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS -- NEXT, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM.

I LIVE IN SEBASTOPOL. I WANTED TO PUT A COMMENT IN FOR THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE. ON BEHALF OF GREENVILLE ALLIANCE --

I AM SORRY. I THINK THE PUBLIC COMMENT OR A SPRING TO AN ITEM THAT IS ON THE AGENDA.

OH! SO SORRY.

NO WORRIES. I'M JUST CHECKING TO MAKE SURE.

I DID NOT SEE IT ON THE AGENDA.

I BELIEVE IT IS ITEM NUMBER 13.

THANK YOU! I WILL WAIT AND SPEAK UP THEN. SORRY, GUYS.

NO NEED FOR APOLOGIES. WE ARE LEARNING AS WELL.

YEAH. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS . WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ?

HELLO? HELLO, MY NAME IS KEVIN MULLIGAN. I AM A WORKER WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND -- 21. PUBLIC WORK STARTED HERE WITH EIGHT MAINTENANCE WORKERS AND DAY LABORERS READY IN JUNE, WE LOST OUR LONGEST TENURED MAINTENANCE WORKER. NOT ONLY HAS THE CITIES DO NOT HIRE ANYBODY FOR HIS POSITION, WE HAVE NOT INTERNALLY PROMOTED ANY OF OUR WORKERS TO HELP REDUCE THE WORKLOAD THAT IS BEEN IMPOSED ON SEPARATE AND BEING UNDERSTAFFED, WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH MAINTENANCE -- BECAUSE THEY ARE BARRED FROM STANDBY OPPORTUNITIES. IN HIRING A POSITION, WE ASKED THE CITY TO AT LEAST CONSIDER INTERNAL -- BUT WE RECEIVED A RESPONSE WITH A STARTING WAGE FOR A LABOR OF PUBLIC WORKS IS A WHOPPING EIGHT CENTS OVER THE LIVING WAGE. -- PHYSICIAN. WE FEEL LIKE OUR EMPLOYEES ARE BEING DENIED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR UPWARD MOBILITY AT THE SAME TIME THEY ARE BEING ASKED TO DO MORE WITH LESS. AS I MENTIONED, OUR STANDBY -- FOR US. AND IN ADDITION TO PROMOTING STAFF, WE ASKED THE CITY TO NEGOTIATE. WE RECEIVED A SIMPLE NO. NO MATTER WHAT THE CONCERNS WERE, WE WERE TOLD THE COMPARISON STUDIES HAVE BEEN PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL AND WE ASKED FOR US A COMPARISON STUDY, NUMBER PROVIDED. AND NONE STILL HAVE BEEN PROVIDED. -- WORK WITH THE CITY TO HELP US WITH CRITICAL REVENUE MEASURES. THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS WOULD HELP ELEVATE SOME OF OUR STAFFING ISSUES THAT WE WERE COMING CONCERNED THIS MIGHT BE THE CASE.

KEVIN, YOU HAVE ABOUT 30 SECONDS.

WE DO NOT FEEL THERE IS AN ADEQUATE COMMUNICATION. THE CITY HAS NOT -- WHILE LOWER LEVEL EMPLOYEES -- A FUNNY. WE'RE LOOKING FOR FEAR COMMUNICATION WITH THE CITY AND COUNCIL ABOUT WHAT OUR NEEDS ARE THE WE CAN ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF THE CITY. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT . NEXT, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. LINDA, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? LINDA, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE ? THANK YOU, LINDA. GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE.

OKAY. SO FAR, I THINK IF YOU ARE A POET, YOU KNOW, IT IS JUST LIKE OLD TIMES ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO. I WOULD WELCOME HIM BACK. THE SPEAKER, MICHAEL FROM PUBLIC WORKS. YOU KNOW, BEING UNDERSTAFFED. I CALLED THE OFFICE THERE. AND I MET WITH -- BECAUSE SHE WAS AT WORK. AND ALSO, THE OTHER SPEAKER BUT I HOPE HE SPEAKS UP WITH A VALID POSITION ABOUT NOT SENDING HIM MONEY ANYMORE BECAUSE OF THE TAX INCREASE. AND ALSO THE BROWN ACT VIOLATION. I AM WITH HIM. ON THAT. ALSO, THERE IS A LITTLE THING ABOUT -- YOU KNOW, THE QUESTIONS ARE SUBMITTED TO THE PEOPLE. THE THING IS, WE NEVER GET ANSWERS. I DO NOT GET THEM. I NEVER GET THEM. SO ANYWAY, ASIDE FROM THAT, THIS IS THE TIME TO GIVE THANKS. I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE THANKS. A LOT OF THE CREDIT GOES TO DIANA RICH FOR DECIMATING NOT ONLY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. BUT IT TURNS OUT PUBLIC WORKS TOO. AND OUR COFFERS. BY MAKING WRONG POLICY DECISIONS. AND ALL THE AUDITS, THE UNNECESSARY AND COSTLY AUDITS. ALL OF THE OUT-OF-TOWN CONSULTANTS. THEY DO NOT KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON. AND THEN THAT

COST A LOT OF MONEY. THAT IS WHERE THE MONEY IS GOING. WHY NOT TALK TO PEOPLE LIKE MICHAEL WHO KNOWS WHAT IS GOING ON AT PUBLIC WORKS? AND THEN ACT ON THAT. AND ALSO, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE -- AN LINDA, THAT IS TWO MINUTES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT , LINDA. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON AN ITEM NOT IN THE AGENDA. SEEING NONE , I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT NOT ON THE AGENDA TONIGHT, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, PUBLIC COMMENT IS CLOSED.

MOVING ALONG TO THE CONSENT CALENDAR. COUNCILMEMBER MAURER ? COULD I ASK THAT THOSE COMMENTS BE SENT TO COUNCIL? BECAUSE I AM AFRAID I MISSED SOME OF IT AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTAND. THANK YOU. TO THE FULL COUNCIL? THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER MAURER. WE ARE NOW TURNING TO THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS . WITH PROTOCOL, I WILL BE MAKING A SUMMARY OF EACH OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS, STARTING WITH CALENDAR ITEM NUMBER TWO PUT A PEARL OF THE MINUTES. THIS IS FROM THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 2nd. NUMBER THREE PUT UPPER LOW MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 3rd. NUMBER FOUR APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING CLOSED SESSION ON DECEMBER 9th. NUMBER FIVE. APPROVAL OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 15 -- 1151. ITEM NUMBER SIX. RECEIPT OF CODE OF CONDUCT POLICIES. NUMBER SEVEN. APPROVAL OF LOCAL APPOINTMENT LISTS. NUMBER EIGHT. RECEIPT OF NOTICE THAT THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, DECEMBER 23- DECEMBER 26. NUMBER NINE. APPROVAL OF AB 1600 REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24. ITEM NUMBER 10. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TAX AND FEE ADMINISTRATION FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF A LOCAL TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX FOR A QUARTER CENT SALES TAX. NUMBER 11. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL MAP AND SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENTS AGREEMENT FOR THE CANOPY SUBDIVISION. THOSE ARE THE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. I AM TURNING TO MY COLLEAGUES TO SEE IF ANY OF THEM WOULD LIKE TO PULL ONE OF THE ITEMS? I AM LOOKING TO MY LEFT FIRST. THE ORIGINAL COMMENT -- AN THAT IS ACTUALLY ON THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS. COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

I WANTED CLARIFICATION SINCE WE HAVE THIS NEW RULE ABOUT ABBREVIATING THE CONSENT CALENDAR. YOU DID NOT READ A SECOND ORDINANCE TO REPEAL NUMBER ON ITEM NUMBER FIVE. THAT IS NUMBER 1132. IS THAT ALLOWED UNDER THIS NEW POLICY THAT WE HAVE CREATED? IS NOT HAVE TO READ ALL THE NUMBERS THAT ARE ADDRESSED IN THE CONSENT?

IT IS.

OKAY.

WHAT THAT, I WILL TURN TO MY LEFT TO SEE IF ANY COUNCILMEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO PULL AN ITEM. SEEING NONE. TO MY RIGHT , SEEING NONE. WE WILL GO AHEAD AND WE ARE GOING TO GO OUT TO PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS, 1-11. SHE MET THANK YOU. IT IS ACTUALLY 2-11. THAT'S OKAY. THAT THE PUBLIC, FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 2-11. IF YOU LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY

OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS, WE WILL DO SO IN CHAMBERS FIRST AND THEN I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM VIRTUAL. THANK YOU.

OKAY, READY. I AM SPEAKING TO NUMBER 10. THAT HAS TO DO WITH THE TAX. WHAT IS GOING ON HERE IS APPROVING SOMETHING THAT CONSTITUTES AN UNLAWFUL -- MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS. YOU KNOW, THIS HAS TO DO WITH GOING OVER THE -- WITH THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS [INAUDIBLE] THAT WOULD LEAVE SEBASTOPOL WITH A QUARTER PERCENT. BUT WITH THE BACK ROOM VIEW, THAT EFFECTIVELY MAKES SEBASTOPOL EXEMPT FROM THE TAX. THERE CANNOT BE ANY TAX COLLECTED WITHIN SEBASTOPOL TO BE PUT BACK INTO THE GENERAL FUND WHICH IS A VIOLATION OF THE TERMS OF THE MAJOR THAT PUTS THE CHART TAX UNDERWRITES. SO COMPLAINTS ARE GOING TO BE FILED ABOUT THIS. THE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION. SO THIS IS REALLY PERTINENT AND IT REALLY STINKS.

MICHAEL, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. KYLE, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE ?

YES, I CAN.

THANK YOU. CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER?

YES, I CAN. THIS IS A YEARLY REMINDER, ESPECIALLY FOR NEW COUNCILMEMBERS AS WELL. BUT REALLY KEEPING AN EYE ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. I'VE BEEN WATCHING THIS COUNCIL OPERATE OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS. WHAT I'VE FOUND IS THAT THERE HAS BEEN A PRACTICE OF TAKING THINGS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN FULLY DISCUSSED, FULLY VETTED, AND PLACING THEM ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR BUT I THINK IT IS REALLY, REALLY IMPORTANT TO KEEP AN EYE ON THE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. AND PART OF THE PROCESS IS THE ABILITY TO PULL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. I WOULD HIGHLY, HIGHLY ENCOURAGE COUNCILMEMBERS TO PULL ITEMS FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR WHEN THERE REALLY NEEDS TO BE MORE DISCUSSION. DO NOT BE CONCERNED ABOUT THIS NEW POLICY ABOUT TRYING TO PRODUCE A MORE CONCISE SUMMARIZED VERSION OF THE CALENDAR. THAT IS REALLY KIND OF MASKING THE ITEMS THEMSELVES. AND REALLY PUTTING THE EMPHASIS TO KNOW WHAT IS ON THAT CONSENT CALENDAR. RATHER THAN BEING FULLY DISCLOSED OF WHAT THE CONTENTS OF THE ITEMS ARE. IN PARTICULAR, LOOKING FOR ANYTHING THAT WOULD REQUIRE A CHANGE TO THE BUDGET. ANY SORT OF DOLLAR AMOUNTS BEING SPENT. I'VE REGULARLY SEEN UP TO \$100,000 BEING SLIPPED INTO THE CONSENT CALENDAR. REGULARLY BE LOOKING AT THAT NUMBER. THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS. MAKE SURE WE ARE PULLING THOSE THINGS WHEN THEY NEED TO HAVE MORE DISCUSSION. PLEASE DO NOT LET THINGS SLIP THROUGH CONSENT AND NOT HAVE A LOT OF DISCUSSION THAT INCLUDES THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS THAT REALLY, REALLY AFFECT ALL OF US. THAT IS THE REASON WHY YOU ARE THERE. PLEASE KEEP THAT IN MIND, PLEASE FEEL THANK YOU.

KYLE, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS . SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. LINDA, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE ? THANK YOU. GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT, LINDA.

[INAUDIBLE] MICHAEL, YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE MORE SUPPORT OUT THERE THAN YOU KNOW. AND KYLA, YOU KNOW, YOU ARE ALL VERY INSIGHTFUL.

UNFORTUNATELY, YOU KNOW, WE DO NOT HAVE AN AUDIENCE IN CITY COUNCIL THAT LISTENS TO US. SO ASIDE FROM THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE CONSENSUS WAS ON THE NUMBER FOUR. ITEM NUMBER FOUR. THAT IS THE CLOSED SESSION MEETING ON THE AGENDA. AND THIS IS JUST TYPICAL BUT I ASKED A QUESTION AND I NEVER GET AN ANSWER. I USED TO GET ANSWERS WHEN WE HAD DIFFERENT COUNCILMEMBERS. BUT HERE IS YOUR CHANCE TO BE TRANSPARENT AND RESPONSIVE BUT ASIDE FROM THAT, IT IS SUCH A BAD IDEA. -- IT IS SUCH A BAD IDEA. IF ANY OF YOU WOULD'VE READ THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, YOU WOULD'VE SEEN THAT THE ESTIMATED 684 MORE DAILY -- TRIPS, YOU KNOW, ON -- AVENUE 116 WHERE I LIVE. IT IS ALREADY A MESS. IT IS ONLY GOING TO GET WORSE WITH THE -- WAS PLANNING ON PUTTING IN THE DRUG ADDICT COLONY THERE. ANYWAY, THE ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC -- AN LINDA, YOU HAVE ABOUT 20 SECONDS.

ANYWAY, SANDY, WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THAT OFF? TAKE THAT OFF OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR? WE DO NOT HAVE THE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR ALL OF THESE PROJECTS. WE HAVE AN EMPTY -- 45 UNITS SITTING EMPTY.

LINDA, THAT IS TWO MINUTES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. IF THERE'S ANYONE IN CHAMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS? SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM BUT IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO MAKE UP PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, PUBLIC COMMENT IS CLOSED.

THANK YOU, MERRIPEN IS REMINDER, THE REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ARE DEFINITELY ENCOURAGED TO REACH OUT WITH ANY QUESTIONS THAT WERE NOT ADDRESSED DURING THE MEETING AT CITY COUNCIL AT SEBASTOPOL. GOP. I AM COMING BACK UP TO THE DAIS TO ASK FEATHER -- FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS IF THERE IS A MOTION TO BE MADE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR? IF NOT, I WILL GO AHEAD AND I WILL MOVE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. THOSE ARE ITEMS 2-11.

I WILL SECOND.

MARY, ROLL CALL?

THANK YOU. MOVED BY MAYOR ZOLLMAN AND A SECOND BY VICE CHAIR McLEWIS TO MOVE ITEMS 2 THROUGH 11. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER.

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER MAURER.

YES.

MAYOR ZOLLMAN.

YESTERDAY

THAT PASSES SLEEPY

MOVING ONTO PRESENTATIONS AND WE WILL GO AHEAD AND START THE REGULAR CALENDAR AGENDA ITEMS, STARTING WITH ITEM NUMBER 12. THAT IS THE RECEIPT OF COUNCIL APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEE REQUESTS AND DISCUSSION OF 2025 CITY COUNCIL AND CITY STAFF ANNUAL BOARD AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS. I LOOK CONTINUE READING THIS JUST FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. AFTER DISCUSSION OF REQUEST, ITEMS WILL BE RETURNED TO THE NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR CITY COUNCIL TO

CONSIDER AND RATIFY THE MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION FOR ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL PROTOCOL. SO I'M GOING TO TURN TO OUR WONDERFUL MARY WHO IS OUR CITY CLERK TO HANDLE THIS.

THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. AS YOU STATED, THIS IS THE ANNUAL CITY COUNCIL LIST FOR 2025. THE CITY COUNCIL HAS A MULTITUDE OF REGIONAL, LOCAL LIAISON AND AD HOC AND STANDING COMMITTEES THAT THE COUNCIL DOES EACH YEAR. THE PROTOCOL IS THAT THE COMMITTEE LIST WAS LIMITED TO ALL COUNCILMEMBERS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING. THEY MADE THE REQUEST AS TO THE COMMITTEES THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE ON. THOSE REQUESTS AND JUSTIFICATIONS ARE ATTACHED TO THE AGENDA ITEM OF COURT. TONIGHT IS THAT THEY COULD ADVOCATE ADDITIONALLY IF THERE WAS SOME COMMITTEE THAT THEY MESSED, THEY WANTED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS TO WHY THEY WANTED TO BE ON THOSE COMMITTEES. YOU WOULD OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, AND THEN HE WOULD TAKE THOSE REQUESTS THAT THIS IS NOT AN ACTION ITEM TONIGHT. THIS IS JUST FOR YOU TO RECEIVE THE REQUEST FROM THE COUNCILMEMBERS AS TO WHICH COMMITTEE THIS IS TO BE ON. YOU RETURN AT THE GENERAL SEVENTH MEETING WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR -- FOR THE COMMITTEES READ THE CITY MANAGER IS ALSO PROVIDED HIS RECOMMENDATION FOR CITY STAFF FOR THE COMMITTEES THAT THEY WILL BE ON. AND THE -- WILL BE AT THE JANUARY 7th MEETING. TONIGHT YOU HEAR FROM THE COUNCIL MEMBERS, OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, AND THEN RECEIVE IT AND RETURN ON JANUARY 7th.

THANK YOU, MARY. THAT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING AS WELL. THIS IS WHERE THEY CAN STATE IN ADDITION TO WHAT THEY HAVE WRITTEN AND SUBMIT ALREADY. I WILL START AT ONE END OF THE DAIS WITH COUNCILMEMBER MAURER.

I WILL RETRACT MY REQUEST FOR THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE. -- HE IS REALLY INTO THAT COMMITTEE SO I WILL RETRACT THAT. OKAY.

THANK YOU. SHOULD I JUST GO DOWN THE ROAD? OKAY. VICE MAYOR?

I APPRECIATE THAT AND THAT IS WHAT I WANTED TO ADVOCATE FOR. THAT IS THE ONLY COMMITTEE I SIT ON AS AN ALTERNATE THE FIRST YEAR. AND THEN THIS PAST YEAR. AND WITH THE COMMITTEES, IT TAKES A WHILE. SO BECAUSE OF MY WORK SCHEDULE, IT IS ONLY MEETING I'M ABLE TO ATTEND. I AM REALLY HOPING THAT, YOU KNOW, FOR CONTINUITY.

BECAUSE I WOULD LIKE TO SERVE IN THE CAPACITY AND GET TO KNOW OUR FELLOW COLLEAGUES. THAT IS WHY I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO STAY THERE.

OKAY. ANY OTHER COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

I HAVE COMMENTS, BUT I ALSO HAVE A QUESTION THAT IS TONIGHT JUST THE ONLY OPPORTUNITY WE HAVE TO ADVOCATE FOR OUR REQUEST FOR IN THE PROTOCOLS ONCE THE REQUESTS COME BACK? DO WE STILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY AFTER THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MAYOR? OR ARE THEY JUST DECIDED BY THE MAYOR AT THAT TIME? I AM REALLY UNCLEAR THEY ARE NOT DECIDED BY THE MAYOR. SO YOU COULD, YOU KNOW, CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE AT THE NEXT MEETING.

OKAY.

THANK YOU FOR THAT CLARIFICATION. WITH THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO ADVOCATE FOR MY PRIMARY COMMITTEE. THAT IS -- CLAIMANT AS WELL. THEY ARE TOGETHER. SO IT HAS TO BE THE SAME APPOINTMENT PERSON. AND JUST A FACT. THEY ARE WORKING ON A NAME FOR THEMSELVES. IT

WILL NOT BE SO COMPLICATED TO SAY. AS I WROTE IN MY REQUEST, I WAS UNABLE TO SERVE ON THIS COMMITTEE FOR MY FIRST SIX YEARS IN OFFICE. AND I FEEL LIKE IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT COMMITTEE. THERE ARE COUNCILMEMBERS. I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN INVOLVED IN INTERESTED IN TRANSPORTATION AND HAVE SHOWN THAT BY GOING ALL THE WAY TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND LOOKING AT THAT TWICE FOR MTC. DURING MY LAST YEAR, I HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED AND I WOULD SUSPECT THAT I WILL BE UP FOR A POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD THIS YEAR IF I CONTINUE. BUT ALSO, I HAVE WORKED WITH SUPERVISOR -- WHO IS THE BOARD CHAIR. I WILL CONTINUE NEXT YEAR AS A BOARD CHAIR. THE APPOINTMENT. I'VE ATTENDED EVERY MEETING EXCEPT ONE. -- AND I NOTIFIED HIM I HAD A CONFLICT AND HE WAS ABLE TO ATTEND THAT MEETING. SO THAT IS THE MAIN COMMITTEE I WOULD LIKE TO ADVOCATE FOR TONIGHT. ALSO, I AM INTERESTED IN, ALTHOUGH I DID NOT SUBMIT FOR IT. THE HOMELESS COORDINATOR. I KNOW THAT VICE CHAIR McLEWIS HAS SUBMITTED ON IT. BECAUSE OF MY WORK WITH HOMELESS, AND PRIOR TO COUNCILMEMBER RICH GETTING INVOLVED IN THAT ISSUE, I SERVED AS OUR PARK VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVE. THAT IS HOW THE HOMELESS COORDINATOR THAT CITY HAS AND IT GOT STARTED. ADVOCATOR FOR THE COUNTY TO FUND THAT. AND I BELIEVE THAT IS THE VILLAGE OWNED BY THE CITY AND I THINK -- HAS COMMUNITY SERVICES THAT IT WOULD BE REALLY IMPORTANT FOR US TO GET INVOLVED MORE DIRECTLY WITH WEST COUNTY COMMITTEE SERVICES THAT I'VE ALSO ATTENDED THE MEETINGS THAT WERE HELD HERE. I KNOW WE WILL HAVE SOME NEW OCCUPANTS AT -- STATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT BEHIND THAT. SO I'VE BEEN PRETTY INVOLVED IN THE ISSUE. I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN BEING A LIAISON. I JUST THINK MY BACKGROUND. -- WITH THE HOMELESS. IT MIGHT BE GOOD FOR THAT WORK. AND THEN I THINK THE MAYOR MENTIONED, WE HAVE BEEN, MAYOR ZOLLMAN AND I HAVE BEEN WORKING ON -- IT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE WITH A VOTING MEMBER IS BECAUSE WE HAVE BEEN ACTIVE AS A TEAM THAT IF YOU WANT TO TAKE A VOTING MEMBER LIKE MYSELF, I AM OKAY. -- WE SHOULD CONTINUE AS A TEAM ON THAT. I JUST WANTED TO PUT A PLUG-IN FOR THAT. AND SO WHAT WAS THE OTHER ONE? THE FINANCING DISTRICT. I WOULD BE OPEN TO PLACING COUNCILMEMBER RICH ON THAT. THAT IS ALSO AN APPOINTMENT WHEN WORKING WITH A SUPERVISOR WHO I HAVE A STRONG RELATIONSHIP WITH. I'M ALSO OKAY IF IT GOES A DIFFERENT WAY. ANYWAY. THOSE ARE MY REQUESTS. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM MY COUNCILMEMBERS? I JUST WANT TO MAKE ONE COMMENT. IN THE PACKET, IT HAS THE COMMITTEE I WAS ADVOCATING FOR. THE PAGES ARE THE SAME. DOES NOT HAVE ALL THE ONES OF THE COMMITTEES I WAS ADVOCATING FOR.

THE SUMMARY PAGE

NO. THERE ARE FIVE OF THEM. BUT IT IS ALL THE SAME. IT DOES NOT HAVE EACH ONE.

OKAY. WILL MAKE SURE THE MAYOR GETS THAT. BUT THE SUMMARY SHOWS THE APPOINTMENT, CORRECT?

NO. I WAS JUST GOING THROUGH AND IT SAYS THE SAME COMMITTEE. [LAUGHTER] LET'S SEE. ONE, TWO AND WHERE'S THE SUMMARY? I SEE ONE

SUMMARY LIKE FOUR OR FIVE PAGES AND IS THE SAME SUMMARY OVER AND OVER AGAIN.

I JUST REALIZED THAT.

I WILL SAY I NOTICED SOMETHING ONLINE AND REQUESTED YOUR SHEET.

I WAS NOT SURE WHAT WAS GOING ON.

I DID GET YOURS.

I READ THEM THROUGH.

YEAH, AND THE ACCESS CODE. I SPENT A LOT OF TIME PUTTING THOSE TOGETHER. SO MAKING SURE.

YES, I AM SEEING THE SUMMARY PAGE WITH YOU ARE CORRECT. SOMEHOW, THE PDF POPPED UP. I POPPED IT UP BUT I'M NOT SURE WHY IT POPPED UP THAT WAY. BUT WE WILL MAKE SURE THE MAYOR HAS THOSE. THE SUMMARY PAGES AND THERE ALSO THAT HAS ONE PAGE OF YOUR REQUEST FOR

GOTCHA. OKAY.

THE COMMUNITY CENTER.

I SAW THAT. [INAUDIBLE - OVERLAPPING SPEAKERS]

MAYBE IT WAS THE WAY IT WAS SAVED. THAT WAS WEIRD. NO WORRIES.

I DID NOT READ --

ALL YOUR COMMITTEES ARE LISTED ON THERE.

OKAY. ANY OTHER COMMENTS BEFORE WE WRAP THIS UP?

I JUST WANT TO EXPLAIN THE REASON WHY I SUBMITTED MY -- FOR MOST OF THE UNRELATED COMMITTEES. THE TRANSIT. I STARTED WITH THE BUS COMPANY IN COLORADO. I WORKED WITH TOWNS BEFORE. I UNDERSTAND THERE IS THE WRITABLE AND -- AND USEFUL. I FELT I NEED TO THROW MY HAT IN AND WORK WITH THEM. THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE. KIND OF KEEP THIS VERTICAL GOING ON WHERE I CAN COMMUNICATE THROUGH THESE ORGANIZATIONS. THE WAY THAT IS EFFICIENT AND GET MORE DONE. AND THEN THE RCPA IS COMBINING WITH -- THEY ARE COMBINING FOR A REASON. THAT IS TO ELIMINATE SOME BUREAUCRACY WITHIN DEPARTMENT SO THEY BECOME MORE EFFECTIVE. AND I SEEM TO BE A BETTER ADVOCATE FOR SEBASTOPOL . A CLEAR LINE OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND ALL OF THE HOME CLIMATE ACTION. I JUST WANTED TO -- YOU KNOW, THAT IS THE REASON. I DO HAVE A LOT OF FORWARD THINKING IDEAS FOR HOW -- POWER WORKS. AND REALLY, THOSE IN GENERAL. SO I WOULD ADVOCATE FOR BEING ON THE -- POWER. BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE, AND I DO KNOW QUITE A FEW -- TO BEGIN WITH. AND THERE MAY BE SOME WAYS WHERE I CAN BE EFFECTIVE STATEWIDE, NOT JUST WITHIN SEBASTOPOL.

THANK YOU APPEARED COUNCILMEMBER MAURER?

TO SOME GENERAL COMMENTS. I AM CURRENTLY THE ALTERNATE PERSON WITH -- POWER. AND I COULD STEP ASIDE IF ANOTHER COUNCILMEMBER, FOR EXAMPLE, COUNCILMEMBER CARTER. IF HE WANTED THE ALTERNATE POSITION, I COULD STEP ASIDE FOR THAT, OKAY? IN TERMS OF WAYS, THAT IS ANOTHER THING. I'M A PRIMARY BOARD MEMBER RIGHT UP THAT I CAN ALSO STEP ASIDE ON THAT AND BE AN ALTERNATE ON THAT ONE. ON THE SEBASTOPOL ARTS BOARD , AN ALTERNATE IS NOT NEEDED AT THIS TIME. AND THERE IS NO -- I JUST WANTED TO -- WHAT IS NEEDED. THERE IS NO ONE BESIDES MYSELF SIGN UP FOR THE BUDGET COMMITTEE. SO I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT PHIL CARTER IS CONSIDERED FOR THE BUDGET COMMITTEE. AND THEN I ALSO SIGNED UP FOR THE SERVICE -- I DO NOT

REALLY KNOW WHAT ALL THAT ENTAILS. SO I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW A LITTLE BIT MORE BUT I DEAFLY HAVE AN INTEREST IN BEING A LIAISON TO SERVICE.

OKAY.

I APOLOGIZE FOR SUCKING THE WIND OUT OF THE PLACE. I WANT TO MAKE SURE I AM -- TOMORROW. OFFERING SOME -- BEING ABLE TO DO THAT ON THE SIDE. AND ALSO GETTING ON THE BUDGET COMMITTEE. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU RECEIVED THAT UPDATE?

I WAS GOING TO BRING THAT UP TONIGHT BECAUSE THAT IS ALREADY POSTED. TONIGHT I WAS GOING TO HAVE YOU ADVOCATE FOR THAT BUT I BELIEVE YOU ALSO STATED YOU WOULD BE PRIMARY OR ALTERNATE ON A LOT OF THE POSITIONS AS WELL. HE WANTED TO ADD BUDGET COMMITTEE TO HIS REQUEST AND HE IS ALSO OPEN TO BE PRIMARY OR ALTERNATE.

OKAY. THANK YOU. ANY OTHER COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER HINTON? I JUST REMINDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MAURER THAT THE ROTARY CLUB WHERE I WAS A MEMBER FOR 21 YEARS, HAVE REQUESTED I TAKE OVER FOR COUNCILMEMBER RICH FOR THE LIAISON. AND I WOULD BE HAPPY TO SHARE BUT I DO NOT WANT TO TAKE ON ALL THE SERVICE LIAISONS. [LAUGHTER] I'M HAPPY TO HELP ON THE ROTARY CLUB IF THEY ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE MEMBERS. SO I JUST OFFER THAT UP IF YOU WANT ME TO DO ROTARY AND SOMEBODY ELSE DOES THE QANTAS AND THE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.

I DO NOT KNOW ENOUGH ABOUT HOW IT WORKS. BUT I THINK THERE ARE MEETING AT ONE TIME. IT IS NOT JUST REGULAR MEETING. IT IS ALL THE SERVICES AT ONE TIME. AND IF IT IS NOT, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT IT IS.

THAT IS CORRECT. THAT IS CORRECT BUT IT WAS A GROUP OF SERVICE WHICH INCLUDED ALL THE ROTARIES AND THERE WAS A MOTHER ACTION AS WELL. WILL GET A DETAILED LIST BUT WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IS IF THERE IS CONSISTENCY TONIGHT BUT THERE THERE IS TWO COMMITTEES THAT ARE NOT FORMAL LIAISONS AND THAT WAS ONE OF THEM. THAT WAS CREATED WHEN COUNCILMEMBER RICH ATTENDED AS AN INITIAL COUNCILMEMBER BUT NOT REPRESENTING THE CITY BUT WE HAVE THAT AS REQUEST TO COME BACK TO BE FORMALIZED AT THE NEXT MEETING IF THERE'S COUNCIL CONSENSUS TONIGHT FOR THAT. THE SAME THING WITH THE LIBRARY AD HOC. THE COUNCIL LIAISON. I'M SORRY.

TO THE COMMUNITY.

YEAH, THE NON-PROFIT. THOSE ARE TWO THAT COUNCILMEMBERS HAVE BEEN EATING REGULARLY. WE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE GOOD TO PUT THEM ON THE LIST AND SEE ABOUT BEING OFFICIAL COUNCIL LIAISONS .

JUST TO CLARIFY, YOU ARE SAYING THE NONPROFITS OR THE SERVICE CLUB THAT I THINK WAS STARTED BACK DURING COVID WAS WITH OUR AGREEMENTS, THAT ORGANIZATION IS STILL MEETING REGULARLY?

NOT THAT ORGANIZATION. THEY JUST TOOK THEIR OWN. THEY STARTED MEETING CERTAIN GROUPS MEETING ON THEIR OWN. FOR PROFIT GROUPS THAT ARE NOT NONPROFIT AND FOR-PROFIT GROUPS AND FORMER MAYOR RICH WAS ATTENDING THOSE AS A COUNCILMEMBER BUT NOT IN AN OFFICIAL CAPACITY REPRESENTING THE CULTURE THE SAME THING WITH THE NON-TRAFFIC COLLABORATIVE. CURRENTLY OUR MAYOR IS HOLDING

MONTHLY NONPROFITS ALL MEET TOGETHER. THAT IS NOT AN OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED.

OKAY. I AM OPEN TO WHATEVER WE DECIDE. I JUST BROUGHT IT UP BECAUSE THE ROTARY CLUB HAS REACHED OUT. THE MOST RECENT THING WAS THE -- AND THEY'LL PROBABLY DO ANOTHER PROJECT NEXT YEAR. SHE MET RACH. THANK YOU FOR THAT. ALSO, THERE WAS DISCUSSION ABOUT HAVING A LIAISON BEFORE OUR CHAMBER AND THAT DBA. BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, MY UNDERSTANDING IS -- I MAY NOT KNOW WHAT I AM TALKING ABOUT. BUT THEY HAD NOT MERGED. I THINK THERE ARE REASONS.

YOU SAID THE DBA?

THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION.

IS THAT RIGHT?

I'M SORRY. I GOT THE INITIALS WRONG. YES. SO IF THEY HAVE NOT MERGED, AND THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION -- ABOUT IF THERE IS. I ALSO WANT TO BE TO THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION.

THEY BOTH ATTEND THE SAME, THE CHAMBER BOARD MEETING. MOST OF THE TIME, THEY JUST HAVE A MEMBER COME TO THAT MEETING. SO IT IS ALREADY KIND OF TOGETHER. THEY ARE NOT OFFICIALLY MERGES MY UNDERSTANDING. BUT THAT IS KIND OF HOW THAT WORKS. YOU KNOW, THEY PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSION.

ALL RIGHT. THAT ANSWERS THAT QUESTION. THERE YOU GO. SO MARY, DID YOU NEED SOMETHING FROM US TO SORT OF INITIALLY TAKE SOME ACTION IN REFERENCE TO THE COMMUNITY AND IF IT'S? AND ALSO FOR THE SERVICE?

IF THERE IS CONSENSUS TO PUT IT ON THE NEXT AGENDA ITEM FOR RATIFICATION OF THE FORMAL COUNCIL LIAISON TO THIS.

THANK YOU.

, OFTEN ARE THE SERVICE CLUBS MEETING?

ONCE A MONTH. I BELIEVE SO. SINCE IT IS NOT A COUNCIL SUPPORTED GROUP, I DO NOT HAVE A LOT OF INFORMATION BEHIND IT. I KNOW IT WAS A REGULAR ORGANIZATION THAT OUR FORMAL COUNCILMEMBER WAS MEETING WITH WE WERE ASKED TO PUT IT ON IF SOMEONE WANTED TO ATTEND IN HER PLACE.

I WILL -- I HAVE A BROAD ACT QUESTION. IF THERE IS A LIAISON TO THE KIWANIS OR ROTARY , AND I AM NOT THAT PERSON, WITH ROTARY OR KIWANIS?

YOU ABSOLUTELY CAN. YOU JUST CANNOT DISCUSS THINGS WITH OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS. SO YOU COULD TALK WITH THE LIAISON. THE LIAISON COULD NOT TALK WITH ANYONE ELSE. YOU CAN STILL INTERFACE WITH THE GROUP. YOU KNOW, THEY HAVE A LENS AND THE LIAISON IS THAT OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COUNCIL.

OTHER QUESTIONS? IF NOT, I THINK WE NEED TO ESTABLISH THE CONSENSUS TO BRING THE TWO ENTITIES BACK

-- AN BEFORE WE DO THAT, CAN WE GO BACK TO PUBLIC COMMENT?

YES

THIS IS OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE COMMITTEE LIST BUT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, I WILL COME INTO CHAMBERS FIRST. SEEING NONE , I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. KYLE, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER? GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

I JUST NEED TO REALLY STRONGLY ADVOCATE FOR CHANGE. IF YOU LOOK AT THE AMOUNT OF SERVICE THAT DRAGON HAS RECEIVED, IN PARTICULAR, LOOKING AT TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN SEBASTOPOL AND -- WE SHOULD ALL BE AWARE OF AND HAS THE SMART TRAIN. THAT IS BEEN RADICALLY REDUCED OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS. WE HAVE FIVE ROUNDTrips IN 2019. WE CURRENTLY HAVE ONE ROUND-TRIP PER DAY. AND THAT ONE ROUND-TRIP ONLY OCCURS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR. SO WHAT I'M REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT IS THAT WE HAVE REPRESENTATION ON THAT BOARD THAT ACTUALLY ADVOCATES FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION TO MAJOR TRANSPORTATION HUBS SUCH AS THE SMART TRAIN. I DO NOT BELIEVE WE HAVE HAD THAT. IT IS REALLY, REALLY CONCERNING FOR ME THAT WE ACTUALLY GET SOME CHANGE ON OUR CTA. WE SEE AN INCREASE IN 26/52, AND NOT JUST BE LEFT WITH A SINGLE ROUTE THAT IS HAPPENING CURRENTLY. IT IS SURPRISING TO ME THIS HAS NOT COME UP EARLIER. IT IS SURPRISING THE AMOUNT OF REPORTING WE HAVE OUT OF THERE DOES NOT INDICATE ANYTHING ABOUT REGULARLY COMMUNICATING WHAT OUR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION NETWORK LOOKS LIKE. THE AMOUNT OF SERVICE WE HAVE FOR THE SERVICE LEVELS WE HAVE READ NONE OF THESE THINGS ARE BEING CURRENTLY BROUGHT UP AS REPORTING OUT RIGHT COUNCIL LIAISONS THROUGH CTA AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT CHANGED THANK YOU.

KYLA, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. SEEING NONE , I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE.

HELLO BUT I WANTED TO CLARIFY ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE STA IN THE CHAMBER BUT I KNOW THERE IS A LITTLE BIT OF CONFUSION AROUND THAT. FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES, WE HAVE MERGED WHERE WORKING TOGETHER REGULARLY. WE ARE JUST AWAITING THE NEXT STEPS OFFICIALLY AND LEGALLY WITH WHATEVER WE NEED TO DO WITH REWRITING AN ORDINANCE OR MAKING ADJUSTMENTS TO THAT. I WANTED TO BE CLEAR ABOUT THAT. WE DO HAVE AN FDA PRESENCE AT OUR BOARD MEETINGS. ADAM PARKES WAS ON THE STA BOARD WAS ON THE BOARD OF THE CHAMBER. KIND OF DOUBLE AND I WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT FOR YOU.

THANK YOU, MARIAH. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. SEEING NONE, LINDA , CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE.

SO KYLE AND TRANSPORTATION -- THIS SEEMS LIKE THE CITY COUNCIL IS TOTALLY IGNORING OUR PLACE IN SEBASTOPOL. THE SECOND HIGHEST TOTAL OF DEATHS AND INJURIES IN OUR ROADS, YOU KNOW? INTERSECTIONS IN THE STATE. AND ALSO INJURIES WITH BICYCLES AND PEDESTRIANS. I WOULD THINK THAT MAYBE YOU MIGHT WANT TO DIAL THAT BACK. USE ALL THESE BUILDINGS THAT ARE IN THE PIPELINE. YOU MIGHT RECOGNIZE THAT TRAFFIC INFRASTRUCTURE IS A PROBLEM HERE. BUT ASIDE FROM THAT, IT SEEMS LIKE ALL THE COMMUNITY, THE PEOPLE ON CITY COUNCIL, IT SEEMS ODD TO ME THEY'RE UNABLE TO FIND THEIR WAY UP HERE TO THE NORTH PART OF TOWN. MY NEIGHBORS, THOSE WITH RVs, WHERE THEY ARE PRETTY KNOW, AND TAKE A LITTLE WALK ON THE WILD SIDE, WHICH IT HAS BECOME ON THE SIDEWALK WHERE THEY LIVE. YOU KNOW, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PASS SAFELY BECAUSE OF UNLEASHED DOGS WOULD YOU ALSO GET A STRONG WHIFF OF SEWAGE THERE THAT IS

BEEN THERE FOR LIKE A MONTH. ALSO, NEARBY, AND ALSO SHOPPING ACROSS THE STREET. AGAIN -- AN LINDA, YOU HAVE 25 SECONDS. I'M SORRY? SORRY, LINDA. I WILL INTERJECTED I SAY THE FACT THAT WE ARE ENTERTAINING THOUGHTS AND IDEAS ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 12. THANK YOU.

ALL RIGHT. OKAY. GIVE ME MORE TIME FOR THAT, MARY. THANK YOU. SO THIS IS THE COMMITTEE TIME. ALL THIS ENERGY AND STUFF GOING TO THESE COMMITTEES AND STUFF. YOU ARE IGNORING A VITAL ISSUE HERE. LIKE I SAID. THE VACANT COMMERCIAL OUTLETS OF THE REDWOOD MARKETPLACE. IT IS UNSAFE TO GO SHOPPING THERE BECAUSE OF --

LINDA, THAT IS TWO MINUTES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT? SEEING NONE , I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. ROBERT, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE ? CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER? GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

YEAH, JUST COMMENTING ON THE LIAISON TO THE HOMELESS OUTREACH. I THINK COUNCILMEMBER HINTON ASKED FOR THAT AND SUGGESTED SHE HAD A LONG HISTORY WORKING WITH THE HOMELESS IN THE CITY. I GUESS I WOULD ACKNOWLEDGE THAT BUT AT THE SAME TIME, OVERALL THAT TIME THE SITUATION WITH THE HOMELESS IS NOT GETTING ANY BETTER. SHE AND RICH CHAMPIONED RIGHT INSIDE WHICH DID NOT TURN OUT SO WELL. I THINK SHE SUPPORTED THIS SO EVEN THOUGH THERE WERE A LOT OF ISSUES AROUND FINANCIAL RISKS THE CITY HAS TAKEN. AND SHE CONSISTENTLY SIDES WITH THE HOMELESS, INVITING THEM TO SEBASTOPOL. AT ONE POINT, I REMEMBER SHE EVEN SAID THEY COULD ALL COME TO HER STREET. I THINK AT THIS POINT, WE NEED SOME NEW THINKING. AND I THINK IT WAS VICE CHAIR McLEWIS HAD CHECKED THAT BOX. I'M NOT SURE BUT I WOULD SUPPORT THAT NOMINATION. THANK YOU.

ROBERT, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT? SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, PUBLIC COMMENT IS CLOSED .

BRINGING IT BACK TO THE DAIS. I THINK MARY IS ASKING FOR CONSENSUS ON BRINGING BACK THOSE TWO. THE MONTHLY NONPROFIT COLLABORATIVE, AND ALSO THE SERVICE ACTION FOR CONSIDERATION OF FORMALIZING OUR LIAISON POSITION AT THE NEXT AGENDA ITEM. IF THAT IS WHAT IS REQUESTED, SHOULD WE JUST DO A THUMBS-UP?

YES BUT I JUST NEED DIRECTION FROM STAFF.

THUMBS UP ON THOSE TWO IDEAS? I SEE ONE FROM COUNCILMEMBER HINTON -- YES

YOU. YOU HAVE RECEIVED THE COMMITTEE SO WE WILL COME BACK AT THE JANUARY 7th MEETING.

WE WILL GO AHEAD AND MOVE ON. WE DO --, OH, SORRY, VICE MAYOR. I WOULD LIKE THAT. THAT IS WHY I PUT IN FOR IT BUT I THINK WE NEED SOME PROCESSES HERE IN THE CITY. SO WITH THE PUBLIC COMMENT HERE. I DO BELIEVE WE NEED SOME FRESH TAKING. THANK YOU.

OF COURSE. OF COURSE. I WOULD ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ADDRESS THE PUBLIC COMMENT THAT TALKED ABOUT TRANSPORTATION. I WILL SAY THAT I HAVE BEEN ON A COMMITTEE ADVOCATING FOR ADDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION LOTS. WE CURRENTLY HAVE NONE COMING FROM -- TRANSIT. AND I MENTIONED IT IN MY REPORT OUT. AT A BOARD MEETING, WE WENT AHEAD AND ASKED THE TRANSPORTATION PLANS. I'D NEVER SEEN A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC THAT BROUGHT UP TO REPRESENT -- ATTENDING THE MEETING. SO I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT I HAVE BEEN A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR THIS COMMUNITY. AND I KNOW MY COLLEAGUES ON THE BOARD WOULD BACK ME UP. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. WE ARE THEN MOVING ONTO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 13. OUR GOAL IS TO MAKE SURE EACH ITEM IS ADDRESSED BUT IT ALSO, UNDERSTANDING THAT THE MEETING ENDS AT 10:30. I WILL ASK MY COLLEAGUES IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A BREAK FOR FIVE MINUTES BEFORE YOU MOVE ON? OR WHETHER WE ARE GOOD TO PURSUE? OKAY, WE ARE MOVING ALONG. ITEM NUMBER 13. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF STAFF REPORT FOR CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE. THE RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT IS THE PLANNING/CITY MANAGER. AND THEN WE CAN HAND IT OFF TO WHOEVER YOU WOULD LIKE.

THANK YOU, MAYOR PETE IF YOU MAY REMEMBER A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO, RECEIVED A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF INFORMATION OF BACKGROUND ON THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE, THE HISTORY AND THE ROLES. SOME DIFFERENT OPTIONS AROUND THEIR FUTURE AND PARTICULARLY AROUND THE LEVEL OF STAFF SUPPORT WE WERE PROVIDED TO THE COMMITTEE. THE DOLL IS EXPRESSED IN THERE ARE NOT SO MUCH DIRECT DOLLARS SAVINGS, BUT IN SOME CASES THEY ARE, AS MUCH AS THEY ARE THE VALUE OF THE STAFF TIME. SOME OF THAT WOULD BE DIRECTED TO PROJECTS WE GENERATE SOME REVENUE. SO HOPEFULLY WE WOULD HAVE ALL THE BACKGROUND INFORMATION NEEDED FROM THAT REPORT. WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THIS FOR NUMEROUS MONTH, PROBABLY CLOSE TO SIX MONTHS OR MORE WITH STAFF. IN NUMEROUS MEETINGS WITH THE COMMITTEE ITSELF AND WE ARE HOPING THAT YOU WILL PROVIDE A DECISION TONIGHT WITH WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE US DO WITH THE FUTURE OF THAT COMMITTEE WITH STAFF SUPPORT. WITH THAT, -- OUR NEW COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, IS GOING TO LEAD YOU THROUGH THE POWERPOINT AND THAT I WILL COME BACK TO THE COUNCIL FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK YOU.

BEFORE YOU START, I WANTED TO CHECK, AS I ALWAYS DO. ALL OF THESE SLIDES HAVE BEEN A PLATED, MARY, TO THE CITY SITE TO THE PUBLIC AND FOLLOWED ALONG IF THEY WOULD LIKE?

YES, THEY HAVE.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU AND GOOD EVENING TO THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL. I WOULD CLARIFY THAT THE POWERPOINT YOU SEE IN FRONT OF YOU, WE INCREASED THE FONT SIZE SO IT IS EASIER FOR THE PUBLIC TO SEE DURING THE MEETING TONIGHT. AT THE CITY MANAGER EXPLAINED, WE DO PROVIDE AN INFORMATIONAL ITEM AT THE DECEMBER 3rd COUNCIL MEETING TO GO OVER THE CAC STATUS . SUGGESTIONS FOR DIFFERENT OPTIONS THAT THE COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER. THE CAC OR CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE WAS PROVIDED IN THAT STAFF REPORT. THEY HAVE ALSO

PROVIDED CAC ACCOMPLISHMENTS . THOSE SHOULD BE IN YOUR WRITTEN STAFF REPORT. THAT WAS ALSO POSTED ONLINE. AT THIS TIME, STAFF IS MAKING A RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COUNCIL TO CONSIDER TWO ACTIONS. EITHER TO A STANDALONE, THAT IS AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE. I WOULD NO LONGER BE UP AROUND ACT BODY. OR TO CONTINUE TO HAVE THE LIMITED ACTION COMMITTEE BE A BROWN ACT BODY, BUT WITH CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT. BUT TO REDUCE THE COMMITTEE SIZE AND PUT A LIMITATION ON THE USE OF STAFF TIME. TO PROVIDE YOU A LITTLE MORE SPECIFICS ON THAT. IT IS FURTHER EXPLAINED IN THE STAFF REPORT. BASED ON FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 RATES FOR THAT WOULD BE THE STANDALONE ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THIS WOULD BE ZERO DOLLARS AND DEDICATED FUNDS AND RESULTING IN ABOUT \$50,000 IN COST SAVINGS. THIS IS PER YEAR AND ONGOING INDIRECT STAFF COSTS. THIS WOULD CAPTURE TIME. STAFF CAN FOCUS ON OTHER INITIATIVES AND OBLIGATIONS. AND THEN OPTION TWO WOULD BE TO CONTINUE FINANCIAL SUPPORT WITH ROUGHLY \$50,000 AND DEDICATED FUNDS PER YEAR INDIRECT STAFF COSTS FOR THE ACTUAL IMPACT INCLUDES LOST OPPORTUNITY COSTS AND ASSOCIATED STAFF TIME DIVERSION. THE PHRASE LOST OPPORTUNITY ESSENTIALLY MEANS THE FOCUS STAFF TIME ON THIS COMMITTEE MADE THERE WOULD BE LESS STAFF TIME TO FOCUS ON OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND COUNCIL PRIORITIES. SO TO AMPLIFY IT CORRECTLY THAT FURTHER. SO CITY WORK-RELATED OPPORTUNITY COST COULD BE LEGAL AND STATE OBLIGATIONS, SUCH AS THE HOUSING OBLIGATION. A LITTLE BEHIND ON THAT. RIGHT NOW, WE WANT TO FOCUS ON THAT. REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITIES. SUPPLICATION OF THE CITY PERMITTING PROCESS. AND SUPPORTING OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. AT THIS TIME, TO KEEP IT SHORT, COUNCIL IS RECOMMENDING THAT WE DISCUSS THE REPORT. THE CAC'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND THEN TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT . IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THERE IS AT LEAST ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE HERE WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK BETTER THAN WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU TO TAKE ACTION TONIGHT BASED ON THE COUNCIL FIDUCIARY AND WORKPLAN CONSIDERATIONS. THOSE WOULD INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING THREE OPTIONS. OPTION ONE. AS I FOOLISHLY MENTIONED, TO FORMALLY REVOKE CITY APPOINTMENT OF THE COMMITTEE. THIS WOULD STILL ALLOW THEM TO OPERATE AS AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE. OPTION TWO WOULD BE TO CONTINUE THE ACTION COMMITTEE AS THE CITY APPOINTED BODY, BUT WITH REDUCED PHYSICAL AND STAFFING ALLOCATION. IN OPTION THREE. TAKE NO ACTION AND MEET THE STATUS QUO. THAT IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY STAFF.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH BUT I WILL TURN TO MY COLLEAGUES FOR QUESTIONS. BEFORE YOU GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT, IF THERE ARE NO QUESTIONS, WE WILL GO RIGHT OUT TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

MY UNDERSTANDING IS THE CHAIR FOR THE CAC WILL -- IS THAT NOT CORRECT?

THE AGENDA REVIEW COMMITTEE SAID THE PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- WITH PUBLIC COMMENT.

ARE THERE OTHER QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES? BEFORE WE GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT? OKAY.

YEAH. REGARDING THE QUESTIONS I SHOULD ASK THAT I MEAN, THIS IS ASKING QUESTIONS OF -- CORRECT?

YES.

SO THE \$50,000 THAT I SAW ON THERE, IS THAT FOR STAFF COSTS? OR WOULD THERE BE SOME KIND OF COST THE COUNCIL WOULD NOT BE AWARE OF? REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF STAFF TIME THEY HAVE? YOU KNOW, IF THERE WERE INADVERTENT QUESTIONS. IF THE COMMUNITY MEMBER WERE TO ASK SOMETHING OF THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT THAT WAS NOT NECESSARILY SANCTION. WOULD THAT GO AGAINST THAT \$50,000?

I THINK WHAT YOU'RE ASKING, AND PLEASE CLARIFY. IN THE OPPOSITE WE ARE TALKING ABOUT WITH OPTION TWO, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT 10 HOURS A MONTH OF STAFF TIME TO SUPPORT THE COMMITTEE AND TRANSLATE THAT, IF YOU WILL, CONVERTED INTO DOLLARS . ABOUT \$50,000 OF THE VALUE OF THAT STAFF TIME. AND SO YES. ESSENTIALLY, ONE OF THE BIG PROBLEMS WE HAVE WITH THE COMMITTEE IS THAT LETTER A WILL BE ASKING STAFF QUESTIONS ABOUT CERTAIN TOPICS. AND B WILL BE ASKING QUESTIONS ABOUT A DIFFERENT TOPIC. AND C WILL BE ASKING SOMEONE ELSE, AND SOMETIMES ACROSS DEPARTMENTS AND THAT IS WHY WE ESTIMATED THE TOTAL COST OF ABOUT \$50,000. AND MOST OF THE SINGLE BIGGEST COSTS ARE ALL THE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FOR THE REQUEST FOR ANALYSIS AND CITY STAFF. WHEN THE COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED, AT SOME POINT IN THE HISTORY, IT IS THAT THEY WERE GOING TO BE HELPING STAFF IT IN REALITY, IT HAS BEEN STAFF SUPPORTING A COMMITTEE TO THE TUNE OF ABOUT \$50,000 WORTH OF EXPENSES PER YEAR. WE EXPECT THING -- THAT IT CAPS THAT IT IS UP TO THE COMMUNITY TO MANAGE HOW THEY USE THAT 10 HOURS. THE STAFF IS PRETTY NEUTRAL ON THAT. EXCEPT FOR THE BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS. THOSE DO REQUIRE A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF STAFF SUPPORT AND TIME. THAT IS EVEN MORE OF THE QUESTIONS WE WILL BE ABLE TO RESPOND TO IF THE COUNCIL GOES IN THAT DIRECTION

WHAT I WOULD REQUEST AS IF WE DID TAKE THAT, BECAUSE IT IS STILL A LITTLE VAGUE AND IT DOES NOT SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF HANDOFF BETWEEN INFORMATION TO THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE AND STAFF. THAT YOU PUT PARAMETERS AROUND IT. IF THERE IS A MECHANISM SO WE KNOW HOW MUCH GAS IS IN THEIR, RIGHT? SO WE DO NOT TAKE TOO MUCH OF YOUR TIME. THERE HAS TO BE A MECHANISM SO WE UNDERSTAND. THE HOURS YOU ARE USING. AND THAT IS TRUE FOR BOTH PARTIES, RIGHT? SO WE KNOW THAT WE TALKED THROUGH ONE CHANNEL. SOMETHING LIKE THAT. AND WE KNOW HOW THE BUDGET IS GOING, RIGHT?

WE ARE IN QUESTION. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO POSE THAT IS A QUESTION TO THE DIRECTOR.

SO THE QUESTION WOULD BE, WHAT THE 15,000 OPTION, COULD YOU PLEASE COME WITH CLEAR PARAMETERS AND A METHOD OF TALKING WITH STAFF? BECAUSE I THINK THAT IS WHAT HAS BEEN LACKING ALL ALONG. THAT WOULD BE MORE HELPFUL. WE CAN DO INDEPENDENT RESEARCH WITH GRANTS AND THINGS LIKE THAT. SO WHAT DOES INCLUDE SOME KIND OF -- FOR US TO WORK OUT?

I DON'T KNOW -- LET ME TELL YOU MY BEST ANSWER. THIS IS PART OF THE PROBLEM. THIS IS THE FOURTH PLANNING SESSION AS WE ARE WORKING ON THE ISSUE THIS YEAR. MY UNDERSTANDING BEING IN THAT SEAT NOT TOO LONG AGO. IF THEY HAVE NOT ALREADY ESTABLISHED A MECHANISM FOR DOING THAT, THE COMMITTEE WOULD BE ABLE TO COME UP WITH A WAY TO

WORK THAT OUT. SO NOT GETTING MULTIPLE, I THINK THE STAFF WOULD INSIST ON HAVING SOME WAY TO DO THAT. WHETHER IT BE THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE OR WHOMEVER. YOU HIT THE 10 HOURS AVERAGE. YOU DO NOT ANSWER THE PHONE ESSENTIALLY. AND IF THERE ARE AVAILABLE HOURS -- BUT WE HAVE GOT TO DRAW LIMITS. SETTING THOSE LIMITS AND ADHERING TO THEM. SO I DO NOT THINK, I THINK WE CAN MAKE THAT WORK AND CANOPY. IT IS THE POLICY ISSUE FOR TONIGHT TO SUPPORT THE CONDITION -- AND WHATNOT.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

I WOULD LIKE TO ASK A POINT OF ORDER HERE BUT I UNDERSTOOD WERE ALSO GOING TO HEAR FROM CLIMATE ACTION BRIEFLY TODAY. AND IF THE MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR HAS DECIDED NO, IF THERE ARE THREE OF US ON THE BOARD THAT WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM THEM, I BELIEVE WE CAN CALL THAT UP. I FEEL BADLY THAT WITH THE QUESTION, I FELT LIKE IN THE LAST MEETING, AND NOW WE HAVE A DIFFERENT PROTOCOL. SO HOW DOES THIS WORK? IF THERE ARE THREE OF US THAT THINK WE SHOULD HEAR FROM THAT BODY TONIGHT?

WE COULD APPEAL THE DECISION OF THE CHAIR. SOMEONE COULD MAKE A MOTION TO APPEAL THE DECISION OF THE CHAIR. AND THEN IF THE MAJORITY WANTED TO DO THAT, YOU KNOW, THEY COULD THEN APPEAL THAT.

WHAT WOULD THAT BE APPROPRIATE IF I WAS TO MAKE A MOTION?

THE PROTOCOL AND --

THANK YOU.

VICE MAYOR?

SO WITH OPTION ONE, SO THE PUBLIC COMMUNITY MEETING. WHAT THEY, LIKE EVERYONE ELSE, IF THEY HAVE A COUNCIL LIAISON OR HARBOR THAT WORKS, IT WOULD STILL HAVE SOMEONE THAT COULD ADVOCATE. COULD THEY STILL HAVE SOMEONE THAT COULD ADVOCATE FOR THEM AND IT WOULD BREAK SOMETHING FORTH OR THEY WANTED TO DO SOME TYPE OF QUARTERLY REPORT? WHATEVER THE FREQUENCY IS. THEY STILL COULD BE ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY AND COMMUNICATING TO THE COMMUNITY. ESSENTIALLY FUNCTIONING WITH THE OTHER COMMUNITY GROUPS WITH ARE THEY MEET. THEY TAKE ACTION. YOU KNOW, I JUST THINK ABOUT KIWANIS AT ALL THE DIFFERENT SERVICE GROUPS . I'M JUST ASKING. WOULD THEY STILL BE ABLE TO DO THAT AND STILL EFFECTIVELY COMMUNICATE WHERE THEY NEED TO?

I THINK THERE IS A COUPLE WAYS THAT COULD HAPPEN. THE SHORT ANSWER IS YES. IF THERE IS AN APPOINTED LIAISON TO HELP BRIDGE THE CITY AND THE QUALITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THAT WOULD CERTAINLY BE AN OPTION. ANY REQUEST TO HAVE AN INDIVIDUAL. [INAUDIBLE] AT ANY TIME. THERE IS NO NEED TO HAVE A FORMAL MECHANISM TO REQUEST THAT. OR IF THE COUNCIL AS A WHOLE APPROVES IT IT WOULD COME FORWARD. THE LIAISON IS A LITTLE BIT MORE OF A FORMAL STRUCTURE FOR DOING THAT. NOT NECESSARY, BUT THAT WOULD CERTAINLY BE AN OPTION.

SO THERE WERE GRANTS MENTIONED AND RESEARCH WITH THAT. SAY THEY FOUND SOME TYPE OF GRANT THAT WOULD BENEFIT THE CITY. YOU KNOW, THEN IF THAT IS A SPECIAL EXCEPTION, I AM JUST TRYING TO SUSS OUT SO PEOPLE UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW, THE DIFFERENT OPTIONS.

I WOULD IMAGINE WE WOULD HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH THEM ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY AND HOW PROMISING IT IS. AND IF IT ALIGNS WITH THE COUNCIL PRIORITIES. ANOTHER PART, AND WHAT IS THE REQUIREMENT FOR A BODY TO APPLY FOR THE GRANT? DOES IT HAVE TO BE A GOVERNMENT AGENCY? OR IS IT SOME SORT OF AGENCY? GRANTS ARE NOT FREE MONEY. I DON'T PARTICULAR, YOU SHOULD NOT EVEN APPLY FOR GRANTS AT THE LEVEL YOU ARE RECEIVING. IN SOME CASES BECAUSE OF THE REQUIREMENTS ARE SO BURDENSOME. THEY REALLY OVERWHELM THE BURDEN OF THE GRANT. SO HAVING THIS CONVERSATION. IF WE ARE EXPECTED -- WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE. I THINK THAT IS A WORTHY CONSIDERATION. AND CERTAINLY, SETTING UP THE STRUCTURE DOES NOT PRECLUDE US FROM HAVING THOSE CONVERSATIONS AND I APPRECIATE THEM BRINGING OPPORTUNITIES LIKE THAT TO US.

YOU THINK THEY CAN STILL HAVE AN IMPACT? YOU KNOW, AN IMPACT ON THE CITY?

ABSOLUTELY.

OKAY. I THINK OUR COUNCIL HAS FOUND AN ANSWER.

YES. I WOULD SAY IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR YOU ALLOW THE CHAIR TO ALLOW THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE TO GIVE A PRESENTATION OUTSIDE OF PUBLIC COMMENT. IF THE CHAIR DECLINED THAT REQUEST, THEN MAKE A MOTION TO OVERTURN THE DECISION OF THE CHAIR AND SEE IF THERE IS A SECOND.

ALL RIGHT BUT I WILL MAKE THAT REQUEST BUT AS STATED, I THINK THAT IS FAIR BUT I UNDERSTAND WE WANT TO MOVE THINGS ALONG. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT TOPIC.

YES. ABSOLUTELY. I WAS GOING TO SAY, MY UNDERSTANDING FROM THE AGENDA REVIEW AS WE WERE GOING TO HAVE THE DIRECTOR -- WITH ANY PRESENTER. WE ARE GOING TO TAKE 10 MINUTES FOR THE PRESENTATION. THEY CAN PICK AND CHOOSE HOW THEY WANT TO TAKE THAT TIME. I WILL WATCH THE TIME. AND THEN -- IF IT IS UNDER THE 10 MINUTE MARK. IF YOU REMEMBER WHERE YOU LEFT OFF, I AM MORE THAN HAPPY TO HAVE THE CHAIR COME UP AND FILL OUT A CARD. BUT THE PART THAT WE DISCUSSED IN AGENDA REVIEW TO TRY TO AGENDA THROUGH, THAT IS ESTABLISHING MINUTES FOR PRESENTATION, UNLIMITED QUESTION AND ANSWER A LOT OF THAT IS GOING TO BE WHAT I'M GOING TO HEAR TONIGHT. THAT IS THE DIRECTOR CAME IN UNDER 10 MINUTES. I'M HOPING THAT THE CHAIR BE ABLE TO PRESENT. AND KEEPS IT TO ROUGHLY 10 MINUTES WERE THE DIRECTOR LEFT OFF.

AND ALSO REQUESTING AND DISCUSSING THAT IF THERE WERE PRESENTATIONS THAT THEY WOULD ALL BE IN HERE. YOU KNOW, IF IT WAS CLIMATE ACTION. SO WE COULD ALL SEE THAT AS WELL.

MAYBE I MISINTERPRETED THE DIRECTION. I APOLOGIZE TO YOU AND THE COUNCIL.

YES, I DEAFLY WANT TO HEAR FROM THE CHAIR. BUT BE ALSO MINDFUL OF HOWEVER LONG THERE IS TIME FOR THE DIRECTOR AND CLOSE TO THE 10 MINUTE MARK. TO THE CHAIR, I UNDERSTAND -- COUNCILMEMBER MAURER?

WE HAVE A MOTION ON THE FLOOR. DON'T WE TAKE A VOTE

HAS NOT MADE HIS RULING LEFT HER THERE IS APPROXIMATELY A FEW MINUTES LEFT IN THAT 10 MINUTES OF TIME BUT IT'S YOUR DECISION TO ALLOW THREE MINUTES OR SOMETHING LONGER

YES, THREE MINUTES.

I WOULD ALLOW WE ALLOW MORE TIME FOR CLIMATE ACTION TO MAKE A PRESENTATION AS THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE. I UNDERSTAND IN ADDITION TO OUR STAFF, THAT THEY WOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT.

I WILL SECOND THAT MOTION.

THERE IS A MOTION FOR, I GUESS, UNLIMITED AMOUNT OF TIME. IS THIS WHAT THE COUNCILMEMBERS ARE SAYING ABOUT I'M SAYING REASONABLE. IF IT IS OVER 10 MINUTES, I WOULD BE SURPRISED IF THEY GO FIGHT BUT I DO NOT WANT TO CUT THEM OFF AT THREE, OTHERWISE IT SHOULD BE A PUBLIC COMMENT. I THINK THAT IS A FAIR -- I WOULD AGREE. SO THERE IS A MOTION AND A SECOND. DOES THAT NEED TO BE MOVED?

IF YOU WANT TO CHANGE YOUR RULING TO ALLOW A PRESENTATION OF FIVE MINUTES. IT SOUNDS LIKE THEN THEY WILL WITHDRAW THEIR MOTION. YES IF I WANT TO BE REASONABLE.

LET'S --

OKAY.

WELL THEN I WILL CALL THE CHAIR.

I DO NOT HAVE A 10 MINUTE PRESENTATION ON A PRESENTATION BECAUSE I UNDERSTOOD WE WERE NOT BEING ASKED TO PRESENT TONIGHT BECAUSE OF THE AGENDA REVIEW BOARD. SO I THINK THE BEST USE OF THE TIME WOULD BE FOR ME TO ANSWER QUESTIONS THAT ARE POSED BY THE COUNCIL. AND CLARIFY A FEW ISSUES. DO NOT MIND PUTTING THE SLIDE PRESENTATION BACKUP? I'M GOING TO THE LIST OF OPTIONS THAT THE COUNCIL HAS. THOSE THEY HAVE TO MAKE TODAY. THERE WAS A SLIDE WITH TWO OPTIONS OF DECISIONS THEY COULD MAKE. ONE OF WHICH I BELIEVE WAS THE STANDING OF THE COMMITTEE. NOT THAT ONE. YES. THIS ONE. OPTIONS ONE, TWO, AND THREE. THIS COMMITTEE DOES NOT EXIST OUTSIDE ITS CURRENT FORM. IT IS NOT AN ORGANIZED CITIZEN GROUP. IT HAPPENS TO RUSSELL STANDING WITH THE CITY. THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE IS A GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS WHO STEPPED UP IN A CITY THAT THEY WANTED CLIMATE -- GUIDANCE ON CLIMATE ISSUES. SO I THINK A LOT OF THE THEORETICAL CONVERSATION THAT HAS BEEN TAKING PLACE ABOUT WHAT THE COMMITTEE COULD DO IF IT WERE NOT A CITY COMMITTEE HAS BEEN A LITTLE BIT MISLEADING. THE COMMITTEE DOES NOT EXIST OUTSIDE OF ITS CURRENT FORMAT GET IT IS NOT THAT THERE IS THE POTENTIAL FOR A CITIZEN GROUP TO BE GATHERED BY A CITY STAFF MEMBER OR CITY DIRECTOR TO ADVISE. THAT IS A POSSIBILITY. BUT IT IS NOT A GUARANTEE. THERE IS NOTHING BUT IF YOU REVOKE, IT IS REVOKED AND IT IS DONE. MY ADVICE TO YOU AS COUNCILMEMBERS IS THAT WE GO WITH OPTION TWO AS A PILOT PROJECT. YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED ISSUES WITH THE WAY THE COMMUNITY IS WORKING. WE HAVE A COMMITTEE ENGAGED INTENSIVELY WITH STAFF. MANY DIFFERENT CITY STAFF AS THEY HAVE CHANGED TO THIS ISSUE. AND HOW WE CAN SAY AND BE USING STAFF TIME MUCH MORE EFFICIENTLY. HOW WE CAN BE A SMALLER COMMITTEE AND ALIGNED WITH REGIONAL EFFORTS BUT I REALLY WANT TO FOCUS OUR EFFORTS. SO THAT WOULD BE MY ADVICE TO YOU. I WOULD LIKE TO USE THE REST OF MY TIME TO TAKE QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL TO THE CHAIR?

I HAVE A QUESTION. AS SOMEONE WHO LEADS AN ADVOCACY GROUP FOR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, I DO NOT UNDERSTAND THE STATEMENT. IT MAKES THE QUESTION, THE COMMITMENT. BECAUSE IT IS AN IMPORTANT THING. IF YOU FEEL IT IS SO IMPORTANT, I DO NOT FEEL IF IT IS NOT CONNECTED WITH THE CITY, THEN YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO HELP THE CITY. THAT JUST -- BECAUSE IF YOU ARE COMMITTED TO THIS, IT SEEMS TO ME YOU SHOULD BE COMMITTED TO IT WHETHER YOU ARE CONNECTED WITH THE CITY OR NOT. YOU SEE ALL THE OTHER SERVICE GROUPS IN THE COMMITTEE COMMITTED TO THE CITY. NONE OF THEM ARE ASKING FOR CITY FUNDS. AND I HEAR YOU ASKING FOR THAT. WE DO HAVE A DIFFERENT COUNCIL, YOU KNOW? SO THAT IS WHY WE ARE HERE HAVING THESE DISCUSSIONS. IT GETS HER FATE WHEN YOU SAY IT WOULD NOT EXIST WITHOUT BEING CONNECTED TO THE CITY. TECHNICALLY, I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE SAYING. BUT, YOU KNOW, PHILOSOPHICALLY, I DO NOT UNDERSTAND IT BUT IF YOU ARE COMMITTED TO THAT, TO THE CLIMATE AND ADVISING PEOPLE, THEN IT SEEMS LIKE YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO FUNCTION AND WANT TO FUNCTION TOGETHER AS A GROUP EITHER WAY. I DO NOT UNDERSTAND THAT.

I UNDERSTAND THAT IS, THERE IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY THAT THIS GROUP WOULD EMERGE AT SOME POINT. EVERY INDIVIDUAL ON THIS COMMITTEE HAS MULTIPLE COMMITMENTS TO OTHER GROUPS. AND SO SOMETIMES WHEN AN ENTITY IS SAYING YOU ARE NOT OUR PRIORITY. YOU KNOW, THIS ISSUE IS NOT OUR PRIORITY. YOU SAY I'M GOING TO GO. BUT YOU ARE ASKING FOR MY ADVICE. SO WE ARE ALL DECIDING WHERE TO PUT OUR TIME BUT IT IS VERY, VERY POSSIBLE THAT A CITY WITH THIS MANY CITIZENS WERE INTERESTED IN CLIMATE, THAT WOULD ARISE. THE CITIZEN ADVOCACY GROUP. THAT IS HAPPENED IN THE PAST. THERE ARE MANY THAT ADVOCATE ON SPECIFIC ISSUES. AND TRY, THERE A LOT OF DIFFERENT GROUPS. NOT THINK, OH, WE'RE GOING TO DO -- AND GO HOME. WE DO NOT EXIST AS AN ADVISORY GROUP. IT IS NOT JUST THERE FOR THE HAVING PREDATOR SOMETHING THAT REQUIRES EFFORT ON THE PART OF THE CITY. AND -- HAVING A STANDALONE GROUP. STAFF TIME IS ONLY SAVED IF THE ADVISORY GROUP IS NOT USED AND ENGAGED BY STAFF THAT IF STAFF IS ENGAGING WITH THE GROUP, THEN THERE IS STAFF TIME BEING USED. SO THE ZERO COST OF OPTION ONE IS BASED ON ZERO ENGAGEMENT. YEAH. I AM NOT SURE IF THERE -- IF THAT ANSWERED YOUR QUESTION?

IT DOES. AS I SAID, SO I HAVE A QUESTION. OH, I WAS JUST WONDERING. RIGHT NOW, YOU HAVE A HARD TIME APPROVING ENOUGH NUMBERS. IS THAT CORRECT?

IT IS UNCLEAR TO ME WHERE RECRUITMENT STANDS. I HAVE BEEN TALKING TO DIFFERENT MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY. I BELIEVE YOU HAVE RECEIVED SOME APPLICATIONS ALREADY. I AM NOT ON STAFF SO I DO NOT KNOW. BUT I HAVE HEARD FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS THAT THEY ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE GROUP.

THANK YOU. ANY OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS? QUESTIONS? REGARDING OPTION ONE, YOU KNOW, WHAT I'M TRYING TO EXPRESS IS WHAT KIND OF AGENCY DOES THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE HAVE? OR IS THIS JUST AN ADVOCACY GROUP? IT IS NOT BEING ASKED TO REQUEST TIME. THEN IT IS ONLY JUST OFFERING THINGS AND IT IS BASICALLY -- ANY GROUP CAN ALWAYS GO OUT AND AROUND AND BUILD EDUCATIONAL

SYSTEMS. THESE THINGS ALREADY EXIST. IN SONOMA COUNTY AND THINGS LIKE THAT BUT TO BE EFFECTIVE IN OPTION TWO, WHAT IS THE CRUX OF THE SITUATION TO MAKE IT USEFUL AS A PART OF THE CITY? AND THE REASON WHY BEING A PART OF THE CITY FORMALLY MAKES CLIMATE ACTION OUR REALITY?

THAT IS A GREAT QUESTION. I THINK UP UNTIL, NOT UP TO THIS POINT, WE GOT A GOOD START WORKING ON THE CLIMATE ACTION FRAMEWORK. IN CASE YOU HAVE NOT HAD TIME TO REALLY ENGAGE WITH THE ACTION CLIMATE FRAMEWORK, THAT IS A GENERAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT BUT ALL OF THE ACTUAL ACTION ITEMS ARE HOUSED WITHIN THE APPENDIX. THEY ARE ON PRIORITIZE. AND SO IT DOES NOT PROVIDE A ROAD MAP FOR STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD. WHAT IT DOES IS PROVIDE A GENERAL SET OF PRINCIPLES AND A LIST OF POTENTIAL ACTIONS. SO CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE IDEAL ROLE WOULD BE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH PAST DEPARTMENTS. THAT IS BEEN SOME EDUCATIONAL LEARNING THAT NEEDS TO TAKE PLACE BUT A LOT OF INSTITUTIONAL HISTORY IS BEING LOST IN THE TURNOVER OF STAFF. I THINK THAT WOULD BE UNFORTUNATE TO DISENGAGE AN ENGAGED GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE KIND OF GOTTEN UP TO SPEED WITH THE CITY WORK OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS. AT THE POINT AT WHICH WE ARE READY AND ABLE TO ENGAGE WITH THAT FRAMEWORK THAT WAS DONE THROUGH GREAT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WITH THIS LIST OF ACTIONS TO REDUCE OUR GREENHOUSE GASES AND ENGAGE WITH CITY DEPARTMENTS TO HELP THAT HAPPEN. IT IS REALLY UP TO YOU GUYS TO DECIDE. YOU KNOW, IS REDUCING GREENHOUSE GASES A CITY PRIORITY? IT MAY NOT BE A CITY PRIORITY IN WHICH CASE, YOU SHOULD PROBABLY GO WITH OPTION ONE. YOU KNOW, IF IT IS A CITY PRIORITY, HOW IS THE CITY GOING TO ACHIEVE THAT WITH OR WITHOUT A CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE? DO YOU WANT THE ADVICE OF PEOPLE ARE SPENDING A GREAT DEAL OF TIME THINKING ABOUT THIS TO HELP YOU ACHIEVE THOSE GOALS? YOU CAN USE THE FRAMEWORK TO GUIDE THE STAFF WITH THE ACTION ITEMS THAT I SET HER ON PRIORITIZE. AND I THINK EITHER WAY, WE NEED A CHANGE. WE NEED A CHANGE OF MORE -- FROM CITY COUNCIL TO GUIDE THIS GROUP ON THESE INTERACTIONS TO GIVE US A MANDATE OF HOW TO INTERACT WITH THE CITY STAFF. JANE RILEY HAD SOME GOOD IDEAS. LOOKING AT WAYS WE CAN FORMALIZE THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE TO HAVE MORE INFLUENCE IN THE CITY. SO I THINK YOU CAN LEAN IN. YOU KNOW, KIND OF GIVE US MORE GRIT OR YOU CAN LET US GO.

THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER MAURER .

OKAY. I'M PROBABLY NOT HEARING SOMETHING YOU SAID. THAT IS THAT THE GOAL WAS TO WORK CLOSELY ACROSS ALL DEPARTMENTS. THAT IS NEW INFORMATION TO ME. I HAVE NOT HEARD THIS. I DO NOT UNDERSTAND THAT WAS THE GOAL OF THE COMMITTEE. SO I AM WONDERING, IT IS 10 HOURS OF STAFF TIME. THAT SHOULD REVEAL THAT GOAL OF WORKING CLOSELY WITH ALL THE DEPARTMENTS.

I DO NOT THINK IT IS 10 HOURS OF STAFF TIME. NOT ENOUGH TO WORK CLOSELY WITH ALL DEPARTMENTS BUT I THINK IT IS UNNECESSARY BUDGETARY WINDOW. OF HOW MUCH MONEY SEBASTOPOL HAS TO SPEND ON THINGS THAT THIS IS THE RIGHT TIME. WHAT THE COMMITTEE CAN DO IS PREPARE FOR OTHER POLICY WINDOWS. THE IDEA IS TO FIND LOOKING FOR POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES, STICKING OUT THE GRANTS THAT HAVE LESS

OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN, ET CETERA. LOOKING FOR REGIONAL SYNERGIES TO HAVE WERE PREPARED FOR WHEN POLICY VENDORS TO OPEN. WHEN THERE DOES BECOME A DIFFERENT BUDGET SITUATION. RIGHT NOW, WE'RE LOOKING AT THE BIGGER CLIMATE PICTURE. WORKING ON LARGER -- IS REALLY LOCALIZING . IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA , THEY ARE TAKING A LEADERSHIP ROLE AND LOOKING AT HOW THAT IS GOING TO FIND. WE ARE IN A BIG MOMENT RIGHT NOW. WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN NEXT AND WE DO KNOW THERE IS A LOT OF RELOCALIZATION IN ENERGY AND LARGER CLIMATE GOALS MOVING FORWARD.

THANK YOU. [INAUDIBLE] IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS. COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

NO QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME. I'M JUST WAITING.

GOING TO PUBLIC COMMENT. VICE MAYOR?

OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR PRESENTING. WE WILL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT. MARY?

THANK YOU, MARY. THIS IS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, I WILL GO TO CHAMBERS FIRST. AND THEN I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IS THERE ANYBODY IN CHAMBERS?

STEVE PEARCE. THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE -- FROM THE BEGINNING. I'M JUST GOING TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE BIT OF CONTEXT. PRE-COVID I WENT TO A CLIMATE MEETING IN SANTA ROSA. THEY HAD 95 PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE. A HUGE AUDIENCE. A FEW WEEKS AGO I WENT TO ANOTHER ONE AND THERE WAS FIVE. AND I THINK IT IS AN INDICATION OF THE TIMES THAT PEOPLE, WE END UP WITH LOTS OF DIFFERENT PLANS AND VERY LITTLE RESOURCES TO IMPLEMENT THOSE PLANS. OUR FRAMEWORK IS A VERY GOOD START. I THINK WITH OUR NEW PLANNING DIRECTOR, WE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE DEFINABLE TASKS THAT CAN BENEFIT THE CITY AND MOVE US ALONG ON OUR CLIMATE ACTION BILLS. IT MIGHT BE THE FIRST TIME WE HAVE A PLANNING DIRECTOR THAT WILL ACTUALLY USE THOSE RESOURCES. 10 HOURS IS NOT A LOT. I THINK WHAT WE CAN DO IS FIND OUT WHAT WE CAN ACCOMPLISH AS A COMMITTEE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS LONG LIST OF TASKS THAT ARE GREAT IF THEY HAPPEN. I WANT TO SEE THE IDENTIFIABLE CRITICAL FEW. THINGS THAT DO NOT COST A LOT OF MONEY THAT THE CITY IS PROBABLY GOING TO NEED TO DO ANYWAY. AT THE LAST MEETING I BROUGHT UP THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION. A LONG LIST OF ITEMS. NOTHING IS PRIORITIZED ON THE LIST WOULD WHAT IS THE LOW HANGING FRUIT THERE? HOW MUCH ARE THESE THINGS GOING TO COST? IT DOES REALLY REQUIRE WORKING WITH MULTI DEPARTMENTS MAY NEED TO TALK TO PUBLIC WORKS. WE NEED TO TALK WITH PLANNING. IF WE ARE GOING TO MAKE ANY KIND OF PROGRESS ON THIS STUFF AT ALL. IF THE COMMITTEE DID NOT EXIST, YOU'RE BASICALLY SAYING, WELL, PLANNING COMMISSION, IT IS ALL ON YOU. STAFF DOES NOT HAVE THE TIME. THEY REALLY DO NOT. SO THE PLANNING COMMISSION BECOMES ALMOST LIKE A QUALITY STAFF. THINK OF AS AN ADDITIVE THAT CAN HELP OUR STAFF TO ACHIEVE THESE LOW HANGING FRUIT ITEMS. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. ANN, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? I WILL JUMP IN WHEN YOU HAVE ABOUT 30 SECONDS LEFT

ANN HAMILTON BUT I LIVE IN SEBASTOPOL BUT I'M THE REPRESENTATIVE FOR -- IN THE NORTH BAY. I REALLY LIKE -- GREENBELT HAS ENDORSED THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE FOR OPTION NUMBER TWO. IN THE SENSE THAT NOT ONLY IS CLIMATE ISSUES SO IMPORTANT, BUT TO HAVE THIS LEVEL OF EXPERTISE AVAILABLE TO THE CITY IS A RARE OPPORTUNITY AND IF YOU WERE TO DISMANTLE THIS COMMITTEE OR TO THE AFFILIATE FROM THE CITY, THAT EXPERTISE WOULD BE HARD TO PUT TOGETHER AGAIN. THE LAST YEAR, YOU GUYS SPENT A LOT OF TIME HOW THIS COULD WORK WELL. AND SO NOW, REVOKE THAT STATUS, THAT WOULD BE A LOSS OF THIS LAST PLANNING YEAR TO THE COUNCIL CONSIDERS OPTION TWO. AND KEEPS CLIMATE ISSUES AT THE TOP OF THE RATER. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS .

YOU, MICHAEL HERBER. I DO NOT REALLY CARE ONE WAY OR THE OTHER WHAT YOU DO. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT [INAUDIBLE] IS A PROBLEM. THE POLAR BEARS ARE GOING TO GO EXTINCT AND IT IS QUITE SAD BUT IT IS A GLOBAL ISSUE. AND I THINK IF YOU REALLY THINK -- A MEASURABLE IMPACT ON IT, I THINK YOU ARE KIDDING YOURSELVES. IN ALL, YOU HAVE A NEW PERSON WHOSE PRIORITY IS GOING TO BE TO INCREASE OIL EXTRACTION. GLOBALLY, YOU KNOW, THE PEOPLE -- THEY ARE GOING TO INCREASE PRODUCTION TO GENERATE WEALTH. YOU KNOW WHAT -- IS DOING? I AM AMUSED BY THIS THAT THEY ARE CONTINUING TO BUY NATURAL GAS FOR TWO REASONS. FIRST OF ALL, THEY WANT TO -- THE WAR EFFORT. AND SECONDLY, THEY DO NOT WANT THEIR DUMB ASSES [INAUDIBLE] SO WHY ARE WE TALKING ABOUT, YOU KNOW, DOING THINGS LIKE THIS? NOT HAVING ANY NUCLEAR PLANTS. NATURAL GAS. IT DOES NOT ADD UP TO ME.

MICHAEL, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. ROBERT, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE ? GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

I THINK THIS IS AN INTERESTING CHALLENGE. SOME PEOPLE IN THE CITY WANT THIS TO BE A BIG CITY. WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE PLANT, I THINK THERE IS ABOUT 170 ACTIONS BUT IT TOOK ME A COUPLE OF HOURS TO READ THROUGH IT AND REALLY THINK ABOUT THEM. SO IT IS A BIG ATTRACTIVE TIME SINK. [LAUGHTER] IT IS VERY SIMILAR WHEN I LOOK AT SAN FRANCISCO BUT THEY HAVE 38 PEOPLE ON STAFF TO IMPLEMENT IT. AND THEY HAVE -- DOLLARS TO DO IT BUT I SUSPECT THAT WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON CLIMATE. I'M NOT SURE IF WHAT THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL CAN DO. THE CITY BUSINESS. THE STAFF. WHAT THEY CAN DO TO CHANGE CLIMATE TO MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE FOR IT PARTICULARLY GIVEN THAT WE HAVE PRIORITIES. FISCAL CRISIS. WE HAVE THE DOWNTOWN IS DECLINING. WE NEED TO GET SALES TAX BACK UP. BIG SAFETY ISSUES. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. WE NEED A TRASH HAULING CONTRACT. QUITE A FEW THINGS GOING ON HERE THAT ONLY A FEW PEOPLE ARE DOING ALL OF THE WORK. AND MAYBE THIS REASON THE COMMITTEE HAS SO MUCH TROUBLE GETTING ATTENTION FROM THE CITY IS THE CITY REALLY HAS MORE HIGHER PRIORITIES THAN THAT. THE ONLY WANT -- I DON'T KNOW. I THINK THERE ARE THREE -- ON THIS COMMITTEE FOR THIS. SO HOPEFULLY THEY WILL GO WITH THE LOWEST-COST VERSION. I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU ALL TO ASK THAT IF YOU CHOOSE TO GO AHEAD WITH THIS IN SOME FORM, THAT

THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE COMES BACK IN JANUARY AND PRESENT A CONCRETE PLAN FOR WHAT THEY BELIEVE HOW THE ACTION ITEMS THE CITY SHOULD CONSIDER AND PRIORITIZE GOING FORWARD IN THE NEXT 6-12 MONTH FOR THAT WAY, THE CITY COUNCIL KNOWS WHAT THEY ARE PAYING FOR. RIGHT NOW, YOU ARE PAYING \$15,000. --15,000 PROBABLY JUST GOING TO -- AN THANK YOU, ROBERT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. IF THERE'S A BUDDY IN CHAMBERS WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT? SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. KYLE, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER? GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

I AM MOSTLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE TIMING OF A LOT OF THIS, RIGHT? WE ARE TALKING ABOUT MASSIVE TURNOVER THAT IS HAPPENED OVER THE LAST YEAR. THAT BECOMES THE MANAGEMENT. IN TERMS OF REALLY KIND OF FAILING TO PRIORITIZE THE REPLACEMENT OF A PLANNING DIRECTOR. THERE WAS KIND OF THIS FAILED ATTEMPT AT, NOT HAVING A PLANNING DIRECTOR AND THAT GETS COMBINED INTO SOME KIND OF JOINT POSITION. I WOULD HOPE THAT OUR CITY WOULD'VE LEARNED FROM THE PAST IN TERMS OF, YOU KNOW, TRYING TO PUT THESE TWO POSITIONS TOGETHER INTO ONE. HALF OF THE JOB ON BOTH OF THOSE POSITIONS AND TWICE THE SALARY FOR THAT POSITION. I MENTION ALL OF THIS TO SAY THAT YOU ARE MAKING DECISIONS ABOUT A COMMITTEE THAT HAS HAD LOTS OF TURNOVER IN TERMS OF THE STAFF ALLOCATION. AND THEN TRYING TO MAYBE SUGGEST THAT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THAT COMMITTEE IS NOT SOMEHOW TIED TO THAT MASSIVE TURNOVER AND STAFF TIME THAT IS BEEN ALLOCATED TO THEM OVER THE LAST YEAR OR TWO BUT SOMETHING TO CONSIDER. SOMETHING THE CITY MANAGER SAID ABOUT GRANTS NOT BEING FREE MONEY AND THE COST OF ADMINISTERING GRANTS FOR THAT IS TRUE. I THE KIND OF MAYBE HOLD A MIRROR UP AND SAY WHAT DOES THAT SAY ABOUT OUR ADMINISTRATION WHEN WE ARE STRUGGLING TO BE ABLE TO ADMINISTER A GRANT? MAYBE THERE IS SOME OPPORTUNITY FOR GROWTH? AN OPPORTUNITY FOR TRAINING. AN OPPORTUNITY FOR RECOGNIZING THAT IN ORDER TO BE FISCALLY SOLVENT MOVING FORWARD, WE NEED TO BE EFFICIENT AT ADMINISTERING GRANTS. WE CANNOT JUST SUGGEST THAT BECAUSE THE ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS TAKES TIME AND ENERGY, THAT IT IS NOT A WORTHWHILE ENDEAVOR. THANK YOU KYLE, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS THING DONE, I WILL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? THERE YOU GO. CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER? GO AHEAD, PLEASE READ

THAT EVENING. THIS LENGTHY CONVERSATION ABOUT CLIMATE ACTION IS WHAT HAPPENS EVERY TIME WITH THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE. WE ARE TALKING AND TALKING AND TALKING. IT IS VERY UNCLEAR WHAT THE ULTIMATE GOAL IS. MOST OF THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE -- AND I HAVE WATCHED ON QUITE A FEW OF THOSE TO KIND OF SEE THE PROGRESSION TO SEE WHAT THEY ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE CITY AND SO ON. SEVERAL THINGS HAVE JUMPED OUT PREVIOUSLY IN COUNCIL MEETINGS. ONE IS THERE IS HARDLY ENTER CITY OF SEBASTOPOL PRIVATE ACTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO ACTUALLY LIVE IN THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL. THAT IS A COUNTYWIDE THING. AND I THINK THAT IS GREAT THAT I'M NOT KNOCKING IT BUT I THINK IT IS AN IMPORTANT THING TO BE

DOING. I APPLAUD IT. I HAVE TO SAY, I THINK THERE SHOULD BE NOT -- WITH THE BROWN ACT. THERE WERE A COUPLE OF GOOD COMMENTS IN THE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE WEBSITE. -- THIS WEEK PAID IT IS A BIT DEFEATIST SAYING UNLESS WE GET MONEY FROM THE COUNCIL. IT SEEMS AT THE BIG TABLE, WE WILL NOT PLAY ANY MARPET I THINK ACTUALLY, THIS IS A REALLY GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO HOLD A MUCH MORE CONCRETE GAME PLAN TOGETHER ON CLIMATE GET AND CONTRIBUTE THAT TO THE CITIZEN IN THE COUNCIL. I DO NOT QUITE UNDERSTAND WHY IT IS NECESSARY TO BE KIND OF, YOU KNOW, BENDING THE EAR OF THE COUNCIL AND CITY STAFF EVERY FIVE MINUTES. I THINK GIVEN IT IS NOT REALLY A CLEAR PAN AT ALL AT THIS POINT IN TIME. YOU KNOW, TO SORT OF CONSIDER WHETHER THIS IS WORTHWHILE OR NOT. IN CLOSING, I THINK IT SHOULD ACTUALLY CARRY ON AND BE UNENCUMBERED BY THE BROWN ACT. THERE WOULD BE A LOT MORE SCOPE TO, YOU KNOW, POSSIBLY MAKE CHANGES. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS . SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. LINDA, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? THANK YOU. GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE.

[INAUDIBLE] ANYTHING THAT IS ON THE PRINTED AGENDA. SO I UNDERSTAND THE SPEAKER SET THE GOALS OF THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE WAS REDUCTION OF GREENHOUSE GASES. SO I WOULD HAVE A LOT MORE SUPPORT FOR THIS IF THEY KIND OF WIDENED THE PERSPECTIVE TO WHAT IS RUNNING THE CLIMATE CHANGES WE HAVE. LIKE ENGINEERING. THE -- TRAILS. IT IS SO EASY TO LOOK UP AND GET A LOT OF INFORMATION ABOUT THAT. THE INFORMATION OF THE JETSTREAM. MY OPINION, AND A LOT OF OTHERS. CONTRIBUTING. IT IS BECAUSE A LOT OF THESE EXTREME, THE EXTREME WEATHER WE ARE HAVING. WE WILL HAVE MORE. BUT ALSO, - AN LINDA, YOU HAVE ABOUT 30 SECONDS IS

WE ALSO NEED TO LOOK AT THE CONSEQUENCES OF EXPOSURE TO INCREASING MICROWAVE RADIATION. THE HARM AND DANGER IT HAS TWO ALL OF US, YOU KNOW, THE CANCER RATES ARE JUST SOARING. AND ALSO, IT IS NOT A GOOD IDEA GOING ALL ELECTRIC. IT IS NOT SAFE. IT HAS GENETIC FIELDS THAT CAUSE THE SILLY LAYER GROWTH. AND --

THAT IS TWO MINUTES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT, LINDA. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. SEEING NONE , I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. AMBROSIA , CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? HELLO. CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER?

I SURE CAN. THANK YOU BUT I JUST WANTED TO HOP ON AND TALK ABOUT THE WASTE ORDINANCE. OUR COMMITTEE, I AM ON THE COMMITTEE. THAT WE WROTE IN THE BEGINNING. AND BECAUSE OF THAT ORDINANCE, WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO -- BETTER. FOR EXAMPLE, APPLE BLOSSOM THIS PAST YEAR WENT FROM 41 YARDS OF GARBAGE DOWN TO EIGHT YARDS. YOU KNOW, IT IS BECAUSE OF THAT ORDINANCE THAT WAS WRITTEN. SO I JUST WANT TO REMIND EVERYONE THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS WE DO BEHIND THE SCENES. THINGS THAT ARE NOT SO PUBLIC. YEAH, THAT IS MY COMMENTS. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS . SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF ANYBODY ONLINE

WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, PUBLIC COMMENT IS CLOSER
THANK YOU, TERRY. RINGING AT BACKUP MY COLLEAGUES ON THE DAIS.
VICE MAYOR?

I WANT TO SAY, I AM IN A UNIQUE POSITION WITH THE ORGANIZATION I MENTIONED I RUN. IT WAS ACTUALLY STARTED BY THE COUNTY OF SONOMA. MANY YEARS AGO DURING THE DOWNTURN, AFTER THE DOWNTURN OF 2008. THAT WAS FUNDED FOR TWO YEARS . IT WAS BROUGHT FORTH BECAUSE THEY SAW A NEED AND THEY INFORMED US, THEY FORM THIS COMMITTEE. AFTER TWO YEARS, THEY DECIDED THE FUNDING WAS NOT NEEDED AT THAT POINT, IT LOOKED EVERYONE WONDERING, WHAT WE DO? AND THAT COMMITTEE AND THE FOLKS WITH WERE AFFILIATED WITH THE, THEY DECIDED THAT IT WAS STILL NEEDED. THEY WANTED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE COMMUNITY. SO THEY CAME TOGETHER AND BECAME A NONPROFIT. A 501(C) SIX GET HERE WE ARE TODAY. I WILL JUST SAY THAT I KNOW IT WORKS . I KNOW IT CAN WORK. BECAUSE I WON AN ORGANIZATION THAT WAS STARTED BY A GOVERNMENT ENTITY. I JUST KNOW FROM THAT PERSPECTIVE, THAT YOU CAN HAVE IMPACT AND WE DO HAVE IMPACT. FRANKLY, WE JUST FORMED NORCAL THIS PAST WEEK. AND SO NOW, THE SMALL SONOMA COUNTY GROUP IS WAITING FOR ALL OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT CAN HAPPEN AND THAT IS THE PERSPECTIVE I AM COMING FROM. I KNOW HE FELT STRONGLY ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION MAY RUN AND WHO WE ADVOCATE FOR . I UNDERSTAND THAT COMMITMENT. SO NOT BEING ENCUMBERED BY THE BROWN ACT ACTUALLY HELPS YOU TO BROADEN WHAT YOU CAN DO AND COMMUNICATE. SO IF ANYONE EVER WANT TO DISCUSS THAT, I AM HAPPY TO DO THAT. I KNOW IT CAN HAPPEN BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT WE DID. AND THEN SHOOT. THE THOUGHT JUST WENT OUT OF MY HEAD. SO ANYWAY, I JUST WANTED TO OFFER THAT. PERSPECTIVE FROM THAT. I DO SOMETHING I WAS GOING TO SAY . AS SOON AS I CAN THINK OF IT I WILL RAISE MY HAND. WILL COME BACK AROUND. IS COUNCILMEMBER HINTON GIVE US AN YET. I'M GOING TO POINT OUT A FEW THINGS HERE. I WILL BE SUPPORTING WHAT THE ORGANIZATION IS ASKING US FOR TONIGHT WHICH IS OPTION TWO. WITH THAT, I AM AN RCP REP. THE RACIAL CLIMATE PRODUCTION REP AND I ALSO SIT ON THE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THAT BOARD FOR CLIMATE ACTION. AND MY TIME ON THE COUNCIL, THIS ORGANIZATION HAS HELPED ADVOCATE FOR -- THAT IS ONE OF THE FEW CITIES, AND THEY ARE TRYING TO EXPAND THAT ALREADY. IMPLEMENTING THOSE MEASURES TO SAVE WATER. WE ALSO HAVE HAD A SPARK FELLA. WE HAVE PASSED A DISPOSABLE FOOD SERVICE. THAT CAME FROM THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE CAN WE DO COMPOST GIVEAWAYS. WE WORK WITH THE YOUTH WERE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THIS. THERE IS GOING TO BE A BIG CLIMATE CONFERENCE FOR THE COUNTY DOES NOT HAPPEN BECAUSE OF COVID IS ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SPOKE ON, IT IS BEEN HARD TO REGROUP. THERE IS GOING TO BE A CONFERENCE SUPPORTED BY THE OUR CPA. THE WATER. SOME OF THE WATER AGENCIES AS WELL. AS A STAPLER. I DO NOT THINK IT IS FAIR TO TAKE THIS GROUP OF REALLY COMMITTED CITIZENS. SOME LIVE RIGHT OUTSIDE SEBASTOPOL PUT IN MY MIND, THEY'RE MOSTLY FROM SEBASTOPOL. I KNOW SAMMY LIVED OUTSIDE OF DIFFERENT PEOPLE HAVE LIVED OUTSIDE OUR BORDERS. THAT IS FINE WITH ME. . TO

PULL EVERYTHING AWAY FROM THEM INTO ONE BIG -- THAT MAKES NO SENSE TO ME. AND I DO NOT THINK IT IS FAIR. I KNOW WE HAVE A HOUSING CRISIS. I KNOW THAT I DID SEND FORTH TO ALL THE COUNCILMEMBERS HOW MANY CITIES IN THE COUNTY HAVE A CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE. AND THE SMALL CITY IS THE CITY OF SONOMA. THIS IS A CORE VALUE OF OUR CITIZENS AND SEBASTOPOL. AND WHEN WE DO OUR GOALSETTING GOALS, I THINK THIS IS GOING TO RISE TO THE TOP. WE ARE MAYBE A LITTLE PREMATURE ON THIS. SO I REALLY HAVE TO KIND OF ADVOCATE FOR IT. I KNOW THERE IS, NOT EVERYBODY FEELS THE SAME WAY. I HAVE TO ADVOCATE FOR THAT. THANK YOU.

VICE MAYOR, I DO WANT TO GO TO THE END OF THE DAIS AND WE WILL COME BACK. COUNCILMEMBER MAURER, COMMENTS?

SO I WILL SUPPORT MOVING THE -- AND I ALSO SUPPORT SOMETHING THAT THE GROUP VOTED ON WHICH WAS TO REDUCE THE SIZE TO SEVEN MEMBERS. I THINK THIS WOULD REALLY HELP. I WOULD LIKE TO GET THAT SOLIDIFIED TONIGHT IF POSSIBLE. ONE COUNCIL LIAISON AND SEVEN MEMBERS WAS REPORTED OUT TO STAFF, I BELIEVE, MAYBE LAST MONTH. I DO THINK THAT PEOPLE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE LOCALLY. AND FOR EXAMPLE, WE CAN CREATE A MODEL. WE CAN CREATE MODELS FOR OTHER CITIES TO FOLLOW ON ISSUES SUCH AS CREATING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE. FULL RECOVERY. GRAYWATER OR DARK SKY INITIATIVES. HELPING US TO GET THE SHUTTLE FROM SEBASTOPOL TO THE SMART TRAIN, RIGHT? THESE ARE THINGS THAT ARE IMPORTANT. AND MY HOPE IS THAT THIS COMMITTEE WILL CONTINUE TO GROW AND THRIVE. AND DO GOOD WORK. I THINK WE NEED YOU. SO THAT WAS WHAT I WANTED TO MENTION.

DO WANT TO COMMENT OR THE VICE MAYOR? OKAY, COUNCILMEMBER?

I WILL KIND OF ADDRESS YOUR CONCERNS. I TOTALLY RESPECT THEM. I KNOW THAT AN ORGANIZATION CAN HAVE A LOT OF POWER. THEY CAN DO A LOT OF CLIMATE WORK. . WHAT THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE CAN REALLY DO, AND WHAT CLIMATE ACTION IS IN GENERAL IF POLICY WORK. THAT IS WHERE IT IS MOST EFFECTIVE. AND IF YOU WERE TO SAY, HEY, THE CITY SHOULD SAVE \$30,000 ON ITS ANNUAL POWER BILL, THAT IS SOMETHING THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE AND WORK ON. WE CAN FIGURE OUT HOW TO LOWER THE POWER BILLS TO THE CITY. WEEKEND AND MAYBE MAKE THE CITY FOOTPRINT MORE COST-EFFECTIVE AND INCREASE THE SALES TAX REVENUE BY THINK, HEY, MAYBE THE PARKING ORDINANCE OR WALK ABILITY COULD BE A BIT BETTER. IF WE HAD A PLAN AND WORKING WITH THE PLANNING COMMISSION, -- THE TRANSPORTATION. WE COULD ACTUALLY MAKE DOWNTOWN MORE REVENUE POSITIVE. AND THAT IS SOMETHING THAT THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE CAN DO, YOU KNOW. IT CAN BE USED AS, NOT LIKE A -- LIKE A PAID -- A PAID CONSULTANT, YET. YOU KNOW, WE CAN ONLY HAVE THIS IF WE WORK HAND-IN-HAND WITH DATA. IF YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN, YEAH, YOU CAN DO CLIMATE ACTION. WE HAVE CERTAINLY DONE ALL OF THAT. IT IS ALL OVER THE PLACE. THERE IS ALSO A BODY. THAT IS CLIMATE ACTION NOW AND PART OF THE GOVERNMENT. YOU KNOW, AS A HAND, WE ARE USED AS A TOOL. THEN IT CAN BE DRAMATICALLY MORE EFFECTIVE. . IT CANNOT BE IF IT IS JUST SIMPLY A HOPE GROUP.

OKAY. VICE MAYOR?

THANKS FOR THAT. SORRY, I NEED TO LOOK AT MY NOTES BEFORE I SPEAK. ONE THINGS I JUST WANTED TO SAY. YOU KNOW, I SENT SUPPORT UP BECAUSE I DO BELIEVE THIS COMMITTEE ACTUALLY COULD BE MORE EFFECTIVE IF THEY WERE ON THEIR OWN AND NOT ENCUMBERED BY MANY OF THE DIFFERENT THINGS WITHIN THE CITY. . I ALSO WANTED TO SAY THAT WE DID A COMMUNITY SURVEY . I'M HEARING ALL THE DISCUSSION ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS ENOUGH ATTENDANCE OR PEOPLE PARTICIPATING. IN OUR COMMUNITY COMMUNICATED TO US RECENTLY. THEIR TOP PRIORITY IS PUBLIC SAFETY. SO PERSONALLY, I JUST THINK THAT THING DO WAX AND WANE WITH WHAT PEOPLE ARE MOST CONCERNED. RIGHT NOW, I WOULD LIKE TO LOOK TO THE COMMUNITY. I PERSONALLY, YOU KNOW, OPTION ONE IS THE BEST ROUTE TO GO. THE COMMUNITY TELLS US WHAT THEIR TOP PRIORITY WAS. I THINK THAT IS WHAT I WANT TO LISTEN TO TONIGHT

OKAY. YEAH, I DEFINITELY APPRECIATE THE FULL DISCUSSION. TO BE A LITTLE BIT MORE CLEAR INDIRECTION. YES. I DEFINITELY AM SUPPORTING OPTION NUMBER TWO. I APPRECIATE THAT THE COMMUNITY IS WILLING TO UNDERSTAND WHERE WE ARE. I DO APPRECIATE THAT. IT IS NOT AN EASY DECISION TO REACH. -- REGIONAL CLIMATE BOARD. I SIT THERE AND I HEAR FROM ELECTIVES ACROSS THE COUNTY THAT WE ARE IN -- REFERRED TO AS THE ENVIRONMENTAL COUNTY AND THE CITY. -- THAT IS ATTRIBUTED TO US. I THINK IT IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN AND ALSO, BE ABLE TO WORK AND TO HELP FOSTER THE GROWTH OF THIS COMMUNITY WITHIN THE TOWN. THAT STAFF AND THE DIRECTOR HAS PROMISED ENGAGEMENT. THERE WILL BE SOME WORK. THERE WILL BE SOME MORE SOLICITING ADVICE AND ROLLING INTO THE GOALS OF THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. SO WITHOUT OTHER COMMENTS, DO WE JUST DO LOCAL, MARY?

I UNDERSTAND THE NEED BEFORE. . I JUST WANT TO COMMENT THAT HOW THIS WORKS, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE, I WOULD HOPE WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOME SORT OF MECHANISM TO HELP KEEP TRACK OF THE HOURS. HOW THAT WORKS, AND FROM AN EFFORT FROM BOTH SIDES. I KNOW IN MY EXPERIENCE ON THE OTHER BOARDS, A LOT OF TIMES, THERE WILL BE A DIRECTION THAT COMMUNICATION WOULD BE INDIVIDUAL. AND THEN GO TO THE ENTITY TO AVOID THE STUFF YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT. I AM JUST HOPING SOMEONE CAN FIGURE THAT STRUCTURE OUT. AND BE MORE EFFICIENT WITH THAT.

THANK YOU. LAST COMMENT.

YEAH, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ONE MORE COMMENT. THAT SURVEY ABOUT PUBLIC SAFETY NUMBER ONE. . NOT FAR BELOW IS THE CITY RESPONSE TO WILDFIRE AND OTHER NATURAL DISASTERS. I BELIEVE CLIMATE CHANGE IS RIGHT THERE. SO WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE QUESTIONS OF THAT SURVEY, A LOT OF WHAT COMES OUT IS WHAT WE ASK. AND WE DO NOT REALLY ASK A TARGETED TIME IN QUESTION, EXCEPT FOR THAT ONE. NUMBER THREE. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY, I STILL BELIEVE, AGAIN, THIS IS A COMMUNITY VALUE. I'M GLAD TO BE ABLE TO SUPPORT YOU GUYS STILL TO COME. KEEP HELPING US OUT IN THAT AREA. THANK YOU.

DO WE NEED A MOTION AND A SECOND?

I WILL MAKE A MOTION THAT WE SUPPORT OPTION NUMBER TWO TO INCREASE STAFF HOURS TO 10. ENTRY TO THE SIZE OF THE COMMITTEE TO SEVEN MEMBERS.

SO THAT IS NOT ON THE AGENDA TONIGHT. YEAH.

WILL IT BE ON THE NEXT?

THE MOTION, YOU COULD DO THAT OPTION AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF TO RETURN WITH THAT ITEM.

OKAY. SO I WILL START OVER. I WILL MAKE A MOTION TO SUPPORT OPTION NUMBER TWO TWO REDUCE THE COMMITTEE HOURS TO 10. AND THEN TO DIRECT STAFF, DID I SAY THAT? TO DIRECT STAFF TO BRING IT BACK FOR REDUCING THE COMMITTEE SIZE TO SEVEN MEMBERS WITH ONE COUNCIL LIAISON.

I AM HAPPY TO SECOND THAT.

I AM SEEING SOME CONCERNED LOOKS FROM STAFF AND THE ATTORNEY. WE WILL PAUSE.

SO THE MOTION, EXCUSE ME. THE ITEM THAT COMES BACK WILL JUST BE A DISCUSSION OF WHETHER OR NOT TO REDUCE THE ITEM. EXCUSE ME. REDUCE THE SIZE.

CAN WE INCLUDE ANYTHING ABOUT RECRUITMENT OF APPOINTMENT RELATED TO THOSE AS PART OF THAT ITEM?

YES. THAT WOULD BE PART OF THAT.

THANK YOU.

I AM SEEING OTHER CONCERNED LOOKS. MARY?

I WOULD LIKE VERIFICATION WITH THE MOTION. DIFFUSE OPTION NUMBER 22 REDUCE IT TO 10 HOURS STRAIGHT AND DIRECTING THE STAFF TO RETURN WITH AN AGENDA ITEM TO REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE COMMITTEE. YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT RECRUITMENT, . WE HAVE NOT OPENED RECRUITMENT FOR THAT RIGHT NOW

I WILL GO BACK.

SO DIRECT STAFF TO COME BACK TO REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE STAFF TO SEVEN WITH ONE COUNCIL LIAISON. AND TO RECRUIT ONLY THE AMOUNT NEEDED FOR THE SECOND MEMBER BOARD.

I AM LOOKING AT YOU, CITY ATTORNEY.

AND IS RETURNING AND DIRECTING STAFF TO RETURN WITH AN ITEM TO CONSIDER REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE COMMITTEE.

WE CANNOT COMMIT TO REDUCING IT AS PART OF THE MOTION BECAUSE THAT IS NOT WHAT IS ON THE AGENDA TONIGHT. IT IS JUST RETURN THE ITEM TO CONSIDER REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE COMMITTEE.

SO MOVED.

I THOUGHT HE HEARD A SECOND AT THE END, COUNCILMEMBER HINTON? YES.

ROLL CALL, AMERICA

THANK YOU. SO MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MAURER AND A SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER HINTON TO APPROVE ACTION ITEM TWO FOR THAT IS REDUCING STAFF HOURS TO 10 HOURS PER MONTH, AND WOULD READ STAFF TO RETURN WITH THE AGENDA ITEM TO CONSIDER REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE COMMITTEE. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER.

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER MAURER . YES. -- THE MOTION PASSES FROM IS ONE WITH COUNCILMEMBERS COUNCILMEMBER CARTER -- AND VICE CHAIR McLEWIS IN OPPOSITION.

WITH THAT, WE WILL TAKE A BREAK. IF WE TAKE FIVE OR 10 MINUTES THAT I WILL SAY WE HAVE SIX ITEMS AND THEY ARE PRETTY WORDY. HAVING SAID THAT, WITH THE COUNCIL LIKE A FIVE OR 10 MINUTE BREAK? FIVE? I HEAR FIVE. I GUESS WE ARE TAKING YOU FIVE IT WILL BE BACK IN OUR SEATS PROMPTLY AT 8:00. THANK YOU.

RECORDING STOPPED.

[THE EVENT IS ON A RECESS. THE SESSION WILL RECONVENE AT 8:00 P.M. PST. CAPTIONER ON STANDBY.]

PLEASE HAVE A SEAT. I.T.? ARE WE GOOD?

RECORDING IN PROGRESS.

ALL RIGHT, WE ARE RESUMING THE MEETING. ITEM NUMBER 14. AGAIN, A TIME CHECK . WE HAVE 14-19.

THANK YOU. WE ARE RESUMING. AS A REMINDER, WE HAVE 13-19 WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO GET THOSE COMPLETED BY 10:30. SO WE ARE GOING TO PICK UP ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 14. THAT IS CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL APPROVAL OF THE TROTWOOD FIRE DEPARTMENT STIPEND POLICY. THAT IS THE REASON WHY WE STATE THESE THINGS AS AGENDA ITEMS AND ACTUAL AGENDA ITEM ITSELF THAT THERE IS NO BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL OF THIS POLICY. RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT IS THE FIRE, CITY MANAGER, HUMAN RESOURCES. AS ALWAYS, I AM GIVING IT TO THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE COMMENTS AND DIRECT APPROPRIATELY I WILL TURN IT OVER TO -- AND THE FIRE CHIEF AND LET HIM WALK YOU THROUGH THIS VERY BRIEFLY . I'M HAPPY TO HELP OUT IF NEEDED.

SO BRIEFLY, THE CURRENT-POLICY ALLOWS FOR IN OUR DAYTIME COVERAGE LEAVING NIGHTS AND WEEKENDS UNSTAFFED AND RELYING ON A VOLUNTEER RESPONSE. THIS PLAN IS TO ALLOW FOR 24 HOUR COVERAGE IN THE STATION, UTILIZING VOLUNTEERS TO CHANGE THAT STIPEND FROM EIGHT HOURS TO A 24-HOUR STIPEND. HER THE OPTIONS WORK WITH 24-HOUR STIPENDS. THERE IS SOME FLEXIBILITY BUILT INTO THE TIME THERE. . THE OPTION IS THE 24-HOUR STATION. THAT IS THE POLICY. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU JUST LET ME KNOW.

[LAUGHTER]

I WAS JUST SHOCKED. SO -- ALL OF THE ITEMS TO GET TO BEFORE 10:30.

WOW. THAT IS NEVER HAPPENED. QUESTIONS FROM MY COMMENTS BEFORE WE GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT STARTING ON MY RIGHT.

IT IS NOT ONLY A QUESTION. FROM THE FIRE SUBCOMMITTEE, WE WORKED ON THIS AS PART OF OUR RESPONSIBILITIES TO GET IT HERE TO COUNCIL. WE SPENT A LOT OF TIME ON IT. I JUST WANTED TO ADD THAT.

GREAT. THANK YOU FOR THAT COMMENT. MY MANNERS ARE LACKING. I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE FIRE AD HOC AND COUNCILMEMBER HINTON AND VICE MAYOR FOR YOUR COUNTLESS -- COUNTLESS HOURS ON THIS PARTICULAR TOPIC THANK YOU TWO COUNCILMEMBER HINTON AND VICE MAYOR.

NOT A QUESTION. . I ALSO APPRECIATE WHAT YOU GUYS DO. AND SO IF THIS IS WHAT YOU WANT, YEAH.

THANK YOU. THANK YOU. EDITORS WHAT THE FIREFIGHTERS WANT AS WELL. THE GOAL IS TO SERVE THE CITY. TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT, EATING THE ESTABLISH TIME STANDARDS AND DO THAT EFFECTIVELY. THAT IS THE GOAL.

THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS? LET'S GO OUT TO PUBLIC COMMENT, MARY? THANK YOU, MARY. THIS IS PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE FIRE VOLUNTEER STIPEND. IF YOU LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, I WILL GO IN CHAMBERS FIRST. SEEING NONE , I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM . SEEING NONE, THERE IS NO PUBLIC COMMENT .

BACK UP TO THE DAIS. QUESTIONS ARE A POSSIBLE MOTION? I WILL MOTION -- ALL. SORRY. I AM MOVING SO FAST THAT I WANT TO MAKE THE MOTION . -- YOU CAN MAKE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT -- SO MOVED.

I WILL SECOND.

ROLL CALL?

SO MOVED BY VICE CHAIR McLEWIS AND A SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER MAURER TO APPROVE THE SEBASTOPOL FIRE DEPARTMENT STIPEND POLICY. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER ? COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

AYE. -- THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

TERRIFIC MOVING ON TO AGENDA ITEM 15. THIS THE CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL APPROVAL OF FIRE CAPTAIN JOB DESCRIPTION AND SALARY RANGE. AGAIN, THERE IS NO BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE JOB DESCRIPTION OR SALARY RANGE. RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT IS FIRE, CITY MANAGER, HUMAN RESOURCES. I'M TURNING TO OUR CITY MANAGER

I WILL TURN THIS OVER TO DAVE AGAIN. THIS IS A LITTLE MORE COMPLICATED THAN THE PRIOR ONE. TAKE IT AWAY FROM HERE.

CURRENTLY WE HAVE TWO FULL-TIME 40 HOUR A WEEK FIRE ENGINEERS. A FIRE ENGINEER IS THE RANK THAT DRIVES THE RIGS AND IS REFERRED TO AS THE SHOFAR. THE PERSON THAT DRIVES THE RIG MAKE SURE THERE IS WATER GOING TO THE HOSES WHILE INSIDE OF A FIRE . WHAT THEY ARE NOT IS -- RIGHT NOW, THERE IS NO SUPERVISOR OUT SIDE OF OUR FIVE VOLUNTEER FIRE CAPTAINS WE HAVE . THEY ARE NOT ALWAYS AROUND. THESE ENGINEERS OPERATE WITH A LOT OF METONYMY. OUR GOAL IS TO PROVIDE SUPERVISION IN THE FIRE STATION. RIGHT NOW IT IS FILLED BY MYSELF. AND I AM NOT ALWAYS THERE. AND SO BY ALLOWING FOR A JOB DESCRIPTION AND AGREED UPON SALARY RANGE TO BE APPROPRIATE THAT WILL ALLOW SENSIBILITY TO COME BACK AT A LATER DATE AND MAKE A REQUEST.

THANK YOU. QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES? SEEING NONE , COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

IS THIS DUAL-PURPOSE? -- IS ALSO THE DRIVER? DID I HEAR THAT RIGHT? I THINK I WAS CONFUSED.

THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO DO THAT. . THEY SHOULD BE SUPERVISORS. I CAN DRIVE THE FIRE ENGINES. I STILL HAVE A LICENSE. THERE ARE PROBABLY SOME PEOPLE THAT ARE BETTER AT IT. WE ARE ALL CROSSTRAINED TO DO THAT. AND SO THE FIRE CAPTAIN WOULD BE ABLE TO DO THAT. THE FIRE ENGINEER BEING AT THE PUMP HANDLE AND PUTTING WATER IN THE HOSE, MAKING SURE THEY HAVE THE PROPER PRESSURE,

THAT FIRE CAPTAIN -- INSIDE THE BURNING BUILDING. SO THEY ARE PROVIDING THAT FRONT-LINE SUPERVISION, AS WELL AS THE DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS.

[INAUDIBLE]

SO YOU HAVE SEVERAL AND COMPETITION LISTED. ARE THEY COMPARABLE WITH THE GOLD RICH DEPARTMENT?

THEY ARE TO SOME DEGREE . I WOULD HAVE TO PULL UP MY NUMBER. . THESE, THE SALARY RANGES ARE ACTUALLY HIGHER THAN GOLD RICH. IF THEY ARE HIGHER, HOW WOULD THAT FIT WITH THE GOLD RICH FIREMEN?

ANY DIVISION HERE?

YOU KNOW, ACROSS THE BOARD, THEIR DESIRE IS TO GET PERSONNEL IN THAT FIRE STATION. THIS IS SOMETHING WE ARE JUST GOING TO HAVE TO -- WHATEVER THE AGREED SALARY IS, I WOULD NOT WANTED TO BE A DETRIMENT -- DEBORAH DID THE SALARY COMPARISONS ACROSS THE COUNTY. -- CLOSER TO 175, ALMOST 2% BELOW. THERE IS A VARIANCE.

I JUST HAVE A QUESTION. I WILL DEFER AS I ALWAYS DO TO THE HARD-WORKING SUBCOMMITTEE ON THIS. SO THERE IS A REQUEST FOR A SALARY RANGE. I AM TURNING TO COUNCILMEMBER HINTON , VICE CHAIR McLEWIS. WHAT ADVICE CAN YOU PROVIDE?

I MEAN, I RELATED TO OUR HR RECOMMENDATIONS ON THIS. IF THE REORGANIZATION GOES THROUGH WITH GOLDRIDGE, I BELIEVE OUR FIREFIGHTERS WILL BECOME EMPLOYEES WITH GOLDRIDGE. AND THEIR WAGES WILL PREVAIL. 2% IS NOT, I THINK A SITUATION. SO WE ARE JUST TRYING TO GET AS -- THE INTERIM FIRE CHIEF AS INDICATED. PEOPLE IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT DO WE GET SAFETY TO THE PUBLIC. AND WE ARE BETTING ON OUR MEASURE. LET ME NOT CONFUSE MEASURE H FUNDS. THAT IS HELPING US TO GET THE FIRE STAFF WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO RESPOND QUICKER. THIS IS PART OF THE PROCESS TO GO THROUGH IT. I'M NOT WORRIED ABOUT IT.

OKAY. VICE MAYOR?

YEAH. I AM NOT WORRIED ABOUT IT. ALSO, IN ORDER TO BRING STAFF ON, THEY NEED TO BE COMPETITIVE. IT IS SO CLOSE IN THAT RANGE. WE -- TOGETHER IN DISCUSSIONS REGARDING THE ANNEXATION. I THINK THAT WE COULD SAY THAT, YOU KNOW, WE ALL AGREE. THEY ARE ALL GOOD AT THEIR JOB. AND THEY'LL WORK SO MUCH TOGETHER AS A TEAM. IT JUST IS NOT REMY. AND IT ALSO GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO RECRUIT PEOPLE. TO GIVE IT THE WEIGHT NEEDS TO BE.

I AGREE. I AGREE. RIGHT NOW, WITH THE PASSAGE OF MAJOR CAPITAL AGE, EVERYBODY IS HIRING. IT HAS TO BE MARKETABLE.

I SEE THE AND EVERY DAY, ACTUALLY.

VERY GOOD. DO YOU NEED ANYTHING MORE BEFORE WE CALL FOR A MOTION?

THAT WOULD BE GOOD. COUNCILMEMBER MAURER ?

SO WE ARE BEING ASKED TO DECIDE WHAT THE PAY SCALES SHOULD BE? THAT IS PART OF THE ASKING TO ME. AND COULD YOU, YOU KNOW, SO THE MEDIAN IS 10 998. AND ONE AND A HALF PERCENT BELOW MEDIAN ALLIANCE WITH -- THAT IS 10 833. THAT IS NOT A LOT OF DIFFERENCE. SO CAN YOU GIVE

US SOME GUIDANCE ABOUT WHY YOU WOULD CHOOSE ONE OVER THE OTHER? DO YOU HAVE ANY THOUGHTS ON THAT?

THE ONLY THING THAT WOULD BE ANYTHING WOULD BE BUDGETS. YET. WHAT IS DIFFICULT AND YOU WILL FIND YOURSELF IN A POSITION WHERE YOU WOULD ARGUE WHETHER OR NOT SOMEONE IS WORTH WHATEVER WAGE THAT IS ON OUR SCHEDULE. I DO NOT WANT TO BE PUT IN THAT POSITION TO DO SUCH. . IT COMES DOWN TO BUDGETS AND WHAT WE CAN AFFORD. I WOULD ASK THAT YOU GUYS CAN USE ONE OF THE THREE OPTIONS THAT ARE THERE THAT YOU FEEL IS WITHIN REASON FOR THE CITY TO BE ABLE TO AFFORD. AND MOVE FORWARD WITH THE MAYOR. . I WILL SAY , REGARDLESS OF WHAT NUMBER YOU COME UP WITH, IT IS WELL DESERVED.

SO YOU'RE OKAY WITH ANY OF THESE THREE?

I AM A.

OKAY. THANK YOU.

AND JUST ONE THING FOR CLARIFICATION. -- BEING BROUGHT IN AT STEP EIGHT. SO DEPENDING ON QUALIFICATIONS OR HIRING IN THE PAST, I AM AWARE OF IT. CANDIDATES HAVE BEEN BROUGHT IN AT DIFFERENT STEPS SO JUST TO ADD THAT.

IF THERE NUMBER QUESTIONS, WE WILL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK YOU, MARY, FOR REMINDING ME OF THAT IMPORTANT STEP

THANK YOU, TREVOR. THIS IS PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND SALARY RANGE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, I WILL GO IN CHAMBERS FIRST FOR SEEING NONE , NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. -- I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM . PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, THERE IS NO PUBLIC COMMENT.

THANK YOU. BRING IT BACK UP TO THE DAIS FOR DISCUSSIONS AND A POSSIBLE MOTION.

I'M HAPPY TO MOVE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD AND APPROVE THE TITLE OF FIRE CAPTAIN AND THAT JOB DESCRIPTION AND SALARY RANGE. AS PROPOSED IN THE AGENDA REPORT TONIGHT. IF I COULD ENOUGH?

YOU DO NEED TO SPECIFY WHICH GRADE.

OH, I THINK I MAKING A MOTION FOR WHAT THE CITY STAFF IS RECOMMENDING TO SET IT UP AT 1% BELOW THE MEDIAN WHICH ALIGNS WITH MULLETS, THE WINDSOR -- [INAUDIBLE].

I SECOND THAT .

THANK YOU. SO MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER HINTON AND SECONDED BY SEEING NONE TO APPROVE THE FIRE CAPTAIN JOB DESCRIPTION WITH THE SALARY RANGE OF THE 1% BELOW MEDIAN THAT ALLOWS WITH [INAUDIBLE] AT THE 10,008 88. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER ?

YES.

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AYE.

VICE CHAIR McLEWIS.

YES.

MAYOR ZOLLMAN.

YES.

THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

AND I JUST MAKE ONE COMMENT? THESE TWO ITEMS ARE STEPS ON A PATH TOWARD EXPANDING OUR FIRE STATION COVERAGE. AND PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE COMMUNITY. WHEN WE WENT BACK TO THE SAFETY -- THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE COUNCIL RESPONDING TO THE COMMENTS ON THE SURVEY RESPONSES WE GOT FROM THE COMMUNITY. WHEN THEY GET PAST THE ACTUAL HIRING OF THESE, THAT MEANS A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE RESIDENTS OF TRAVEL . I DO NOT WANT THAT TO GO UNNOTICED . THE STEPS YOU'RE TAKING TO THE ARE REALLY IMPORTANT FOR US IN THE LONG RUN. I THINK THAT IS WORTH CALLING OUT THAT THIS IS REALLY SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS

THANK YOU. OF COURSE, WE DO OUR PART, . IT IS ALSO STAFF. MOVING ON TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 16. THAT IS THE CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR THE SCOPE OF WORK FOR CITYGATE CONTRACT FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT REORGANIZATION ITEMS FOR AN ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION OF \$25,000. AND AGAIN, I WILL STRESS FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 BUDGET AS BUDGETED. AN ALLOCATED \$50,000 FOR CONSOLIDATION NEGOTIATION ADVISING AND THE CITY HIRED CITY GATES FOR FIRE NEGOTIATION ITEMS. THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY FOR THIS IS THE CITY MANAGER. TURNING TO YOU.

THANK YOU. THIS IS BASICALLY AN ITEM FOR JUST IN CASE THAT I THINK IT IS A PRETTY GOOD CASE ARE PRETTY GOOD CHANCE WE WILL LEVERAGE THE FUNDS THAT WE ARE REQUESTING THIS EVENING. CITYGATE HAS BEEN HELPFUL IN HELPING US ANALYZE THE OPTIONS IN OUR OWN REORGANIZATION WITH GOLDRIDGE AND DIGGING INTO THE NUMBERS. WILL BE PREPARING SOME REPORTS FOR THE AD HOC COUNCIL CONSIDERATION. THE FIRST CONTRACT WE SIGNED WITH THEM WAS BASICALLY TO MY SIGNING AUTHORITY AND ANYTHING OVER THAT. \$50,000 NEED TO GO TO THE COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL. THAT IS WHY THIS IS COMING TO THIS EVENING. I DO NOT THINK WE WILL NEED ALL OF THE FUNDS REQUESTED TONIGHT, . I WOULD RATHER HAVE THEM AVAILABLE THEN NEED THEM AND NOT HAVE THEM AVAILABLE. THE FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE GENERAL FUND FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET. THIS IS PART OF OUR MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REQUIREMENT WE HAVE TO MEET TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR BROWN ACT TO WE HAVE THE MONEY AND CONTRACT SERVICES WITHOUT DESIGNATING IT IN CONTRACT AND IN THIS CASE, WE ARE TAKING 25,000 OUT OF THAT MARKET, IF YOU WILL. A LINE ITEM AND PUTTING IT TOWARD CONTRACT TO SUPPORT THE REORGANIZATION.

QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES

I JUST HAVE A COMMENT.

QUESTIONS ON MY LEFT? NO. OKAY, I GUESS WE WILL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT AND THEN COME BACK FOR COMMENTS.

THANK YOU . IS A PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE REQUEST FOR THE CITYGATE CONTRACT. IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT, I WILL GO IN CHAMBERS FIRST. SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. LINDA, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? THANK YOU. GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE.

MANY OF THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS -- THE CONSULTANTS. INCLUDING THE VERY -- AUDIT OF THE TIME-CONSUMING AUDIT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. . ANYWAY, MY QUESTION -- TO HAVE DUKE ENERGY NEGOTIATING. I AM VERY APPREHENSIVE ABOUT THIS CONTINUING USE OF SPENDING GREAT WADS OF MONEY FOR

COMPLACENCY. INSTEAD OF JUST, LIKE I SAID, GOING TO DIRECT WITH PUBLIC WORKS AND FINDING OUT WHAT THEY NEED. GOING FROM THERE. YOU HAVE GOT TO GO WITH THE BUREAUCRATIC -- A LOT OF WASTED MONEY. I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO TO TEAR YOURSELVES FROM GOING DOWN THIS PATH IN THE FUTURE. AGAIN, NECESSARY AND EXTENSIVE. OFTENTIMES, NOT ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE CITY CONSULTANTS. THANK YOU.

LINDA, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. SEEING NONE , I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, PUBLIC COMMENT IS CLOSED .

THANK YOU, MERRIPEN BACK UP TO THE DAIS FOR COMMENTS AND A POSSIBLE MOTION? VICE MAYOR?

MY COMMENT IS THAT CITYGATE, THE REASON THAT WE NEEDED TO GO WITH SOMEONE WHO SPECIALIZES IN THIS IS BECAUSE THIS IS A VERY LONG-TERM. A LONG-TERM AGREEMENT. AND BEING RECOGNIZED THAT NONE OF US ARE EXPERTS IN EVERY FACET OF THIS PROCESS. AND IN ORDER FOR US TO DO IT, IT IS RECOMMENDED BY COUNCIL AND ANYONE THAT WE REALLY NEED TO HAVE SOMEONE REPRESENTING US. BECAUSE WE HAVE GOLDRIDGE WAS RUNNING OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT, IT MADE SENSE TO HAVE SOMEONE WHO IS A NEUTRAL ENTITY TO HELP ADVISE US. YOU KNOW, FOR ANYONE THAT IS WONDERING, I AM THE FIRST PERSON TO LOOK AT CONSULTANT. BUT THERE ARE INSTANCES WHERE WE NEED THAT. THE REASON WE ARE BRINGING THIS BACK TODAY IS BECAUSE WE HAVE A TIMELINE. IT IS A VERY TIGHT TIMELINE. THAT IS NOT DECIDED BY US, BUT BY THE COUNTY. ANY OF THE DIFFERENT ENTITIES THAT APPROVE THIS. SO THIS IS JUST A PROACTIVE APPROACH TO ENSURE WE CAN KEEP THE PROCESS MOVING JUST IN CASE WE GET TO A POINT WHERE WE DO NEED ADDITIONAL FUNDS. WE DO NOT HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL ANOTHER COUNCIL MEETING LATER PAID BECAUSE WE ARE REALLY IN THE THROES OF IT. WE WANT TO KEEP THE PROCESS MOVING PROPERLY. AS AD HOC, THAT IS WHAT I WANTED TO SAY. I SEE A COUNCILMEMBER HAND UP. TO THAT, IS THAT IT IS MY HOPE/STRONGER THAN HOPE, THAT WE ARE NOT GOING TO GET UP TO \$25,000 IN ADDITIONAL. THE REPORTS WE HAVE RECEIVED SO FAR, WHILE THEY ARE JUST DRAFTS, YOU KNOW, THEY NEED TO BE FINALIZED. AND I THINK WE ARE UP TO OUR ORIGINAL ALLOCATION. WE NEED A LITTLE BIT MORE MONEY BUT I'M CONFIDENT THE CITY MANAGER KNOWS WE DO NOT WANT TO SPEND ANY MORE THAN WE ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO. WE DO NOT HAVE TIME WITH OUR TIMELINES TO STOP AND BRING IT TO COUNCIL AND ASK AGAIN LATER. WE ARE TRYING TO GET, AS VICE CHAIR McLEWIS SAID, THE PREOP AUTHORIZATION .

COUNCILMEMBER MAURER -- AN I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION TO ADD UP TO 25,002 CONTRACT WITH CITYGATE ASSOCIATES.

SECOND.

IS THAT ADEQUATE?

I'M SORRY. SO MR. MAYOR, YOU SECONDED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MAURER WITH A SECOND BY MAYOR ZOLLMAN FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION FOR AN ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION OF 25 PAULSON . COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YES

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER MAURER.

YES.

HAD FIVE.

AYE.

MAYOR ZOLLMAN.

YESTERDAY

THAT PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

ITEM NUMBER 17 CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH UPDATE TO STAFFING ASSESSMENT STUDY. THIS ITEM HASN'T BUDGETED IN THE 2024-25 BUDGET FOR 10,000. NO BUDGET MEMO IS REQUIRED. SO THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY FOR THIS IS THE CITY MANAGER, CITY CLERK BUT I'M TURNING TO ONE OR THE OTHER OR BOTH. OKAY. I AM TURNING IT OVER.

THANK YOU, MERRIPEN I WILL MAKE THIS SHORT AND SWEET. 3 1/2 YEARS AGO, THERE WAS A CITYWIDE STAFFING ASSESSMENT STUDY THAT ALLOCATED BASICALLY WHAT POSITIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR CITY STAFF TO BE IN -- FULLY FUNCTIONAL. AT THAT TIME, IT WAS BROUGHT TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE. WE SET ASIDE 300,000 FOR ADDITIONAL STAFFING. DUE TO FINANCIAL ALLOCATIONS, THAT WAS USED FOR OTHERS. SINCE THAT TIME WE HAVE HAD MULTIPLE REVISIONS TO OUR STAFFING. ONE IS THE CONSOLIDATION OF PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT WITH THE RETIREMENT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT. WE HAVE ALSO THE FIRE CONSOLIDATION GOING ON. THAT IS ON A SEPARATE TRACK. WE HAVE ALSO DISCUSSED THE CONSOLIDATION OF OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS AS WELL. WITH THE GOALS AND PRIORITIES COMING UP IN FEBRUARY, AND IS HAS BEEN BUDGETED IN THIS YEAR'S SCHOOL BUDGET. THERE IS NO BUDGET IMPACT. WE WERE DIRECTED TO BRING IT BACK IN WITH THE GOLDEN PRIOR TO COMING IN FEBRUARY, WE WERE REQUESTING THEY COME BACK EARLIER THAN THAT. WE THINK IT WOULD BE GOOD TO GET A REVISED AMENDED STAFFING ASSESSMENT BASED ON THE CURRENT, TAKING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OUT OF THE SITUATION, BUT WITH THE CURRENT REVISIONS WE HAVE DONE. BRINGING BACK A STAFFING ASSESSMENT TO BE CONSIDERED DURING THE CITY COUNCIL BOULDER PRIORITIES FOR THE RECOMMENDATION. NO BUDGET, SO WE CAN HAVE IT DONE BY THE END OF JANUARY.

GREAT BUT AS YOU SAID, THAT DID RUN THROUGH THE BUDGET COMMITTEE AND IT WAS UNANIMOUS TO CONSIDER THIS. AND THE TIMING OF THE REPORT IS TIME TO BE ABLE TO HAVE IT WITH PROPER TIME BEFORE THIS THAT I CAN MAKE THAT COMMENT. ARE THERE ANY OTHER -- I SHOULD'VE STARTED WITH COMMENTS. ANY QUESTIONS BEFORE WE GO TO THE PUBLIC? SEEING NONE .

THANK YOU, MERRIPEN THIS IS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT TO CONDUCT THE FIS STAFFING ASSESSMENT FOR THE CITY DEPARTMENTS BUT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, I GO TO CHAMBERS FIRST. NEXT, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT ON THE ASSESSMENT STUDY, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, THERE IS NO PUBLIC COMMENT

THANK YOU. COMING UP TO THE DAIS FOR COMMENT OR DISCUSSION.

I WILL MAKE A MOTION. DO YOU NEED ME JUST ESTATE --

[INAUDIBLE - OVERLAPPING SPEAKERS]

SO MOVED BY VICE CHAIR McLEWIS AND A SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER MAURER AUTHORIZED STAFF TO UPDATE THE STAFFING ASSESSMENT STUDY. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER.

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER MAURER.

AYE.

VICE CHAIR McLEWIS.

YES.

MAYOR ZOLLMAN.

AYE.

THAT PASSES UNITEDLY.

THANK YOU. ITEM NUMBER 18. -- THE RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT IS BACK TO OUR CITY CLERK FOR

THANK YOU BECAUSE OF THE REQUEST FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$1500 TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO HAVE THE COUNCIL MEMBERS ATTEND THE NEW MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBER ACADEMY IN JANUARY. WE DID SET ASIDE FUNDING FOR TWO MEMBERS TO ATTEND. BUT WE DO HAVE A NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER THAT WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ATTEND THAT WE HAVE A NEW MAYOR WHO WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND AT A NEW VICE MAYOR WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND A PHONE BUT WE HAVE FUNDING FOR THE REGISTRATION, BUT WE DID HAVE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE HOTEL. I'M RECOMMENDING IT IS A GOOD TRAINING. CAL CITIES. NOT ALL, BUT MOST OF THE COUNCILMEMBERS, THERE ARE USUALLY TWO OR THREE FROM EACH COUNCIL AT THESE TRAINING FITTED IS VERY INFORMATIVE FOR NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR DIET RECOMMENDED BUDGET A MEMBER FOR \$1500 TO ATTEND THIS TRAINING.

THANK YOU, MARY. WASN'T FOR ME COLLEAGUES? GOING OUT TO PUBLIC COMMENT THREAD

THANK YOU. THIS IS FOR A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT OF \$1500 FOR THE MEMBER TO ATTEND THE COUNCILMEMBER JULIO DOCTORS -- IN JANUARY BUT IF YOU LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, AGAIN, GOING TO CHAMBERS FIRST WORD SEEING NONE , I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM BUT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY PAID SEEING NONE, PUBLIC COMMENT IS CLOSED.

BACK UP TO THE DAIS FOR DISCUSSION AND A POSSIBLE MOTION.

I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT THIS. WE HAVE ALL KIND OF AGREED WE WOULD TAKE TURNS ON THESE TRAININGS. BOTH THE MAYOR AND THE VICE MAYOR JUST ATTENDED THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TRAINING IN THE FALL. I AM ASSUMING THAT WOULD BE, THEY WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO NECESSARILY ATTEND THIS TRAINING SO WE COULD ALL TAKE TURNS. HERE IT IS BACK WITH THE MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR AND A NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS. AND FULL SUPPORT OF THE NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER ATTENDING. AND I JUST WANT TO MAKE THIS STATEMENT. I DO NOT THINK I WILL BE SUPPORTING THIS TONIGHT. I DO THINK ONGOING EDUCATION IS GOOD FOR US ALL. BUT I THINK THAT IN THE BUDGET CRISIS WE ARE IN, IT IS BEEN POINTED OUT THAT WE CANNOT FUND

EVERYBODY TO ATTEND. I AM JUST TRYING TO COME UP WITH A FAIR AND EQUITABLE SOLUTION. AND DECIDED WITH THE BUDGET DOES NOT SEEM LIKE WHAT WE AGREED UPON. I KIND OF HAVE TO LOOK AT THIS STAFF REPORT WHERE COUNCILMEMBER MAURER DID NOT SUPPORT IT AND NOW WE ARE AT FULL COUNCIL. I JUST, I DO NOT THINK IT IS FAIR FOR THE SAME PEOPLE TO ALWAYS BE ATTENDING.

VICE MAYOR?

I WANT TO SAY I VALUE GOING TO THESE BECAUSE EACH TIME I HAVE ATTENDED, I HAVE LEARNED SOMETHING. IF WE WANT TO TALK ABOUT COST TO THE CITY, EACH ONE OF US COST THE CITY DEVELOP IT I DO NOT TAKE ANY HELP AND IF IT'S FROM THE CITY. VIRTUALLY I COST THE CITY NOTHING, EXCEPT THE \$300 I RECEIVED PER MONTH. SO I THINK THAT IT IS ONLY EQUITABLE FOR US, YOU KNOW, THOSE OF US THAT WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND BUT IF WE ARE WORRIED ABOUT COST OF THE CITY, WE CAN START TALKING ABOUT LAYING OUT ALL THE COST FOR EACH OF US. AGAIN, I DO NOT GET ANY HELP AND IF IT'S GOOD I SEE THIS AS A BENEFIT TO ME. BECAUSE THEN I CAN BETTER SERVE OUR CONSTITUENTS BECAUSE I BETTER UNDERSTAND THE LEGISLATION THAT HELPS DEVELOP RAPPORT WITH PEOPLE ACROSS THE STATE. AND EVERY TIME I HAVE ATTENDED, I HAVE LEARNED SO MUCH. AND I HAVE BROUGHT IT BACK HERE AS WELL. THOSE ARE MY COMMENTS ON IT.

IF THERE ARE COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS?

ARE WE GOING OUT TO PUBLIC COMMENTS?

WE ALREADY WENT TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

I SEE I DID NOT SUPPORT THE REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL COUNCILMEMBERS TO ATTEND. I REQUESTED THAT TWO COUNCILMEMBERS, IN MY MIND, YOU THINK THAT THEY ARE PITTED SUPPORT FOR THE MAYOR TO GO AS A NEW MAYOR AND OF NEW COUNCILMEMBER TOO. AND I ALSO WILL ECHO THE COMMENTS. REGARDING -- SORRY. [LAUGHTER] IT IS ONLY A: 30. THERE IS SUCH A THING CALLED DECISION-MAKING FATIGUE. NO, YOU MAKE SO MANY DECISIONS. AND IN YOUR BRAIN DOES NOT WORK AS WELL. SO I APPRECIATE THE COMMENTS BY COUNCILMEMBER HINTON. I SUPPORT THOSE COMMENTS. I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM OTHER PEOPLE AS WELL. BECAUSE WE ALREADY APPROVED THIS IN THE BUDGET BACK WHEN WE APPROVE THE BUDGET. SO I WAS NEVER THINKING THAT THE NEW COUNCILMEMBER, IT WOULD NOT BE THE NEW COUNCILMEMBER WOULD NOT GO. THAT COUNCILMEMBER ABSOLUTELY NEEDS TO GO. YEAH.

COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

I WAS GOING TO SAY SOMETHING FUNNY , BUT NOW DOES NOT SEEM LIKE THE RIGHT TIME. [LAUGHTER]

I WILL MOVE ON.

OKAY. YEAH. GOING BACK TO COUNCILMEMBER HINTON .

I WANT TO ADDRESS AGAIN, I ALSO DID NOT TAKE THE HELP BENEFIT FOR MAYBE 6 1/2 YEARS. AND IT DID NOT COST THE CITY ANYTHING. I THINK THAT IS NOT NECESSARILY THE RIGHT APPROACH. AND I JUST QUESTION IF WE HAD A POLICY WHERE EVERYONE WAS ALLOWED TO GO THAT REQUESTED IT. IF THAT IS GOING TO BE OUR POLICY, THEN I AM FINE WITH THAT. BUT THERE WERE PEOPLE HERE ON THE DAIS AND ADVOCATED THAT WE SHOULD SET LIMITS AND NOW WE ARE NOT LIVING BY THOSE LIMITS BECAUSE -- IS REQUESTING TO GO BUT I AM FINE WITH WHATEVER WAY WE

DECIDE AS A COUNCIL BIT I JUST THINK THE NEXT TIME IT COMES UP , WE HAVE ONLY BUDGETED FOR TWO AND THREE PEOPLE WANT TO GO, WE NEED TO FOLLOW CONSISTENT FAIRNESS AND RULES OF THE PEOPLE THAT ARE ABLE TO GO WILL BE ABLE TO GO. OR WE STICK TO OUR BUDGET. I AM OKAY, BUT I DO NOT THINK WE SHOULD CHANGE THE RULES. ON THE FLY. THAT DOES NOT FEEL FAIR AND EQUITABLE. AND THIS YEAR, I'VE NOT BEEN ATTENDING CONFERENCES, BUT NEXT YEAR I MIGHT WANT TO ATTEND THEM ALL. I JUST WANT TO THROW THAT OUT TO THE PUBLIC. AND MAKE SURE WE ARE ON THE SAME PAGE. IT SHOULD BE ONE WAY OR THE OTHER, NOT JUST WE CHANGE THE RULES WHEN WE DO NOT LIKE THE RULE WE ALREADY PASSED.

QUESTION?

VICE MAYOR, DID YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?

IS THERE A POLICY ON THIS?

BASICALLY --

WE HAVE TO VOTE.

THERE IS NO OFFICIAL POLICY. IT WAS BROUGHT UP DURING THE BUDGET ABOUT HOW MANY PEOPLE WOULD GO TO THE CONFERENCES.

WE DID VOTE ON THIS THE TWO PEOPLE WOULD GET TO GO?

YES BUT IN THE BUDGET, HAVE A TOTAL OF FOUR. WE HAVE USED TWO ALREADY FOR SOUTHERN. WE HAVE USED TWO DIFFERENT ARE THE BUT IF YOU HAD ONE MORE, THAT IS WHAT THE REQUEST IS FOR TONIGHT.

OKAY.

ALTHOUGH I DO RESPECT CURRENT DECISIONS AND STICKING TO THE BUDGET, I ALSO THINK COUNCILMEMBERS LOOK FOR SELF-IMPROVEMENT AND TO BE BETTER BOARD MEMBERS AND IN THIS REGARD, THE COUNCIL DOES NOT GET A LOT OF SUPPORT IN OTHER WAYS THAT I WOULD BE FINE.

YES. I WILL CHIME IN. I KNOW FOR ME, WANTING TO GET MORE EDUCATION. THAT WOULD BE BETTER. SO YEAH, AS INDICATED, WHEN DISCUSSING THE BUDGET, I WHOLEHEARTEDLY AM IN SUPPORT OF ALLOCATING THE ADDITIONAL MONEY. IF WE NEED AN ESTABLISHED POLICY, IT WOULD PROBABLY NOT HURT TO HAVE A POLICY. YEAH. THOSE ARE MY THOUGHTS.

OR MAYBE THE BUDGET COMMITTEE CAN JUST FUND IT THE WAY IT USED TO BE FUNDED SO THAT EVERYBODY THAT WANTS TO ATTEND WOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY. WHICHEVER WAY, BUT I THINK WE NEED TO COME UP WITH A FAIR ALL OR NOTHING ROLE. WE ALL WANT SELF-IMPROVEMENT. SO IF THAT IS WHAT WE WANT, THEN LET'S MAKE SURE THE BUDGET COMMITTEE WANTS FOR IT IS YOUR PRAYER

APOLOGIES BUT I WAS NOT CLEAR WHAT HAPPENED IN THE PAST. THE BUDGET, SO -- I THINK WE DID THE BEST WE COULD WHEN WE CAME UP WITH THIS BUT WE DID NOT KNOW IT WAS -- I THINK YOU ARE RIGHT. I THINK WE SHOULD THINK ABOUT SOMETHING THAT IS MORE CONSISTENT.

COUNCILMEMBER MAURER ?

I THINK IT IS AN EQUITY THING. THE MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR HAVE GONE TO A CONFERENCE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. FERMENT LATER THEY'RE GOING TO GO TO ANOTHER CONFERENCE. AND THIS ITEM IS SAYING ONLY THREE PEOPLE CAN GO. SO I DO NOT PARTICULARLY FEEL THE NEED TO GO. BUT IF COUNCILMEMBER HINTON WANTED TO GO, I THINK WOULD BE MORE EQUITABLE FOR FOUR PEOPLE TO GO RATHER THAN JUST PUTTING IN 1500, THEN PUT IN 3000 SO THAT ANOTHER COUNCILMEMBER COULD GO WHO

WANTED TO GO. I DO NOT PARTICULARLY CARE TO GO THIS TIME. BUT IF SHE WANTED TO GO, I WOULD LIKE TO ADD THAT SO IT IS MORE EQUITABLE.

YES, GO AHEAD, VICE MAYOR.

UP TO NOW, HAS ANYBODY ASKED TO GO? I MEAN, --

THAT IS WHY WE BROUGHT THIS ITEM FORWARD. FOR THE THIRD SEAT AT THE CONFERENCE.

CANNOT RESPOND TO THAT? WHEN IT CAME UP, I ASKED CITY HALL. THERE ARE TWO PEOPLE THAT I'VE ASKED TO GO. WHAT WILL HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE. SO WE HAVE NO FIRM POLICY BUT I'M NOT GOING TO ATTEND THIS JANUARY. AND REMEMBER WHEN I ATTENDED AS MAYOR COUPLE OF YEARS AGO, WE ALL BASICALLY WENT TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND THE WEST OF US WENT TO NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. I AM JUST BRINGING IT UP AS A POINT FOR THE BUDGET COMMITTEE TO MAKE SURE WE BUDGET IN THE FUTURE SO THAT -- I THINK IT IS AN EQUITABLE, YOU KNOW, WE SHOULD ALL BE ABLE TO ATTEND IF WE CHOOSE.

I WILL THROW AND ALSO THE FACT THAT IT IS DIFFERENT THINGS. AND COUNCILMEMBER HINTON -- THE ONE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WAS MORE OF A POLICY TYPE THINK THAT AS FAR AS EDUCATION, WHILE ATTENDING SOME, I DO NOT THINK IT WAS -- THEN FIRST ELECTED. YEAH, I WILL SAY THE POLICY IS THERE. VICE MAYOR?

I WAS GOING TO STATE THAT, YOU KNOW, WHEN ATTENDING, I PUT OUT, YOU KNOW, THE COST TO GO THERE WENT OVER WHAT WAS ALLOCATED. I PAID QUITE A BIT FOR MYSELF. I MEAN, I JUST WANT TO PUT THAT OUT THERE. WE ARE NOT JUST TAKING MONEY. I ALSO INVESTED MONEY, MORE THAN I ACTUALLY MAKE ANY YEAR. NOT QUITE, BUT IT DID COST A DECENT AMOUNT OF MONEY.

YES. I AGREE. YES. BACKING UP HERE FOR CONTINUED DISCUSSION OR A MOTION. I'M HAPPY TO HAVE MORE DISCUSSION AND A MOTION. WHEREVER PEOPLE ARE AT.

I WILL MAKE A MOTION. THE MOTION IS -- MARY, WHAT MOTION DO WE NEED?

SORRY BUT IT WOULD BE TO APPROVE THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE ADDITIONAL \$1500 FOR COUNCILMEMBERS TO ATTEND THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES.

SO MOVED.

SECOND.

THANK YOU.

SO MOVED BY VICE CHAIR McLEWIS AND A SECOND BY TRANSFER TO APPROVE THE \$1500 BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE ADDITIONAL \$1500 FOR AN ADDITIONAL COUNCILMEMBER TO ATTEND THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES IN JANUARY. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER.

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER MAURER.

NO.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

AYE.

VICE MAYOR?

I'M SORRY. YES.

MAYOR ZOLLMAN

YES BUT

THE OCEAN PASSES PRIME IT IS ONE AND COUNCILMEMBER MAURER IN OPPOSITION.

TO KEEP IT MOVING ONTO THE LAST AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 19. DESIGNATING VOTING DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE TO VOTE IN THE MAYOR'S ABSENCE FOR THE 2025 SONOMA COUNTY MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND SONOMA COUNTY MAYORS AND BOARD MEETINGS. AGAIN, I WILL DEFER TO THE CITY CLERK.

THANK YOU. AS YOU STATED, THIS IS FOR THE MAYOR TO DESIGNATE BIDS TO VOTE AT THE COUNCILMEMBER MEETING. THE SELECTION MEETING AT THE BOARD MEETINGS ARE TYPICALLY, IT IS THE MAYOR FOLLOWED BY THE VICE MAYOR. AND A FOR DISCUSSION, HOW YOU WOULD LIKE THE THREE REMAINING TO VOTE IN SUCCESSION IF YOU ARE THE VICE MAYOR ARE ABSENT.

QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEGE BEFORE WE GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT? SEEING NONE , WE WILL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

THANK YOU. THE SELECTION OF THE BOARD MEETINGS IT IF YOU LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, I WILL GO TO CHAMBERS FIRST. SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. SEEING NONE, THERE IS NO PUBLIC COMMENT .

THANK YOU. BRING IT BACK UP TO THE DAIS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR A MOTION.

I THINK IT IS NECESSARY TO DISCUSS THE ORDER FOR THE LOCAL MAYOR, VICE MAYOR, AND WHO WANTS TO BE NEXT?

I WILL BE LAST.

NO, I AM GOING TO BE LACERATED [LAUGHTER] HISTORICALLY, WE HAVE DONE IT AS MAYOR, VICE MAYOR, AND EVERYONE IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

YOU WOULD BE THIRD [LAUGHTER]

ACTUALLY, IF WE DID ALPHABETICAL ORDER, THEN -- YOU WOULD BE THIRD. AND THEN LISA WOULD BE FOR THAT I WOULD BE FIFTH.

COUNCILMEMBER CARTER, ARE YOU FINE?

YES, I AM FINE WITH WHATEVER.

AND REMIND ME WHAT WE DID LAST YEAR?

THAT IS TYPICALLY WHAT WE HAVE DONE.

I'M SORRY, YOU SAID THAT. [LAUGHTER]

IT IS LATE AT NIGHT. SO IS THERE A MOTION?

I WILL MAKE A MOTION TO RATIFY THE SELECTION FOR THE VOTING DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE TO VOTE THE AIRPORT IS ABSENT FOR THE 2025 MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS CITY SELECTION MEETINGS AND SONOMA COUNTY MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBER -- MEMBERSHIP AS FOLLOWS MAYOR, VICE MAYOR, AND THAT ALPHABETICAL.

SECOND.

THANK YOU BEEN SO MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MAURER AND A SECOND BY MAYOR ZOLLMAN WITH THE DESIGNATED DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO VOTE IN THE ABSENCE OF THE MAYOR FOR THE SONOMA COUNTY MEETING AT BOARD MEETINGS AND WILL BE HERE, VICE MAYOR, AND THEN COUNCILMEMBER CARTER --

COUNCILMEMBER CARTER .

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER MAURER.

YES.

VICE CHAIR McLEWIS.

YES.

MAYOR ZOLLMAN.

YES.

WE HAVE TO DO THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT FIRST.

[INAUDIBLE]

I'M SORRY?

THAT IS THE CITY MANAGER AND CLERK.

YES, NUMBER 20.

THOSE ARE REPORT OUTS. THOUGH THE REPORT OUTS. [LAUGHTER]

OKAY. I WILL BE GOING OUT FOR THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. SO IF YOU DID NOT GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AT THE FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, YOUR OPPORTUNITY IS NOW. I WILL GO IN CHAMBERS FIRST. SEEING NONE , I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM BUT IF YOU LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THIS AGENDA AND WERE NOT ABLE TO SPEAK AT THE FIRST PART OF THE MEETING -- KATE, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER? GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

I JUST WOULD, SINCE THE COUNCIL HAS BEEN TALKING ABOUT COMMITTEES AND WHATNOT, I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THERE BE A CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR THE SALES TAX, MEASURE U. THAT IS A COMMITTEE THAT -- HAS EMPLOYED THAT THE SALES TAX REVENUE IS GOING TOWARD THE SERVICES THAT IT WAS INTENDED TO GO TOWARDS. SO IT IS A SIMPLE COMMITTEE. IT CAN GO TO THE CITY OF COTATI WEBSITE TO LOOK AT IT. IT ONLY MEETS ONCE A YEAR. IT IS BASICALLY AN AUDIT OF HOW MUCH SALES TAX WAS COLLECTED, AND WHERE IT WAS APPLIED WITHIN THE CITY BUDGET. I KNOW YOU GUYS HAVE THE POLICY THAT IS SUPPOSED TO GUIDE YOU WHERE THE REVENUE IS SUPPOSED TO GO. SO I THINK THIS WOULD BE A GREAT MOVE TOWARD PUBLIC TRANSPARENCY IN TERMS OF MEASURE U FUNDING TO MAKE GOOD ON YOUR WORD THAT WE WERE IN A FISCAL CRISIS AND WE NEEDED THE MONEY FOR OUR ROADS. AND TO FUND OUR STAFFING POSITIONS ON POLICE AND FIRE. ONCE AGAIN, I WILL CONTINUE TO ASK FOR A WATER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE IN ADDITION TO THE REGULAR REPORT OUTS. BECAUSE WATER IS A BIG ISSUE FOR OUR COMMUNITY. BETWEEN THE SALES TAX AND A VERY EXPENSIVE WATER, THESE ARE TWO REGRESSIVE FORMS OF COLLECTING REVENUE THAT REALLY IMPACT WORKING-CLASS FAMILIES AND WORKING-CLASS PEOPLE. SO HOPEFULLY, WE CAN MOVE TOWARD A BETTER WATER PRICING SYSTEM THAT IS MORE SUPPORTIVE OF BOTH OUR ENVIRONMENT AND OUR WORKING-CLASS FAMILIES. I HOPE TO SEE IN THE FUTURE. THANK YOU.

KATE, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL GO BACK IN CHAMBERS. SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA. JUST A SECOND. LINDA, I HAD YOU SPEAKING AT THE FIRST PORTION OF THE PUBLIC SPEAKING PORTION. THIS IS ONLY FOR PEOPLE THAT DID NOT HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AT THE FIRST PART OF THE MEETING.

THANK YOU, BARRY. I AM MOVING ONTO CITY MANAGER CITY CLERK REPORTS

THIS IS ONE OF THOSE MEETINGS, THE SECOND MEETING OF THE MONTH, WHERE YOU HAVE DEPARTMENTAL MEETINGS IN THE PACKETS THAT ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC THAT I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ON THOSE. IF NOT, I WILL MOVE ON TO THE STATUS ON ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING. LAST MONTH BUT IF I RECALL CORRECTLY. AND WE PROMISE TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON THAT AS WE CONTINUE TO BRING THAT FORWARD. AFTER TRANSPORTATION PLAN, AS YOU MAY RECALL, THAT FOCUSES ON A PARTICULAR COUPLE OF TRAILS BUT IN THE APPLE BLOSSOM AND -- TRAILS IS WHERE WE HAVE THE GREATEST PUBLIC INTEREST. WE DO NOT HAVE THAT INCLUDED ON ONE OF OUR PROJECT LISTS. ASPIRATIONAL TRAILS. WE ARE PLANNING BECAUSE OF COMMUNITY INTEREST TO ADD THEM AS A TIER ONE TO THE PRIORITY TRAIL FOR FEASIBILITY STUDIES. I WANT TO CONFIRM THAT. COUNCIL, THE OTHER QUESTION WE HAD WAS TO MAKE THE FINAL DECISION ON THE DOCUMENT? IS IT THE CITY OR IS IT STCA? THE CITY COUNCIL MAKES THE DECISION ON WHAT TRAILS ARE INCLUDED AS PRIORITIES AND AT WHAT LEVEL. WE ARE TENTATIVELY PLANNING TO BRING THE PLAN BACK TO YOU FOR ADOPTION ON JANUARY 21st THE CONSULTANT IS WORKING ON INCORPORATING THE PUBLIC COMMENTS. SO THAT COULD SLIP INTO FEBRUARY, BUT WE WILL NOT GO PAST FEBRUARY 18th MEETING. THAT IS THE LAST DATE FOR ADOPTION. THE WINDOW CLOSES FOR COUNCIL ACTIONS MID-SUMMER BETWEEN GENERATE 21st AND FEBRUARY 18th, DEPENDING ON HOW QUICKLY THE CONSULTANT TO COMPLETE THAT. THAT IS THE REPORT ON THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

THANK YOU. GOING TO CITY CLERK REPORTS?

NO BUT I DO NOT HAVE ANY. THANK YOU.

LIVING UP TO 21. THE CITY COUNCIL REPORTS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS. COUNCILMEMBER HINTON ?

I WILL GO AHEAD AND START. I SENT 12 COUNCILMEMBERS AND IT HAS BEEN POSTED ON THE WEBSITE. THE STCA MEETING I ATTENDED ON DECEMBER 9th. THAT WAS A 12:30 START AND ARE RAN RIGHT UP TO WHEN I HAD TO LEAVE TO GET TO THE CLOSED SESSION WE HELD AT 5:00. SO A NUMBER OF THINGS. A NUMBER OF THINGS DISCUSSED BUT IT WAS AN ANNUAL, IS OKAY FOR ME TO SAY. WE DID AN ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE MANAGER AS WELL AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CLOSED SESSION PART OF OUR MEETING. WE ALSO HAD THE FIRE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS. VICE MAYOR McLEWIS AND I ATTENDED . THAT WAS ON THE 16th AND THE TEMPERATE AND ALSO, MAYOR ZOLLMAN ATTENDED THE SERA COMMITTEE. THAT WAS HELD ON ZOOM THIS YEAR. THAT WAS THE EXECUTIVE BOARD SESSION AND THE TRAINING SESSIONS. YEAH, THAT GETS US TO TODAY. THAT IS THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS. THANK YOU.

CONTINUING DOWN. VICE MAYOR?

THAT IS FINE BUT I WAS TRYING TO COUNT THE NUMBER OF AD HOC MEETINGS WE HAVE HAD FOR FIRE. IT IS SO MANY. YOU KNOW, WE HAVE SEEN THE FRUITS OF OUR LABOR TONIGHT. AND OF THE COMMITTEE, WE DO NOT MEET IN DECEMBER. I DO NOT HAVE ANYTHING TO REPORT OUT ON THAT. THAT'S IT.

GREAT. OVER HERE? COUNCILMEMBER MAURER?

UP AROUND ACT QUESTION. CAN I SAY PUBLICLY THAT I HAVE -- ON A SPECIFIC TOPIC? AND THAT WE HAVE MET PUBLICLY WITH SOMEONE TO DISCUSS THE TOPIC? IS THAT OKAY?

THAT IS FINE TO SAY. SO ON THE APPLE BLOSSOM TRAIL. M.A. MET WITH THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. THEY OVERSEE THE FARM AND THE MUSEUM. WE HAD A MEETING WITH THEIR BOARD PRESIDENT, THEIR VICE PRESIDENT, AND THE FARM. THE FARM MANAGER. WE MET WITH THEM THE OTHER DAY AND DISCUSSED THE APPLE BLOSSOM TRAIL. THEY HAVE GREAT CONCERNS WITH. AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW. WE HAD A GOOD DISCUSSION WITH THEM. THEY ALSO GAVE US SOME OTHER IDEAS. WE TALK ABOUT OTHER THINGS BESIDES THE TRAIL. I DID A I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM LIGHTING BUT I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE CHAMBER AND MY COLLEAGUES WERE SHOWING UP FOR THAT. THAT WAS A REALLY SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENING. I REALLY ENJOYED THAT. THERE'S A GREAT ART SHOW RIGHT NOW. IT IS AT THE CENTER FOR THE ARTS. IN GENERAL, AFTER SO, THAT CENTER FOR THE ARTS IS DOING SOME AMAZING ARTWORK. AND HAVING SOME GREAT SHOWS BUT I HIGHLY RECOMMEND SEEING THEIR BUDGETS NEXT SUMMER. SAYING THERE SO, THE ART SHOW. AND THE BUDGET COMMITTEE TODAY.

[INAUDIBLE] I WANT TO CREATE SPACE FOR YOU TO SAY.

I FEEL LIKE I'M GETTING CLOSE TO UNDERSTANDING THE BROWN ACT. WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS. YEAH. I HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT THE BUDGET AND TRYING TO CATCH UP. I THINK I'M DOING A FAIR JOB AT OBSERVING EVERYBODY'S KNOWLEDGE AND WISDOM. ALL THAT YOU GUYS ALREADY HAVE. THERE YOU GO.

AWESOME. AND REGULAR MEETING, THE REGIONAL MEETINGS. CONTINUE TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS WE ARE MOVING AHEAD, NOT ONLY FROM THE CITY PERSPECTIVE, BUT ALSO FROM THE PLANNING PERSPECTIVE OF WHERE WE COULD ACTUALLY COME UP WITH THE NECESSARY FUNDS TO DO THE FISCAL ANALYSIS THAT BOTH THE COUNTY WANT TO DO, AND WE GOT A CLEAR MESSAGE FROM ALL COUNCILMEMBERS THAT THEY NEED OF FISCAL ANALYSIS DONE BEFORE WE MOVE TOWARD RESOLUTION OF INTENTION. WE SPENT SOME TIME DISCUSSING THAT TODAY AT THE BUDGET HEARING. THAT ITEM WILL BE COMING FORTH WITH YOU FOR CONSIDERATION SOON FOR THE LIBRARY AD HOC BUT WE CONTINUE TO MEET PUMA BEGIN CLEAR, AND THANK YOU TO OUR CITY ATTORNEY FOR PROVIDING THE MEMORANDUM BUT WE NEED TO DO BETTER EDUCATION AMONGST OUR OWN POPULACE AND STAKEHOLDERS FOR THE LAST LIBRARY AD HOC -- MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION, WE ARE NOT WAITING FOR THEM TO PUT UP A Q&A'S ON THE WEBSITE. WE WERE TOLD DIRECTLY WE COULD NOT. SO THERE'S BEEN DISCUSSIONS AMONG STAFF. WILL HAVE OUR OWN FAQS ON OUR OWN CITY SITE. RIGHT UNDERNEATH PARKS OR SOMEWHERE NEAR PARKS. SO THAT WILL BE INTERESTING TO SEE EVERYONE, INCLUDING THE COUNCILMEMBERS TO LOOK AT IT AND FIGURE OUT WHAT WE HAVE INVESTED IN THE LIBRARY? WE CONTINUE TO WORK ON BEHALF OF UN-MARGINALIZED MOSTLY, I WILL SAY. AND HOW THEY ARE STRUGGLING TO PROVIDE -- FOR OUR YOUTH. ONE OF OUR LAST BEAKERS, AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, HAS DOCUMENTED THERE IS OVER 100 CHILDREN WHO ARE UNIDENTIFIED FROM THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS BEING UNHOUSED. AND IT ALSO INCLUDES FOSTER CARE. THIS IS SHOCKING. SO WE CONTINUE TO WRAP OUR HEADS AROUND TRY TO GET MORE FUNDING SO THAT DOES NOT

CONTINUE TO BE THE CASE WITH THAT IS RECENTLY THE HEADS UP OF WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING FOR THANK YOU BUT IF THERE ARE OTHER COMMENTS, WE ARE GOING TO MOVE INTO THE LAST ITEM. THAT IS COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY BUT I WILL TURN TO MY COLLEAGUES. IF THERE ARE ANY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS TO REPORT OUT? I'M NOT SEEING ANY. AND THEN THE LAST ITEM IS A MOTION TO ADJOURN. WOULD EVERYBODY LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION? OH, THERE YOU GO. [LAUGHTER] YAY! MARY FOUND US. GREAT TEAMWORK. IT IS -- THAT IS NICE. THANK YOU.

IT IS GOING TO BE 10:45.

WELL DID A GREAT JOB. ROUND OF APPLAUSE. THAT WAS A GROUP EFFORT. THANK YOU. THAT IS A TEAM EFFORT. YES. HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ANY AND ALL.

RECORDING STOPPED.

[Event Concluded]

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