

City Council  
Mayor Jill McLewis  
Vice Mayor Sandra Maurer  
Councilmember Phill Carter  
Councilmember Neysa Hinton  
Councilmember Stephen Zollman



Agenda Item Number: 4  
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## City of Sebastopol

Meeting of Tuesday, January 20, 2026

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MINUTES FOR MEETING OF January 20, 2026

As Approved by the City Council at their regular meeting of January 20, 2026.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor McLewis called the meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**Absent:** None

**Staff:** Interim City Manager Mary Gourley  
City Attorney Alex Mog  
Administrative Services Director Kwong  
Police Chief Sean McDonagh  
Public Works Operations Supervisor Billings  
Jane Riley, 4Leaf, Planning Consultant  
Toni Bertolero, Public Works Engineer

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor McLewis 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)). Assembly Bill 2302 (2024) ("AB 2302") revises rules for when members of local legislative bodies may participate in meetings remotely. Specifically, it amends the number of meetings that may be attended remotely for just cause and under emergency circumstances and clarifies the definition of the term "meeting," for purposes of remote attendance. AB 2302 caps the number of remote meetings a member can attend each year based on the frequency of a legislative body's meetings: Five meetings per year for those meeting twice a month.

None Requested utilizing AB 2449.

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** The City of Sebastopol acknowledges that we live and work within the unceded ancestral homelands of the Southern Pomo and the Coast Miwok people. We pay our respect to the past, present, and future generations of these peoples, including the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria.

### City of Sebastopol History Acknowledgement by Mayor

**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.

## 1. Interviews for Openings on the Design Review Board Design Review - (3 seats)

MEMBERS	TERM ENDING DATE	CATEGORY
Lars Langberg, Chair	12/31/2025	Category A
Melissa Hanley, Vice-Chair	12/31/2025	Category C
Christine Level	12/31/2025	Category C

### **Name** **Category:**

Lars Langberg Category A

Melissa Hanley Category C

Blake McDowall Category C

Dustin Deason Category B

Responsible Department: Planning

Fiscal Impact: Staff time required to prepare agenda item report is covered within existing budgeted salaries. No additional financial impact is anticipated with approval of this item.

City Council Action: The Council conducted interviews.

Minute Order Number: 2026-018

## 2. Appointments to the Design Review Board

Responsible Department: Planning

Fiscal Impact: Staff time required to prepare agenda item report is covered within existing budgeted salaries. No additional financial impact is anticipated with approval of this item.

- A. Two persons, at least one of whom shall be a licensed architect and at least one of whom shall be a licensed landscape architect.
- B. One person who may be any of the following: architect, landscape architect, building designer, building contractor, landscape contractor.
- C. Two persons not in subsection A or B of this section.
- D. One alternate who may be in subsection A of this section or who possesses a particular expertise in the area of design, land use patterns, urban development or other related fields to serve at any meeting or on any matter in the absence of a Board member, or in the event a member has a conflict of interest.
- E. In the event suitable candidates satisfactory to the City Council in the above categories are not available to serve, the City Council may then select any person or persons in their discretion. All terms of office shall terminate December 31st of the last year of the term of appointment.

The Council discussed the interviews.

Mayor McLewis opened for public comment. The following member(s) of the public spoke during the public comment period: None

City Council Discussion/Deliberations/Comments:

Council continued discussion of the item.

### **MOTION:**

Councilmember Zollman moved and Vice Mayor Maurer seconded the motion to approve appointment of the following members to the Design Review Board:

Name	Category:
Lars Langberg	Category A
Melissa Hanley	Category C
Blake McDowall	Category C

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

**VOTE:**

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

City Council Action: Approved appointment of the following members to the Design Review Board for a term of two years (term ending December 31, 2027):

Name	Category:
Lars Langberg	Category A
Melissa Hanley	Category C
Blake McDowall	Category C

Minute Order Number: 2026-019

**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: None

**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 McLewis read the consent calendar.

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

Mayor McLewis removed consent calendar item number 4.

Mayor McLewis opened for public comment. The following member(s) of the public spoke during public comment: There was none.

Mayor McLewis called for a motion.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Hinton moved and Vice Mayor Maurer seconded the motion to approve consent calendar item number 3.

Item Number 4 has been removed and will be heard at the end of the regular agenda.

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

VOTE:

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**3. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes for Meeting of January 6, 2026**

Responsible Department: Interim City Manager

Fiscal Impact: Staff time required to prepare the minutes is covered within existing budgeted salaries. No additional financial impact is anticipated with approval of this item.

City Council Action: Approved City Council Meeting Minutes for Meeting of January 6, 2026

Minute Order Number: 2026-020

~~4. Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance: Zoning code updates to implement Housing Element programs. This item would adopt the ordinance making various changes to the Zoning code to implement certain Housing Element programs that are past due.~~

**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)

**5. Receive and File of the City's annual audit for year ended June 30, 2025. The item is recommending the City Council receive the financial reports by a Certified Public Accountant for the City's annual audit for the year ended June 30, 2025.**

Responsible Department: Administrative Services

Fiscal Impact: Staff time required to prepare agenda item report is covered within existing budgeted salaries. No additional financial impact is anticipated with approval of this item.

Administrative Services Director Kwong presented the agenda item.

Mayor McLewis opened for questions of staff. The Council asked various questions of the consultant and City staff.

Mayor McLewis opened for public comment. The following member(s) of the public spoke during the public comment period: None

City Council Discussion/Deliberations/Comments:

Council continued discussion of the item.

Mayor McLewis called for a motion.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Carter moved and Vice Mayor Maurer seconded the motion to receive and file the City's annual audit for year ended June 30, 2025.

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

**VOTE:**

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

City Council Action: Received approval to file the City's annual audit for year ended June 30, 2025.

Minute Order Number: 2026-022

**PUBLIC HEARING(s): NONE**

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

6. Presentation of List of Streets for the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Digouts/Repairs Project. Staff will return to Council when final List and Plans/Specs are prepared. Council review, comment and acceptance of List of Streets for the Project. This is a preliminary list of proposed streets to be included in the Digouts/Repairs project. Comments will be received from Council and added to the List, as appropriate. The final list will return to Council, if needed, before the project is formally bid. This is an approved CIP and the list will be presented to BC when the final cost estimate is prepared and before going to bid.

Responsible Department: Public Works

Fiscal Impact: Staff time required to prepare agenda item report is covered within existing budgeted salaries.

During the Fiscal Year 2025-26 public hearing for the Capital Improvement Plan, Council added a \$500,000 project for performing digouts and repairs for citywide streets. No additional financial impact is anticipated with approval of this item.

Public Works Operations Supervisor Erik Billing presented the agenda item and introduced City Engineer Mario Landeros.

Mario Landeros provided additional information on the agenda item.

Mayor McLewis opened for questions of staff. The Council asked various questions of the consultant and City staff.

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

Oliver

Robert

City Council Discussion/Deliberations/Comments:

Council continued discussion of the item.

Mayor McLewis called for a motion.

**MOTION:**

Vice Mayor Maurer moved and Councilmember Zollman seconded the motion to support the list of draft street locations for the Digouts and Repairs Project CIP #0520-22.09 as amended with a final list to be returned to a future City Council meeting and as amended:

Bodega Pot Hole near Gravenstein Grill  
Directed staff to obtain information for Palm Avenue

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

**VOTE:**

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

City Council Action: Approved motion to support the list of draft street locations for the Digouts and Repairs Project CIP #0520-22.09 as amended with a final list to be returned to a future City Council meeting and as amended:

Bodega Pot Hole near Gravenstein Grill  
Directed staff to obtain information for Palm Avenue  
Minute Order Number: 2026-023

**7. Consideration of First Reading and Introduction of Blight Ordinance**

Responsible Department: City Attorney

Fiscal Impact: Staff time required to prepare agenda item report is covered within existing budgeted salaries. No additional financial impact is anticipated with approval of this item.

City Attorney Mog presented the agenda item.

Mayor McLewis opened for questions of staff. The Council asked various questions of the consultant and City staff.

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

Michael  
Robert  
Steve

City Council Discussion/Deliberations/Comments:

Council continued discussion of the item.

Mayor McLewis called for a motion.

**MOTION:**

Vice Mayor Maurer moved and Councilmember Zollman seconded the motion to table the item.

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

**VOTE:**

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

City Council Action: Approved motion to table the item.

Minute Order Number: 2026-024

8. Discussion and Consideration of Request for City to co-sponsor Micah's Hugs Narcan Distribution Box The potential location (207 North Main Street) is on public property in the public ROW, Council approval is required for CIRA to cover any liability through our existing policy. City will submit encroachment permit to Caltrans if item is approved.

Responsible Department: Public Works

Fiscal Impact: Staff time required to prepare agenda item report is covered within existing budgeted salaries. No additional financial impact is anticipated with approval of this item.

Public Works Operations Supervisor Billing presented the agenda report.

Mayor McLewis opened for questions of staff. The Council asked various questions of the consultant and City staff.

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

Michael  
Oliver  
Mary

City Council Discussion/Deliberations/Comments:

Council continued discussion of the item.

Mayor McLewis called for a motion.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Zollman moved to approve City sponsorship of Micah's Hugs. There was no second.

Mayor McLewis moved and Councilmember Hinton seconded the motion to deny the Request for City to co-sponsor Micah's Hugs Narcan Distribution Box.

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

**VOTE:**

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

City Council Action: Denied the request for City to co-sponsor Micah's Hugs Narcan Distribution Box.

Minute Order Number: 2026-025

**9. Consideration of Award of Extension of Contract for Position of Interim City Manager**

Responsible Department: City Personnel Attorney/Human Resources Consultant

Fiscal Impact: Staff time required to prepare agenda item report is covered within existing budgeted salaries. No additional financial impact is anticipated with approval of this item

City Attorney Mog presented the agenda item.

Mayor McLewis opened for questions of staff. The Council asked various questions of the consultant and City staff.

Mayor McLewis opened for public comment. The following member(s) of the public spoke during the public comment period: None

City Council Discussion/Deliberations/Comments:

No further discussion.

Mayor McLewis called for a motion.

**MOTION:**

Vice Mayor Maurer moved and Councilmember Zollman seconded the motion to approve Extension of Contract for Position of Interim City Manager.

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

**VOTE:**

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved Extension of Contract for Position of Interim City Manager.

Minute Order Number: 2026-026

Resolution: 6728-2026

**4. Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance: Zoning code updates to implement Housing Element programs. This item would adopt the ordinance making various changes to the Zoning code to implement certain Housing Element programs that are past due.**

Responsible Department: Planning

Fiscal Impact: Staff time required to prepare agenda item report is covered within existing budgeted salaries. No additional financial impact is anticipated with approval of this item.

City Attorney Mog presented the agenda item.

Mayor McLewis opened for questions of staff. The Council asked various questions of the consultant and City staff.



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

Laura  
Mary  
Oliver  
Robert  
Sonia  
Adrian  
Steve  
Celeste  
Omar  
Lewis  
Jen  
Renata  
Kenna Lee  
Amy

City Council Discussion/Deliberations/Comments:  
Council continued discussion of the item.

Mayor McLewis called for a motion.

**MOTION:**

Vice Mayor Maurer moved and Councilmember Zollman seconded the motion to approve waiving of second reading of, and adopt the Ordinance to implement Housing Element programs and adding AB 1033 provisions

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

**VOTE:**

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

City Council Action: Approved waiving of second reading of, and adopt the Ordinance to implement Housing Element programs and adding AB 1033 provisions

Minute Order Number: 2026-021

Ordinance Number: 1162

**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.

Michael  
Oliver  
Mary  
Robert

COUNCILMEMBER(S) REQUESTS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS: None

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

10. 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. December 2025 Departmental Reports

Reference Order Number: 2026-027

11. 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)

12. Council Communications Received (Information/Meetings/Correspondence Received from the General Public to Councilmembers)

CLOSED SESSION: NONE

ADJOURNMENT OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor McLewis adjourned the January 20, 2025 City Council Regular Meeting at 10:29 pm to the next Regular City Council Meeting of Tuesday, February 3, 2026 at 6:00 pm, Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary C, Gourley  
Interim City Manager/City Clerk, MMC

City Council Meeting - January 20, 2026

OKAY. WELL, WELCOME, EVERYONE. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS MEETING. WHAT IS IT, 6:00 P.M. RIGHT NOW. UM -- WELL, WE'LL GIVE PHILL A SECOND HERE. WE'RE GOING TO DO OUR ROLL CALL FIRST, MARY, IF YOU WANT TO START THAT?

THANK YOU. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER? COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

HERE.

COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN?

PRESENT.

VICE MAYOR MAURER?

HERE.

MAYOR MCLEWIS?

HERE.

PLEASE NOTE, ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE IN ATTENDANCE.

OKAY, LET'S DO A ABSOLUTE TO THE FLAG, PLEASE. [ INAUDIBLE ]

WELCOME EVERYONE TO THIS MEETING. UM -- LET'S SEE. WE HAVE OUR LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT I'D LIKE TO READ. THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL ACKNOWLEDGES WE LIVE AND WORK WITHIN THE UNSEATED HOMELANDS OF THE PEOPLE. WE PAY OUR RESPECT TO THE PAST, PRESENT, AND THE FUTURE OF THE PEOPLE INCLUDING THE FED RATED INDIANS OF GRATON RANCHERIA. I'M GOING TO BE DOING JUST A LITTLE HISTORY BRIEF AFTER THAT READING, EACH MEETING. THIS IS IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR, WITH TERESA. SHE'S BEEN DOING THE RESEARCH FOR US THROUGH THE MUSEUM THERE. IT'S JUST A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY ON SEBASTOPOL, SO WE MIGHT ALL APPRECIATION THAT HISTORY. SO IN 1912, THERE WAS ACTUALLY AN INITIATIVE TO GET WOMEN REGISTERED TO VOTE. SO I'M JUST GOING TO READ IT FOR YOU. IT SAYS THE REGISTRATION RANGED BY THE WOMEN'S IMPROVEMENT CLUB FOR MONDAY AND TUESDAY AFTERNOON ARE GOING TO ATTRACT A LARGE CROWD OF WOMEN, AND REGISTRATION WILL BE LIVELY. THE CLUB WOMEN ARE GOING AHEAD IN AN ENDEAVOR TO GET EVERY WOMAN ELIGIBLE TO VOTE REGISTERED. MUCH INTEREST HAS BEEN AROUSED OVER THE REGISTRATION TEASE. THE REASON FOR THE ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME IS THE COMING ELECTION, WHICH THE PROPOSITION TO VOTE WILL BE ON THE BALLOT. THAT WAS IN SEBASTOPOL IN 1912. ALSO IN 1912, FIRE ALARMS WERE INSTALLED. SEBASTOPOL HAS ADDED ANOTHER UP TO DATE IMPROVEMENT FOR THE UTILITIES IN WELL OF THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS. FIRE ALARM BOXES WERE INSTALLED IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE TOWN, AND THIS PROVIDED ADDITIONAL PROTECTION TO PROPERTY. SEBASTOPOL, AS NOTED, IT SAYS SEBASTOPOL HAS GONE AHEAD FOR ITS SIZE. IT'S ONE OF THE BEST GOVERNED TOWNS IN THE STATE. IT'S CERTAINLY IN KEEPING WITH THE PROGRESSIVENESS MANIFESTED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE SCHOOL BRIDGE SECTION. JUST THE FINAL LITTLE PIECE OF IT, OF HISTORY IS IN THE 1915, PYRAMID STARTED TO OPERATE A BUS LINE HERE IN SEBASTOPOL. IT SAYS THEY BROUGHT A 30-HORSEPOWERED WHITE MOTOR BUS AND ESTABLISHED A REGULAR PASSENGER SERVICE BETWEEN SEBASTOPOL AND SANTA ROSA. THE BUS SERVICE WILL MAKE A ROUND TRIP EVERY 90 MINUTES. TRIAL RUNS HAVING DEMONSTRATED THE HOURLY RUNS WERE NOT FEASIBLE WITH THE ROADS IN THE PRESENT CONDITION. THAT SOUNDS LIKE TODAY. THE BODY OF THE NEW BUS CONTAINS COMFORTABLE SEATING ROOM FOR 13 PASSENGERS. THE CARS PAINTED A BATTLESHIP GRAY, AND IT IS A BEAUTY TO BEHOLD. BUS STOPS ARE AT THE CORNER OF BODEGA AND SANTA ROSA AVENUES AT THE COURTHOUSE IN SANTA ROSA. SO THOSE ARE JUST A FEW LITTLE HISTORY BRIEFS. WE'LL TRY TO CONTINUE TO BRING PICTURES. WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY FOR THIS WEEK, BUT HOPEFULLY SOMEONE WILL FIND THOSE LITTLE TIDBITS, YOU KNOW, INTERESTING, AND I'M HAPPY TO FORWARD THEM, IF ANYONE WANTS TO ACTUALLY READ THEM. SO WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND MOVE ON WITH OUR, OUR AGENDA HERE. SO LET'S SEE. WE DON'T HAVE ANY PROCLAMATIONS. DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST THEY'D LIKE TO -- NO? OKAY, SO

NO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. THEN WE'RE GOING TO GO RIGHT INTO, I BELIEVE THE INTERVIEWS, MARY, IS THAT CORRECT? OKAY. ALL RIGHT. LET'S SEE. SO I GUESS -- LET ME JUST LOOK HERE. SO THE FIRST ONE WE HAVE ON THE AGENDA IS FOR LARS, CORRECT? ARE WE DOING TEN MINUTES? WHAT ARE WE DOING FOR THE INTERVIEWS? I DON'T RECALL WHAT WE DECIDED.

WE TYPICALLY GO 10 TO 15. IT'S UP TO THE COUNCIL IF THEY WANT TO USE ALL THAT. THE APPLICANTS WERE ASKED TO BE HERE IN CASE THEY RAN SHORTER, SO WE DON'T HAVE TO WAIT. WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT INTERVIEW.

OKAY, THE FIRST APPLICANT CAN STEP UP. THEN WE'LL CONTINUE ON WITH MELISSA, BLAKE, AND THEN DUSTIN, JUST TO GIVE AN IDEA OF THE ORDER. SO GOOD EVENING. THANK YOU FOR COMING. I GUESS DID YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD AND GIVE US A STATEMENT FIRST? THAT'S HOW WE DO IT. WE HAVE EVERYONE MAKE A STATEMENT ABOUT WHY YOU'D LIKE TO DO THIS, AND THEN THE COUNCIL USUALLY HAS QUESTIONS.

SURE. I'D BE HAPPY TO. LARS LANGBERG. MY OFFICE IS DOWNTOWN NEXT TO THE PLAZA, WHERE I'VE BEEN FOR ALMOST 18 YEARS. I'VE BEEN ON THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD FOR, I BELIEVE IT'S EIGHT YEARS. I STARTED MIDTERM TO REPLACE SOMEONE. AND VERY MUCH HAVE ENJOYED MY ROLE THERE. I'VE BEEN THE CHAIR FOR THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS AS WELL. I'M THE LIAISON TO THE PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE AS WELL, SO I'VE BEEN SERVING ON THAT BOARD FOR QUITE A WHILE. NOT THE WHOLE TIME, BUT MOST OF IT. SO YEAH, I THINK IT'S JUST FOR ME, A WAY TO SERVE OUR TOWN. I'VE VERY MUCH ENJOYED THAT, I ENJOY WORKING WITH MY FELLOW BOARD MEMBERS, AND TRYING TO ADVANCE AND ADVOCATE FOR BETTER DESIGN AND PLANNING FOR OUR TOWN. ONE EXAMPLE OF A GOOD PROJECT, I THINK WE'VE HAD SOME GOOD INFLUENCE ON AS THE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY FROM SAFEWAY. GOOD EXAMPLE OF PRELIMINARY DESIGN REVIEW. PROJECT COMING FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW, WHERE THE BOARD GETS TO GIVE SUGGESTION, WEIGH IN ON THE PROJECT WITHOUT HAVING TO VOTE UP OR DOWN. AND THE ARCHITECT ON THAT, FOR THAT PROJECT IS VERY EXCITED TO GET THAT FEEDBACK AND TAKE IT TO HEART AND COME BACK WITH A PROJECT THAT I THINK WE WERE ALL REALLY PROUD OF, UNIQUE LITTLE PROJECT RIGHT IN TOWN. SO JUST AS ONE EXAMPLE. I THINK WE WORK HARD TO WORK WITH THE DESIGN STANDARDS THAT WE HAVE IN TOWN. AND HELP ENFORCE THOSE IN A GOOD WAY WITHOUT A ROLE THAT IS NOT TO REDESIGN THE PROJECT THAT SOMEONE WILL COME TO US, BUT WE HAVE TO WORK WITHIN THE ORDINANCES AND IN THE GUIDELINES, AND JUST ENCOURAGE, YOU KNOW, CERTAIN SUGGESTIONS TO MAKE PROJECTS BETTER. WE'VE TALKED IN THE PAST ABOUT THE VALUE OF PRELIMINARY DESIGN REVIEW, LIKE THE PROJECT I JUST MENTIONED. DESIGN REVIEW BOARD OFTENTIMES GETS TO SEE THE PROJECT VERY MUCH LATER AND ITS PROCESS. IT'S ALREADY BEEN APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. IT'S EVEN COME TO YOUR BOARD BEFORE IT COMES TO US. SO IT FEELS LIKE THE MORE WE CAN DO AN EARLY PROCESS TO SEE PROJECTS, THE MORE FEEDBACK WE COULD GIVE AND THE MORE INFLUENCE WE COULD HAVE TO BRING BUILDINGS WE ALL WANT TO HAVE HERE IN TOWN. SO I'M EXCITED TO CONTINUE THE WORK THAT I'VE BEEN DOING, AND WITH THE FELLOW BOARD MEMBERS. HELPING TO -- WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF TRYING TO REVAMP THE SIGN ORDINANCE AND THE TREE ORDINANCE. THEY'RE TWO PROJECTS ON OUR PLATE RIGHT NOW THAT HAVE BEEN MEETING SOME VIEWS AND SOME CHANGES. SO WE'RE JUST GETTING THAT STARTED. I'D LIKE TO CONTINUE WITH THAT. THE DOWNTOWN PLANNING EFFORT THAT'S UNDERWAY RIGHT NOW. ANYTHING WE COULD DO TO HELP ENCOURAGE A BETTER DOWNTOWN, A MORE WALKABLE, BIKABLE DOWNTOWN IS VERY MUCH IN MY INTEREST AND THE INTEREST OF THE BOARD. SO YEAH, I THINK THAT'S -- HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU. DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS THEY'D LIKE TO START OFF WITH? WE HAVE EVERYBODY. STEPHEN HAD HIS HAND UP FIRST.

WELL, FIRST, THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR CONTINUED WORK AND FOR BEING HERE AND FOR REAPPLYING. MY NORMAL GO TO IS ABOUT CONFLICT, WHICH LOOKS TO BE UNAVOIDABLE. I READ ABOUT YOUR GO TO ABOUT HOW TO RESOLVE CONFLICT ON YOUR BODY, ESPECIALLY IF YOU'RE THE CHAIR. BUT CAN YOU ELABORATE A LITTLE BIT MORE WITH WHATEVER YOU'D LIKE TO SAY ABOUT THAT ISSUE?

HOW TO RESOLVE CONFLICT IF THERE IS ON THE BOARD? WELL, YES, AS CHAIR, THAT'S AN IMPORTANT PIECE. I THINK THE RULES OF ORDER THAT GO WITH ANY BOARD ARE VERY MUCH HAVE TO BE FOLLOWED. AND SO I

WORK HARD TO MAKE SURE PEOPLE FOLLOW THOSE, WHICH INEVITABLY, I THINK LEADS TO LESS BACK AND FORTH ARGUMENTATION. WITH THAT SAID, WE'RE A SMALL TOWN. WE ARE CASUAL ENOUGH THAT WE CAN INVITE FURTHER DIALOGUE, SO THE APPLICANT DOESN'T JUST HAVE ONE CHANCE TO SPEAK, BUT THERE'S TIMES WE REFER BACK TO THEM, ASK THEM FOR CLARIFICATION. SO I FEEL THERE'S BEEN VERY LITTLE CONFLICT ON OUR BOARD, AND IT'S REALLY, YOU KNOW, IT'S A GOOD OPEN DIALOGUE, A FORUM FOR OPEN DIALOGUE. YOU KNOW, WE CAN WORK TO GET TO A DECISION.

THANK YOU.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

YEAH. YOUR APPLICATION, AND I KNOW YOU'RE GOING THROUGH THE PROCESS OF THE TREE BOARD AND UPDATING ORDINANCES. YOU SAID WE'RE NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW CURRENTLY. COULD YOU -- DID I READ THAT RIGHT?

I DON'T THINK SO.

I'M JUST CURIOUS, CAN YOU DO SOME HIGHLIGHTS ABOUT WHAT YOU THINK SHOULD BE UPDATED ON THE TREE ORDINANCE?

THE TREE ORDINANCE? I THINK THERE'S A COUPLE OF DIFFERENT THINGS. ONE IS LITERALLY JUST LOOKING AT THE TYPE OF SPECIES OF TREES WE REGULATE OR WE RECOMMEND. SO STREET TREES DOWNTOWN IS ONE THING. LIKE WHAT ARE THE BEST STREET TREES WE CAN DO? AND THEN ALSO BIG PIECES ENFORCEMENT. THERE'S A VERY, VERY LIGHT PENALTY IF YOU TAKE DOWN A TREE WITHOUT A PERMIT, WHICH JUST SEEMS GIVEN HOW VALUABLE WE ALL KNOW TREES ARE, AND WE APPRECIATE THEM IN THIS TOWN IN GENERAL AND IN THE WORLD OF CLIMATE CRISIS. THEY'RE SO IMPORTANT. HOW DO WE BETTER -- HOW DO WE HAVE AN ORDINANCE THAT REALLY HAS TEETH TO IT THAT WE CAN ENFORCE, THAT WE CAN FOLLOW UP, IF PEOPLE ARE ACTUALLY FOLLOWING, YOU KNOW, WHAT WE'VE RECOMMENDED. IF THEY TAKE -- THERE'S TIMES YOU HAVE TO TAKE OUT A TREE THAT THE REPLACEMENT COST TO REPLACE TREES OR THE IN LIEU FEE TO BE PAID COULD BE SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER, SO IT'S A VERY SMALL FEE. IF THEY WANT TO TAKE OUT A TREE OR THE SIZE OF THE REPLACEMENT TREE. IT COULD BE REGULATED, SO IT IS MUCH MORE SUBSTANTIAL REPLACEMENT THAN, YOU KNOW, A LITTLE TINY THING THAT WILL TAKE 25 YEARS TO GET TO WHERE WE WANT IT TO BE.

OKAY, THANK YOU.

I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT LIKE YOUR THOUGHTS ON STYLE. I KNOW THAT SCIENCE HAS BEEN AN ISSUE. WE'RE TRYING TO -- I DON'T KNOW ABOUT WE, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE DOWNTOWN AREA BECOME A LITTLE BIT MORE VIBRANT. KIND OF WONDERING YOUR THOUGHTS WHAT THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD DOES OR WHAT YOU CAN DO ON IT TO HELP PROMOTE SOME CONTINUITY AND STYLES, IF THERE SHOULD BE CONTINUITY, AND, YOU KNOW, HOW IT CAN APPROACH THE LOOK OF OUR BUSINESS AREA.

SO YOU'RE SAYING CONTINUITY OF STYLE, LIKE IN THE STYLE OF THE BUILDINGS?

SIGNAGE. I DON'T KNOW IF WE CAN AFFECT THE BUILDING DESIGN, BUT IF WE COULD, YOU KNOW?

SORRY, JUST TO BE CLEAR, YOU'RE ASKING ABOUT THE SIGNAGE IN THE TOWN?

CORRECT.

OKAY. OKAY. THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION, I THINK. A BIG PART OF THE BEAUTY OF SEBASTOPOL IS THAT IT IS NOT CONSISTENT, THAT IT IS COLLECTIVE. THAT IS A NATURAL THING IN A CITY THAT GROWS OVER TIME AND BUSINESSES CHANGE. SO I THINK -- AND YET I THINK THERE'S A LITTLE MORE COHESIVENESS WOULD BE -- SO I THINK THERE ARE SOME BALANCE BETWEEN COHESIVENESS. WE HAVE SOME THINGS THAT ARE JUST COMPLETELY ALL OVER THE MAP. YET I THINK THAT HAS ALSO LED TO SOME SIGNAGE BEING LESS INTERESTING, LET'S SAY. SO WE HAVE THE PINE CONE RESTAURANT, YOU KNOW, VERY INTERESTING SIGN FROM DAYS OF YOURS. WE COULD HAVE MORE WHIMSY IN OUR SIGNAGE WOULD BE INTERESTING AND FUN. SOME OF THE ENTRIES TO TOWN, I THINK REALLY COULD USE SOME DIFFERENT SIGNAGE. WE HAVE SPOONER PARK HAS, YOU KNOW, A NICE SOLAR INSTALLATION. IT ALSO HAS OTHER SIGNAGE THAT JUST FEELS YOU MISS IT, YOU COULD DRIVE RIGHT PAST IT. IT'S SORT OF CLUTTERING THE AREA MORE THAN IT IS ACTUALLY HELPING DIRECT OR GUIDE PEOPLE AS TO WHAT'S COMING IN TOWN. SO THAT'S AN INTERESTING PIECE OF IT. NOT JUST A SPECIFIC

SIGN ON A SPECIFIC BUILDING, BUT HOW COULD WE ENHANCE KIND OF THE ORIENTATION IN TOWN OR WHAT YOU SEE AS YOU COME IN.

YEAH. IN SOME WAYS, I WAS GETTING TOWARDS THAT. AS PEOPLE COME INTO TOWN, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO USE SIGNS AND INTUITIVE, YOU KNOW, VISUAL CUES ON HOW TO MANEUVER AROUND TOWN. I THINK WE COULD DO A LITTLE BIT BETTER OF POINTING TOWARDS PARKING OR POINTING TOWARDS, YOU KNOW, THE LIBRARY OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

AND WE STRUGGLE WITH, YOU KNOW, THE BIG CALTRANS, RIGHT? THEIR SIGNAGE REQUIREMENTS ARE VERY DIFFERENT THAN A SMALL TOWN MIGHT CHOOSE TO DO. THAT'S A BALANCE WE ALWAYS HAVE TO PAY ATTENTION.

THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE.

I JUST WANT TO PLAY OFF OF WHAT COUNCILMEMBER CARTER WAS SAYING. ONE BIG QUESTION I HAVE CONSISTENTLY IS ABOUT THE SIGNAGE BECAUSE THERE ARE TIMES WHERE, YOU KNOW, DOWNTOWN EVERY DAY. SO THERE ARE TIMES WHERE I SEE NEW SIGNS OR SIGNS PUT IN PLACE, AND I CALLED THE CITY AND ASKED, HEY, ARE YOU AWARE OF THESE SIGNS BECAUSE THEY SEEM LIKE THEY'RE RIGHT IN THE WAY OF PEOPLE'S HEADS OR IT DOESN'T SEEM FITTING WITHIN THE CITY AND WHAT THE DESIGN SHOULD BE. AND SO I'M JUST WONDERING, DO YOU TAKE A PROACTIVE ROLE IN THAT? I'M NOT ASKING FOR ENFORCEMENT, BUT DO YOU EVER SEE STUFF AND SAY HEY, THAT DOESN'T COME BY US IN APPROACHING THE CITY? I PERSONALLY AM SEEKING AND ASKING PEOPLE TO HAVE A LITTLE MORE OWNERSHIP IN WHERE WE LIVE, WHAT WE DO. YESTERDAY I SPENT TIME DOWNTOWN IN THE SQUARE CLEANING BENCHES OFF. BUT ANYWAY, I'M JUST WONDERING FROM YOUR OWN PERSONAL PERSPECTIVE, YOU KNOW, DO YOU SEE THAT TYPE OF STUFF AND WONDER AND COMMUNICATE BACK TO THE CITY? HOW DOES THAT WORK? I WANT TO BETTER UNDERSTAND YOUR THOUGHTS AS THE LEADER.

ATZ LEADER OF THE BOARD. IS THAT WHAT YOU SAID?

YES, BUT YOU'RE ONE -- I FEEL WE ARE ALL LEADERS, YOU KNOW?

YEAH, YEAH. THANK YOU FOR SAYING THAT. YEAH. A GREAT EXAMPLE, OF COURSE, IS THE ROBIN SIGN THAT WE WERE COMING HERE TO THIS ROOM TO REVIEW THAT SIGN PROGRAM, AND THE SIGN WAS ALREADY ON THE BUILDING, SO THAT CAME OUT RIGHT AWAY. I THOUGHT WE WERE ABOUT TO REVIEW THAT, BUT THE SIGN WAS ALREADY UP. THEY WERE BIGGER AND MORE OF THEM THAN WHAT WE WERE ALLOWED BY THE SIGN PROGRAM AND THE SIGN ORGANIZATION. WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT THAT BECAUSE IT'S NOT MEETING WHAT THE CITY WANTS OR HAS MANDATED.

THAT'S ONE OF THE BIGGER EXAMPLES. I'M THINKING DOWNTOWN MAIN STREET, ONCE THE BUSINESSES TURN OVER. THOSE ARE THE THINGS.

YEAH. I THINK IT'S CHALLENGING BECAUSE THERE IS AN ORDINANCE. YOU KNOW, SOME TYPICALLY -- BUSINESSES HAVE TO COME TO US WITH THEIR NEW SIGN PROGRAM, AND WE GET TO RULE ON THAT OR GIVE FEEDBACK ON THAT.

I'M SPECIFICALLY SEEING IF YOU HAVE ONES THAT HAVEN'T COME TO YOU, YOU KNOW, DO YOU TAKE THE INITIATIVE TO INQUIRE ABOUT THAT WITH THE CITY? THAT'S WHAT I'M ASKING.

I HAVEN'T HAD THAT EXPERIENCE DIRECTLY TO, YOU KNOW, IF I NOTICE SOMETHING THAT SEEMS OUT OF LINE TO BRING IT FORWARD.

I'D LIKE TO SEE MORE OF THAT, BUT GO AHEAD, COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

YES, SORRY. JUST KIND OF WANTED TO REDIRECT BECAUSE I PULLED IT UP, AND IT SAYS TO BRING THE TREE ORDINANCE UP TO DATE AND IT IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW. SO YOU WROTE THAT IN YOUR APPLICATION. THAT WAS MY ORIGINAL QUESTION. I WAS CONFUSED WHERE WE WERE NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW. I'M SORRY, I DIDN'T REMEMBER WRITING THAT. AND I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT. SO SORRY, THERE IS SOME DISCONNECT THERE.

OKAY, YEAH. I WAS LIKE, OKAY. I WONDERED. THANK YOU.  
GO AHEAD.

THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE. YOU ANSWERED SOME OF MY QUESTIONS ALREADY. BUT JUST A QUESTION ABOUT WHAT DO YOU THINK IS WORKING WELL IT IN SEBASTOPOL, AND WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO PROTECT? IN TERMS OF DESIGN.

IN TERMS OF DESIGN?

WELL, I THINK -- I MEAN THERE'S CERTAIN BUILDINGS THAT HAVE BEEN BUILT OVER THE YEARS THAT I THINK ARE MORE INTERESTING, MORE SUCCESSFUL DESIGNS IN TOWN. THE FLORENCE BUILDING, FOR EXAMPLE. [ INAUDIBLE ] HOW IT FRONTS THE STREETS. AND THEN ALL OF THE UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WAS DONE FOR THE PROJECT WAS VERY FORWARD THINKING, VERY INNOVATIVE PROJECT. SO THAT IS ALWAYS ONE OF MY INTERESTING GOOD PROJECTS THAT'S BEEN DONE HERE, AS FAR AS AN INDIVIDUAL BUILDING. I THINK THE HOTEL SEBASTOPOL, NOT YET CONSTRUCTED, BUT IS AN AMAZING PROJECT THAT WILL GIVE SO MUCH TO THE TOWN, RIGHT IN THE CENTER OF TOWN. SO THOSE ARE SOME EXAMPLES OF GOOD BUILDINGS. I THINK IN TERMS OF FLOW OF TOWN OR THE LIVABILITY AND THE FEELING OF TOWN, I THINK THERE ARE ELEMENTS OF THE BARLOW HAVE DONE THAT ARE SO SUCCESSFUL IN HAVING US KIND OF A WALKING AREA. YOU SEE PEOPLE COME THERE, RIGHT? SO WE HAVE THIS LITTLE EFFORT HAPPENING RIGHT NOW WITH THE SUSTAINABLE DESIGN, THE TRANSPORTATION GRANT TO, YOU KNOW, POTENTIALLY WIDEN SIDEWALKS. THAT'S CLEARLY SOMETHING WE NEED TO DO, IF WE WANT THE TOWN TO BE SUCCESSFUL AND VIABLE, AND MORE LIVABLE MOVING FORWARD.

THANKS.

YOU'RE WELCOME.

DOING A TIME CHECK. WE'RE ABOUT 15, 16 MINUTES. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? NO? OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. SO WE CAN GO ON TO MELISSA. THANK YOU FOR COMING THIS EVENING. IF YOU WANT TO GIVE US A LITTLE STATEMENT, YOU KNOW, ABOUT HOW YOU -- WHY YOU'D LIKE TO BE ON THE BOARD, AND THEN WE'LL GO AHEAD AND DO OUR QUESTIONS.

GREAT. I'M MELISSA HANLEY, COFOUNDER AND ARCHITECT AT STUDIO BLITZ. WE HAVE STUDIOS IN SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES. I HAVE WORKED ON PROJECTS RANGING IN SIZE FROM 900-SQUARE FOOT RETAIL SPACE UP TO 250,000 SQUARE FOOT CAMPUS, \$144 MILLION PROJECTS. SO EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. I LIVE HERE IT IN SEBASTOPOL. I'M SIXTH GENERATION, MY DAUGHTER IS SEVENTH GENERATION TO BE RAISED IT MANY SEBASTOPOL. I'M WORKING ACTUALLY ON MY FIRST K-12 EDUCATION PROJECT AT PARKSIDE. SO SOMETHING A LITTLE CLOSER TO HOME, WHICH IS REALLY, REALLY LOVELY. MY HUSBAND AND I MOVED BACK IN 2014, AS SOON AS WE COULD AFFORD TO DO SO. AND I'VE BEEN ON THE DRB SINCE 2022. I ALSO CAME IT IN MIDTERM AND TOOK OVER SOMEBODY ELSE'S TERM. MOST RECENTLY I SERVED AS THE VICE CHAIR. I DO SIT ON THE TREE ORDINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE, SO I WILL FIELD THOSE QUESTIONS, NOT NECESSARILY THE ONE ABOUT CALIFORNIA COMPLIANCE STATE LAW, BUT HAPPY TO ANSWER KIND OF WHERE THE SUBCOMMITTEE IS AT. I HAVE LOVED BEING ON THE DRB. IT HAS BEEN SUCH A MAGICAL WAY TO GET RECONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY AND MOVING BACK. YOU GET TO UNDERSTAND A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT HOW THIS WEIRD AND WONDERFUL TOWN WORKS, AND TO BE ABLE TO GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY AND SERVE THE FOLKS THAT LIVE HERE. SO I'D BE THRILLED TO CARRY ON.

ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS? I'LL GO OVER TO MY RIGHT FIRST. DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? OKAY. I'LL JUST CONTINUE WITH THE TREE BOARD. GO AHEAD AND FILL IN THE BLANKS.

EARLY DAYS, THE SUBCOMMITTEE IS MADE UP OF TWO MEMBERS OF DRB AND THE CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE. WE'VE HAD ONE PRELIMINARY MEETING, AND NOW WE'RE WORKING DIGITALLY TO MAKE MARKUPS ON THE EXISTING TREE ORDINANCE. JUST BUILDING ON WHAT LARS SAID. WE ARE REALLY FOCUSED ON ENFORCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES, JUST FOR LEVELING UP FEES, AND THEN ALSO LOOKING AT UPDATING THE SPECIES. SOMETHING I'M PERSONALLY PASSIONATE ABOUT. I DON'T WANT TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE. BUT THE THING I'M REALLY PUSHING FOR IS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO MAKE THE CARROT MORE APPEALING THAN THE STICK. I'VE HAD TO REMOVE TWO TREES ON MY PROPERTY. IT IS NOT A



DELICIOUS PROCESS. IT TAKES A WHILE. IT IS VERY EXPENSIVE. HOW DO WE MAKE IT EASIER? HOW DO WE MAKE IT MORE TRANSPARENT? IS THERE A PARTNERSHIP THAT COULD WORK WITH LOCAL HARMONY FARM SUPPLIES, SO SOMEBODY JUST KNEW THEY COULD GO THERE AND ADVISE ON THE PROPER TREE. MAYBE THERE IS PRICING. I'D LOVE TO FIND WAYS WE COULD MAKE IT EASIER FOR NORMAL PEOPLE TRYING TO DO THE RIGHT THING TO DO THE RIGHT THING.

OKAY. CAN I JUST SAY A COMMENT TO THAT?

PLEASE.

WHEN YOU SAY CARROT AND STICK. I WOULD SAY IT IS EXPENSIVE TO REMOVE THE TREE. UP THROUGH THE EDUCATION PIECE.

HONESTLY, LET'S MAKE IT REALLY, REALLY SIMPLE, THEN PEOPLE CAN DO THE RIGHT THING. I THINK ENFORCEMENT REMAINS AN ISSUE. I WILL BUILD ON THE ISSUE. IT'S SOMETHING I RAISED AT I THINK ALMOST EVERY SINGLE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEETING AFTER THE INITIAL REVIEW. YOU KNOW, IF WE GOT A BUDGET DEFICIT, LET'S GO GET THOSE FEES AND FINES, SO THAT WOULD BE A WAY TO START MAKING THAT WORK HERE. A COUPLE OF COMPLIMENTS, AND THANK YOU FOR WORKING WITH THE CAC. I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT VARIETIES THAT KIND OF WORK. BUT ALSO THAT THOUGHT YOU JUST SAID ABOUT MAKING THINGS EASIER, LIKE MAYBE HAVING A DESIGN BOOKLET, SOMETHING LIKE THAT, WOULD BE SUPER HELPFUL. WHEN YOU SAID PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP, I'M INTO THAT FOR SOME REASON. THAT WOULD BE GREAT IF SOMEBODY COULD LEAD THAT, AS WELL AS JUST BEING ON THE BOARD. SOMETIMES BOARDS ARE JUST LIKE, WE'RE JUDGES, BUT YOU ARE ALSO EMPOWERED TO TAKE ACTION, I THINK. YOU KNOW, TO HEAR THAT KIND OF THING, AND YOUR WORK ON THE SIGNS. BUT WHAT ELSE ARE YOU WORKING ON THAT SEEMS INTERESTING?

ON THE BOARD OR IN LIFE?

I'M SURE YOUR LIFE IS VERY INTERESTING.

THERE'S ONE OR TWO THINGS THAT'S GOING ON THAT'S PRETTY COOL. ON THE BOARD, WELL, I'M ON THE SUBCOMMITTEE WORKING ON THE SIGN ORDINANCE. IT'S SOMETHING WE ARE ALL PRETTY PASSIONATE ABOUT THAT OUR SIGN ORDINANCE IS A LITTLE OPAQUE. THERE ARE SOME THINGS WE CARE VERY MUCH ABOUT, NOT ALLOWING DIGITAL SIGNAGE IN DOWNTOWN SEBASTOPOL, BUT WE DON'T SPECIFICALLY PROHIBIT IT. SO I WOULD BUILD ON WHAT LARS SAID ENJOYING THE WEIRD, WONDERFUL, SIGNAGE IN SEBASTOPOL. WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE MORE ARTISTRY IN THE SIGNS. RIGHT NOW, IT'S VERY LIMITED IN SIZE, VERY LIMITED IN SCALE, AND UNDERSTANDABLY SO, IT WAS WRITTEN AT A TIME AND PLACE WHERE IT NEEDED TO BE THAT WAY. BUT YES, PLEASE.

I DON'T WANT TO INTERRUPT YOU. BUT THERE'S LIKE -- WHEN A NEW STORE COMES OR THERE IS A STORE LEAVING, THERE SEEMS TO BE A LOT OF SIGNS. I DON'T KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH THAT. I ALSO DON'T WANT TO DISRUPT YOUR FLOW.

I'LL TAKE OVER THE WHOLE TIME, SO YOU BETTER DISRUPT ME. THAT'S FINE. SO THE TEMPORARY SIGNAGE IS ONE OF THOSE THINGS THAT WE STRUGGLE WITH AS A BOARD. WE ALSO STRUGGLE WITH THE A-FRAME SIGNS. PAUL FRITZ HAS WRITTEN A LOT ABOUT THE A-FRAME SIGNS DOWNTOWN, IF YOU READ HIS BLOG. SO I THINK IT IS SOMETHING, AGAIN, WE DON'T REALLY HAVE ENFORCEMENT PROTOCOL FOR IT, WHICH IS SOMETHING WE COULD FIX BECAUSE THERE IS SUCH VISUAL NOISE WITH ALL THAT.

IS IT FOR YOU TO LIKE -- I GENERALLY DON'T KNOW. HOW CAN WE MAKE THIS BETTER? IS IT FOR THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD TO HELP THIS OUT?

YEAH, WE COULD START TO SCOUT SOME LANGUAGE TO IT TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR FOLKS THAT MIGHT WANT TO WORK WITH THAT SIGN. SO THE SUBCOMMITTEE BRINGS IT BACK TO THE DRB. WE GIVE A FINAL RECOMMENDATION TO STAFF. STAFF MAKES IT LEGAL AND BINDING, AND THEN IT WILL COME TO YOU FOR APPROVAL TO BE TURNED INTO A LEGIT ORDINANCE. HOPEFULLY THAT'S HAPPENING SOONAGE.

WHY WOULDN'T IT GIVE OTHER PEOPLE AN OPPORTUNITY, SO I'LL KEEP CONTINUING DOWN THE LINE.

STANDARD QUESTION ABOUT CONFLICT. I JUST LIKE TO HEAR PEOPLE SORT OF ADD WHATEVER THEY'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT. WHAT THEIR GO TO IS FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTIONS.



BY IN LARGE, WE'VE BEEN VERY LUCKY WITH VERY LIMITED, I WOULD SAY DISRUPTIONS AT THE BOARD LEVEL. I WOULD SAY I SAT AS CHAIR AS WE'VE ALLOWED HIM TO GO ON VACATION PERIODICALLY. I WOULD RULE ON THE TIMELESSNESS, THE BOARD, GET FEEDBACK FROM EVERYONE, AND JUST TRY TO KEEP THINGS MOVING AND CLIPPED. YEAH, I LIKE A TIGHT MEETING.

IN TERMS OF DESIGN, WHAT DO YOU THINK IS WORKING WELL IN TOWN, AND WHAT WOULD YOU WANT TO PROTECT? WHAT IS IMPORTANT?

YEAH, I THINK THERE IS SOME SECRET SAUCE IN SEBASTOPOL RIGHT NOW, WHERE WE HAVE THE DESIGN LITERATE COMMUNITY. WE HAVE SOME INCREDIBLE DESIGN FIRMS HERE AND DESIGN BUSINESSES, DESIGN RELATED BUSINESSES. SO THERE'S A GENERAL AWARENESS ABOUT DESIGN IN THE COMMUNITY, WHICH I REALLY APPRECIATE. I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING WE DON'T SEE IN ALL COMMUNITIES. SO IT'S NOT LIKE A DESIGN STANDARD OR GUIDELINE, BUT IT DOES RAISE THE BAR AND THE CONVERSATION OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE HERE AND WHAT PEOPLE CARE ABOUT. WE'VE SEEN THAT IN FOLKS WHO HAVE COME OUT TO DRB MEETINGS. SO I WOULD NEVER WANT TO DO ANYTHING THAT OVERLY STANDARDIZED DOWNTOWN OR TURNED IT INTO ONE OF THESE COMMUNITIES. I THINK WE REALLY NEED TO LEAN INTO THE WEIRD AND THE WONDERFUL AND PROTECT THAT.

YEAH.

SO MY FINAL QUESTION IS THE SAME ONE. OTHER THAN THE SIGN, I KNOW WE ALL NOTICED THAT. IT'S HARD NOT TO NOTICE.

IT'S MY THING AFTER THE YEAR.

BUT DOWNTOWN, I JUST WONDER, YOU KNOW, AS BEING ON THIS COMMITTEE, DO YOU EVER NOTICE, YOU KNOW, NEW BUSINESSES, NEW SIGNS THAT HAVE GONE IN, TAKING A PROACTIVE APPROACH TO CONNECT WITH THE CITY AND SAY HEY, YOU KNOW, THIS DIDN'T GO THROUGH?

SOMETHING ABOUT THE SIGNAGE AND ACCESSIBILITY ISSUES, WHERE I'VE SEEN NEW CURB CUTS GO IN THAT ARE MAYBE NOT COMPLIANCE OR CROSSWALK IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE NOT COMPLIANT THAT I SENT TO THEM. SOMETHING THAT IS A BOTHER, THAT WE DO HAVE AN AGING POPULATION IN SEBASTOPOL. WE HAVE A FAIRLY INACCESSIBLE TOWN. I MEAN, I LIVE ON FLORENCE, I THINK BLAKE AND I ARE THE TWO YOUNGEST PEOPLE ON THE STREET. AND SO I'M REALLY WORRIED ABOUT MY NEIGHBORS WHO ARE MOVING AROUND WITH MOBILITY CHALLENGES ON THE SIDEWALK THAT IS NOT SAFE. WE HAD A CURB CUT ON THAT PARTICULAR STREET.

WILL GOTCHA. I SHARE THE SAME CONCERN WITH COUNCILMEMBER CARTER. YOU KNOW, AS WE SEE BUSINESSES TURN OVER AND WHATNOT ON MAIN STREET AND SOMETIMES I SEE THESE SIGNS. I'M LIKE HOW DID THAT EVEN MAKE IT, YOU KNOW? AND THEN I ASKED, AND I'M TOLD OH, THEY DIDN'T EVEN GO THROUGH THE PROCESS. SO I WOULD PERSONALLY LIKE TO SEE PEOPLE ON COMMITTEES, TAKING MORE OWNERSHIP OF THAT TYPE OF THING AND NOTICING. COMMUNICATING TO THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT, WHOEVER IT IS APPROPRIATE TO DO THAT, BUT THOSE ARE MY COUPLE OF COMMENTS.

I WOULD LOVE TO SEE US PRIORITIZE ENFORCEMENT. WE CAN SEE THEM HAPPEN AND START TO HAVE A TOWN THAT'S NOT GOING TO ALLOW THAT. I HAVE TO SAY, A LOT OF THAT IS, YOU KNOW, BROKERS, REALTORS, WHO ARE SAYING YEAH, NO PROBLEM. WE'LL PUT THAT UP. WE DO IT ALL THE TIME. THAT'S COOL.

FAIR ENOUGH. I MEAN, I AGREE WITH YOU. BUT ALSO, IF WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT IT, WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT. ANY WAY, OKAY. DOES ANYONE ELSE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

MY PLEASURE.

SO WE'LL MOVE ON. IS IT BLAKE? DO YOU WANT TO GIVE US YOUR STATEMENT, AND WE'LL DO THE SAME THING OVER.

MY NAME IS BLAKE MCDOWALL. I'VE LIVED IN SEBASTOPOL FOR FOUR YEARS. I WAS BORN HERE. MY MOM AND I LIVED ON BLOOMFIELD ROAD UNTIL I WAS THREE. GREW UP IN SANTA ROSA, AND THEN MY WIFE AND I MET IT IN SAN FRANCISCO AND MOVED TO SEBASTOPOL FOUR YEARS AGO. WE HAVE A 2-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER AND LIVE RIGHT NEXT TO MELISSA ON FLORENCE AVENUE. I'M NOT QUITE AS EXPERIENCED AS LARS AND MELISSA IN TERMS OF DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE. I'M A CITIZEN ADVOCATE. BUT I'M A COACH HERE, TRACK AND CROSS

COUNTRY, AND I WORK FOR A TECH COMPANY BASED IN SAN FRANCISCO. I'M LUCKY ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO WORK REMOTE FROM HOME. MY MOM AND I RAN A LANDSCAPE DESIGN COMPANY WHEN I WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL, AND I HAVE A SPECIAL PLACE IN MY HEART FOR NATIVE PLANT DESIGN. I THINK SEBASTOPOL IS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PLACES IN THE WORLD, AND THAT'S LARGELY BECAUSE OF THE ECOSYSTEM AROUND US. I WOULD LOVE TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO EMBRACE DESIGN THAT REALLY COMPLIMENTS LIKE THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF SEBASTOPOL. I ALSO THINK THERE IS A SPECIAL SORT OF SOUL TO SEBASTOPOL AND THE TYPE OF PEOPLE THAT ARE DRAWN HERE. AND I THINK I WOULD ALSO LOVE TO FIND A WAY TO EXPRESS THAT THROUGH THE DESIGN OF THE DOWNTOWN SPECIFICALLY. A PART OF THE REASON I WAS DRAWN HERE IS FOR FLORENCE SPECIFICALLY, JUST HOW INTERESTING IT WAS AND HOW UNIQUE IT WAS. I THINK SEBASTOPOL POSSESSES THAT, AND I WOULD LOVE TO SEE THAT EXPRESSED MORE CLEARLY ACROSS THE TOWN. AND BE A PART OF THAT. HOPING THAT HAPPENS.

ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SO I'M LOOKING TO MY LEFT NOW FOR THIS FIRST GO AROUND.

COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN?

SAME QUESTION ABOUT CONFLICT. JUST SORT OF YOUR GENERAL WAY YOU APPROACH CONFLICT ON SMALL BODIES LIKE IT HAD ONE?

YEAH, IN THIS SORT OF CAPACITY, I WOULD DEFAULT TO THE CODE FIRST. IF SOMETHING IS OFF BECAUSE IT FEELS OFF, I WOULD MAYBE TRY TO DEFINE WHERE THE GAP AND THE CODE IS FIRST. YOU KNOW, I THINK THE DESIGN BOARD SHOULD HAVE A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF ENFORCEMENT CAPACITY AND CERTAIN CREATIVE FREEDOM. BUT I ALSO THINK WE'RE HERE TO SORT OF ENFORCE A SET OF ESTABLISHED RULES ALREADY. SO IF THE CODE SOLVES IT FIRST, I THINK WE DEFAULT TO THAT. AND THEN I THINK IT BECOMES, YOU KNOW, A CONVERSATION AROUND JUST PEOPLE AND OPINIONS FROM THERE.

OKAY, THANK YOU. ANYONE ELSE?

I LOVE WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT YOU WERE DRAWN TO FLORENCE, AND IT'S ARTSY, AND YOU'D LIKE TO SEE MORE OF THAT IN SEBASTOPOL. I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT. SO MY QUESTION IS KIND OF MY DEFAULT QUESTION. WHAT'S WORKING WELL IT IN SEBASTOPOL? WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO PROTECT?

YEAH, I THINK WE HAVE LOVELY OPEN SPACES, THROUGH TOWNS THAT I THINK ARE REALLY IMPORTANT TO PROTECT. I THINK SORT OF TEMPTED TO BUILD MORE, ADD MORE STRUCTURES OR BILLBOARDS, AS MUCH AS WE CAN, WE CAN PROTECT SORT OF THE NATURAL FLOW, SORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL FEELING THROUGH SEBASTOPOL. I ALSO REALLY JUST LIKE THE STYLE. SO I DON'T THINK WE NEED TO BE SEA RANCH IN SORT OF KEEPING THE VERY CLEAR STRUCTURE AND ALL OF OUR BUILDINGS, BUT I DO THINK THERE NEEDS TO BE COHESION TO THAT, YES.

OKAY. ANYTHING ELSE BEFORE -- NO, OKAY. GO AHEAD.

I DIDN'T REALIZE I HAPPENED TO BE A NEIGHBOR TO YOU GUYS. I'M JUST AROUND THE CORNER. BUT ANYWAY, I LIKE THE AREA FOR THE SAME REASON. IT'S COLLECTIC. I'M SO GLAD TO HEAR THAT. AND IT IS REALLY NICE TO SAY, YOU KNOW, PLEASE DON'T GO AS YOU COME INTO SEBASTOPOL. IT'S GOT CHARACTER. AND, YOU KNOW, I'M KIND OF ENCOURAGED YOU'D BE SOMEBODY THAT WOULD STICK UP FOR THAT KIND OF THING.

ENCOURAGING ARCHITECTS TO KIND OF EXPRESS THEMSELVES IN A WAY, SUITABLE, YOU KNOW? WHEN WE HAVE NEW DEVELOPMENTS OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT, OR EVEN WORKING ON OUR PARKS, WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO INFLUENCE? HOW WOULD YOU INFLUENCE IT?

OH GOSH. YOU KNOW, I THINK MAKING IT EASY FOR DEVELOPERS TO COME IN AND MOVE FORWARD ON PROJECTS, ESPECIALLY HARD PROJECTS IS REALLY IMPORTANT. SO MAKING SURE DEVELOPERS ARE ABLE TO DEVELOP HERE, I THINK IS VERY IMPORTANT. AND SO CREATING TOO MANY ROADBLOCKS AND TOO MANY STRUCTURAL CHANGES ARE NOT NECESSARILY WHAT I'M INTERESTED IN, BUT YOU KNOW, IF I COULD INFLUENCE, BUILDING A STYLE GUIDE THEY COULD WORK WITHIN, I THINK COULD BE REALLY HELPFUL IN EXPEDITING SOME OF THESE PROJECTS. YOU KNOW, MAKING IT EASIER AND A MORE ENJOYABLE EXPERIENCE FOR NEW HOME BUILDERS, SUCH TO WORK HERE, I THINK IS IMPORTANT.

OKAY. SO ONE OF THE EARLIER APPLICANTS TALKED ABOUT ELECTRONIC SIGNS AND NOT BEING A FAN. I'M CURIOUS ABOUT WHAT YOUR OPINION IS. I WANT TO POINT OUT, WE HAVE ONE ON OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT. JUST KIND OF CURIOUS ABOUT THAT, AS I'M --

I'M SORRY, WHAT SIGNS?

ELECTRONIC SIGNS LIKE THE ONE IN FRONT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. SOMEHOW THAT WAS APPROVED. WHAT'S YOUR OPINION? WOULD YOU FAVOR THE DOWNTOWN CORE? I'M JUST CURIOUS.

YEAH. I MEAN, IT'S A GOOD QUESTION. I WANT TO BE CAREFUL ABOUT OVERREACHING ON SORT OF WHAT THE DESIGN BOARD IS BECAUSE I'M NOT AS KNOWLEDGEABLE. BUT I DON'T LOVE THE ELECTRONIC SIGN OR THE TEMPERATURE SIGN IN OUR DOWNTOWN CORE. I THINK THERE ARE SOME OUTDATED ARCHITECTURAL DECISIONS DOWNTOWN, THAT I THINK SHOULD BE CHANGED OR COULD BE CHANGED. SO GENERALLY I WOULD SAY NO, BUT YOU KNOW, THERE ARE SOME REALLY INTERESTING OLD SIGNS THAT I THINK WHILE THEY LOOK OUT DATED, I THINK THEY BRING SOME CHARACTER AND CHARM TO THE TOWN THAT I LIKE. PACIFIC MARKET ONE KIND OF COMES TO MIND EVEN THOUGH THAT NEEDS A LITTLE REFRESH. YEAH, GENERALLY AGAINST. OKAY.

I HAVE THE SAME QUESTION FOR EVERYONE ABOUT THE DOWNTOWN SIGNS. I KNOW YOU'RE NOT ON THERE, BUT I WONDER WHAT YOUR THOUGHTS ARE ABOUT YOUR SIGNS DOWNTOWN IN GENERAL. THE DESIGN, THE TEMPORARY SIGNS THAT WE SEE, YOU KNOW, YOU SEE THESE THINGS UP AND THEY SEEM TO STAY UP TEMPORARILY FOREVER. I'M JUST CURIOUS WHAT YOUR THOUGHTS ARE ON THAT.

YEAH. I THINK GIVEN I'M NOT SORT OF AN ARCHITECT OR DESIGN EXPERT. MY MOTIVATION FOR JOINING THE BOARD IS SORT OF BEING A PART OF SOMETHING INTERESTING AND MAKING MY TOWN MORE BEAUTIFUL. BEING PROACTIVE ABOUT THAT STUFF IS RIGHT IN MY WHEEL HOUSE. IF I SEE SOMETHING AS A CHALLENGE, ATHLETICS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL, I LIKE TO KIND OF JUMP IN AND GET INVOLVED DIRECTLY. AND SO I WOULD NOT HESITATE TO BE THE ENFORCEMENT OR PART OF THE ENFORCEMENT IN THAT AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

YEAH, SOMETIMES ALL IT TAKES IS COMMUNICATION, RIGHT? OFTENTIMES WHERE WE HAVE EMPLOYEES THAT ARE WORKING AT THE CITY, BUT, YOU KNOW, LIKE EVERYONE IS DOING A HUNDRED THINGS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SO I THINK NO ONE ELSE HAS ANY QUESTIONS, WE CAN MOVE ON TO OUR LAST CANDIDATE, DUSTIN. ONE MORE QUESTION?

YEAH, NO, THAT'S WHAT HE SAID.

OKAY, OKAY. WE'LL MOVE ON TO DUSTIN, RIGHT?

THANK YOU FOR COMING THIS EVENING, SO GO AHEAD AND GIVE US YOUR STATEMENT AND WHY YOU'D LIKE TO BE ON THE BOARD.

WILL DO. WELL, THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE HERE. I DIDN'T REALIZE THIS WOULD BE SUCH A FORMAL THING, AND I'M DEFINITELY NOT AS WELL SPOKEN AS LARS, SO I'LL TRY MY BEST THOUGH. I'VE LIVED IN SONOMA COUNTY SINCE ABOUT 2000. I HAVE BEEN A GENERAL CONTRACTOR. I AM A GENERAL CONTRACTOR, I OWN BRANDY WINE BUILDERS SINCE 2001. I MOVED TO SEBASTOPOL WITH MY WIFE, WHO IS A TEACHER HERE IN TOWN SINCE 2010. I SIMPLY LOVE SEBASTOPOL. WHEN I FILL OUT THE ONLINE SECRET, I DON'T KNOW IF I SHOULD SAY THIS. BUT WHEN I FILL OUT THE SECRET QUESTIONS AND THEY SAY WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO LIVE? I PUT SEBASTOPOL FOR THE THING. MY WIFE AND I WALK DOWNTOWN ALL THE TIME. WE WALK IN THE GRAVEYARD A LOT. WE LIVE ON THIS SIDE OF TOWN BY 7-ELEVEN, OVER THERE. SO WE ARE HUGE FANS. THE REASON WHY I AM DOING THIS IS BECAUSE I WANT TO BE A MORE ACTIVE PART OF THE COMMUNITY. I FEEL I DERIVE A LOT OF PLEASURE IN SATISFACTION FROM LIVING HERE IN THE COMMUNITY. AND THIS IS A WAY I CAN DO THAT. I USED TO DO PLAYS AT THE MAIN STREET THEATER BACK IN THE MID 2000s, OR THE SECOND OR THIRD IT RATION. AND I SEE THAT AS A TYPE OF VOLUNTEER WORK, AND I LIKE TO BE A PART OF THINGS, AND MY KIDS ARE OLDER NOW. SO I'M LOOKING FOR SOME LEVEL OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT. I ENJOY DESIGN WORK. I DON'T DO IT AS A PART OF MY CONTRACTING, BUT I ENJOY DESIGN IN GENERAL. YEAH, I DO WANT TO HAVE PEOPLE PUT UP THE RIGHT SIGNS. THANK YOU. OKAY. SO I'LL GO BACK TO THE RIGHT SIDE HERE. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

I APPRECIATE THAT YOU'RE IN THE CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS BECAUSE A LOT OF -- YOU UNDERSTAND -- YOU'LL HAVE A LITTLE MORE EMPATHY OF WHAT THEY ARE GOING THROUGH AS THEY GO THROUGH THE PROCESS. I ALSO LIKE IT'S BECOMING A PART OF THE BEGINNING OF THE PROCESS. I FEEL THAT'S HELPFUL OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. HAVE YOU WITNESSED OR -- I KNOW YOU HAVEN'T PARTICIPATED, BUT HOW DO YOU FEEL THE PROCESS FOR THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD IS? HAVE YOU SEEN ANY?

I HAVE BEEN THROUGH THE PROCESS IN CLOVERDALE AND NOT SANTA ROSA, BUT HEALDSBURG. AS THE BUILDER. A COUPLE OF THOUGHTS AND OPINIONS ABOUT THAT. ONE, DESIGN BOARD STUFF CAN BE ONEROUS IN MY EXPERIENCE. HOWEVER, AT THE SAME TIME, A FEEL LIKE A LOT OF THAT IS THE COMMUNICATION, AND KNOWING WHAT THAT STUFF IS UPFRONT AND HAVING CLARITY IS GOOD. I HEARD YOU SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THE BEGINNING OF THE PROCESS. THAT WOULD BE GREAT. AT THE SAME TIME, I FEEL LIKE AS A MICRO CULTURE OF SEBASTOPOL AND SONOMA COUNTY, I FEEL IT'S -- I FEEL LIKE THE OLD SCHOOL WAY OF COMING IN, BOWLING PEOPLE OVER, WHICH IS THE INDUSTRY I'M IN. LIKE THE OLDER SEGMENT OF MY INDUSTRY. I DON'T FEEL IS ACCEPTABLE. I FEEL BUILDERS AND OWNERS NEED TO PONY UP A LITTLE BIT. I THINK IT SHOULD BE EASIER FOR THEM TO DO SO, DOES THAT MAKE SENSE? IT SHOULD BE EASIER, BUT COMING IN AND I'M NOT A BIG BUILDER, I'M REALLY SMALL. THEN FIGHTING ALL REGULATION IS NOT A GOOD WAY TO INTERACT OR BE A GOOD COMMUNITY MEMBER. AT THE SAME TIME, YOU KNOW, GETTING A LIST OF VERY VAGUE DESCRIPTIONS OF WHAT YOU SHOULD BE DOING IS NOT HELPFUL TO THE BUILDER AS ALL. I WOULD REALLY LOVE TO SEE THAT GEL, AND I CAN'T SPEAK TO THE CURRENT DESIGN REVIEW BOARD, BUT MY TWO EXPERIENCES IN THE PAST WERE CONFRONTATIONAL AT BEST. IT REALLY MAKES ME SAD BECAUSE I FEEL THEY COULD BE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE COMMUNITY.

OF COURSE, I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU. EVERYBODY, YOU GUYS COMING, BEING A PART OF THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE IT'S WHAT MAKES US BETTER AND FEELS GOOD IN WANTING TO HAVE PEOPLE PARTICIPATE.

I DON'T REALLY HAVE ANY QUESTIONS EXCEPT I'M TRYING TO CLARIFY BECAUSE YOU APPLIED FOR CATEGORY B, BUT WE HAD CATEGORY C, AND I'VE BEEN LOOKING AT THE STAFF REPORT, AND I THINK WE COULD FILL YOU, FILL IN. SO IT IS NOT REALLY A QUESTION FOR YOU. IT'S THAT, I GUESS, WHY DID YOU APPLY FOR B WHEN YOU KNEW ONLY A AND C WERE OPEN?

BECAUSE I THOUGHT A AND C HAD BEEN ARCHITECT OR ENGINEER DESIGN PROFESSIONAL, AND I'M NOT A DESIGN PROFESSIONAL.

OKAY.

I'VE BEEN DOING IT A LONG TIME.

OKAY. THANK YOU FOR THE CLARIFICATION.

OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SO LOOKING AT MY LEFT HERE, GO AHEAD.

YES, SAME QUESTION ABOUT CONFLICT. WHAT IS YOUR GO TO WHEN YOU'RE SERVING ON A SMALL BODY AS FAR AS HOW TO RESOLVE IT AND MOVE ON?

SUPER IMPORTANT. FOR ME, I THINK LISTENING IS MY FIRST GO TO, ASKING QUESTIONS, YOU KNOW, QUESTION, ANSWER, PROBLEM SOLVED. SO FOR ME, THAT'S IT. I FEEL THERE'S, LIKE MOST GOVERNMENT AGENCIES OR CIVIC AGENCIES, THERE'S RULE AND ORDER. I THINK THAT RUNS THE DAY, BUT PROFESSIONALISM, BEING RESPECTFUL, LISTENING, YOU KNOW, TRY TO UNDERSTAND BEFORE SPEAKING, YOU KNOW, RELYING ON PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN THERE BEFORE ALSO. SOUNDS LIKE WE HAVE AN EXPERIENCED PRESIDENT OR WHATEVER YOUR TITLES ARE. SORRY, I DON'T KNOW. I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT TOO.

ALL RIGHT, GO AHEAD.

A COUPLE QUESTIONS. DO YOU LIVE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS?

I AM THE SECOND HOUSE OUTSIDE OF THE CITY LINE, BUT WITHIN THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE. CLOSE ENOUGH TO WALK DOWNTOWN, BUT FAR ENOUGH TO DRIVE TO THE STORE. IF I'M GOING GROCERY SHOPPING.

HAVE YOU ATTENDED ANY OF THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEETINGS?

I HAVE NOT.

YOU SAID EARLIER, YOU SAID YOU'RE A HUGE FAN OF SEBASTOPOL. CAN YOU TELL US WHAT YOU LOVE ABOUT THE CITY?

WE MOVED HERE ABOUT 2000, WHEN WAS THAT? 2010 FOR MY CHILDREN'S EDUCATION. THAT'S A LONGER STORY I WON'T BORE YOU WITH. BUT THE SCHOOLS HERE ARE GREAT. I'VE SPENT A LOT OF TIME IN THE COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING AT SUN RIDGE, AT THE INDEPENDENT CHARTER, GETTING TO KNOW COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN THAT REGARD. I LOVE WALKING, MY WIFE AND I BOTH LOVE WALKING. WE LOVE WALKING. SEBASTOPOL IS BEAUTIFUL, AS THE GENTLEMAN MENTIONED EARLIER. BEAUTIFUL NATURAL AREAS. WHAT A GEM, YOU KNOW. THE LAGOON, MY WIFE AND I BEFORE HERE, COME ON, HUN, WE NEED TO HURRY. WE ARE WALKING TO THE LAGUNA BECAUSE I HAVE A MEETING I NEED TO GO TO TONIGHT, SO I REALLY LOVE THE -- HOW IT'S A TOWN IN A CITY, BUT IT ALSO INTEGRATES -- LIKE IT'S EASY TO GET OUT OF THAT OR FEEL YOU'RE NOT IN THAT. I LOVE THE RESTAURANTS, I LOVE THE DOWNTOWN. I LOVE THE FACT, AS MUCH AS I'M NOT A BIG FAN OF THE CONSISTENT DESIGN ARCHITECTURE, I LOVE THE BARLOW I LOVE THE RESTAURANTS THERE. MY KIDS AREN'T, AGAIN, A LOT OF MY INTERACTION WITH SEBASTOPOL SINCE THE PAST, WELL, NOT THE PAST FOUR YEARS, BUT PREVIOUS TO THAT WAS REALLY IN TERMS OF THE SCHOOLS, WHERE WE WOULD, YOU KNOW, I JUST VOLUNTEERED A LOT IN THE SCHOOLS. THAT WAS A LOT OF, YOU KNOW, MY EXPERIENCE THERE.

OKAY. I HAVE THE SAME QUESTION AND NOTICING, YOU KNOW, IF YOU WERE ON THE BOARD, YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE COMMUNICATING?

YES, THAT'S A PET PEEVE OF MINE. YES, IT'S EXPENSIVE TO OWN A BUSINESS, BUT IT IS ALSO YOU'RE IN THE CITY, YOU GET BENEFIT FROM THE CITY, PONY UP. DO THE RIGHT THING. AND SO I GET FRUSTRATED WHEN I SEE SIGNS FLOATING ABOUT OR THAT STUFF BUGS ME AS I FEEL COMFORTABLE. CLICK, CLICK.

IN SENDING THAT TO WHERE IT NEEDS TO GO.

OKAY, ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? ALL RIGHT, SO WE'VE GONE THROUGH ALL FOUR CANDIDATES, MARY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. FOR ALL OF YOU COMING HERE. SO THE NEXT THING, I GUESS, PUBLIC COMMENT? NO, YOU CONDUCTED THE INTERVIEWS?

YES, I'M TRYING TO REMEMBER.

SO YOU WOULD CLOSE OUT THIS ITEM, AND THEN YOU WOULD DO THE APPOINTMENTS AND TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT.

ALL RIGHT. SO GO THROUGH THE APPOINTMENTS? I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT CLARITY, SO WHEN SHOULD I ASK YOU ABOUT THAT?

WE COULD GO AHEAD AND PROVIDE YOU THE STAFF REPORT THAT SAYS THERE ARE THREE OPENINGS. THERE ARE -- ONE IS IN CATEGORY A. THERE'S TWO CATEGORY Cs. THE CODE DOES STATE IN THE EVENT, A SUITABLE CANDIDATE SATISFACTORY TO THE CITY COUNCIL IS NOT AVAILABLE TO SERVE THE CITY COUNCIL MAY SELECT ANOTHER PERSON TO SERVE IN THAT CATEGORY. SO TONIGHT IS TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS, BASED UPON THE INTERVIEWS YOU JUST CONNECTED, SO NOW YOU CAN ASK QUESTIONS OF STAFF.

OKAY. THAT WAS MY QUESTION WITH THE CATEGORY. COUNCILMEMBER HINTON ASKED ABOUT, SO I WANTED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT OUR OPTIONS ARE. CLEARLY FOR US AND FOR THE PUBLIC.

YES. SO AS I JUST STATED. DESIGN REVIEW BOARD IN THE ORDINANCE DOES STATE -- THAT YOU CAN, IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANOTHER SATISFACTORY CANDIDATE FOR THAT POSITION.

OKAY, I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE. OKAY, WHAT'S THE NEXT STEP? GUIDE ME THROUGH THIS?

IF THERE ARE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS THAT YOU GO OUT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

OKAY.

AND JUST TO CLARIFY, WE NEED ONE PERSON FOR CATEGORY A AND TWO FOR CATEGORY C?

THAT'S CORRECT.

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? I'M SORRY. OKAY.

AND NOW WE WOULD GO OUT TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

PUBLIC COMMENT, THIS IS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD BASED UPON THE PREVIOUS INTERVIEWS JUST CONDUCTED. IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC

COMMENT, IT'S A TWO-MINUTE PUBLIC COMMENT TIME PERIOD. I DO CHAMBERS FIRST, GO OUT TO ZOOM, COME BACK TO CHAMBERS, COME BACK OUT TO ZOOM. IF ANYONE IN THE CHAMBERS WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD? SEEING NONE, I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF THERE IS ANYONE ON ZOOM THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT ON THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY? SEEING NONE, THERE'S NO PUBLIC COMMENT.

ALL RIGHT. SO I GUESS WE'RE BACK TO THE TABLE HERE. GO AHEAD, COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN.

YEAH, FIRST, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT IS HEARTWARMING TO RECEIVE MORE APPLICATIONS THAN AVAILABLE SPOTS. I TOO AM A RULE FOLLOWER, AND I LIKE TO REWARD THAT. IT WAS PUBLICIZED AGAIN, AS MARY STATED FOR CATEGORY A AND TWO FOR C, SO I WOULD LIKE TO FOLLOW THAT. FOR THOSE THAT APPLIED SPECIFICALLY FOR THOSE OPEN CATEGORIES. SO I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF SUPPORTING LARS, MELISSA, AND BLAKE.

OKAY. AND OTHERS? DO WE WANT TO GO DOWN THE LINE WITH EACH, WITH EACH ONE OR WHAT WOULD BE THE BEST?

PARDON ME?

I'LL SECOND THAT MOTION. IS THAT A MOTION?

SURE.

I'LL SECOND THAT.

IS THERE FURTHER -- YOU HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND. YOU CAN OPEN IT FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.

THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO DO. I WANT TO GIVE EVERYBODY A CHANCE TO HAVE A DISCUSSION ABOUT IT.

YEAH. I AGREE. I MEAN, WE ENCOURAGE THE APPLICANT WHO IS JUST GETTING INVOLVED TO ATTEND DESIGN REVIEW MEETING, AND THEN TO APPLY WHEN CATEGORY B COMES OPEN, WHICH I BELIEVE IS JUST IN A FEW YEARS. BUT I THINK THAT I'M IN FAVOR OF ALSO. IT SEEMS LIKE WE'RE FOLLOWING OUR OWN RULES AND OUR CODE, WHEN WE HAVE A QUALIFIED APPLICANT TO FILL OUR CATEGORIES THAT ARE CURRENTLY OPEN. SO I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF STEPHEN'S MOTION.

OKAY. ANYONE ELSE?

I TOO, I MEAN, I WISH YOU WERE ABLE TO APPLY FOR, YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE OTHER CATEGORIES. I DO ENCOURAGE YOU TO APPLY IN THE FUTURE, JUST BECAUSE WE ARE ALL TRYING TO FOLLOW THE RULES HERE AND MAKE SURE WE ALL COMPLY WITH THAT. SO I WOULD SUPPORT THAT MOTION AS WELL. SO I DON'T KNOW, MAYOR, IF YOU WANT TO --

THANK YOU. JUST FOR INFORMATION THERE, ARE THREE OPENINGS AT THE END OF THE YEAR THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR APPOINTMENTS.

YEAH.

SO JUST A SECOND. SO MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN AND SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR MAURER TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS TO THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD. LARS LANGBERG FOR CATEGORY A, MELISSA HANLEY FOR CATEGORY C, AND BLAKE MCDOWALL FOR CATEGORY C.

HINTON?

AYE.

ZOLLMAN?

AYE.

VICE MAYOR MAURER?

YES.

MAYOR MCLEWIS?

YES.

MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

OKAY, I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING HERE AND ANSWERING ALL THE QUESTIONS. I DO HOPE YOU'LL CONSIDER APPLYING AGAIN, YOU KNOW, WHEN THE OPENINGS COME UP. BECAUSE I THINK IT'S ALWAYS GOOD TO HAVE SOME NEW PEOPLE IN THE MIX. ANY I WITH A, THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH.



I LEARNED A LITTLE BIT. SO IT WAS NICE TO INTERACT JUST A LITTLE BIT, SO THANK YOU.

THANK YOU SO MUCH. SO WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND MOVE ON TO OUR PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA. SO IF YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD AND TAKE CARE OF THAT, MARY? WILL THANK YOU, MAYOR. SO AS YOU JUST STATED, THIS IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ON TONIGHT'S AGENDA. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, THERE IS A 20-MINUTE TIME LIMIT FOR THIS FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT. THERE'S A SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AT THE END OF THE AGENDA. EACH PUBLIC COMMENT FOR A SPEAKER IS TWO MINUTES. ONCE WE GET TO 20 MINUTES, WE'LL STOP PUBLIC COMMENT AND GO TO OUR CONSENT CALENDAR. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AN ITEM NOT ON TONIGHT'S AGENDA, IF THERE IS ANYONE IN THE CHAMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT? SEEING NONE, I'LL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF THERE IS ANYONE ON ZOOM THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON TONIGHT'S AGENDA, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY? SEEING NONE, THERE IS NO PUBLIC COMMENT.

WOW. OKAY. WELL THEN WE'LL GET RIGHT BACK TO IT. SO THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS OUR CONSENT CALENDAR. I'M GOING TO GO AHEAD AND READ JUST A COUPLE OF THOSE ITEMS. SO LET ME LOOK HERE. DO I HAVE THIS CORRECT? OKAY. SO NUMBER 3, APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR MEETING OF JANUARY 6, 2026. AND APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE, ZONING CODE UPDATES TO IMPLEMENT HOUSING ELEMENT PROGRAMS. THIS ITEM WOULD ADOPT THE ORDINANCE MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ZONING CODE TO IMPLEMENT CERTAIN HOUSING ELEMENT PROGRAMS THAT ARE PAST DUE. SO, LET'S SEE. DOES ANYONE WANT TO PULL ITEMS OFF THE AGENDA? CAN I ASK FOR CLARITY ON THIS ONE?

SO THIS IS WHERE YOU ASK IF ANY COUNCIL MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO REMOVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM.

NO, I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY FOR NUMBER FOUR, JUST LOOKING AT THAT ITEM. IS THAT 10:30? THAT IS ITEM 1033, RIGHT?

RIGHT.

I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE. DOES ANYONE WANT TO PULL THINGS OFF? ANYTHING OFF THE AGENDA?

I JUST WANT TO MAKE A COMMENT BECAUSE WE HAD SO MANY PUBLIC COMMENTS. I DON'T KNOW IF WE NEED TO PULL IT OFF. BUT YEAH, I WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE SEEN IT CLARIFIED AND AB1033 PROVISIONS. YEAH.

I APOLOGIZE.

WILL FOR PUTTING IT ON CONSENT CALENDAR WHEN IT WAS ONE OF OUR MOST -- WE HAD A LOT OF PUBLIC COME OUT LAST TIME.

WELL, I PERSONALLY WOULD LIKE TO PULL IT OFF, SO I'M GOING TO PULL IT OFF AND PUT IT AT THE END OF THE AGENDA THAT WE HAVE. I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY, SINCE I DON'T KNOW WHY, I REALIZED IT DIDN'T SAY 1033, SO I WANTED TO MAKE SURE I WAS PULLING THE RIGHT THING, SO THAT WAS MY HESITATION. ALL RIGHT, SO WE'LL PULL THAT OFF. FOR ANYONE THAT HAS ANY THOUGHTS OR QUESTIONS FOR THAT, THAT'LL BE AT THE END OF THE AGENDA. THAT'S HOW WE TYPICALLY DO IT. AND THAT WILL COME UP, SO THAT WILL COME UP AS NUMBER, WHAT WAS IT?

IT WILL COME UP AFTER ITEM NUMBER 9.

OKAY.

ALL RIGHT, WE'RE GOING ON TO --

NO, SORRY.

WE NEED TO DO PUBLIC COMMENT. SO AGAIN, THIS IS PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEM NUMBER 3 ONLY, WHICH IS THE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. IF THERE IS ANYONE IN CHAMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON MINUTES? SEEING NONE, I'LL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF THERE IS ANYONE ON ZOOM THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT ITEM NUMBER THREE ONLY, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, THERE'S NO PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM. NOW WE WOULD CALL FOR A MOTION.

GO AHEAD.

I'LL MOVE TO APPROVE CONSENT ITEM NUMBER THREE, WHICH IS APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF JANUARY 6, 2026.

I'LL SECOND THAT.

THANK YOU. SO MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER HINTON AND SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR MAURER TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NUMBER THREE AND ITEM NUMBER FOUR HAS BEEN PULLED AND WILL BE HEARD AT THE END OF THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN?

YES.

VICE MAYOR MAURER?

YES.

MAYOR MCLEWIS?

YES.

MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

OKAY. NOW WE CAN GO ON TO INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND PRESENTATIONS. NUMBER FIVE, WE HAVE RECEIVE AND FILE OF THE CITY'S ANNUAL AUDIT FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025. THE ITEM IS RECOMMENDING THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS BY A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT FOR THE CITY'S ANNUAL AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025. AND OUR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS, SO TAKE IT AWAY.

GREAT, THANK YOU, MADAM MAYOR. THE ITEM BEFORE THE COUNCIL THIS EVENING IS TO RECOMMEND THE COUNCIL RECEIVE AND FILE THE ANNUAL AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025. AND IT WAS CONDUCTED BY THE ASSOCIATES OF THE ACCOUNTANT FIRM. BEFORE I TURN THIS OVER TO OUR AUDITOR, SHELDON WHO IS THE AUDIT PRINCIPAL. I WANT TO ALSO NOTE THIS ITEM WAS HEARD BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE ON JANUARY 12. THE AUDIT WAS PERFORMED BY THE CPA FIRM. RESULTED IN AN UNMODIFIED OPINION, AND THAT'S A CLEAN OPINION. WHAT THAT MEANS IS THE AUDITOR CONDUCTED THE AUDIT FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT, ARE FREE OF MATERIAL MISSTATEMENT. IT'S FAIRLY PRESENTED IN ACCORDING WITH THE AUDIT STANDARD. SO WITH THAT, I'LL SHARE MY SCREEN WITH A SHORT PRESENTATION THAT WILL BE CONDUCTED BY SHELDON.

I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY. WE KEEP OUR PRESENTATIONS WITHIN TEN MINUTES.

YES, HE'S AWARE.

OKAY, PERFECT. THANK YOU.

ALL RIGHT, GOOD EVENING. THANK YOU FOR THE INTRODUCTION. CAN YOU HEAR ME OKAY?

YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. JUST GIVE ME A SECOND TO PULL UP THE POWER POINT PRESENTATION.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND LET ME GET IT IN A SLIDE SHOW MODE.

PERFECT. ALL RIGHT, HIT THE SPACE KEY. SOME OF THE TRANSITIONS WILL PLAY. THERE WE GO. SO WE'RE LOOKING AT THE JUNE 30, 2025 AUDIT. AND LET'S GET STARTED. SO IT IS ALWAYS A HISTORY LESSON. BUT THE AUDIT PROCESS TAKES TIME. THAT'S WHY WE'RE ALWAYS COMING TO YOU IN JANUARY, SOMETIMES IN FEBRUARY. WE LIKE TO TRY TO COME INTO DECEMBER. IT BECOMES MORE AND MORE COMPLICATED AS THE AUDITING STANDARDS BECOME MORE COMPLEX. AND AS ENTITY BECOMES MORE COMPLEX. IT INCLUDES FOUR DIFFERENT STEPS. THE FIRST STEP IS THE AUDIT PLANNING AND PREPARATION, WHICH INCLUDES THE PRELIMINARY WORK IN OUR OFFICE, MEETING WITH YOUR MANAGEMENT TEAM, AND THEN THE INTERIM FIELD WORK, WHERE WE LOOK AT INTERNAL CONTROLS. WE TEST CONTROLS, WE DOCUMENT. INTERNAL CONTROLS DO WALK THROUGHS. WE FOCUS ON SIGNIFICANT TRANSACTION CLASSES. AND IN DOING SO, WE IDENTIFY KEY CONTROLS THAT WILL BE IMPORTANT TO THE OVERALL AUDIT EXECUTION, SO THAT WILL TAKE US INTO PHASE TWO. AND WITH PHASE TWO, WE ARE FOCUSING ON THE TRIAL BALANCE, SO YOUR BALANCE SHEET, YOUR



INCOME STATEMENT. OF COURSE, THERE'S MORE THAN ONE OPINION UNIT, AS YOU'LL SEE LATER, SO WE ARE FOCUSING ON THOSE. AND EVERYTHING REALLY COMES DOWN TO THE RISK ASSESSMENT PROCESS IN IDENTIFYING WHERE THERE COULD BE MATERIAL MISSTATEMENT. ULTIMATELY OUR GOAL IS TO REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DOING NOW. AND THEN, OF COURSE, THE OPPORTUNITY FOR FOLLOWUP. SO THERE YOU GO IN A NUTSHELL, THE AUDIT PROCESS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. WHAT THE STANDARDS DO WE FOLLOW? WE FOLLOW DURING THE AUDITING STANDARDS. THEY SET THOSE FOR US. FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SUCH AS THE CITY, WE FOLLOW THE GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING STANDARDS. THE ONLY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO REALLY HAS TO DO WITH THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. WHAT WE REPORT IN RELATION TO INTERNAL CONTROLS. WE ACTUALLY ISSUE AN OPINION LETTER TO THE BACK OF THE REPORT THAT SAYS WE DID NOT ISSUE AN OPINION ON INTERNAL CONTROLS, MEANING WE DON'T LOOK UP ON THEM. DOESN'T MEAN WE DON'T TEST THEM OR USE THEM. DOESN'T MEAN WE DON'T LOOK AT THEM. MEANS WE DON'T APPLY ON THEM. THERE IS A SEPARATE ENGAGEMENT THAT COULD BE MADE WITH AN AUDIT FIRM TO DO AN AUDIT, WHERE WE WOULD ACTUALLY ISSUE AN OPINION ON PATROLS. A LOT MORE DETAIL AND A LOT MORE SCOPE INVOLVED IN THAT. THE GOVERNMENT AUDITING CENTER REQUIRES WE LOOK AT ABUSE AND FRAUD. AND YOU KNOW, THERE'S A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF THAT AND GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS AS WELL. BUT GENERALLY ACCEPTING THE GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING CENTERS WILL TAKE THAT TO ANOTHER LEVEL. KEEP IN MIND THE OVERALL OBJECTIVE OF THE EXPRESS IS TO EXPRESS THE OPINION ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, AND OF COURSE, I MENTIONED EARLIER THAT THOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS INCLUDE MULTIPLE OPINION UNITS, AND YOU CAN SEE THAT WHEN YOU LOOK THROUGH THE REPORT. IF YOU HAD A CHANCE TO READ IT THIS YEAR OR ANY TIME IN THE LAST 20 SOME ODD YEARS. I THINK IT HAS BEEN 22 YEARS NOW, SINCE THE NEW STANDARD WAS IMPLEMENTED. IT WAS NEW THEN. VERY OLD NOW. AND SO YOU'LL SEE THE GOVERNMENT WIDE PRESENTATION, WHICH IS YOUR STATEMENT IN THAT POSITION, BALANCE SHEET, YOUR STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS INCOME STATEMENT. AS CONSOLIDATED FOR THE ENTIRE CITY, AND IT INCLUDES YOUR CAPITAL ASSETS, YOUR LONG-TERM DEBT, YOUR NET PENSION LIABILITY, AND YOUR NET LIABILITIES. DEFER IN FLOWS AND OUTFLOWS, WHICH IS A CONCEPT THAT REALLY DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO MOST PEOPLE. I DEFER TO WHAT ACTS LIKE AN ASSET AND LIABILITY. SO THIS IS THE ONLY TIME OF THE YEAR YOU GET TO SEE THAT PRESENTATION, THAT CONSOLIDATED LONG-TERM PRESENTATION. IT SEPARATED FOR BOTH GOVERNMENTAL AND BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES. THAT'S ONE OPINION UNIT. THE OTHER OPINION UNIT INCLUDES YOUR MAJOR FUNDS AND YOUR NON-MAJOR FUNDS. AND THAT'S IN THE BALANCE SHEETS AND THE INCOME STATEMENTS FOR THOSE FUNDS. WELL, WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL REPORT. GO AHEAD AND HIT SPACE ONE MORE TIME BECAUSE THIS WILL GIVE US THE TITLE OF THAT. AN ANNUAL FINANCIAL TRANSACTION REPORT IS ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT IS REQUIRED BY THE GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS. SO THIS IS REALLY WHEN YOU WANT TO RECEIVE THE CERTIFICATE FROM THE GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, THE GFOA, YOU INCLUDE SECTION ONE AND SECTION THREE. RIGHT? THE TRANSMITTAL ELECTED OFFICIALS AND ORGANIZATIONAL CHART. THE SECTION THREE COULD BE USEFUL FOR THOSE THAT REALLY LIKE TO DIG IN, IN CASE YOU HAVE HISTORY ON THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION, HISTORICAL INFORMATION AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION. BUT REALLY WHAT'S REQUIRED IS SECTION TWO. THE OPINION LETTERS, WHICH IS THE MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS. KEEP IN MIND IT IS NOT AUDITED. IT INCLUDES THE AUDITED INFORMATION. THE FINANCE STATEMENTS AND NOTES, THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION, WHICH IS YOUR BUDGET TO ACTUAL SCHEDULES AND YOUR PENSION SCHEDULES. AND THEN SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION, WHICH IS GENERALLY JUST YOUR COMBINING NON-MAJOR FUNDS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE? A LITTLE FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR YOU. LIGHT BLUE IS 2025. THE DARK BLUE IS 2024. WE SKIPPED OVER THE BALANCE SHEET. IF YOU WANT TO GO BACK ONE SLIDE THERE. SO REALLY, SOMEWHAT CONSISTENT FROM 24 TO 25. REALLY, IF YOU WANT TO FOCUS ON ANYTHING HERE, JUST LOOK AT THE UNRESTRICTIONS IN THAT POSITION. YOU'LL SEE THE DEFICITS. IT WAS THAT DEFICIT IN 24. BUT THEY DID INCREASE. SO THE DEFICIT WAS REDUCED, MEANING YOU HAD AN INCREASE IN YOUR NET POSITION. AND TYPICALLY WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT, YOU'RE GOING TO FIND THERE ARE LONG-TERM BALANCE SHEET. THE GOVERNMENT WIDE STATEMENT IN THAT POSITION DOES HAVE A DEFICIT ON THE

RESTRICTIONS IN THAT POSITION. SOME OF THEM ARE QUITE LARGE. THAT'S BECAUSE OF THE PENSIONS THAT THEY ARE BURDENED WITH. BECAUSE OF WHAT THEY'RE BURDENED WITH. IT'S A LONG-TERM APPROACH. REALLY A LOOK AT IT AS A 30-YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THIS IS AGAIN FOR YOUR GOVERNMENT WIDE APPROACH. KEEP IN MIND, THIS IS A DIFFERENT BASIS OF ACCOUNTING THAN WHAT YOU'RE NORMALLY USED TO LOOKING AT IN YOUR FUND STATEMENT, RIGHT? THIS IS THE FULL ACCOUNTING ERROR. SO WHAT YOU GET TO SEE IN YOUR STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES IS YOUR CHARGES FOR SERVICES, MORE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR TAXES, THE CAPITAL GRANTS AND THE OPERATING GRANT. A LITTLE BIT OF A DIFFERENT FORMAT. CHARGES FOR SERVICES, THEY DID GO UP QUITE A BIT AND THAT HAS TO DO WITH THE CITY'S PLAN TO RECOVER COST AND THE ALLOCATION PLAN TO SOME CHARGES FOR SERVICES VERSES 2024 TO 2025. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE? TAKING A LOOK AT YOUR REVENUES. WE SHOULD LOOK AT EXPENSES. AND THEY DID GO UP FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, SLIGHTLY WENT DOWN FOR PARKS AND RECREATION. AND THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT WENT UP AS WELL. YOU'LL SEE THEY WENT UP QUITE A BIT THERE. L THE EVEN THOUGH A LOT OF THIS HAS TO DO WITH CONVERSIONS, SO THE 68 PENSIONS AND THE ASSUMPTIONS AND CHANGES THERE. BUT IF YOU LOOK AT THE FUND STATEMENTS, YOU CAN ALSO SEE IF THERE ARE ANY DIFFERENCES OR WHAT THOSE CHANGES MIGHT BE FROM A GOVERNMENTAL FUND INCOME STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND CHANGES AND FUND BALANCE VERSES THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE? BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES. SO YOUR WATER FUND, LOOKING AT OPERATING EXPENSES. ACTUALLY WENT DOWN, AND THEN THE CHARGES FOR SERVICES WENT UP. THAT'S A GOOD COMBINATION IF YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE FINANCIAL HELP OF THE WATER ACTIVITIES. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE? ONE MORE SPACE. THERE YOU GO. WASTE WATER. AGAIN, THE OPERATING EXPENSES WENT DOWN, BUT THE REVENUES WENT UP QUITE A BIT THERE, SO THERE IS A NEW SERVICE CHARGE IN THERE THAT CREATED A LARGE INCREASE FROM 24 AND 25. GOOD COMBINATION IF YOU'RE LOOKING AT THEM BEFORE. SO ACTIVITIES, DEFINITELY HAVE GOOD OPERATING RESULTS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE? OKAY, WHAT AM I HERE FOR? YOU'RE GOING TO FIND OUT. AUDIT RESULTS, RIGHT? THIS IS THE REAL MEAT AND POTATOES. I COULD KEEP YOU HERE FOR HOURS. I WON'T DO THAT TO YOU. IT'S GREAT, UNMODIFIED OPINION. THAT MEANS YOU PASSED THE AUDIT. NO MATERIAL WEAKNESSES. NOT ONLY DID YOU PASS THE AUDIT, BUT WE COULDN'T FIND ANYTHING IN ALL THE PROCEDURES WE PERFORMED THAT WAS MATERIAL TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS THAT REQUIRE ADJUSTMENT OR POTENTIALLY COULD BE MATERIAL BECAUSE YOU HAVE A CONTROL PROCESS THAT WASN'T WORKING CORRECTLY. ONE MORE SPACE. NO SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES. THAT'S ANOTHER LEVEL BECAUSE SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES ARE MORE DETAILS. WE ARE LOOKING REALLY BEYOND THE TRANSACTION CLASSES, LOOKING FOR COMPENSATING CONTROLS THAT MIGHT BE UTILIZED WHEN A BETTER MORE EFFICIENT PROCEDURE COULD BE IN PLACE. SO NO SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES. OF COURSE, NO DISAGREEMENT WITH MANAGEMENT. AND I THINK THERE MIGHT BE ONE MORE. LET'S SEE WHAT THEY DO. NO SIGNIFICANT ADJUSTMENT. THE CONCEPT OF MATERIAL IS EVOLVING. WE GOT IT TO A POINT WHERE THEY ARE LOOKING AT BOTH QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE. WE TRIED TO IDENTIFY OR FIGURE OUT WHAT A REASONABLE PERSON MIGHT THINK IS SIGNIFICANT WHEN WE ARE DETERMINING WHAT MIGHT BE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. WE IDENTIFY THE AMOUNTS THAT ARE JUST, THEY HAVE NO REAL MEANING TO THOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, SO THERE IS A LOT OF LITTLE THINGS THAT WE MOVE BEYOND BECAUSE THEY ARE JUST TOO SMALL. BUT THEY CAN ADD UP QUICKLY. SO WE KEEP A LIST OF THOSE ADJUSTMENTS, THOSE SMALL ONES WE DIDN'T ADJUST TO, THOSE ITEMS WE DIDN'T LOOK AT OR WE DIDN'T ADJUST OUT. AND SO WE SUMMED THOSE UP TO SEE IF THEY ARE SIGNIFICANT ENOUGH TO BE PRESENTED TO COUNCIL. ONE MORE THING. SO WITH ALL THAT, YOU GET MY STAMP OF APPROVAL. THAT'S A VERY GOOD AUDIT, ESPECIALLY FOR OUR FIRST YEAR AUDIT, WHERE WE REALLY DIG IN ON FIRST YEAR AUDITS. REALLY HAVE TO UNDERSTAND THE CONTROL PROCESS, AS WE ARE BASICALLY FORCING YOUR TEAM TO REWRITE INTERNAL CONTROLS. SO WITH THAT BEING SAID, WE'LL LEAVE IT OPEN TO ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE. ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. COMING BACK. DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU WANT TO SAY? OKAY. BRINGING IT BACK HERE. DO WE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? NO QUESTIONS? OKAY, SO THEN I GUESS MARY, WE'LL BE OFF TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. THIS IS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON INFORMATION OF PRESENTATION. IT IS A TWO-MINUTE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. I'LL COME TO CHAMBERS FIRST. SEEING NONE, I'LL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF THERE IS ANYONE ON ZOOM THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION. PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, THERE IS NO PUBLIC COMMENT.

ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. IT'S A QUIET EVENING. ALL RIGHT, SO MOVING ON, NO PUBLIC HEARINGS THIS EVENING, SO WE'LL MOVE ON TO REGULAR CALENDAR AGENDA ITEM NUMBER SIX. PRESENTATION --

MAYOR, MAYOR. ON THIS ONE, WE NEED TO MAKE A MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE.

THANK YOU. I'M SORRY. I'M TRYING TO BE SO EFFICIENT THAT I'M SKIPPING.

THE SO MOVED.

I HAVE A COMMENT.

OH, X.

JUST FROM BUDGET COMMITTEE PERSPECTIVE. I WANTED TO POINT OUT ONE THING, WELL, TWO THINGS ACTUALLY THAT THIS SEEMS TO BE A REALLY GOOD EXPERIENCE FOR BOTH STAFF AND THE AUDITOR. THEY HAD A LOT OF PRAISE DURING THE BUDGET COMMITTEE. SO IT WENT REALLY WELL. THANK YOU BOTH FOR THAT. AND THEN THERE WAS ONE RECOMMENDATION THAT I THOUGHT WAS OF INTEREST THAT I THOUGHT MAYBE COUNCIL WOULD BE INTERESTED IN AND THE PUBLIC. IT'S THAT THEY RECOMMENDED THE STAFF IMPLEMENT A ROUTINE AND TIMELY PETTY CASH COUNT AND RECONCILIATION PROCESS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. SO WE TALKED ABOUT THAT AT THE BUDGET COMMITTEE AND STAFF SAID THEY WERE WORKING ON THAT. I JUST WANTED TO POINT THAT OUT, AND I WOULD MAKE A MOTION TO FILE AND RECEIVE THIS REPORT.

COUNCILMEMBER CARTER HAS MOVED. OH, I DIDN'T HEAR IT, AND SECOND.

OKAY.

SO MOVED BY CARTER. I'M SORRY. NO, OKAY. ARE WE GOOD?

YEAH.

SO MOVED, EXCUSE ME, BY COUNCILMEMBER CARTER AND SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR MAURER TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE CITY'S ANNUAL AUDIT FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YES.

HINTON?

AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN?

JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO STAFF AND TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE AND YES.

THANK YOU. VICE MAYOR MAURER?

YES.

MAYOR MCLEWIS?

YES.

MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

AND THANK YOU FOR KEEPING ME ON TRACK.

IS IT ALSO TOO LATE TO PUT OUT A COUPLE OF ACCOLADES? I DEFINITELY THINK WE HIRED A NEW CPA FIRM. EXPERIENCE WAS NICE.

YES. THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SHELDON.

THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE IT, HAVE A GOOD NIGHT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

ALL RIGHT, SO WE HAVE NO PUBLIC HEARINGS AND NOW WE'RE ON THE NUMBER SIX ITEM. PRESENTATION OF LIST STREETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26, DIGOUTS, REPAIRS PROJECT. STAFF WILL RETURN TO COUNCIL WHEN FINAL LIST AND PLANS, SPECS ARE PREPARED. COUNCIL REVIEW, COMMENT, AND ACCEPTANCE OF LIST OF STREETS FOR THE PROJECT. THIS IS A PRELIMINARY LIST OF PROPOSED STREETS TO BE INCLUDED. COMMENTS WILL BE RECEIVED FROM THE COUNCIL AND ADDED TO THE LIST AS APPROPRIATE. THE FINAL LIST WILL RETURN TO COUNCIL, IF NEEDED, BEFORE THE PROJECT IS FORMALLY BID. THIS IS AN APPROVED CIP, AND THE LIST WILL

BE PRESENTED TO BC WHEN THE FINAL COST ESTIMATE IS PREPARED AND BEFORE GOING TO BID. SO LET'S SEE, THE RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT IS PUBLIC WORKS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

ERIC REPRESENTING PUBLIC WORKS AND ALSO HAVE OUR INTERIM CITY ENGINEER, MARIO ON THE LINE, AS WELL AS TONY.

CAN YOU MOVE THE MICROPHONE A LITTLE CLOSER? I'M NOT SURE IF THEY COULD HEAR YOU ON ZOOM WITHOUT. YEAH.

I'LL DO MY BEST.

THAT'S BETTER.

SO THIS IS SOMETHING WE WERE ASKED TO BRING TO COUNCIL. AND THIS IS A PART OF THE MEASURE THAT WAS PASSED FOR IMPROVING STREETS. A PART OF THAT WAS EARMARKED FOR DIGOUTS AND REPAIRS. SO THIS IS A PRELIMINARY LIST FOR COUNCIL TO REVIEW. THESE ARE THE ITEMS ON THE LIST THAT ARE ONES WE GOT CONSTANT REPAIRS. NOT ALL STREETS ARE FOR DIGOUTS AND REPAIRS. SOME NEED MORE EXTENSIVE WORK TO THEM. TOTAL REBUILDS LIKE THE STREET AND PALM AVENUE. THERE'S A FEW OTHER ONES THAT DON'T QUALIFY AND ARE UNDER THIS CATEGORY. SO IT IS JUST A LIST OF ONES THAT WILL FOLLOW UNDER THE CATEGORY THAT WE COULD DIG OUT AND REPAIR TO LAST LONG ENOUGH FOR US TO GET SOME FUNDS TOGETHER, HOPEFULLY THROUGH THE GRANT TO DO SOME MORE THOROUGH PAVING LONG TERM PAVING TO INCREASE THE RATING OF OUR CITY. SO THIS IS JUST KIND OF AN INITIAL UPDATE ON THAT, AND THEN WE HAVE OPEN FOR QUESTIONS, MARIO, OUR ENGINEER WENT OUT AND LOOKED AT THESE SPECIFIC SITES THAT CAME UP WITH THE LIST OF WHAT HE FELT WERE QUALIFIED FOR DIGOUTS AND REPAIRS, NOT TOTAL REHAB OF STREETS.

ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT, IS THAT A CONCLUSION OF YOURS?

IT IS. SO WE'LL COME HERE FOR THE QUESTIONS. I SAW COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN'S HANDS FIRST.

THANK YOU TO STAFF AND THANK YOU TO TONY IN PARTICULAR FOR FIELDING ALL MY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE STAFF REPORT. I, APPARENTLY, JUST HAD MAYBE MY OWN, LOTS OF TROUBLES, TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THIS WAS ALL ABOUT AND WHAT THEY WERE TRYING TO SAY. ESSENCE, CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, IS THE FACT THAT PUBLIC WORK STAFF GOES AND BASICALLY DOES SUPERFICIAL POTHOLE REPLACEMENT ON A REGULAR BASIS. IS THAT A FAIR STATEMENT?

CORRECT.

SO THE LIST THAT YOU GUYS COMPILED IS FOR MORE SPECIALIZED IN-DEPTH TREATMENT OF PROBLEM SPOTS IN THE CITY, CORRECT?

CORRECT. RIGHT NOW, IF SOMEONE CALLS IN, THERE'S A POTHOLE. WE NEED TO FILL OUT THE POTHOLES, SO THE REPAIRS ARE GOING IN, CUTTING OUT THE SECTION OF PAVEMENT AND DOING MORE THOROUGH PATCH JOB. BACK TO GOOD PAVEMENT TO LAST LONGER.

RIGHT.

WE FILL IT, EVENTUALLY RAIN WILL GET IN THERE AFTER A WHILE AND IT POPS BACK OUT, BUT THIS WILL BE A MORE PERMANENT SOLUTION. THIS WILL LAST ONE TO TWO YEARS, THREE YEARS BEFORE WE COULD DO MORE PERMANENT SOLUTIONS. THEY HAVE DONE THIS ON BODEGA LAST YEAR BEFORE THEY DO THE MAJOR PAVEMENT, AND THEY WILL DO IT AGAIN IT HAD YEAR. THEY GO OUT AND FILL THEM IN SO THEY'RE BETTER, THEN GRIND THE WHOLE AREA AND REPAVE IT.

THANK YOU.

SO IT IS NOT A WASTE OF MONEY, BUT HELP PRESERVE THE PAYMENT THAT WE HAVE ENOUGH TO GET A MORE PERMANENT SOLUTION.

RIGHT BECAUSE WE HAVE A WHOLE SLEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT ABOUT WHAT IS THIS? WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY. YOU'RE RUNNING AROUND, SLAPPING BAND-AIDS ON STREETS, FIRST AND FOREMOST.

RIGHT.

AND THE BIGGER THING FOR ME, WELL FIRST, I LIKE A QUESTION TO THAT, WHICH IS WHAT YOU JUST SAID. IT'S NOT SLAPPING A BAND-AID, IT'S FOR A GAP. ALL THE INTENSIVE WORK YOU'RE ASKING US TO PAY, IT'S GOING TO LAST FOR HOW MANY YEARS YOU SAID? THREE TO FIVE?

TWO TO THREE YEARS.

OKAY. AS FAR AS PRIORITIZATION, I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU OR MARIO OR TONY ABOUT WHAT YOUR SCIENTIFIC ANALYSIS WAS IN GOING THROUGH THE STREETS AND GOING THIS IS JUST A POTHOLE THAT NEEDS TO BE SORT OF FIXED VERSES THE MORE INTENSIVE TYPE OF WORK. WHAT GOES INTO YOUR ANALYSIS? THE ULTIMATE QUESTION FOR ME IS IF IT IS WORTH THE MONEY THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ALLOCATING FOR THIS? IS IT WORTH DOING ANYTHING OR SHOULD WE, AS ONE PUBLIC COMMENTER SAID, WHICH IS DO NOTHING AND HOPEFULLY WE'LL GET THIS GRANT. THEN WE'LL HAVE A LARGER POOL TO HAVE A MORE SYSTEMATIC UNDERSTANDABLE PROCESS ABOUT WHAT STREET WILL GET REPAIRED AND WHEN.

SURE. I COULD LET MARIO SPEAK TO HOW HE WENT OUT AND RATED THEM, BUT WE DO HAVE TWO DIFFERENT KIND OF AVENUES WE'RE GOING DOWN. THIS IS SPECIFICALLY SET ASIDE FOR POTHOLES OR REPAIRS. WE ALSO HAVE MONEY SET ASIDE FOR A MATCHING GRANT BECAUSE WE HAVE TO USE MONEY FOR THE MATCHING GRANT IF WE GET IT. WE DO HAVE MONEY SET ASIDE FOR THAT AS WELL. MARIO, DO YOU WANT TO COMMENT ON THE RATING SYSTEM?

YES, HELLO, GOOD EVENING. AM I BEING HEARD? I'VE BEEN HAVING AUDIO PROBLEMS.

YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU, THANK YOU.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR. COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. YES. APOLOGIES FOR MY TECHNICAL CHALLENGE HERE. BUT THE FACT, ONE SECOND HERE. VIDEO, YES. THERE I AM, FANTASTIC. ALL RIGHTY. ANY WAY ON THE QUESTION ABOUT, YOU KNOW, RATING THE STREETS AND THE PROCESS IN THAT, AND AS THE MAYOR, EXCUSE ME, YES, COMMENTED ON THE, YOU KNOW, SCIENTIFIC APPROACH TO THIS. THE ISSUE FOR THE DIGOUT AND THE REPAIRS, IT DID INVOLVE GOING TO THE SITES AND REVIEWING LOCATIONS, IDENTIFYING, THIS IS A VISUAL IDENTIFICATION. IDENTIFYING THE CONDITIONS OF THE PAVEMENT. IN SOME CASES, IT WAS PRETTY NOTORIOUS. IT WAS VERY EVIDENT, VERY OBVIOUS. THE MOTORISTS FEEL IT. BIG JARRING AFFECT. IN MANY CASES, WHAT THE OBSERVATION, TECHNICAL OBSERVATION IS THE DISTRESSED CONDITION OF THE PAVEMENT. IT'S WHAT WE REFER TO OFTENTIMES AS ALLIGATOR CRACKING. THERE'S A LOT OF THAT, BUT COUPLED WITH DEPRESSION AND THE GRADE. IT WILL BE OFTENTIMES SIGNS OF SEEPAGE FROM UNDER PAVEMENT MATERIALS THAT ARE COMING UP TO THE SURFACE. ALL INDICATING THE CONDITION OF SOME LOCALIZED BASE FAILURE. BASICALLY THAT AREA OF THE STREET IS EXPERIENCING SOME KIND OF DISTRESS AND FAILURE UNDERNEATH THAT WILL ONLY KEEP GETTING WORSE WITH TIME. SOME OF THE EXAMPLES OF THIS, YOU KNOW, AFTER SOME SIGNIFICANT WEATHER EVENTS. WE FIND STREETS THAT WERE OTHERWISE GENERALLY OKAY, SOME PROBLEMS MAYBE PROBLEMS ON THE SURFACE. NEXT THING YOU KNOW, AFTER THE STORM EVENT, WE HAVE POTHOLES. THAT IS A POTHOLE WHAT TYPICALLY THE STREET CREWS WOULD GO OUT AND DO SOME IMMEDIATE REPAIRS, MORE OF A TEMPORARY MATERIAL. BUT IN REVIEWING THESE LOCATIONS, I DID DO THESE REVIEWS MYSELF. I WENT OUT THERE TO IDENTIFY MANY LOCATIONS THAT AREN'T IN SOME SUBSTANTIAL NEED OF REPAIR AND DIGOUT. THE DIGOUT, PROCESS AS ERIC WAS EXPLAINING, IT DOES INVOLVE THE SUBSTANTIAL DEBT, DEPENDING ON THE STREET, THE STREET CONDITION THAT WE WOULD FIND THERE, AS MUCH AS UP TO SIX INCHES, REPAIRING IT, THAT REPAIR COULD INVOLVE ADDING ADDITIONAL ROAD BASE. IT DOES INVOLVE RECOMPACTING THE EXPOSED SURFACE, ADDING SOME ADDITIONAL BASE, IF NECESSARY, THEN PAVING IT BACK WITH THE HOT MIX. THEY DO WHAT'S CALLED THE TAP COATING ALONG THE EDGES, TO MAKE IT A SUBSTANTIAL SECURE REPAIR. THIS REPAIR PROJECT IS SUBSTANTIAL ENOUGH THAT IT LASTS WELL BEYOND, I THINK I HEARD TWO TO THREE YEARS. THIS REPAIR WILL LAST A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF TIME, YOU KNOW, 5, 15 YEARS THAT DEPENDS ON THE OVERALL CONDITION OF THE ROAD. DEPENDS ON THE TRAFFIC INDEX, YOU KNOW, HOW MANY VEHICLES ARE ON IT, THE SIZE OF THE VEHICLE, ALL THAT. IT IN SOME ABSURD CASES, TO BE PERFECTLY FRANK. THAT WILL BECOME THE BEST PART OF THE ROAD WITH EVERYTHING ELSE AROUND IT, SHOWING A LOT MORE DISTRESS AND FAILURE. BUT THAT'S THE APPROACH THAT I USED TO GO OUT THERE AND IDENTIFIED THESE AREAS. TAKE SOME MEASUREMENTS. IN DOING THESE MEASUREMENTS, THEY NEED TO DUOOOT TO TRY TO TIE INTO WHAT IS SEEMINGLY THE GOOD PAVEMENT THAT WILL REMAIN IN PLACE, SO WE COULD END UP WITH A RELATIVELY UNIFORM ROAD SURFACE WITH GOOD MATERIAL AND FIXED LOCATION FOR THAT GENERAL LOCATION. I HOPE THAT ANSWERED YOUR QUESTIONS OR PARTS OF IT ANY WAY.

COUNCILMEMBER, SORRY, VICE MAYOR MAURER?

YES, THIS CAME TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE. WE TALKED ABOUT IT. TONY TALKED ABOUT HOW IT WASN'T GOING TO BE PAVING OVER THE STREET THAT IS IN BAD CONDITION. WHAT WE WERE LOOKING FOR IN THIS INSTANCE IS WHAT WILL BE A POTHOLE, WHERE YOU WOULD HAVE SOME REALLY GOOD PAVEMENT THAT IT COULD ADHERE TO, SO YOU WANT TO HAVE ABOUT TEN FEET SECTION WITH THE POTHOLE IN THAT, SURROUNDED BY GOOD PAVEMENT, SO YOU WOULD HAVE SOMETHING TO ADHERE IT TO. AND THEN ALSO THAT IF YOU'RE GOING TO REPAVE A STREET BEFORE YOU REPAVE IT, YOU'VE GOT TO REPAIR THE POTHOLES. IT'S A PRELIMINARY THING THAT YOU DO BEFORE YOU REPAVE THE STREET. AND SO THE THIRD, MY QUESTION ACTUALLY IS TO STAFF. I'M LOOKING AT THE MAP. WHEN YOU BROUGHT THIS TO BUDGET COMMITTEE, YOU HADN'T STARTED IT REALLY. YOU HAD A FEW SPOTS. BUT ONE OF THE SPOTS ON BODEGA AVENUE, WHICH IS IN FRONT OF THE GRILL IS NOT ON THE MAP. IT IS A PRETTY BAD POTHOLE IN FRONT OF THE GRILL. SO I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT ONE BACK ON THE MAP. IS THERE ANY REASON WHY IT WAS TAKEN OFF?

LET ME -- I WANT TO GET THE LOCATION CLEAR ON THAT. I APOLOGIZE. I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE GRILL. I KNOW THERE ARE LOCATIONS ON BODEGA AVENUE THAT ARE BEING ADDRESSED AS A PART OF THE PHASE TWO TWO PROJECT BEYOND THE LIMIT. I WANT TODAY BE CLEAR. WE COULD ADD IT ON, BY ALL MEANS, IF IT WAS MISSED OR REMOVED. WE COULD DO THAT. BUT I WANT TO DO, JUST TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL COMMENT TO YOUR COMMENTS ON THE WORK AND REALLY ITS RELATION TO SUBSEQUENT WORK, IF YOU WILL, AND YOUR STATEMENT IS VERY CORRECT. THAT IS ANOTHER IMPORTANT ASPECT OF IT. IN DOING THESE DIGOUTS, DEPENDING ON THE OVERALL CONDITION OF THE STREET. MANY OF THESE LOCATIONS, THEY ARE NOT PRISTINE STREETS OR HIGH RATINGS, BUT THEY ARE SUCH THAT THEY WILL REQUIRE SOME LEVEL OF GENERAL MAINTENANCE, IF YOU WILL, SOME FUTURE OVERLAY. BUT EXACTLY WHAT YOU SAID, THERE ARE CONDITIONS ON THERE THAT WILL HAVE TO BE REPAIRED IN ANY CASE BEFORE THAT MORE FINANCIAL GENERAL TREATMENT IS APPLIED. THAT WAS THE CASE THAT WE DID ON PHASE ONE OF BODEGA TWO. IT WILL BE DONE ON PHASE ONE, EXCUSE ME, WE DID THAT, WE WENT OUT IN ADVANCE. SO THAT'S AN IMPORTANT POINT TO KEEP IN MIND. IT IS DEFINITELY VALUE GOING INTO THE STREET. I WANT THAT TO BE CLEAR. BUT AS FAR AS THAT LOCATION, YEAH, IF IT WAS REMOVED, IT WOULD BE PUT BACK ON. IN FACT, THAT'S THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING. GIVE US THESE LOCATIONS. LET US HAVE THEM. WE'LL GO OUT THERE AND EVALUATE THEM AND ADD THEM TO THE LIST APPROPRIATELY.

OKAY, THANK YOU. I HAVE A QUESTION, AND I WANT US TO TALK ABOUT IT PUBLICLY. I'VE BEEN ADVOCATING ON THIS ROAD SINCE I GOT ON COUNCIL, THE PALM AVENUE AREA, BETWEEN PETALUMA AND HEALDSBURG. I KNOW WE RECEIVED COMMENTS ABOUT IT. FOR THOSE OF US THAT LIVE ON THAT END OF TOWN, TRAY VERSE THAT ROAD MULTIPLE TIMES PER DAY. I GUESS, I UNDERSTAND WHAT I HEARD FROM, TONY, THAT'S EVENTUALLY ON THE LIST TO BE NOT SOMETHING THAT CAN BE JUST LIKE -- FILLED IN. IT HAS TO BE COMPLETELY REDONE. IS THAT CORRECT?

YEAH --

WE WOULD BE DOING THE WHOLE STREET.

I'M SORRY?

GO AHEAD.

YEAH, THAT'S CORRECT.

WHAT ERIC SAYS IS CORRECT. WE DID LOOK AT THAT A FEW YEARS AGO, AND WE'RE LOOKING TO ADDRESS THOSE PAVEMENT CONDITIONS, AS WELL AS SOME OTHER ISSUES THAT HAVE COME UP AT THE TIME. I BELIEVE THE REQUESTS WERE THE PAVEMENT CONDITION TO BE LOOKED AT.

HAVE YOU SEEN IT RECENTLY? HAVE YOU LOOKED AT IT RECENTLY? YOU WENT OUT AND MEASURED. I'M JUST WONDERING, WHEN IS THE LAST TIME YOU LOOKED AT IT BECAUSE I LOOKED AT IT ABOUT TEN MINUTES BEFORE THIS MEETING AND EVERYONE GOES LEFT TO CENTER WHEN THEY'RE COMING FROM RICHFIELD OVER. I GUESS MY CONCERN IS AT WHAT POINT IS IT DECIDED THIS IS JUST THE PATH AND WE NEED TO CLOSE IT BECAUSE, I MEAN, IT'S SO BAD RIGHT NOW. I WANT TO KNOW, WHEN IS THE LAST TIME IT WAS LOOKED AT BY YOUR DEPARTMENT AND MEASURED BECAUSE IT'S BAD.



YES. IT HAS BEEN QUITE A WHILE SINCE I HAVE LOOKED AT IT, BUT YOUR DESCRIPTION DOES NOT SURPRISE ME. CONDITION IT WAS IN WHEN I LAST SAW IT, WHICH IS PROBABLY A GOOD YEAR AND A HALF OR GO. PROGRESSION OF DETERIORATION WHEN THE ROADS ARE IN THOSE CONDITIONS, IT REALLY, IT'S THE PROGRESSION, THEY GO QUICKLY.

I DIDN'T KNOW IF YOU WERE AWARE. WE HAVE ONE RESIDENT THAT LIVES ON THAT STREET, AND HE WAS ACTUALLY BUYING THE ASPHALT, FILLING THE HOLES. I THINK HE'S GIVEN UP ON THAT NOW. SO THAT IS WHY, IT'S GETTING WORSE AND WORSE. I WONDER WHY THAT WAS LAST ASSESSED. WHEN A ROAD REACHES THAT POINT, IT GOES FROM POTHOLE TO CRATER, RIGHT? I MEAN, IT'S BECOMING ONE BIG CRATER. WHAT DO WE DO? THE QUESTION THAT I HAVE IS LIABILITY WISE, I ASK IT THIS BECAUSE WE JUST TOOK OUR VEHICLE TO A MAN TO WORK ON IT. WHEN HE FOUND OUT FROM SEBASTOPOL, HE SAID I LOVE SEBASTOPOL BECAUSE YOU GUYS HAVE TERRIBLE ROADS AND THEY PROVIDE ME SO MUCH BUSINESS, AND THEN HE SHOWED ME THE CAR HE WAS WORKING ON BECAUSE THE WHEEL WAS BENT BECAUSE THEY HIT A POTHOLE IN SEBASTOPOL. SO HE SAID WE KEEP THEM IN BUSINESS, AND HE IS WAY OUT IN SANTA ROSA. IT'S VERY EMBARRASSING. I WONDER LIABILITY WISE? I MEAN --

THERE CAN BE LIABILITY FOR THAT CONDITION OF THE CITY STREETS. TO LOOK AT SPECIFIC. BUT THERE CAN BE LIABILITY FOR THE CONDITION OF THE CITY STREETS. WE WOULD HAVE TO LOOK AT, YOU KNOW, THE EXACT CONDITIONS AND THE FIRST SPECIFIC STREET AND WHAT CAUSED THAT INSTANT, BUT THERE CERTAINLY COULD BE LIABILITY.

OKAY, THANK YOU. I HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION, BUT IF YOU GUYS HAVE QUESTIONS, I DON'T WANT TO MONOPOLIZE.

BEFORE YOU DO THAT, TONI ALSO HAS SOME INFORMATION. TONI, CAN YOU HEAR US?

YES, I CAN. I JUST WANTED TO RESPOND TO THE QUESTION ABOUT PALM AVENUE BECAUSE WE HAVE HAD A NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS ABOUT PALM AVENUE THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. THE LAST TIME WE LOOKED AT THIS, THE ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION, WAS IN 2023. WE DID LOOK AT THE ROADWAY CONDITION. AT THE TIME, WE DID RECOMMEND A PROJECT TO REPAVE THE ROAD. THERE REALLY WASN'T ANY FUNDING AT THE TIME. AND SO WHAT WE'VE DONE IS WE HAVE ACTUALLY APPLIED FOR A GRANT WITH THE SONOMA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AGENCY TO DO PAVEMENT REPAIRS, REALLY, IN ADDITION TO PALM AVENUE, THERE WERE OTHER STREETS ALSO ON THE LIST. BUT PALM AVENUE WAS SLATED FOR YEAR ONE OF OUR PAVEMENT REQUEST. I DID WANT TO MENTION THAT. BUT HOWEVER, IT'S A COMPETITIVE PROCESS FOR THE GRANT, IF WE ARE NOT AWARDED THAT GRANT, THEN WE'LL HAVE TO COME BACK TO COUNCIL TO TAKE A LOOK AT HOW WE'RE GOING TO START REPAIRING SOME OF THESE STREETS, SUCH AS PALM AVENUE, GIVEN OUR FUNDING CONSTRAINTS. WE WON'T HEAR ABOUT THE GRANT UNTIL PROBABLY AROUND SPRING OR SUMMER.

WHAT WOULD BE THE COST TO FIX THAT ROAD FOR PALM?

AT THE TIME WE LOOKED AT IT, THERE WAS A VERY PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE. IT WAS ABOUT, I BELIEVE IT WAS IN THE ORDER OF ABOUT \$150,000. AND SO HOWEVER, THAT WAS QUITE A WHILE AGO, AND THERE WAS NOT ACTUALLY A FULL REVIEW OF THE STREET. IT WAS KIND OF -- NOT AN ESTIMATE, BUT IT WAS NOT A THOROUGH DESIGN BECAUSE WE DIDN'T KNOW THE CONDITION OF THE STREET AT THE TIME. THIS IS BEFORE THE PAVEMENT MANAGER LOOKED AT IT IN 2025. SO THE BEST THING TO DO, OBVIOUSLY, IS TO GET A DESIGN DONE FOR IT. THAT WAY YOU GET A LEGITIMATE COST ESTIMATE, ROBUST COST ESTIMATE, SO YOU KNOW HOW MUCH IT'S GOING TO COST. AND ALSO THAT DIDN'T INCLUDE SIDEWALK. I THINK SOME PEOPLE, YOU KNOW, THERE WAS MENTION OF ADDING SIDEWALK. IF IT'S JUST A STREET, THAT'S ONE THING, BUT THEN YOU START ADDING SIDEWALK AND THINGS LIKE THAT, WHICH ALSO ADDS TO THE COST. SO WE WOULD NEED TO FAIR OUT EXACTLY WHAT THE PROJECT SCOPE WOULD BE, AND THEN GET A COST ESTIMATE.

AND WHAT WOULD BE YOUR RECOMMENDATION IF WE DIDN'T GET IT? I WORK IN NON-PROFIT WORLD. I KNOW GRANTS --

WELL, MY RECOMMENDATION --

WHAT WOULD WE DO THEN IF WE DIDN'T GET THAT GRANT?

IF WE DON'T GET THAT GRANT THERE, IS ANOTHER -- WE HAVE TWO PAVING PROJECTS IN THE CIP, THE DIGOUTS AND REPAIRS IS ONE OF THEM. BUT COUNCIL ALSO AUTHORIZED ANOTHER PROJECT. WE HAVE ABOUT \$500,000 IN THAT. IF WE DON'T GET AWARDED THE GRANT, THEN OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE \$500,000 TO DO PAVEMENT PROJECTS. SO WE COME BACK TO COUNCIL WITH THE RECOMMENDATION AS TO WHAT TO USE THAT FOR.

OKAY, THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? FROM ANYONE? NO? OKAY. MARY, WANT TO GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT?

YES, THANK YOU. THIS IS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE DIGOUT REPAIRS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, WE'LL GO TO CHAMBERS FIRST, THEN GO OUT TO ZOOM. OLIVER?

THOSE ARE THE TWO MAIN CROSS STREETS IN THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL, AND THERE ARE THE TWO INCREDIBLY BUSY ROADS. SO THEY GET REALLY CHEWED UP WITH A LOT OF VANS AND TRUCKS AND THINGS, STOPPING AND STARTING, AND WAITING TO MERGE ONTO, YOU KNOW, TO GO FORTH HAD OR SOUTH. SO TO ME, YOU KNOW, YOU CAN'T REALLY PATCH THOSE. I THINK THEY REALLY NEED TO BE PROPERLY RESURFACED. THE OTHER THING I'D LIKE TO SAY, IT WOULD BE REALLY GOOD TO HAVE A ROAD MAP FOR ROADWORKS BECAUSE THIS IS JUST KIND OF BAND-AID STUFF. I APPRECIATE IT. IT'S KIND OF LIKE DENTAL WORK, THAT YOU DO AN EMERGENCY FILLING, THEN YOU DO A PROPER, YOU KNOW, IMPLANT WHATEVER, TO USE THAT ANALOGY. BUT THIS IS ALL VERY SHORT TERM. ARE WE USING THE MEASURE U MONEY, SOME OTHER MONEY, PRESUMABLY IN THE I CANTY SOMEWHERE. BUT IT WOULD BE NICE, GIVEN OUR ROADS ARE IN SUCH TERRIBLE STATE HERE, AND THEY'RE WELL KNOWN, AND I KNOW PEOPLE WHO, YOU KNOW, LOST TIRES AND HAD WHEELS BENT AND ALL KINDS OF THINGS. LITERALLY JUST DRIVING THROUGH HERE. IT WOULD BE REALLY GOOD TO HAVE A PROPER ROAD MAP. THAT WOULD PROBABLY HELP TO GET GRANTS, YOU KNOW. IT SEEMS LIKE WE'RE NOT TERRIBLY WELL ORGANIZED AROUND THIS. SO FANNIN AND MAPLE, VERY, VERY HIGH PRIORITY. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. NEXT, I'LL GO OUT TO ZOOM. ROBERT, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? ROBERT, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? I WILL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS AND GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM, IF ANYONE IN CHAMBERS WOULD --

OH THERE, YOU GO, ROBERT.

I'M SORRY.

OKAY, CAN YOU HEAR US?

MY SCREEN CUT OFF THE AUDIO BUTTON. YES, I CAN HEAR YOU AND SEE THE TIMER.

PERFECT.

GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THE FIRST INVESTMENT THAT THE CITY IS MAKING SUBSTANTIAL INVESTMENT THE CITY IS MAKING IN ROADS AND STREETS IS HALF A MILLION DOLLARS THAT IS TO FIX POTHOLES AND MAKE TEMPORARY REPAIRS. I THINK THE FIRST PERSON THAT SPOKE SAID THESE REPAIRS ARE PROBABLY GOING TO LAST TWO TO THREE WEEKS. THERE IS ANOTHER VOICE THAT SAID IT COULD BE UP TO 15 YEARS. BUT IT WAS CLARIFIED THE PATCH WILL LAST 15 YEARS. THE REST OF THE ROAD AROUND IT IS GOING TO CRUMBLE. SO TWO TO THREE YEARS IS WHEN YOU'RE GOING TO BE COMING BACK TO FIX THE ROAD, FINALLY. THE CHALLENGE HERE IS YOU'RE WAITING FOR GRANT MONEY. THAT'S WHAT EVERY COUNCIL IN THE LAST 20 YEARS HAVE SAID. WE'RE GOING TO GET GRANT MONEY. THIS WILL BE SOLVED WITH GRANT MONEY. IN THE MEANTIME YOU'VE GONE FROM WHAT MIGHT BE GOOD STREETS 20 YEARS AGO TO NOW OVER HALF THE STREETS IN THE CITY ARE POOR AND VERY POOR. THAT TOOK 15 TO 20 YEARS OF NEGLECT TO GET THAT FAR ALONG. ANY TIME YOU SAY WE'LL WAIT A FEW MONTHS, NEXT SPRING WE'LL MAKE A DECISION. ANY TIME THAT HAPPEN, IT PUTS IT OUT ANOTHER YEAR. THE POOR, VERY POOR STREETS HAVE NO USEFUL LIFE. THE POOR STREETS ONLY HAVE LESS THAN NINE YEARS LEFT. EVERY YEAR YOU PUT IT OFF, YOU'RE CLOSER AND CLOSER TO HAVING HALF THE STREETS WITH NO USEFUL LIFE YET. IT'S GOING TO COST YOU, ACCORDING TO 2025 STREET STUDY LIKE \$19 MILLION TO SOLVE THOSE PROBLEMS. GRANTS AREN'T GOING TO BE THE ANSWER FOR A SUSTAINABLE PLAN. YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO BE MORE REALISTIC, AND START LOOKING AT WAYS TO RAISE MAYBE A TEMPORARY PARCEL TAX THAT WILL FUND SOME LOAN MONEY. YOU CAN SPREAD THIS OUT OVER MAYBE FIVE, EIGHT YEARS. THIS STARTS WITH



THE CITY MAKING A DECISION THAT YOU WANT TO INCREASE THE PCI SCORE FOR THE CITY AND RAISE THIS FROM BEING THE WORST STREETS IN THE COUNTY OF ANY CITY IN THE COUNTY TO AT LEAST BEING IN THE PACK. AND THAT IS THE FIRST BE STEP. SO WE NEED A PLAN AND YOU NEED TO FOLLOW THE PLAN. THANKS.

THANK YOU, ROBERT, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. IF THERE IS ANYONE IN CHAMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE DIGOUT? SEEING NONE, I WILL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. IF THERE IS ANYONE ON ZOOM THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE LIST OF LOCATIONS FOR DIGOUTS, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, PUBLIC COMMENT IS CLOSED ON THIS ITEM.

OKAY, THANK YOU, MARY. SO WE'RE BACK FOR COMMENTS, IF ANYONE HAS ANY COMMENTS? I MEAN, I HAVE SOME, BUT I'LL WAIT MY TURN. ANYONE HAVE ANY? GO AHEAD, COUNCILMEMBER CARTER.

BEING ON THE BUDGET COMMITTEE AND BEING A LITTLE BIT, YOU KNOW, KIND OF IN THE GAME JUST A TOUCH MORE. IT'S ONE OF MY THOUGHTS THAT IT'S VERY REASONABLE TO APPLY A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF MONEY TO GET THE STREETS, YOU KNOW, IN A DRIVABLE CONDITION WHILE YOU'RE PREPARING FOR THE LONG-TERM STRATEGY. AND THAT IS SOMETHING THE BUDGET COMMITTEE IS, YOU KNOW, HAS SET ITS ORIGINAL GOAL TO GET THE BUDGET RIGHT, SO WE COULD START MAKING A PROPER, YOU KNOW, A WAY TO ADDRESS THIS. I THINK NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET, WE'LL BE MUCH MORE PREPARED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT OUR FINANCES LOOK LIKE, AND START DOING REAL WORK ON THE ROADS. THIS IS LIKE ONE OF THE FIRST YEARS WHERE WE WERE ABLE TO PUT NEARLY A MILLION DOLLARS INTO THE ROADS.

OKAY. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

DO WE NEED A MOTION?

I HAVE A COMMENT THAT I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE FIRST.

MY QUESTION WAS DO WE NEED A MOTION ON THIS?

YOU WILL NEED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE LIST THAT HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY STAFF.

I WOULD HIKE TO ASK THE BODEGA POTHOLE IN FRONT OF THE GRILL BE ADDRESSED.

AND I PERSONALLY, I'M NOT SURE WHERE WE NEED TO GO WITH THIS, AND I DON'T KNOW IF I HAVE COUNCIL SUPPORT HERE. BUT I PERSONALLY WOULD LIKE US TO PRIORITIZE PALM. I MEAN, IT'S \$150K. WE HAVE \$500K. IT'S A SMALL PORTION OF STREET IN OUR CITY, BUT IT'S THE MAIN CONNECTOR BETWEEN OUR TWO MAIN ROADS THAT ARE GOING UP AND DOWN THROUGH MAIN STREET. AND EVER SINCE I'VE BEEN SITTING ON THIS COUNCIL, YOU KNOW, WE'VE HAD TO BYPASS IT FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS. PREVIOUSLY TO THAT, WE DID. JUST LISTENING TO THE PUBLIC COMMENT, IT SEEMS WE COULD MAKE ONE SMALL REALLY, YOU KNOW, IT WOULDN'T EVEN TAKE ALL OF THE FUNDS. BUT IF WE PRIORITIZE THAT AND IT IS, IN FACT, \$150K OR I UNDERSTAND IT NEEDS TO BE ASSESSED, BUT PERSONALLY I WOULD LIKE TO ADVOCATE FOR US, IN TRULY FIXING SOMETHING. THAT WOULD BE FOR PALM AVENUE. I DON'T KNOW IF I HAVE SUPPORT HERE OR NOT. BUT I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO HAVE THAT DISCUSSION TO SEE IF THERE IS ANYONE ELSE THAT'S WILLING TO PRIORITIZE THAT RATHER THAN JUST ALL THE POTHOLES. I UNDERSTAND WHAT COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER WAS SAYING ABOUT, YOU KNOW, PLANNING FOR THE LONG TERM. BUT HAVING SAT HERE FOR A DECADE WATCHING THE COUNCIL, CONSTANTLY BYPASSING, EVEN IN 2023, IT WAS UP FOR PRIORITY, THEN IT WAS VOTED DOWN. I WAS THE ONLY ONE THAT VOTED TO MAKE IT A PRIORITY. I SAT HERE AND WATCHED THIS OVER AND OVER AGAIN, SO I UNDERSTAND YOUR ARGUMENT. AT THE SAME TIME AFTER A DECADE, I'M KIND OF OVER THE LONG-TERM PLAN AND MY CAR BOUNCING THROUGH THOSE HOLES EVERY DAY, MULTIPLE TIMES A DAY. IF I EVER WANT TO GO DOWNTOWN.

CAN I ADD TO THAT REAL QUICK? IT MIGHT BE GOOD TO HAVE DIRECTION TO STAFF TO ACTUALLY GET A COST ESTIMATE FOR THAT AND THEN BRING THAT ITEM BACK.

OKAY.

I DON'T KNOW IF \$150,000 IS ACCURATE, AND I'D LIKE TO GO OUT TO DO A COST. IT DOES NOT CHARGE US ANYTHING OR COST US ANYTHING TO GO OUT AND GET COST ESTIMATES FOR THAT. I THINK THAT MIGHT HELP TOO, THEN WE COULD BRING THAT BACK AS A SEPARATE ITEM TO SEE WHAT THAT COST IS.

OKAY.

COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YOU KNOW, I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THAT. LIKE IF YOU WERE TO DO SOMETHING SIGNIFICANT TO SHOW THE PUBLIC WE ARE GETTING TOWARDS, YOU KNOW, MINDING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE IN A BETTER WAY, THAT'S FINE. BUT I'M NOT REALLY SURE WHAT THE PROCESS IS TO MAKE SURE OUR ENGINEER AND OUR STAFF, YOU KNOW, GIVE US GOOD ADVICE ON HOW TO PROCEED.

SURE. OKAY. GO AHEAD, I'M SORRY.

SO WE WILL BE HAVING MORE MONEY FROM MEASURE U THAT WE COULD PUT TOWARDS REPAVING STROUD AND PALM AVENUES. BUT I THINK RIGHT NOW SINCE THE ENGINEERS ARE READY TO GO OUT WITH THE DIGOUTS AND REPAIRS, AND THIS IS SOMETHING WE SET MONEY ASIDE FOR. BAUDS WE DON'T HAVE AN ESTIMATE FOR THESE OTHER STREETS, I WOULD MAKE A MOTION THAT WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THESE DIGOUTS AND REPAIR PROJECT, WITH THE ADDITION OF THE POTHOLE IN FRONT OF THE GRILL.

I'LL SECOND THAT.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

YEAH, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE COMMENT. I CAME PREPARED TO VOTE ON THE DIGOUT PLAN. EVEN THOUGH I LIVE AND DRIVE EVERY DAY AROUND TOWN. IF THIS PALM WAS AGENDIZED, I WOULD WANT TO DRIVE OVER IT AND SEE HOW MY MIND COMPARES AND WHAT MAKES IT A PRIORITY OVER OTHER PLACES. SO I THINK I WOULD AGREE WE SHOULD COME BACK WITH THAT ITEM, AND MAYBE HAVE -- I'D LIKE TO EXPAND THAT BECAUSE IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT ONE STREET PALM. THERE'S OTHER STREETS IN THE SAME SIMILAR CONDITION TO PALM THAT I'M FINE INVESTING MORE MONEY IN. SO THAT'S MY FEEDBACK, IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE STAFF COME BACK.

I'M SORRY, CAN I INTERRUPT? TONY, ARE YOU REQUESTING THEM TO APPROVE ANY AMENDMENTS? WILL THE LIST COME BACK FOR FINAL APPROVAL?

YES. THE FINAL LIST WILL COME BACK FOR APPROVAL.

OKAY. SO TONIGHT'S ITEM IS JUST TO PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF ON THE DRAFT LIST OF THESE STREETS ARE ACCEPTABLE, AND THEN ANY AMENDMENTS, AND THEN YOU'LL BRING BACK A FINAL LIST?

THAT IS CORRECT.

AND SO IS IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO, IN THAT TIME FRAME, GET AN ESTIMATE FOR PALM, SO WE COULD ALL CONSIDER THAT WHEN IT ALL COMES BACK? OR ARE YOU SAYING THERE IS JUST NO WAY TO PUT THAT ON THERE AS AN ITEM? OTHERWISE I'M GOING TO VOTE NO.

I MEAN, I HAVE TONI ANSWER THAT, BUT I DON'T THINK WE COULD ADD THAT WITHOUT KNOWING THE COST. I'M SAYING WHEN IT COMES BACK.

WHEN IT COMES BACK --

WHEN IT COMES BACK, WHAT I WOULD LIKE IS WE DO HAVE MONEY, OBVIOUSLY, IN THE CIP. WE COULD GET AN ENGINEERING ESTIMATE FOR PALM, SO WE DO HAVE BUDGET TO DO THAT ENGINEERING WORK. IT WON'T BE \$150,000 OBVIOUSLY TO JUST DO THE ENGINEERING PART OF IT. MAYBE WE COULD GET -- I'LL HAVE TO CHECK IN WITH MARIO ON THAT, BUT IT MIGHT COST, SAY \$25K, \$25,000, TO HAVE A ROBUST, YOU KNOW, LIKE A DESIGN AND COST ESTIMATE FOR PALM AVENUE. SO WE KNOW WHAT IT WILL COST, WHEN WE GET BACK WITH THE FINAL LIST AS WELL.

IT'LL COST \$25,000?

YES. THE ORIGINAL ESTIMATE THAT WAS DONE BACK IN 2023 WAS ACTUALLY \$30,000., TO DO -- YOU HAVE TO DESIGN IT. I MEAN, YOU HAVE TO DO A DESIGN BEFORE YOU COULD DO A COST ESTIMATE. OTHERWISE THEY DON'T REALLY KNOW WHAT'S UNDERNEATH THAT STREET. SO THAT WAS \$30,000. BUT IF WE CAN KEEP IT TO JUST A PRELIMINARY COST, PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE, THEN PERHAPS WE COULD DO IT FOR LESS THAN THAT \$30,000 THAT WAS ESTIMATED BACK IN 2023.

AND HOW LONG IS THIS GOOD FOR? I MEAN, IF WE'RE SPENDING THAT KIND OF MONEY, AND THEN WE DON'T MAKE THE DECISION, LIKE WE HAVEN'T IN THE PAST. NOW IT'S TWO YEARS BEYOND. NOW YOU'RE SAYING WE HAVE TO DO THIS AGAIN?

NO. SEE, WHEN IT WAS DONE IN 2023, KEEP IN MIND THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE A DESIGN. IT WAS CONCEPT LEVEL PLAN. SO THEY DID NOT HAVE A GOOD ESTIMATE, IN ORDER TO MAKE THAT RECOMMENDATION,

WHETHER TO MOVE FORWARD OR NOT. IT WAS JUST AN ESTIMATE AT THE TIME THAT WAS BASED ON CONCEPT, BUT THEN THE NEXT STEP WAS TO BE, TO ACTUALLY GET A DESIGN DONE FOR IT AND A GOOD COST ESTIMATE OR ROBUST COST ESTIMATE FOR THE WORK, BEFORE YOU GO OUT TO BID. TYPICALLY IN THE PROCESS THAT YOU FOLLOW. I'M USING, I'M SAYING \$25,000. I DON'T KNOW IF IT IS THAT MUCH FOR PRELIMINARY. OTHERWISE THEY'RE PREPARED TO RESPOND TO HOW MUCH IT WAS GOING TO COST FOR THAT, BUT WE COULD COME BACK. I MEAN, YOU KNOW, SAY IT'S UP TO \$25,000 FOR PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE, MAYBE THAT WILL GIVE US SOME FLEXIBILITY, SO WE COULD MOVE QUICKLY ON GETTING THIS DONE AND PROVIDE YOU THE ANSWER THAT YOU NEED BY THE TIME WE WOULD GET BACK TO COUNCIL.

I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHY WE WOULD BRING THE CONCEPT BACK LAST TIME THAT IS DEEMED NOT APPROPRIATE ENOUGH, BUT NOW WE HAVE TO SPEND A LOT OF MONEY AND NOT DO A CONCEPT, BUT DO MORE. IT JUST SEEMS CONTRADICTORY IN OUR PROCESSES.

WELL, IN ORDER FOR TOUS GO OUT TO BID ON IT, WE DO NEED PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, SO I DID WANT TO MENTION THAT. WE ARE GOING TO DO PALM AT SOME POINT. EITHER WE'RE GOING TO GET THE GRANT MONEY TO DO IT OR WE WOULD COME BACK AND SAY WE DIDN'T GET THE GRANT. WE HAVE HALF A MILLION DOLLARS TO DO ADDITIONAL WORK. THAT MONEY COULD BE PUT TOWARDS REPAIRING PALM AVENUE, OKAY? SO THIS MONEY, THIS INVESTMENT, IF YOU WILL, PALM AVENUE, IT'S NOT GOING TO BE WASTED BECAUSE THOSE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND THE COST ESTIMATE WILL BE USED TO BE ABLE TO GO OUT TO BID ON PALM, WHETHER IT'S GRANT FUNDED OR IT IS NOT GRANT FUNDED.

DOES THAT MAKE SENSE?

YES. IT'S SAFE TO ASSUME YOU HAVE TO DO THIS WITH ANY STREET THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO, YOU KNOW, EXTENSIVE REPLACEMENT?

THAT IS CORRECT. THEY ALL HAVE TO BE DESIGNED PROPERLY TO BE ABLE TO DETERMINE WHAT THE ROAD BASE IS GOING TO LOOK LIKE. WHAT THE DESIGN IS GOING TO BE FOR THAT ROAD. SINCE IT IS BEING RECONSTRUCTED. IT'S NOT A MATTER OF SAYING OH, WE ARE JUST GOING TO PUT, YOU KNOW, ONE INCH OVERLAY OVER THE WHOLE THING AND CALL IT GOOD. THEY ACTUALLY HAVE TO GO IN AND DO AN EVALUATION OF THE STREET, TO DETERMINE WHAT THE ROAD BASE IS SUPPOSE TO LOOK LIKE. DO A FULL DESIGN, AND THEN GET IT, AN ESTIMATE AS TO WHAT THAT WOULD COST.

I WOULD LIKE DIRECTION TO THE STAFF TO REVIEW WHAT THAT IS GOING TO BE BECAUSE ONE, IT'S NOT ON THE AGENDA TONIGHT.

CORRECT.

TWO, I HAVE SOME OPTIONS. AND THAT BEING ABLE TO ADDRESS IT, BUT I CAN'T TALK ABOUT IT RIGHT NOW. SO WE WILL BRING THIS ITEM BACK, IF WE THINK IT'S GOING TO BE A COST TO THIS, BUT THERE'S, I BELIEVE THERE'S A SOLUTION THAT I'LL BRING BACK.

OKAY.

SO WE COULD JUST POSTPONE THE PALM AVENUE DISCUSSION, AS FAR AS THE DIRECTION TO THE COUNCIL. I MEAN, DIRECTION TO THE STAFF, REGARDING THE DIGOUTS.

OKAY. COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

YEAH --

I SAID HINTON. SHE HAD BEEN WAITING.

YES, SO I WAS HERE IN '23 AND MADE THE VOTE, ON ONE OF THE VOTES. SO IF WE'RE GOING TO BRING THIS BACK, AND WE RESEARCHED THAT AND PUT MONEY INTO IT, DECIDING NOT TO MOVE FORWARD, I WOULD DEFINITELY WANT THE PAST STAFF REPORT ALSO ATTACHED, SO WE COULD SEE WHAT WAS DONE BEFORE, WHAT WAS SPENT BEFORE, AND THEN HAVE A FULL PICTURE.

OKAY, THANKS.

GO AHEAD, UNDERSTAND COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YES, GOING AHEAD WITH THE LIST, WITH ADDITION OF MAKING SURE THE BODEGA POTHOLES BECAUSE I THINK I HIT IT THE OTHER DAY. YOU KNOW, I NAILED IT. ANY WAY, IF WE COULD JUST DO THAT TONIGHT, I WOULD LIKE TO FOCUS ON PALM AVENUE, GETTING INTO THE CIP OR HOWEVER ELSE WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO FIGURE THAT

OUT, BUT WE WOULD BE GETTING MORE DONE THIS YEAR. I HOPE, LIKE TO YOUR POINT, LIKE WHATEVER STUDIES WE DO, WHATEVER SURVEYS, THESE KINDS OF THINGS. WE DON'T WASTE THEM.

OKAY. ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? COMMENTS?

CAN I MAKE A MOTION? [ INAUDIBLE ]

THERE IS A SECOND. SORRY, YOU'RE RIGHT.

THANK YOU, SO THE MOTION IS FROM VICE MAYOR MAURER AND COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN TO SUPPORT THE LIST OF DRAFT STREET LOCATIONS FOR THE DIGOUTS AND REPAIRS PROJECTS WITH THE INCLUSION OF THE BODEGA POTHOLE, WITH THE FINAL LIST TO BE RETURNED TO FUTURE CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR APPROVAL. AND STAFF WILL BE LOOKING INTO THE PALM AVENUE STREET, AND WILL BE BRINGING THAT AS A FUTURE AGENDA ITEM. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN?

YES.

VICE MAYOR MAURER?

YES.

MAYOR MCLEWIS?

NO.

MOTION PASSES, 4-1 WITH COUNCILMEMBER CARTER, HINTON, ZOLLMAN, VICE MAYOR MAURER IN SUPPORT AND MAYOR MCLEWIS IN OPPOSITION.

ALL RIGHT. WE'LL MOVE ON TO THE NEXT ITEM. THANK YOU SO MUCH, TONY, AND MARIO. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU ARE STILL ON THERE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION. SO LET'S SEE. THANK YOU. DID YOU HAVE A COMMENT?

FIVE MINUTE BREAK.

I APOLOGIZE. WHAT TIME IS IT? WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A FIVE-MINUTE BREAK. DOES THAT WORK FOR EVERYONE? OKAY. [ MEETING WILL RESUME AFTER A FIVE-MINUTE BREAK ]

ALL RIGHT, WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND -- ALL RIGHT, WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND KEEP MOVING ON HERE, MARY. YOU'RE GOOD? OKAY. SO WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO ITEM NUMBER SEVEN. CONSIDERATION OF FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION OF BLIGHT ORDINANCE. AND OUR CITY ATTORNEY IS GOING TO GO AHEAD AND TAKE CARE OF THAT.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS. THIS ITEM IS TO CONSIDER A PROPOSED ORDINANCE CHAPTER 8.90, COMMUNITY PRESERVATION, BLIGHT REDUCTION, AND SUBSTANTIALLY AMEND CHAPTER 1.04, CODE ENFORCEMENT AND GENERAL PENALTY IN THE MUNICIPAL CODE. SO AS BACKGROUND ON SEPTEMBER 2 OF THIS YEAR, THE COUNCIL GAVE DIRECTION TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE TO ADDRESS MAINTENANCE AND COMMUNITY IMPACTS IN NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMERCIAL AREAS. THERE WERE THREE ORDINANCES THAT THE COUNCIL GAVE DIRECTION FOR IT, AND THIS WAS ONE OF THEM. CHAPTER 8.9 ADDRESSES BLIGHT CONDITIONS, AND CHAPTER 1.04 ADDRESSES ENFORCEMENT OF ANY CODE VIOLATIONS, NOT JUST THE BLIGHT ORDINANCE, BUT REALLY A COMPREHENSIVE SORT OF GENERAL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE. OUR MUNICIPAL CODE CURRENTLY DOES HAVE SOME OF THE THINGS CAPTURED IT BE CHAPTER 8.90 OR 1.04 ARE SPRINKLED OTHER PLACES IN THE ORDINANCE REGARDING SPECIFIC TYPES OF VIOLATIONS. SO, YOU KNOW, THERE'S A SECTION ABOUT VEHICLE ABATEMENT THAT SOME LANGUAGE IN OUR WASTEWATER ORDINANCE, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT INCLUDES SOME ENFORCEMENT LANGUAGE AS WELL. BUT THIS IS INTENDED AS ONE PLACE TO HAVE SORT OF MORE COMPREHENSIVE REQUIREMENTS LOCATED IT IN ONE PLACE. IT DOESN'T ELIMINATE THOSE OTHER REQUIREMENTS. IT'S AN ADDITIONAL OPTION FOR HOW THE CITY CAN GO ABOUT ENFORCING ANYTHING. SOME OF THOSE EXISTING SECTIONS ARE, YOU KNOW, PERHAPS INCOMPLETE. SO FOR EXAMPLE, YOU HEARD EARLIER TONIGHT ABOUT INTERVIEWS ABOUT, YOU KNOW,

ENFORCEMENT OF SOME OF OUR ZONING CODE REQUIREMENTS. THE ZONING CODE DOES HAVE A SECTION ON ENFORCEMENT. BUT THAT AND THAT ADDRESSES THE REFERENCES AND ABATEMENTS AND FINES COULD BE ISSUED. IT DOESN'T INCLUDE ANY INFORMATION ON WHAT THOSE NOTICES SHOULD CONTAIN, AN APPEAL PROCESS, WHO THE NOTICES SHOULD BE SENT TO, ANYTHING LIKE THAT. SO YOU SEE THAT IN SOME PLACES IN THE CODE AS WELL. IS CHAPTER 8.9 ESTABLISHES THE BLIGHT STANDARDS AND IDENTIFIES CERTAIN CONDITIONS THAT ARE BLIGHT. IT DOES THAT IN TWO WAYS. ONE, THERE ARE SORT OF SOME GENERAL REQUIREMENTS THAT, YOU KNOW, THERE'S AN EXAMPLE UP THERE OF ANY CONDITION THAT'S DETRIMENTAL TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH SAFETY OR GENERAL WELFARE. WOULD BE QUALIFIED AS BLIGHT. THERE IS ALSO, YOU KNOW, MANY SPECIFIC EXAMPLES THAT ARE PROVIDED, SUCH AS THE CUMULATION OF LITTER DEBRIS, TRIMMINGS, TRASH PROPERTY, I SPELLED OUT IT WILL. AND THERE'S A NUMBER OF THOSE LAID OUT THERE IN THE ORDINANCE. SO THE ORDINANCE IS BROAD, AND IT IS BROAD AND INTENDED TO BE COMPREHENSIVE TO ADDRESS, YOU KNOW, SORT OF ANY POSSIBLE SCENARIO THAT COULD ARISE IN THE CITY THAT CONSTITUTES BLIGHT. THAT'S SIMILAR TO OUR NEIGHBORING CITIES IN SONOMA COUNTY. IT'S PRETTY COMMON FOR THESE TYPES OF ORDINANCES. THAT THEY HAVE GENERAL BROAD STANDARDS. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO CREATE AN ORDINANCE THAT IS BOTH BROAD AND HAVE OBJECTIVE STANDARDS, RIGHT? YOU COULD CREATE A NARROW ORDINANCE THAT REALLY ONLY ADDRESSES A FEW SCENARIOS AND CREATE OBJECTIVE STANDARDS. THAT CREATES OBJECTIVE STANDARDS FOR THAT. SO JUST AS ONE EXAMPLE, RIGHT? YOU MIGHT SAY GRASS THAT'S TALLER THAN, YOU KNOW, X NUMBER OF INCHES IS LIKELY TO HARBOR RATS OR BE A HEALTH OR SAFETY CONCERN OR A VISUAL BLIGHT. BUT THOSE RULES MIGHT BE DIFFERENT FOR IVY OR FOR ISSUES YOU KNOW, BUSHES OR TREE CANOPIES, OR ALL SORTS OF THINGS. AND SO YOU ARE RELYING ON CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO USE THEIR DISCRETION, YOU KNOW, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE CITY MANAGER. AND ULTIMATELY IT'S A POLICY CHOICE FOR THE COUNCIL, YOU KNOW, DO YOU WANT A TYPE OF BROAD ORDINANCE THAT COULD BE USED SORT OF IN ANY SITUATION THAT MIGHT COME UP OR DO YOU WANT SOMETHING MORE NARROW AND LIMITED WITH AN UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE MAY BE A SITUATION THAT COMES UP THAT DOES INVOLVE THE ORDINANCE THAT CAN'T BE ADDRESSED. SO ONE POSSIBLE ADDITION TO ADD THAT'S NOT INCLUDED IN THE SPECIFIC EXAMPLE, YOU KNOW, WOULD FALL WITHIN SOME OF THE GENERAL LANGUAGE, BIT SPECIFIC EXAMPLE ABOUT ADDING GRAFFITI. AS A TYPE OF BLIGHT, SO YOU WOULD ADD THAT DEFINITION OF WHAT GRAFFITI IS AND IT CONSTITUTES BLIGHT IF IT REMAINS FOR SEVEN DAYS AFTER THE NOTIFICATION FROM THE CITY. CHAPTER 1.04 WILL DEAL WITH ENFORCEMENT. EXISTING CHAPTER 1.04 AUTHORIZES CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT OF ANY VIOLATION OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE. THE PROPOSED CHAPTER 1.04 COMPLETELY REPLACES THE EXISTING ONE, AND ESTABLISHES NEW OPTIONS FOR ENFORCEMENT. IT MAINTAINS AN OPTION FOR CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT. THAT IS A STANDARD THING YOU SEE IN MUNICIPAL CODE. IT'S EXCEPTIONALLY RARE. I WORKED WITH CITIES IN SONOMA COUNTY FOR OVER A DECADE, AND I THINK ONE TIME, ONE OF THOSE CITIES EVEN BEGAN THE PROCESS OF CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT FOR A VERY UNIQUE CIRCUMSTANCE. OTHER THAN THAT, IT'S GENERALLY NOT THE APPROACH YOU WOULD TAKE FOR THOSE TYPES OF THINGS. FOR NO OTHER REASON, TO BE FRANK FOR NO OTHER REASON, THERE'S MANY REASONS, BUT THE CRIMINAL PROCESS IS QUITE SLOW. AND SO IF YOU ARE LOOKING TO GET RESULTS, IT IS NOT AN EFFECTIVE WAY. FOR ALL THE OTHER REASONS, YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO USE CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT. IF THE END RESULT IS WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR, IS THAT A CHILD THAT WILL END WITH A GUILTY VERDICT? IT'S NOT AN EFFECTIVE USE OF THAT PROCESS. IT IS BETTER THAN THE OTHER OPTIONS. BUT OF COURSE, THERE ARE OTHER OPTIONS WE WOULDN'T WANT TO USE CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT IN THESE SCENARIOS. ALSO NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS WE WERE TALKING ABOUT, CITATIONS AND ABATEMENT. SO NOTICE OF VIOLATION IS GENERAL LY THE FIRST STEP OF THE PROCESS. YOU NOTIFY THE PROPERTY OWNER OR RESPONSIBLE PARTY OF THE VIOLATION, AND WHAT NEEDS TO OCCUR IN ORDER TO CORRECT THE VIOLATION, AND THEN PROVIDE THEM TIME TO CORRECT IT. UNDER OUR -- THE INITIAL DRAFT THERE, WAS A REQUIREMENT THAT THE NOTICE OF VIOLATION MUST PROVIDE REASONABLE TIME TO CORRECT. RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO CHANGE THAT TO BE EXPLICIT AND SAY, YOU KNOW, 14 DAYS UNLESS IT'S IMMINENT HEALTH OR SAFETY RISK. SO THAT WAY YOU KNOW THIS IS NOT SOMETHING WHERE PROPERTY OWNERS ARE EXPECTED TO DO A CORRECTION INSTANTLY OR VIOLATION THAT'S ON SOMEONE'S PROPERTY FOR

BRIEF AMOUNT OF TIME IS GOING TO CREATE ANY SORT OF PENALTIES FOR SOMETHING. SIMILAR RECOMMENDATION THAT IT BE MADE CLEAR THAT FINES, ANY FINES THAT ARE ISSUED CAN'T BE ISSUED UNTIL THE NOTICE OF VIOLATION HAS BEEN ISSUED. AND A NOTICE OF VIOLATION ALSO CAN BE APPEALED. UNDER THE ORDINANCE, THE CITY MANAGER WOULD APPOINT A NEUTRAL CURING OFFICER TO REVIEW THAT. WE HAVE OTHER PORTIONS OF OUR CODE THAT HAVE SIMILAR APPEAL PROCESSES, LIKE THE CITY'S TOBACCO RETAILER ORDINANCE. IF VIOLATIONS AREN'T TIMELY CORRECTED, FINES CAN BE ISSUED. UNDER STATE LAW, THERE IS A SPECIFIC SCHEDULE OF FINES FOR THESE TYPES OF VIOLATIONS. IT'S \$100 FOR THE FIRST VIOLATION. AND THEN ESCALATE FOR REPEAT VIOLATION OF THE SAME REQUIREMENT OF \$500 PER DAY OF VIOLATIONS. EACH VIOLATION COULD LIKEWISE BE APPEALED. AND LASTLY, THERE'S OPTION FOR ABATEMENT. THE CITY CAN SEEK, IF PROPERTY OWNER IS NOT CORRECTING THE ISSUE, THE PROPERTY OWNER, THE CITY CAN SEEK AN ABATEMENT -- A WARRANT TO CORRECT THE VIOLATIONS AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE THAT INVOLVES -- SINCE THESE ARE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, WE GENERALLY NEED AN ABATEMENT WARRANT TO GO FROM A COURT TO GO AND CORRECT THE VIOLATION. SO THAT WOULD BE A SITUATION WHERE WE WOULD MAKE A FILING WITH SUPERIOR COURT AND SIMILAR TO CRIMINAL WARRANT. THEY WOULD REVIEW AND MAKE SURE THE STANDARDS WERE MADE AN ISSUE. THAT PROCESS IS NOT NECESSARY FOR SUMMARY ABATEMENT, WHICH IS AUTHORIZED BY THE CODE. AND SUMMARY ABATEMENT ALLOWS ABATEMENT WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE OR HEARING, IF THERE IS AN IMMINENT OR IMMEDIATE RISK TO PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY. SO YOU MIGHT THINK ABOUT TREE, MAYBE THAT'S BEEN DAMAGED IN THE STORM AND IS ABOUT TO COLLAPSE OR SIMILARLY LIKE MAYBE A RETAINING WALL THAT IF NOT IMMEDIATELY SHORED UP MIGHT COLLAPSE ONTO THE SIDEWALK WHERE THE PUBLIC IS WALKING. SO VERY RARE, VERY UNUSUAL SCENARIO, BUT THAT'S AN OPTION. AND IF THE PROPERTY OWNER DOESN'T REIMBURSE THE CITY FOR THE COST, THE COUNCIL HAS THE OPTION TO RECORD THAT AS A LIEN OR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON THE PROPERTY. SO THE NUMBER OF OPTIONS THAT COUNCIL COULD CONSIDER TODAY THAT COUNCIL COULD INTRODUCE AND HOLD THE FIRST READING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE PROPOSED EVIDENCE THAT THEY MENTIONED. YOU COULD JUST TABLE THE ORDINANCE ENTIRELY. DECIDE THIS IS SOMETHING YOU DON'T WANT TO PROCEED WITH AT THIS TIME. OR YOU COULD PROVIDE DIRECTION TO ME AND THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE AN UPDATED VERSION OF THE ORDINANCE, AND THERE ARE, YOU KNOW, ANY NUMBER OF THINGS YOU COULD PROVIDE DIRECTION ON. ONE COULD BE TO SPECIFY THIS ORDINANCE SHOULD ONLY APPLY TO AREAS THAT ARE VISIBLE FROM THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY, AND SORT OF ESSENTIALLY NOT APPLY IT TO BACKYARDS. OR YOU COULD SAY IT MIGHT ONLY APPLY TO COMMERCIAL AREAS, IF YOU'RE ONLY CONCERNED ABOUT COMMERCIAL AREAS AND NOT RESIDENTIAL AREAS. OR YOU COULD DIRECT US TO PREPARE SIGNIFICANTLY LIMITED ORDINANCE THAT ONLY ADDRESSES, YOU KNOW, TWO OR THREE SPECIFIC THINGS, IF THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE INTERESTED IN. OR, OF COURSE, ANY OTHER DIRECTION THE COUNCIL WANTS TO PROVIDE. THOSE ARE JUST SOME OPTIONS THAT SEEM MOST LIKELY BASED ON QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS THAT HAVE COME IN. SO WITH THAT, I WILL PAUSE FOR QUESTIONS. ALL RIGHT, SO WE'LL BRING IT BACK. COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN, YOU HAVE FIRST UP. [ INAUDIBLE ] THANKS, STAFF AND THANKS, ALEX, FOR THE WORK ON THIS. WHEN ALEX STARTED THE PRESENTATION, YOU SAID WE COULD ACTUALLY PREPARE ONE AND DISCUSS ONE THAT'S NARROWLY FOCUSED. AND IF THAT WERE THE CASE TO HAVE ONE THAT'S NARROWLY FOCUSED TO ADDRESS ANY CONDITIONS THAT ARE A THREAT TO HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC, BY VIRTUE OF THE UNSAFE, HAZARDOUS NATURE, WHAT TYPE OF EXAMPLES WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO PROVIDE? WHAT CITIES? [ INAUDIBLE ] SO WHAT CITY WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO SHOW US AS -- SO PERSONALLY I COULD DO MY OWN RESEARCH TO FIGURE OUT THE AMOUNT OF STAFF TIME IT TAKES TO DEAL WITH THE POTENTIAL UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF NARROWLY DRAFTED STATUTE? YEAH, SO I CAN'T SAY A SPECIFIC CITY OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD. I THINK IF YOU LOOK AT MANY OF THEM, FOR EXAMPLE, THEY HAVE LANGUAGE REGARDING ABATEMENT OF -- HAZARDOUS MATERIALS THAT ARE PROPERTY OR THINGS THAT MIGHT CAUSE FIRE, OR YOU SEE IT VERY COMMON IN ORDINANCES OF CLASSIFYING LANDSCAPING OR OTHER MATERIALS LIKELY TO HARBOR RATS AS THAT SORT OF THING. BUT AGAIN, IT IS HARD TO -- SO WE COULD NARROW IT TO JUST THOSE THINGS, BUT I DON'T THINK, FOR EXAMPLE, YOU COULD CREATE AN OBJECTIVE STANDARD ABOUT WHAT TYPE OF LANDSCAPING AND/OR, MATERIAL BUILD UP IN THE BACKYARD



IS HARBORING RATS OR OTHER TYPES. HOW MUCH STANDING WATER DO YOU NEED IT TO RISK MOSQUITOES OR THOSE SORTS OF THINGS? BUT YOU COULD NARROW IT, SO WE ARE ONLY FOCUSED ON THAT, NOT THINGS LIKE TRASH. WHILE IT MIGHT NOT LOOK GOOD, BUT TRASH SCATTERED AROUND A YARD DOESN'T CREATE A SAFETY CONCERN OR HEALTH CONCERN.

THANK YOU. OTHER QUESTIONS? COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

I HAVE A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS, BUT I THINK I'M GOING TO NARROW THOSE QUESTIONS TO SOMETHING LIKE SAY THIS IS ONLY -- IF I WERE MORE INTERESTED AND FOCUSED ON THE COMMERCIAL AREAS, RIGHT? I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND HOW AGGRESSIVE WE COULD BE ABOUT IT. I WAS WONDERING HOW ONEROUS THIS COULD BE FOR OUR STAFF AND FOR US TO PURSUE THESE AVENUES. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THIS COULD BE A TOOL TO SAVE SOME OF OUR EFFORTS? MARY MIGHT JUMP IN AFTER. BUT WHAT I WOULD SAY AS A PART OF THE ORDINANCE, THE CITY IS NOT ALSO BUDGETING FIVE NEW STAFF POSITIONS TO GO OUT AND DO THIS, LIKE AGGRESSIVE CODE ENFORCEMENT, WHERE WE ARE PROACTIVELY LOOKING FOR VIOLATIONS. IT IS REALLY TO GIVE THE CITY A TOOL AND HOPEFULLY A TOOL THAT CAN GET COMPLIANCE SOONER THAN OTHER CURRENT TOOLS, RIGHT? A THREAT THAT WE'LL CLEAN SOMETHING UP AND CHARGE YOU MIGHT BE MORE EFFECTIVE THAN A MEAN LETTER TO A PROPERTY OWNER WHO IS NOT COMPLETELY CLEANING UP THE ISSUE. SO HOPEFULLY THAT ANSWERS THE QUESTION. I DON'T KNOW, MARY, IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING?

NO, I AGREE. IT IS NOT TO GO OUT AND HURT BUSINESSES OR RESIDENTS OR THINGS LIKE THAT. IT IS TO HAVE A TOOL THOUGH IN SITUATIONS WHERE WE NEED IT AND WE DO NOT HAVE THAT IN PLACE. TYPICALLY IT'S BEEN ON THE COMPLAINT BASIS, WHICH I WOULD PROBABLY ASSUME THAT'S HOW IT'S GOING TO BE NOW, AS WELL, JUST RESPONDING TO COMPLAINTS. BUT HAVING THE TOOLS IN PLACE TO DO THAT WILL BE HELPFUL TO THE CITY.

THE ONE THING I WOULD ADD TOO IS BY CREATING PROCEDURES THAT YOU COULD USE FOR MULTIPLE SITUATIONS. IT DOES MAKE IT EASIER FOR STAFF TO ENFORCE IT, RATHER THAN, WELL, IT HAD SECTION, REGARDING THIS TYPE OF ISSUE THAT WE HAVE TO DO THESE PROCEDURES. BUT THE OTHER SECTION FOR THESE OTHER TYPE OF VIOLATION, WE DO THESE PROCEDURES. STAFF WILL HAVE TO RELEARN THE PROCEDURES EACH TIME FOR EACH TYPE OF VIOLATION, SO HOPEFULLY THIS MIGHT CUT DOWN ON SOME OF THAT STAFF TIME.

OKAY. SO JUST TO SUMMARIZE IT. IT'S A TOOL THAT ACTUALLY HELPS YOU GUYS OUT TO DO SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE ALL KIND OF LIKE TO DO? BUT BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO DO THAT BECAUSE OF BUDGET, WHICH IT SEEMS LIKE, BUT IS THERE ANY WAY TO PREVENT IT IN THREE YEARS THAT WE'LL GET A DIFFERENT CITY MANAGER THAT IS LIKE VERY SERIOUS? [ LAUGHTER ]

WELL, I GUESS I WOULD SAY TWO THINGS. YOU COULD APPEAL AN ORDINANCE AT ANY TIME. IF YOU HEAR FROM YOUR CONSTITUENTS, THIS IS BEING ENFORCED TO AGGRESSIVELY. YOU COULD REPEAL THE ORDINANCE. THE CITY MANAGER ALSO TAKES DIRECTION FROM THE CITY COUNCIL, AND SO I THINK ANY CITY MANAGER THAT WOULD WANT TO KEEP THEIR JOB, THEY WOULD TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION, DIRECTION FROM THE COUNCIL ABOUT HOW THINGS ARE ENFORCED. BUT I DON'T WANT TO SAY THERE WILL NEVER BE A SITUATION WHERE THERE IS, FOR EXAMPLE, FIVE OF YOU. YOU MIGHT HAVE FIVE DIFFERENT OPINIONS. THERE MAY BE FOUR OF YOU WHO THINK SOMETHING IS BLIGHT, AND ONE OF YOU WHO DOESN'T. SO I DON'T WANT TO SAY THERE IS NEVER A SITUATION WHERE SOMEONE WOULD BE UNHAPPY WITH HOW SOMETHING IS BEING ENFORCED.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

SO I HAVE THREE QUESTIONS THAT I'M GOING TO REEL THEM OFF HERE. WE GOT A LETTER FROM THE PUBLIC THAT SAYS WHY DOES IT INCLUDE REFRIGERATORS? THAT WOULD BE QUESTION ONE. QUESTION TWO IS YOU TALKED ABOUT GRAFFITI, BUT WHAT IF IT WAS DONE TO SOMEBODY'S PROPERTY AND THEY DIDN'T -- IT'S NOT THEIR FAULT. THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE MONEY TO FIX IT IN SEVEN DAYS? AND SO THAT IS NUMBER TWO OR BUSINESS, LOCAL BUSINESS. WHOEVER IT IS. AND I'LL JUST SAY I GUESS I'M CONCERNED ABOUT UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES BECAUSE THERE IS A LOT HERE. WITH THE COMPLAINT BASIS POLICY, YOU COULD HAVE A BATTLE BETWEEN NEIGHBORS, RIGHT? AND THEN RIGHT ON THE NEXT STREET, SOMEBODY IS DOING THE SAME

THING, AND I'M NOT SURE HOW AS A CITY, WE WOULD, HOW WOULD WE DEAL WITH THAT? IF WE ARE COMPLAINT BUSINESS ENFORCEMENT, SO THOSE ARE MY THREE QUESTIONS.

TO ANSWER THE FIRST QUESTION, THERE IS IN THE LANGUAGE, DEFINES ANY REFRIGERATOR AND AREA VISIBLE FROM ANY STREET OR ANY AREA, ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC, EXCEPT WHERE THE REFRIGERATOR SET OUT FOR THOSE COLLECTIONS. AND SO THAT IS THERE.

SO IT DOES COVER THAT?

YES.

IN THAT ONE SECTION, IT DOESN'T?

CORRECT.

IT IS HARD TO UNDERSTAND. BECAUSE I READ WHERE IT SAYS EXCLUDING REFRIGERATOR. IN ANOTHER SECTION?

IT'S SAYING REFRIGERATORS ARE NOT DESIGNED FOR THE OUTDOOR USE IN THE OTHER SECTION. IF YOU THINK THAT'S CONFUSING, WE COULD SIMPLY DELETE THAT. REGARDING THE LAST QUESTION, THERE IS DEFINITELY, YOU KNOW, IT IS LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE STAFF. JUST BECAUSE SOMEONE REPORTS IT, DOESN'T MEAN IT'S A VIOLATION AND IT DOESN'T MEAN THE CITY MANAGER OR WHOEVER STAFF IS WORKING ON IT THINKS ABOUT THE APPROPRIATE USE OF STAFF TIME TO SPEND SIGNIFICANT STAFF TIME ADDRESSING WHAT MIGHT BE A MINOR OR TECHNICAL VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE.

GRAFFITI.

CAN'T AFFORD IT?

YES, SO THAT IS AN ISSUE THAT COUNCIL HAS TO DECIDE, RIGHT? RIGHT NOW, WE SAY SEVEN DAYS AND YOU WOULD GET TO KNOW THIS AND YOU HAVE 14 DAYS TO FIX IT. FOR ANY OF THESE ISSUES, I MEAN, SOMEONE COULD DUMP SOMETHING ON YOUR PROPERTY. THERE IS A BALANCE THAT COUNCIL WILL HAVE TO DECIDE WHAT THE RIGHT BALANCE IS FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE. YOU COULD HAVE THE VIEW OF YOUR PROPERTY, AND IT IS UNFORTUNATE, BUT YOU HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF IT OR, YOU KNOW, YOU COULD EXCUSE ALL OF THOSE SITUATIONS COMPLETELY OR PROVIDE MORE TIME. IT IS SORT OF THE DECISION FOR THE COUNCIL TO MAKE.

I HAVE ONE MORE LAST LITTLE THING HERE, AND THAT IS YOU SAID THAT WE WOULDN'T WANT TO CRIMINALLY ENFORCE, BUT THEN WHY ARE WE INCLUDING IT IN THE ORDINANCE IF WE DIDN'T WANT TO DO IT? I'M CURIOUS.

YES. IT WAS A PART OF OUR EXISTING ORDINANCE. IT WAS THE ONLY OPTION CURRENTLY PROVIDED AND IT IS STANDARD FOR CITY STAFF THAT'S AN OPTION, BUT IT IS SO RARE TO BE USED. I DON'T THINK THERE WOULD BE SIGNIFICANT CONSEQUENCES IF THEY WANTED TO SAY LET'S GET RID OF IT. THAT WOULD NEVER BE SOMETHING WE WANTED TO PURSUE.

OKAY. I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS. I'M COMING FROM THE PLACE OF HAVING DEALT WITH THIS ON OUR STREET, ALL OF OUR NEIGHBORS, FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS, DEALT WITH SOME ISSUES ON OUR STREET. AND I KNOW EXTENSIVELY ABOUT ASKING FOR ENFORCEMENT, ALL OF US DO, BECAUSE WE ALL AGREED ON THE SAME THING. SO THE QUESTION I HAVE, AND WE MET A LOT OF AVENUES THAT RESULTED IN NOTHING BECAUSE WE WERE TOLD THEY COULDN'T DO IT, ENFORCE THIS OR THAT, WHATEVER. SO THE QUESTION THAT I HAVE, JUST FOR CLARITY IN MIND. INTENT OF THIS IS BASICALLY JUST TO PROVIDE THE CITY WITH MORE OPTIONS FOR ALLOWING ENFORCEMENT, IS THAT CORRECT?

CORRECT.

OKAY, I WANTED TO MAKE SURE BECAUSE WE HAD A DECADE OF FRUSTRATION, DEALING WITH HAZARDOUS AND BLIGHT ISSUES AND SUCH. THE OTHER QUESTION THAT I HAVE IS SO WHEN WE SAY DANGEROUS, AND I KNOW YOU SAID WE CAN'T CREATE AN OBJECTIVE THING. BUT WHO HERE, AT THE CITY, IS THE ENFORCER? WE KEEP SAYING STAFF. WHO IS THE STAFF THAT ENFORCES? IS IT DIFFERENT BASED ON THE ISSUE THAT IT IS AND BASED ON WHAT DEPARTMENTS DO THE ENFORCEMENT?

I COULD SPEAK TO THIS. BUT UNDER THE CODE, THE CITY MANAGER, ANY PERSON BY THE CITY MANAGER COULD BE THE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. AS TIME EVOLVES, MAYBE DIFFERENT POSITIONS THAT IT WILL MAKE



SENSE TO DO SOME OF THIS WORK AS WELL. A LOT OF CITIES, THERE MAY BE PEOPLE WHO DO THIS. BUT PRIMARILY NOW, IT'S HANDLED BY, EXCUSE ME, THE BUILDING OFFICIAL.

SO ANOTHER QUESTION I HAVE IS HEARING YOU SAY THAT, IS THERE A WAY FOR US TO HAVE SOME SORT OF INFORMATION FOR ALL OF THEM HERE TO BETTER UNDERSTAND WHO IS ACTUALLY ENFORCING? THE REASON I SAY THAT BECAUSE BEFORE I GOT ON COUNCIL, I WAS PASSED AROUND ALL OVER THE PLACE. I WAS TOLD TO CALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. I TALKED TO ALL THESE PEOPLE, WHERE IT SEEMED LIKE I WAS IN THIS CIRCLE OF WHO COULD DO IT AND IT WILL IS NEVER A RESOLUTION. IS THERE A WAY FORTOUS PROVIDE MORE CLARITY IN THAT WAY, SO OTHER PEOPLE NOW SITTING HERE, I DON'T WANT TO HAVE THAT SITUATION FOR THE OTHER PEOPLE?

WE COULD CERTAINLY ADVERTISE WHERE COMPLAINTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED FOR THESE TYPES OF COMPLAINTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED.

BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT WHO ACTUALLY IS RESPONSIBLE? BECAUSE I KNOW WE HAD -- THE QUESTION THAT CAME TO MIND IS WE HAD SOME PEOPLE SAY SOME OF NEED ORDINANCES EXIST, WHY ARE WE DOING THIS? AND THEN I STARTED ASKING, DO WE HAVE AN ENFORCEMENT ISSUE? IT IS SUCH A FRUSTRATING PROCESS. DO WE HAVE AN ENFORCEMENT ISSUE OR, YOU KNOW, HOW CAN WE MAKE THIS EASIER FOR PEOPLE? REGARDLESS?

I COULD THINK ABOUT THE BEST ADVERTISING TO PEOPLE, SO THEY KNOW WHAT TO CONTACT. WE HAVE A SEPARATE VEHICLE ABATEMENT ORDINANCE, WHICH IS THE CHIEF OF POLICE, RESPONSIBLE FOR ENFORCING THAT. THERE MAY BE PORTIONS THAT DESIGNATES SOMEONE ELSE TO ENFORCE THAT. SO I DON'T HAVE A GREAT ANSWER FOR THAT ON THE TOP OF MY HEAD, BUT WE COULD COME BACK WITH SUGGESTION, IF THEY WANT TO MOVE FORWARD OR SUGGESTIONS ON HOW WE CAN, YOU KNOW, MAKE THE PUBLIC KNOW WHO IS IN CHARGE OF ENFORCING THESE REQUIREMENTS.

OKAY. IT WAS JUST ABOUT, OH MY GOSH, IT JUST LEFT MY HEAD. THE ACTUAL, I'M TRYING TO THINK, SORRY. SO I'M GOING TO GO OVER TO VICE MAYOR MAURER, THEN I'LL COME BACK.

SO I WANT TO GIVE YOU A HYPOTHETICAL, BASED ON THE ORDINANCE, AND SEE IF THIS IS ACCURATE. IN THE ORDINANCE, THIS APPLIES TO PRIVATE PROPERTY, APPLIES TO COMMERCIAL PROPERTY. IT WILL APPLY TO FRONT YARDS AND BACKYARDS, AND IT WILL APPLY TO THE CONDITION OF THE BUILDING, FENCES, WALKWAYS, CAN'T HAVE SCRAP WOOD, SCRAP METAL. IF YOUR CAR BREAKS DOWN AND YOU LEAVE IT IN THE DRIVEWAY, IT COULD ONLY BE THERE FOR 72 HOUR. OKAY, SO SAY SOMEBODY, OR IF YOU HAVE A CAMPER, YOU CAN'T TAKE YOUR CAMPER OFF AND LEAVE IT IN THE DRIVEWAY FOR 72 HOURS, I GUESS. IF YOU'RE A COLLECTOR OF SCRAP METAL, SOMEBODY COMPLAINTS. IT LOOKS LIKE THE CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT FOR THAT, AND THIS IS MY QUESTION, COULD BE PUNISHABLE OF A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000 OR SIX MONTHS IN JAIL. THAT'S -- IS THAT CORRECT?

IF THE CITY, THAT IS FOR THE MISDEMEANORS THAT ARE PUNISHABLE IN THE STATE LAW, IF THEY WENT, DECIDED TO DO CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT. THAT WOULD BE THE MAXIMUM PENALTY. CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT INVOLVES A WHOLE OTHER JUDICIAL PROCESS WHERE THERE'S PRELIMINARY HEARINGS AND ARRAIGNMENTS, AND ULTIMATELY YOU'RE ENTITLED TO A WAY, RIGHT TO THE TRIAL BY JURY. SO ALL OF THAT IS THEORETICALLY POSSIBLE. IF THEY DECIDE TO MOVE FORWARD, NOT REMOVE THAT LANGUAGE.

OKAY, I'LL REFRAIN IT A LITTLE BIT AND SAY SOMEBODY HAS A CAR AND THE CAR BREAKS DOWN, AND THEY LEAVE IT IN THEIR DRIVEWAY. IT'S NOT OPERATABLE. A NEIGHBOR COMPLAINS. IT'S BEEN SITTING THERE FOR 72 YEARS. THE NEIGHBOR COMPLAINS. SO THEN THERE'S ANOTHER FINE, KIND OF A LESS FINE. IS THAT PERSON THAT CAN'T AFFORD TO REPAIR THEIR CAR THEN FINED \$100?

FIRST, THE CITY HAS NO WAY TO KNOW THAT THE CAR IN THE DRIVEWAY IS INOPERABLE. THEY WOULD COMPLAIN.

BUT THE CITY WILL GO TO INVESTIGATE. CITY HAS NO WAY, THE ENGINE WON'T START. THE CITY HAS NO PROOF THAT VEHICLE IS INOPERABLE. HOW THAT ACTUALLY GETS ENFORCED IS EITHER THE VEHICLE THAT'S NOT REGISTERED ANYMORE OR A VEHICLE THAT'S MISSING PARTS THAT ARE REQUIRED TO USE IT, YOU KNOW, THAT IT WILL MAKE IT INOPERABLE. THE CITY CAN'T FORCE SOME THINGS THAT DOESN'T KNOW THE VIOLATION

EXISTS. SO I WOULD SAY THAT'S THE FIRST POINT. JUST BECAUSE THE NEIGHBOR WILL COMPLAINT, THE VEHICLE IS INOPERABLE. ALL OF THIS IS THE CAR IN THE DRIVEWAY, THAT THEY COULD ISSUE THE CITATION. BUT LET'S SAY IT IS SITTING THERE AND DOESN'T HAVE ANY TIRES ON IT, RIGHT? WE KNOW IT IS INOPERABLE WITH NO TIRES. IF IT REMAINS THAT WAY FOR 72 HOURS, THE FIRST STEP WOULD BE THEN TO ISSUE THE NOTICE OF VIOLATION. IF THEY INCORPORATE THE PROPOSED CHANGE, THERE WOULD BE 14 DAYS FOR THE PERSON TO CORRECT THE VIOLATION. THEN AFTER THAT, THE CITY COULD ISSUE FINES. BUT IT IS ENTIRELY UP TO THE COUNCIL, WHETHER YOU THINK THAT'S OPERATE, TOO MUCH TIME, SOMETHING THAT JUST SHOULDN'T BE SUBJECT TO FIND THIS AT ALL.

AND ISN'T IT RATHER SUBJECTIVE TO SAY IF WE ARE SAYING THIS VEHICLE IS INOPERATIVE, ISN'T IT SUBJECT? FOR EXAMPLE, WEEDS ARE NOT ALOUD, RIGHT? BUT FOR ONE PERSON, IT'S A WEED. FOR ANOTHER PERSON, THEY COULD SEE THAT AS A NATIVE PLANT? THEY DON'T SEE IT AS A PROBLEM, BUT NEIGHBORS ARE COMPLAINING BECAUSE OF THE WEED, BUT THEY DON'T SEE IT LIKE THAT. SO THERE ARE SO MANY EXAMPLES OF THAT. WOOD, SCRAP METAL, PLANT CUTTINGS? I MEAN, THOSE ARE SPECIFIC THINGS. I HAVE A LOT OF THIS IN MY YARD. MY HUSBAND HAS A WOODPILE. WE HAVE A CAMPER. WHEN YOU HAVE TO TAKE IT OFF THE TRUCK. YOU CAN'T LEAVE IT IN THE STREET ANYMORE AND NOW YOU CAN'T LEAVE IT IN YOUR DRIVEWAY BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO GET FINED FOR THAT OR THERE IS A RISK OF BEING FINED FOR THAT, YEAH? YES. IT IS THE COUNCIL, WHETHER THAT IS A DIRECTION THAT YOU WANT TO GO IN.

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? VICE MAYOR, DID YOU HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

I JUST THOUGHT OF ANOTHER ONE. SAY A NEIGHBOR COMPLAINS. I SEE SOMETHING IN. I'M SORRY. I SEE SOMETHING IN THEIR YARD OVER THERE. I DON'T LIKE HOW THAT LOOKS. CAN YOU COME INVESTIGATE? DOES THAT MEAN THAT OUR CITY MANAGER HAS TO GO AND LOOK IN THEIR BACKYARD TO SEE THE OFFENDING, WHATEVER IT IS? I MEAN BECAUSE YOU HAVE INSPECTION RULES. [ LAUGHTER ] I'M SORRY.

SO THERE IS NO OBLIGATION FOR THE CITY TO DO ANYTHING. YOU COULD, YOU KNOW, FIRST IN THE SITUATION, TO ENTER THEIR PROPERTY, YOU NEED TO RETAIN AN INSPECTION WARRANT. YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO VIEW IT THAT YOU ARE NOT, BUT IF YOU WANT TO GO INSPECT IT, YOU HAVE TO DO IT. SO LET'S SAY THEY COME UP AND SAY MY NEIGHBOR HAS BARRELS OF OIL IN THEIR BACKYARD. HERE ARE THE PICTURES OF IT, AND RIGHT NEXT TO IT ARE CANS OF GASOLINE, AND I SEE X, Y, Z. THIS MIGHT BE SOMETHING IT'S A SERIOUS TO INVESTIGATE IT. THE COMPLAINT, IF THEY SAY SOMETHING GENERIC, LIKE I DON'T LIKE WHAT I SEE IN THE BACKYARD, I THINK THE CITY MANAGER WOULD PROBABLY SAY WE HAVE A LOT GOING ON THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO RESPOND TO RESPONSES, ALLEGATIONS. NO DIFFERENT THAN IF SOMEONE CALLS UP THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND SAYS OH, MY NEIGHBOR IS A BAD GUY. THEY WON'T LAUNCH AN INVESTIGATION ABOUT THAT.

OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I GUESS I WANT TO GO BACK. THE SPIRIT OF HAD IS TRULY JUST TO HELP US OF TAKING CARE OF SITUATIONS THAT ARE TRULY NOT ACCEPTABLE, AND, YOU KNOW, CREATE ISSUES OR, YOU KNOW, SAFETY ISSUES, ETC.. I MEAN, IS THAT FAIR TO SAY?

THE CITY WAS RECEIVING, YOU KNOW, I DON'T KNOW LOTS, BUT RECEIVING COMPLAINTS ABOUT THESE TYPES OF CONDITIONS THAT WEREN'T COVERED BY ANYTHING AND ARE IMPORTANT.

AND IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING FROM READING IT, IF WE HAVE PROPERTIES WHERE HOMES ARE NOT, YOU KNOW, NOT OCCUPIED AND THEY ARE NOT MAINTAINED. THEN THIS WILL ALSO ALLOW THE CITY TO DEAL WITH THOSE SORTS OF ISSUES, RIGHT?

THEY WOULD BECOME THE ATTRACTIVE NUANCES OR UNSECURED, YES.

CORRECT BECAUSE WE DO HAVE SOME OF THAT IN THE CITY, I BELIEVE. ALL RIGHT, IF THERE IS NO OTHER QUESTIONS, THEN I THINK WE COULD GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. THIS IS PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THE BLIGHT ORDINANCE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT. IT'S A TWO-MINUTE PUBLIC TIME PERIOD. I COME TO CHAMBERS FIRST, THEN GO OUT TO ZOOM. MICHAEL?

I WANT TO THANK --  
YOUR MICROPHONE.

IS THIS BETTER? GOOD EVENING, COUNCIL MEMBERS. YOU PROBABLY GOT MY E-MAIL IN REGARDS TO THIS. I THINK IT'S A LITTLE BIT REDUNDANT. WHILE IT AIMS TO MAKE IT MORE CLARITY, EVERY ISSUE THIS ADDRESSES, THE MUNICIPAL CODE ALREADY HAS IN PLACE, A WAY TO ADDRESS IT. BUT ONE POINT IN HERE, AS A MATTER OF FACT, THAT I FOUND UNDER DEFINITIONS ON THE NEW ONE, IT SAYS HOUSEHOLD ITEMS. HOUSEHOLD ITEMS MEANS INCLUDING ANY PART OF THE ITEM, USED IN THE INTERIOR OF THE DWELLING. BY WAY OF EXAMPLE AND NOT LIMITATION. TERM INCLUDES WASHING MACHINES, SINKS, STOVES, HEATERS, BOILERS, TANKS, ETC. WELL, THAT KIND OF DESCRIBES THE ART SCULPTURE. SO WHY SOME PEOPLE, INCLUDING MYSELF, THINK OF THAT AS ART. DOES THAT MEAN THEN BECAUSE IT IS OUT IN THE FRONT YARD THAT A PERSON WHO SEES IT AS BLIGHT COULD COMPLAIN AND SAY THIS IS LIGHT? IS THERE AN EXCEPTION FOR HOUSEHOLD ITEMS THAT ARE REARRANGED AS ART BECAUSE THERE SHOULD BE FOR THAT. SO THAT'S MY COMMENT. THANK YOU.

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

YEP.

THANK YOU.

CAN YOU STILL SEE THE TIMER?

I CAN.

GREAT, GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

YOU GUYS ARE DRIVING ME CRAZY HERE. THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS ON THE AGENDA. I THOUGHT IT WAS GOING TO BE A QUIET NIGHT F. THIS IS A LOT OF TIME THAT ALEX HAS PUT INTO THIS. IT'S AMAZING. CITY HAS AN EXISTING ORDINANCE. AND I'M HAVING A HARD TIME UNDERSTANDING EXACTLY WHAT THE PROBLEM IS YOU'RE TRYING TO SOLVE. THIS IS NOT REALLY AN ISSUE THAT SHOWED UP AS A HIGH PRIORITY. MAYOR MCLEWIS DID DESCRIBE A SITUATION THAT MIGHT BE SOLVED LIKE THIS THAT MAYBE THIS HELPS. BUT HER SITUATION MIGHT HAVE BEEN SOLVED BY SIMPLY SIGNING SOMEONE IN THE CITY TO DEAL WITH COMPLAINTS THAT CAN TO DEAL WITH EXISTING ORDINANCE OR INTERVENE AND TRY TO GET THE PERSON TO COMPLY. I'M NOT SURE THE PENALTIES HERE ARE EXCESSIVE. HOW IS IT GOING TO BE ENFORCED? WILL THE POLICE CHIEF WALK AROUND? SOMEBODY SAID THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT. I DON'T KNOW IF WE GOT HIRED YET OR NOT, BUT THERE IS ONLY ONE PERSON THERE IN ADMIN, I BELIEVE. IT DOESN'T SEEM REALISTIC TO DO THIS. THEY'VE GOT OTHER THINGS TO DO. HOPING FOR MORE STAFF IN THE FUTURE THAT YOU COULD ASSIGN TO THIS IS GREAT, BUT FINANCIALLY, NOT LIKELY. IF YOU DON'T HAVE RESOURCES TO ENFORCE THIS, OTHER THAN COMPLAINTS, HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH SELECTIVE ENFORCEMENT? I THINK IN CALIFORNIA, MAYBE IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE CONSTITUTION, YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO CHARGE SOMEONE AND NOT CHARGE A SIMILAR SITUATED PERSON, YOU KNOW, ONE NEIGHBOR COMPLAINS ON THE STREET, AND THAT PERSON IS CRIMINALLY CHARGED, TWO BLOCKS AWAY, THE SAME BROKEN DOWN CAR SITTING IN THE DRIVEWAY. NO ONE COMPLAINED, NO CHARGES. I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT WILL GO IN COURT, BUT I'M GUESSING IT WILL BE EXPENSIVE TO DEFEND IT. SEVERAL TIMES IT'S BEEN SOMETHING THAT COUNCIL COULD MAKE DECISIONS. THERE ARE SO MANY ELEMENTS TO THIS AND SO MANY SCENARIO INS ARE COMING UP TONIGHT. HOW IS THE COUNCIL GOING TO DO THAT UNDER THE BROWN ACT? THEY CAN'T SIT DOWN AND BRAINSTORM ON THIS THING.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. IF THERE IS ANYONE IN CHAMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT?

HI, MY NAME IS STEVE. I THINK IT'S A GREAT IDEA TO CLEAN UP THE CITY AND MAKE SURE IT LOOKS PRESENTABLE TO THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE THERE, AND EVERYONE ELSE WHO COMES TO VISIT. MY ONLY CONCERN IS TO RESEARCH AND MAYBE WITH THE ATTORNEY AND WHOEVER ELSE, I WAS THE PRESIDENT OF THE HOA. I WAS ABLE TO FIND HOMEOWNERS WHO DIDN'T FOLLOW THE RULES. PROBLEM WITH FINING IS NOT SOMETHING YOU CAN TACK ON TO THEIR HOME, IF YOU DECIDE TO PUT THEM IN FORECLOSURE. IT'S A SEPARATE ISSUE. I UNDERSTAND THAT. BY YOU HAVE TO FIGURE OUT WHAT ARE THE RAMIFICATIONS IF SOMEONE IS FINED? HE PAYS THE FINE. DOESN'T TAKE CARE OF THE PROBLEM. YOU FINE THEM AGAIN, HE PAYS THE FINE. HE MAKES MORE WITH THE JUNK THAT'S IN HIS FRONT YARD THAN WHAT YOU'RE CHARGING HIM. THAT'S SOMETHING YOU WANT TO THINK ABOUT. WHAT'S THE END RESULT TO GET THE SITUATION RESOLVED?

YOU DON'T WANT US TO KEEP FINDING PEOPLE. YOU WANT US TO GET TO THE ENDING, TO THE CLOSURE. THAT'S ALL. SO WORK ON THAT.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. I'LL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. IF ANYONE ON ZOOM WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON BLIGHT ORDINANCE PROPOSAL, RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, I'LL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. IF ANYONE IN CHAMBERS WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE, PUBLIC COMMENT IS CLOSED ON THIS ITEM.

THANK YOU. AND JUST BASED ON THAT PUBLIC COMMENT, DO YOU HAVE AN ANSWER FOR THAT? SO THE CITY CAN ISSUE FINES, AND WE CAN DO AN ABATEMENT WHERE WE GO AND ACTUALLY CORRECT THE ISSUE, RIGHT? SO LET'S SAY THERE IS A LOT OF REFRIGERATORS IN THE FRONT YARD, LIKE WE COULD GET APPROVAL TO, YOU KNOW, GETTING AN ABATEMENT WARRANT TO COLLECT THE REFRIGERATORS, THEN CHARGE THE PROPERTY OWNER FOR THOSE COSTS. WHERE IT IS EXPLICITLY ALLOWED TO LIEN THE PROPERTY FOR THAT OR RECORD IT AS A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT. SPECIAL ASSESSMENT MEANS IT'S ADDED TO THE PROPERTY TAX RULES FOR THEM TO PAY AND THEN THEY WILL PAY IT AND THE COUNTY WILL DEAL WITH WHETHER OR NOT THEY WOULD GET PAID OR NOT. SO THE CITY WILL BE ABLE TO COLLECT. IT'S CERTAINLY GOING TO BE ABLE TO COLLECT THAT COST IF THEY WILL GO THROUGH ANY ABATEMENT PROCEEDINGS. AND THEY COULD RECORD FINES AGAINST THE PROPERTY AS WELL.

OKAY, THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER HINTON.

YEAH, I'M JUST GOING TO GO OUT FIRST ON THIS BECAUSE I CAN THINK OF ALL KINDS OF THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN IN MY YARD IN THE LAST 32 YEARS THAT ARE IN HERE AND IN MY DRIVEWAY. I THINK THERE ARE SO MANY UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES TO THIS. I WOULD BE WILLING TO LOOK AT THE BRIEFER ORDINANCE THAT WOULD SOLVE THE PROBLEM THAT DOESN'T INVOLVE BACKYARDS, THAT DOESN'T INVOLVE CRIMINAL ACTION, THAT DOESN'T INVOLVE \$500 A DAY FINES, THAT IS OUT OF REACH FOR SO MANY PEOPLE THAT ARE TRYING TO SURVIVE. I MEAN, I KNOW I HAVE A ROTTED FENCE POLE IN MY BACKYARD. I'M NOT GOING TO SUPPORT THIS TONIGHT. I THINK WE CAN'T NEGOTIATE THIS. IT'S A DEEP BROAD ORDINANCE, AND THERE ARE SO MANY CHANGES THAT WILL NEED TO BE MADE TO MAKE IT VIABLE. I UNDERSTAND THE INTENT AND MAYBE WE DID KIND OF SIGN THE INTENT, BUT I THINK IT'S TOO MUCH, AND I WON'T BE SUPPORTING.

COUNCILMEMBER?

I WON'T BE SUPPORTING IT. MY QUESTION TO ALEX, IT WAS COUCHED ON THE CONTENT THAT I DON'T WANT TO PAY THEM MORE MONEY OR HAVE MONEY SPENT ON RESEARCH TO TRY TO FIND A STATUTE THAT I THINK I'M LOOKING FOR, WHICH IS ONE THAT IS SO TAILED TO ADDRESS ANY CONDITION THAT IS TO BE CONSIDERED A THREAT TO HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC BY VIRTUE OF THE UNSAFE, DANGEROUS, AND HAZARDOUS NATURE. WHEN I ASKED ALEX THAT QUESTION, IT DID NOT SEEM LIKE IT WAS GOING TO BE AN EASY ANSWER TO NOT SEEM LIKE HE WAS GOING TO GO OH, THE CITY OF SONOMA HAS ONE AND I'LL SEE ONE IN TWO WEEKS. THAT IS THE SITUATION. SO AS A RESULT, I'M NOT SUPPORTING THIS EITHER.

AND JUST BASED ON THE COMMENTS JUST NOW. I'M GOING TO MAKE A COMMENT VERY QUICKLY BECAUSE I DEALT WITH THIS ISSUE FOR A DECADE. JUST TO SPEAK TO DANGEROUS SITUATIONS. YES, STEVE IS ONE OF MY NEIGHBORS. WE'VE HAD A SITUATION, WHICH NOW IS RESOLVED, JUST THROUGH SIMPLY NEGOTIATING WITH THE FAMILY. WE HAD AN ELDERLY GENTLEMAN WHO HAD THREE CARS STORED IN HIS DRIVEWAY AND ON THE STREET. THEY WERE FULL OF STUFF. WINDOWS DOWN, CLEARLY INOPERABLE, AND THEY WERE THERE, TWO OF THEM THERE FOR FOUR YEARS AND THEY WERE FULL OF RATS. RATS RUNNING AROUND THE STREETS. THEY HAD LITTLE KIDS. AND THESE THE AS ARE RUNNING AROUND THE STREET. AND SO WE TRIED TO DEAL WITH THIS ISSUE THROUGHOUT THE CITY SO MANY TIMES, AND NO MATTER WHAT WE DID, WE COULD NOT GET TO THE PLACE WHERE ANY ENFORCEMENT HAPPENED TO ACTUALLY TAKE, YOU KNOW, TO BE ABLE TO GET THESE CARS REMOVED BECAUSE OF JUST THE ORDINANCES THAT WE HAVE. SO PERSONALLY, I'M SUPPORTIVE OF IT HAD SIMPLY BECAUSE OF HAVING TO DEAL WITH THIS FOR OVER A DECADE. AND IN ADDITION TO THE DANGEROUS SITUATIONS WHERE WE HAD PROPANE TANKS IN THE YARD, AND I WAS TOLD THOSE COULDN'T BE IT WILL AND SOMEONE FROM THE CITY CAME OUT AND SAID, WELL, THEY'RE EMPTY. HOW CAN YOU TELL THEY'RE EMPTY? I'VE GONE BACK AND FORTH FOR THIS FOR SO MANY YEARS. AND I'M SUPPORTIVE OF IT HAD HAVING GONE

THROUGH THE PROCESS LITERALLY FOR A DECADE, AND I LOVE MY NEIGHBOR. IT WAS A BAD SITUATION THAT GOT RESOLVED AND GETTING THEM TO TAKE CARE OF IT. I WANT TO POINT OUT SOME OF THOSE DANGEROUS SITUATIONS, WHERE NONE OF US FELT WE COULD DO ANYTHING. WE WERE WATCHING THESE RATS RUN AROUND, WORRYING THE KIDS WERE GOING TO BE IMPACTED. THOSE ARE SOME OF THE SITUATIONS WHERE I SAW THIS WAS VERY BENEFICIAL. IN ADDITION TO THE GRAFFITI, CVS HAD A GRAFFITI AND IT STAYED THERE FOR WEEKS. SO IN MY OPINION, SOME OF THE STUFF WILL COMPEL PEOPLE TO ACTUALLY TAKE CARE OF THEIR SITUATIONS BECAUSE THEY ARE UNFORTUNATE. I DON'T WANT ANY OF YOU TO BE IN THAT SITUATION THAT ALL OF US WERE IN ON OUR STREET, BUT IT'S BEEN CHALLENGING. WE'VE ALL HAD TO DEAL WITH THAT. ALL IT TAKES IS JUST GETTING ONE PERSON WHO IS NOT ABLE OR WILLING TO DEAL WITH THAT AND YOUR WHOLE NEIGHBORHOOD IS INVOLVED. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO TO TAKE CARE OF THAT? I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THAT SIMPLY BECAUSE OF THE LAST DECADE OF WHAT WE WITNESSED AND TO COMPEL PEOPLE TO DO THINGS. VICE MAYOR MAURER?

SO I UNDERSTAND, WHAT I UNDERSTAND IS THE BOTTOM LINE, THIS IS THE TOOL TO GET COMPLIANCE SOONER. BUT IN MY OPINION, IT'S TOO STRICT. THE CONFERENCE IN SAN FRANCISCO WHEN I WAS FIRST SELECTED. I WAS TALKING TO THE CITY MANAGER IN THE BAY AREA AND THEY SAID OH, THEY'RE SO KIND. I REALLY FELT GOOD ABOUT THAT. THIS IS THE REPUTATION THAT WE THOUGHT WAS KIND. BUT THIS IS NOT KIND AT ALL. I DON'T FEEL LIKE IT IS SEBASTOPOL AT ALL. THERE ARE TOO MANY SPECIFICS THAT DON'T PRESERVE THAT KIND OF REPUTATION OF SEBASTOPOL. THERE'S A RISK OF PINNING NEIGHBORS AGAINST NEIGHBORS. I DISCUSSED THIS WITH SOME OF MY NEIGHBORS. ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS THEY SAID, WHY DIDN'T WE GET A NOTICE OF SOMETHING LIKE THIS? IF THE CITY IS GOING TO REACH INTO PEOPLE'S BACKYARDS, FRONT YARDS, BUSINESSES BACKYARDS AND FRONT YARDS, HAVE THE ABILITY TO GO IN AND INSPECT THESE PLACES AND SUCH SERIOUS FINES. MAYBE THERE SHOULD HAVE BEEN MORE NOTICE. BUT FOR ME, I DON'T SUPPORT IT. I THINK IT'S WRONG TO PUN ACCOMPLISH PEOPLE WHO ARE ARTISTS, WHO ARE CONSTRUCTION PEOPLE, WHO REPAIR PEOPLE. I THINK WE HAVE ENOUGH LAWS ON THE BOOKS RIGHT NOW THAT COVER THE MAJORITY OF THIS. IF WE DON'T, I'M WILLING TO TALK ABOUT THAT. IT IS TOO SUBJECTIVE THAT THERE IS NO COMMON SENSE HERE. SO YEAH, THANK YOU.

I WAS KIND OF LEANING TOWARDS SOMETHING THAT COULD HELP OUR COMMERCIAL DISTRICT PEOPLE GOING IN AND OUT AND SOMETIMES RESIDENCES OFFER THE MOST AMBIGUITY AND THE MOST DANGER FOR A SLIPPERY SLOPE, THAT KIND OF THING. BUT THERE ARE, YOU KNOW, AS MY THING IS A LITTLE BIT MORE DOWNTOWN ORIENTED, YOU KNOW, I'M WONDERING IF NARROWING IT TO A COMMERCIAL ZONE WOULD BE MORE PALETTABLE. IF THAT'S HELPFUL OR IF WE ALREADY HAVE THE TOOLS FOR GOING AFTER, I MEAN THERE, ARE AT LEAST A FEW THINGS TO THINK OF, YOU KNOW, SOME OF THEM ARE OF COURSE TO A LOT OF PEOPLE, THAT WE COULD TAKE CARE OF IN THE COMMERCIAL DISTRICT. BUT I'M NOT SURE WHERE I'M GOING WITH THIS.

I HAD A QUESTION. IF WE DON'T DO THIS, YOU KNOW, WE RECEIVED AN E-MAIL RECENTLY ABOUT A PROPERTY THAT WAS BEING UTILIZED BY THE NEIGHBORS AND SUCH BECAUSE IT IS NOT AN OCCUPIED HOUSE. I MEAN, THE WHOLE POINT OF THIS WAS JUST BECAUSE WE HAVE SOME OF THESE SITUATIONS THAT ARE THROUGHOUT THE CITY. I GUESS I'M JUST WONDERING FROM MY COLLEAGUES, HOW DO WE GET TO A YES ON SOMETHING AND WHETHER OR NOT WE COULD DO THAT TONIGHT? BUT IT JUST SEEMS LIKE DOING NOTHING AFTER BRINGING THIS BACK JUST SEEMS LIKE SUCH A WASTE. SO I'M JUST, I MEAN, --

WELL, I MEAN, AS MENTIONED, PEOPLE COMMENTED THERE. THERE ARE THINGS IN OUR ORDINANCE THAT ARE EXISTING MUNICIPAL CODE.

NO, I UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT WE HAVE SOME OF THESE SITUATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN AROUND FOR YEARS. ARE YOU TELLING ME WE HAVE AN ENFORCEMENT ISSUE INSTEAD? I MEAN, --

SO I THINK THERE MAY BE SOMETHING. THERE ARE DEFINITELY SITUATIONS WHERE WE CALLED COMPLAINTS PARKING LOTS THAT ARE FILLED WITH VEGETATION THAT THERE IS NOTHING IN OUR CODE THAT WILL PROHIBIT THAT. THERE ARE OTHER SITUATIONS WHERE THERE MAY BE, YOU KNOW, OUR VEHICLE ABATEMENT

REQUIREMENT, ORDINANCE WHERE WE COULD GO THROUGH THAT PROCESS FOR CERTAIN THINGS. YOU KNOW, I DON'T KNOW IF THAT ANSWERED YOUR QUESTION.

NOT REALLY.

WOULD THIS BE A COSTLY THING TO CITY STAFF? TO MAYBE PUT THAT INTO THE SUMMER AND LET US, AS, WHERE ARE WE? A BODY OF SOMEBODY? AND TO ABSORB AND THINK ABOUT ASKING QUESTIONS, GET OURSELVES MORE KIND OF WITH OUR COMMUNITY BASE AND FIGURE OUT KIND OF HOW WE NEED TO ADDRESS THIS? AND ALSO SEE IF WE CAN'T ALSO ADDRESS THINGS IN A DIFFERENT WAY TO SEE IF THAT WORKS FIRST BEFORE WE DO IT?

THEY COULD ALWAYS BRING BACK SOMETHING IN THE FUTURE, IF YOU WANTED. YOU KNOW, THERE WERE SOME DIFFERENT COMMENTS, I HEARD FROM YOU. SOME OF WHICH SEEMED TO BE A LITTLE, NOT SURE HOW THEY COULD BE MELDED TOGETHER, BUT OF COURSE, COUNCIL CAN ALWAYS DECIDE TO TAKE UP ANOTHER ITEM IN THE FUTURE, IF DESIRED.

MARY?

VICE MAYOR MAURER?

I'M SORRY, SORRY. I'D LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION WE DO NOT INTRODUCE THIS ORDINANCE, ADDING CHAPTER 8.90 AND AMENDING CHAPTER 1.04.

I'LL SECOND IT.

CAN I SUGGEST YOU AMEND THAT TO TABLE IT, AND THAT WAY IT WOULD BE DEAD?

TABLE IT? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

THAT MEANS BASICALLY YOU'RE KILLING IT.

YES, THEN THAT'S WHAT I'LL DO. TABLE IT.

THAT'S ACCEPTABLE.

BEFORE WE MAKE A MOTION, CAN I INPUT, GIVE SOME INFORMATION. I THINK WHAT WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL FOR THE COUNCIL AND THE COMMUNITY AS WELL IS THAT ALEX AND I WORK ON WHAT IS IN THE CODE RIGHT NOW, SO IT'S CRYSTAL CLEAR, INSTEAD OF GOING THROUGH, YOU KNOW, 17 DIFFERENT CHAPTERS. WE CREATED A FACT SHEET, YOU KNOW. WHAT CONSTITUTES A CONDEMNED HOUSE? WHAT IS A PROCESS? WHO TO CONTACT? SO I THINK HAVING THAT INFORMATION MIGHT BE GOING TO CODE ENFORCEMENT. WHO IS IN CHARGE OF WEED ABATEMENT? SO I WILL BRING THAT BACK. I THINK THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL, SO YOU KNOW, MAYBE THERE IS SOMETHING MISSING. MAYBE GRAFFITI IS MISSING AND MAYBE THAT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED SOMEWHERE. I WANT TO ADD THAT, AND I'LL GO AHEAD AND WORK WITH ALEX TO CREATE THAT. SO THE MOTION IS FROM VICE MAYOR MAURER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN TO TABLE THE BLIGHT ORDINANCE. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN?

YES.

VICE MAYOR MAURER?

YES.

MAYOR MCLEWIS?

NO.

OKAY, THE MOTION PASSES, 4-1 WITH COUNCILMEMBER CARTER, HINTON, ZOLLMAN, IN SUPPORT AND MAYOR MCLEWIS IN OPPOSITION.

ALL RIGHT, LET'S SEE. SO NOW WE'RE GOING TO --

CAN I ASK A QUICK QUESTION BEFORE WE MOVE ON? IF YOU'RE GOING TO BRING IT BACK, WILL THAT BE AN INFORMATIONAL ITEM?



IT WILL JUST BE AN INFORMATIONAL ITEM. HERE'S WHAT'S IN THE CODE, HERE IS WHAT CODE ENFORCEMENT CAN DO, WHO IS RESPONSIBLE, AND THEN WE'LL POST THAT ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE, SO THERE IS INFORMATION ON HOW TO GET A HOLD OF IT.

YOU JUST READ MY MIND. I WAS GOING TO ASK, WILL IT BE ON OUR WEBSITE? THAT WILL BE A FUTURE ITEM. THANK YOU. SO WE'LL MOVE ON TO ITEM NUMBER EIGHT. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR CITY TO COSPONSOR MICAH'S HUGS NARCAN DISTRIBUTION BOX, THE POTENTIAL LOCATION, 207 NORTH MAIN STREET, IS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY. COUNCIL APPROVAL IS REQUIRED FOR CIRA TO COVER ANY LIABILITY THROUGH OUR EXISTING POLICY. CITY WILL SUBMIT ENCROACHMENT PERMIT TO CALTRANS IF ITEM IS APPROVED, AND THIS IS COVERED BY PUBLIC WORKS, SO ERIC?

THANK YOU. THIS IS A FOLLOWUP ITEM FROM A PRESENTATION MADE BACK IT IN SEPTEMBER BY MICAH'S HUGS. AT THAT POINT, COUNCIL WANTED US TO BRING BACK A POSSIBLE LOCATION. I THINK DURING THAT EVENING, WE HAD A LOCAL BUSINESSWOMAN IN CHAMBERS THAT VOLUNTEERS HAD THE BOX PUT IN FRONT OF HER BUSINESS. THAT'S 207 NORTH MAIN STREET. SHE HAS OFFERED TO KEEP IT STOCKED WITH SUPPLIES. WE WOULD NEED TO PARTNER WITH THE CITY FOR THAT BECAUSE IT WOULD BE PUT INTO A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY, SO THE CITY WOULD HAVE SOME RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY FOR THAT, JUST LIKE ANY OTHER ITEM IN A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY. WE CURRENTLY HAVE NEWSPAPER STANDS ON THE SIDEWALK. THEY WILL REACH OUT TO CALTRANS. CURRENTLY THAT'S COVERED IN OUR MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT, BUT WITH A REPURPOSED NEWSPAPER STAND, THAT MIGHT BE SOMETHING DIFFERENT. WE'LL REACH OUT TO SEE IF ANY ADDITIONAL PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR THAT. WE WOULD KIND OF BE THE FIRST ONE IN THE AREA THAT WOULD BE DOING THIS. THEY HAVE OTHER DISTRIBUTION BOXES. OTHER MUNICIPALITIES, PETALUMA, SONOMA, BUT THEY'RE ACTUALLY ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. THIS IS THE FIRST ONE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY, SO I GUESS THAT IS WHY WE HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF BACK AND FORTH, TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO TAKE CARE OF THIS, TO MAKE SURE IT WAS OKAY. SO THERE IS A LITTLE BIT OF RISK AND LIABILITY ON THE CITY FOR THAT. SO THAT'S MY SPIEL. I'M OPEN FOR ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU GUYS MIGHT HAVE ON THAT.

OKAY, COUNCILMEMBER CARTER, GO AHEAD.

I JUST HAD A LOCATION SPECIFIC QUESTION. I'M NERVOUS FOR THE FARMERS MARKET, BUT MAYBE IT'S KIND OF FACING THE MAIN STREET THERE?

YES. 207 NORTH MAIN STREET. SO IT COULD BE FACING THE OLD CVS BUILDING. ON MAIN STREET. IT WOULDN'T BE FACING THE FARMERS MARKET. OR RITE AID, EXCUSE ME. THANK YOU.

OTHER QUESTIONS? I HAVE QUESTIONS, OKAY. I'M JUST WONDERING, I SEE THIS ONE PROPERTY HERE, BUT HAS ANYONE REACHED OUT TO OTHER PROPERTIES TO SEE, YOU KNOW, IF ANYONE ELSE WITH PRIVATE PROPERTY WOULD ALLOW THIS? WHAT RESEARCH HAS BEEN DONE IN MANY OTHER PLACES?

THE OTHER RESEARCH FOR PUBLIC PROPERTY BECAUSE SOMEONE WAS OFFERED TO DO IT AND THEY KIND OF WANTED IT DOWNTOWN.

IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING WHEN THEY WERE HERE LAST TIME, IT'S ONE OF THOSE THINGS THAT IT WAS THOUGHT IT COULD BE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, BUT THEN THAT WAS A PART OF THE DISCUSSION? AND THEN IT SWITCHED TO WE CAN'T DO IT THERE BECAUSE IT IS TOO SMALL AND NOW IT'S ON PUBLIC. AM I RECALLING THAT CORRECTLY?

YES. MY UNDERSTANDING, THERE'S AN ISSUE WITH ASSESS ABILITY, BASED ON THE PREVIOUS LOCATION BECAUSE OF THE SHORT -- IT WAS PRIVATE PROPERTY, BUT ACCESSIBILITY ISSUE.

OKAY, HI A QUESTION FOR OUR POLICE CHIEF, IF THAT IS OKAY? I JUST HAD A QUESTION AS FAR AS HOW MANY OVERDOSES DO WE HAVE ON OUR SIDEWALKS HERE IN THIS CITY?

I DON'T KNOW.

WHAT'S AN OVERDOSE? HOW DO WE QUALIFY THAT? IS IT DRUG AFFECTED OR SOMEONE UNCONSCIOUS, DRUG INFECTED? WE DO DEAL WITH PEOPLE THAT ARE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS, WHETHER THAT PARTICULAR PRODUCT WOULD -- ONCE AGAIN, I CAN'T TELL YOU OF ANY CERTAINTY.

DO YOU HAVE NARCAN AT YOUR -- AT THE POLICE STATION?



OUR OFFICES CARRY IT. WE DON'T STOCK IT IN THE FRONT OF THE BUILDING, BUT WE DO HAVE THAT, YES.

OKAY, THOSE WERE MY QUESTIONS THAT I WONDERED. GO AHEAD.

AND SO I WAS TOLD THERE WERE SOME STORES THAT WOULD HAVE A SIGN AND THE STORE THAT THEY WOULD SAY NARCAN AVAILABLE. AND I'M WONDERING IF, LIKE A STORE THAT WAS OPEN 24/7, LIKE 7-ELEVEN OR SAFEWAY HAD BEEN ASKED IF THEY COULD STOCK THAT OR IF IT COULD BE INSIDE THE STORE, WOULD IT BE FREE? AND THAT WAY IT WOULDN'T NECESSARILY BE ON THE STREET, WHERE YOU KNOW, KIDS COULD ACCESS IT OR I WAS JUST CURIOUS IF THAT WAS DISCUSSED OR THOUGHT ABOUT.

IT WAS NOT. WE SPECIFICALLY WORK WITH MICAH. KIND OF THE WHOLE THING IS THE DISTRIBUTION BOXES THAT ARE AVAILABLE 24/7. THEY ARE AVAILABLE TO ANYBODY TO COME UP AND GET THEM AS NEEDED, SO THAT IS WHERE WE'RE FOCUSING ON, NOT INDIVIDUAL BUSINESSES AND LOCATIONS.

DO YOU KNOW IF THEY HAVE THIS AT THE SCHOOL?

I'M NOT SURE.

OKAY. I JUST WONDER BECAUSE I KNOW THIS ALL STARTED WITH IT.

I DON'T KNOW IF THEY ACTUALLY HAVE THAT DISTRIBUTION ON SITE.

IS THERE A WAY TO KEEP KIDS FROM BEING ABLE TO ACCESS THIS YOUNGER KIDS? I MEAN, IT IS JUST AN OPEN BOX. IT IS JUST OPEN TO ANYONE?

CORRECT.

OKAY.

SO I'LL ADMIT BEING, LIKE HAVING A 10-YEAR-OLD. I'M KIND OF NERVOUS ABOUT JUST RANDOM KIDS, MONKEYING WITH THIS, WONDERING WHAT THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES WE OFTEN DEAL WITH MIGHT BE. I'M NOT REALLY SURE WHAT THEY ARE. IF THIS PARTICULAR LOCATION MIGHT BE A BIT TOO PUBLIC, BUT I DEFINITELY WANT IT ACCESSIBLE. I UNDERSTAND THE VOLUNTEERS, THE GENEROSITY, IN TAKING CARE OF THIS. I KIND OF HAVE A QUESTION FOR SOMEBODY IN THE AUDIENCE HERE. I FEEL IT'S LOCAL TO THIS.

WELL, I MEAN, WE DON'T -- DO WE HAVE ANY? IT WILL GO TO PUBLIC --

OH, OKAY. I REALLY WANT TO SUPPORT STAFF. I FEEL THIS IS A SUPER NEEDED THING, AND I KNOW YOU REALLY DON'T HAVE A WHOLE LOT TO DO WITH IT. BUT, YOU KNOW, I AM NERVOUS ABOUT THE LOCATION, AND I AM NERVOUS ABOUT, YOU KNOW, JUST RANDOM KIDS DECIDING TO DO THINGS.

COUNCILMEMBER, I WAS GOING TO SAY IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION, YOU COULD SAY IT NOW, AND THE PERSON COULD ANSWER IT DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT.

YOU KNOW, I'M KIND OF CURIOUS ABOUT THE LOCATION, IF ANYBODY IS HOME TO THIS LOCATION OR NEARBY THIS LOCATION OR IF THEY HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY ABOUT WHETHER THEY LIKE THIS OR NOT?

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

SO THERE'S NO INVESTMENT IN OUR PART. SO WE COULD DO THIS FOR TRIAL, FOR EXAMPLE, AND HAVE IT MONITORED, AND ASK OUR VOLUNTEER TO COUNT HOW MANY GET GIVEN AWAY OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. THE ONLY INVESTMENT WOULD BE THE LIABILITY?

THE LIABILITY.

BECAUSE THEY WOULD PROVIDE THE BOX AND THEY WOULD INSTALL IT.

RIGHT, OKAY.

SO THE LIABILITY, I HAVE A QUESTION. I HAVE NARCANNED A LOT OF PEOPLE, I'M A LICENSED RESPIRATORY THERAPIST. WORKED IN THE HOSPITAL FOR 20 YEARS. I HAVE ASSISTED AND GIVEN NARCAN OVER A THOUSAND TIMES, LIKELY, JUST BECAUSE IT'S EASY FOR THE ELDERLY TO BE OVERMEDICATED. EVERY TIME WE GIVE THAT, WE HAVE TO SECURE THE PEOPLE WITH THEIR ARMS AND THEIR LEGS. BECAUSE WHEN YOU GIVE NARCAN, IT CAUSES A VIOLENT REACTION WHEN YOU REVERSE IT. IT DOESN'T MATTER IF THEY ARE DRUG ADDICTS OR IF THEY HAVE BEEN SLIGHTLY GIVEN MEDICATION. AND THEY HIT, THEY SPIT, THEY BITE. THERE'S LIKE A LOT OF DIFFERENT REACTIONS THAT CAN HAPPEN. SO THE LIABILITY PORTION OF THAT, WHAT I'M WONDERING. SO IF WE HAVE THAT AND SOMEONE GIVES NARCAN ON THE STREET AND SOMEONE GETS INJURED. I MEAN IN THE HOSPITALS, WE LITERALLY SECURE PEOPLE DOWN BEFORE WE, YOU KNOW, WHILE WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF GETTING IT, WE ARE ALL OKAY, YOU GOT A HAND, AN ARM, A FOOT. SO WHAT HAPPENS, SOMEONE WHO

DOESN'T ACTUALLY HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH THIS, DOES THIS ON THE STREET AND GETS WALLOPED? WHERE IS THE LIABILITY?

SO THE ONLY WAY THEY WILL HAVE ANY LIABILITY ON THE CITY IS TO NOT DO THAT. YOU KNOW, LIABILITY COULD BE FURTHER THAN EMITTED BY HAVING THE PERSON SPONSOR THIS. BUT THAT STILL DOESN'T ELIMINATE ALL LIABILITY FOR THE CITY. AND THERE ARE OTHER MITIGATION STRATEGIES OF WARNINGS. YOU COULD PUT ON IT. YOU COULD HAVE BOXES THAT ARE, YOU KNOW, MAYBE CHILD LOCKED IN A WAY, THAT SORT OF THING. AND ALSO THEY INDICATED, YOU KNOW, THIS WOULD FALL WITHIN THEIR COVERAGE, SO THERE IS PROTECTION FROM THEM, OF COURSE, BUT THAT WOULD INVOLVE US PLAYING OUR DEDUCTIBLE. SO IT DOESN'T CREATE SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE. OF COURSE, YOU KNOW, IF YOU HAVE NUMEROUS CLAIMS THAT COULD CHANGE OUR PREMIUMS. SO THERE IS NOT SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE, BUT THERE'S CERTAINLY THE POSSIBILITY OF LIABILITY.

BUT IF THE KID WERE TO GET IT, YOU KNOW, TWO KIDS WALKING DOWN THE STREET, THERE ARE TWO BUDDIES. I MEAN, THERE IS STILL A RISK WITH THAT AND THESE ARE CHILDREN?

YEAH.

YES. THERE COULD BE LIABILITY. YOU COULD TRY TO ADDRESS THAT BY, YOU KNOW, PUTTING THE EQUIVALENT OF CHILD LOCKS ON THESE THINGS, YOU KNOW, THAT PROBABLY WOULD DEAL WITH TEENAGERS, BUT YOU KNOW, YOUNGER CHILDREN, THEN YOU HAVE ARGUMENTS ABOUT THE REASONABLENESS OF YOUR ACTIONS. BUT THE ONLY WAY TO ELIMINATE ANY RISK OF LIABILITY IS TO NOT MOVE FORWARD WITH IT.

OKAY, THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? OH.

I DON'T KNOW IF I HAVE A QUESTION. ARE WE DEBATING THIS RIGHT NOW?

JUST QUESTIONS. IF NOT, WE COULD GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. SO THIS IS PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THE REQUEST FOR THE LOCATION OF THE MICAH'S HUGS NARCAN DISTRIBUTION BOX ON 207 NORTH MAIN STREET. IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, AGAIN, IT'S A TWO-MINUTE LIMIT. I'LL GO TO CHAMBERS FIRST AND THEN ZOOM. MICHAEL?

GOOD EVENING AGAIN. SO TO ANSWER COUNCILMEMBER CARTER'S QUESTION, IT IS DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF MY SHOP ON MAIN STREET. IN 32 YEARS I'VE BEEN THERE, I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYBODY O.D. THERE. HOWEVER, I DO HAVE NARCAN IN MY SHOP IN THE CASE THAT ACTUALLY DOES HAPPEN, AND I KNOW HOW TO USE IT. THERE IS NARCAN AVAILABLE AT WEST COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER, WHERE YOU CAN GET NARCAN NEEDLES, NEEDLE DISPOSALS, YOU KNOW. WITH PROVIDERS, I'VE HAD CONVERSATIONS ABOUT WHETHER THE NARCAN ACTUALLY AIDS PEOPLE IN GETTING AS HIGH AS THEY POSSIBLY CAN OUT IN THE STREET AND KNOWING THEY CAN COME BACK FROM THAT. SO THERE WAS A QUESTION EVEN AMONGST THE PROVIDERS, WHETHER IT IS HELPING OR HURTING. THAT IS THE MAIN THOROUGHFARE EVERY DAY THAT THE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WOULD WALK RIGHT PAST THAT. SO CURIOSITY WILL PROBABLY GET THE BETTER OF THEM AND IT WILL HAVE TO BE STOCKED REGULARLY BECAUSE WHO KNOWS WHERE IT WILL WIND UP. THE PERSON THAT VOLUNTEERED TO PUT IT IN FRONT OF HER BUSINESS AT 207, WHICH I'M AT 227, NEVER TALKED TO THE LANDLORD. THE LANDLORD IS ABSOLUTELY OPPOSED TO THIS. SHE DOESN'T WANT IT THERE. SHE DOESN'T WANT THE LIABILITY. SHE WON'T INDEMNIFY THE CITY AND SHE WON'T BUY THE INSURANCE. SO THAT IS MY SENTIMENTS ABOUT IT. I MEAN, I RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF IT, AND THAT'S WHY I KEEP NARCAN IN MY SHOP IN THE CASE WHERE IT'S NEEDED.

THANK YOU, MICHAEL FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF THERE IS ANYONE ON ZOOM THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, I'LL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. OLIVER?

YEAH, I DID SAY IN SEPTEMBER THAT SADLY NARCAN HAS BEEN WEAPONIZED, SO IT IS ACTUALLY BEING USED AS A WEAPON, PARTICULARLY BY GANG MEMBERS AND PEOPLE LIKE THAT. WHICH IS KIND OF THE DARK. SO I WISH WE WOULD HAVE BEEN ELUDING TO. I'M OPPOSED TO IT. I MEAN, IT'S KIND OF A SOLUTION LOOKING FOR A PROBLEM IN A WAY BECAUSE I THINK THE BIG STORES LIKE WHOLE FOODS AND SAFEWAYS, I WOULD IMAGINE HAVE SOMEBODY TRAINED HOW TO USE NARCAN. A LOT OF THE BIG COMPANIES HAVE GONE THROUGH ALL OF IT HAD IN THE LARGER CITIES. YOU CAN GO INTO CVS AND THEY WILL GIVE YOU NARCAN FREE. I DON'T SEE ANY ADVANTAGE OF HAVING A CONVERTED NEWSPAPER BOX, WHERE IT'S FREE CANDY IN IT OR FREE NARCAN OR

WHATEVER BECAUSE IT'S COMPLETELY IN CONTROL AND PROBABLY ALL THE WRONG PEOPLE WILL GET IT FOR ALL THE WRONG REASONS, PARTICULARLY THE KIDS. YOU COULD MAKE AN ARGUMENT YOU COULD HAVE NARCAN DOWN BY TRIAL, WHERE THERE ARE NOT A LOT OF DRUG ADDICTS LIVING IN THE BUSHES OR IT COULD BE AT THE LIBRARY, FOR EXAMPLE, WHERE THERE'S SOME DEGREE OF SORT OF MONITORING OF WHAT GOES ON. BUT TO HAVE IT IN THE THOROUGHFARE AS MICHAEL SAID WITH SCHOOL KIDS WALKING PAST EVERY DAY. I THINK IT'S NOT GOING TO SOLVE MANY PROBLEMS AND PROBABLY CREATE AN AWFUL LOT. AND FINALLY, IN ENGLAND, PARTICULARLY ALL THE OLD RED PHONE BOXES HAVE DEFIBRILLATORS IN THEM, AND THEY HAVE QUITE OFTEN, NARCAN, BUT IT'S ALL FAR MORE CONTROLLED THAN I WOULD ARGUE, IF WE'RE GOING TO GO AROUND THIS PART OF THE CITY, WE SHOULD HAVE A FIRST AID STATION WITH DEFIBS AND ALL THAT KIND OF EQUIPMENT AND NARCAN WITH SOME SORT OF DEVICE WHERE YOU HAVE TO BREAK GLASS OR SOMETHING TO GET TO IT AND NOT MUCH IT SORT OF AN EASY THING, WHERE YOU COULD JUST GRAB A HANDFUL AND PUT IT IN YOUR POCKET WHEN YOU WALK PAST. SO I THINK IT'S A REALLY TERRIBLE IDEA, BASICALLY. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, OLIVER FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. MARY, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE?

YES.

THANK YOU. CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER?

YES.

GREAT, GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

I THINK THE PROBABILITY OF THIS BECOMING A PROBLEM FOR THE CITY LEGALLY IS PRETTY HIGH. WE DON'T NEED ANYMORE LAWSUITS IN THIS CITY. I THINK THAT'S THE CONCLUSION OF WHAT'S GOING ON TONIGHT. THANKS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. IF ANYONE IN CHAMBERS WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE NARCAN DISTRIBUTION BOX LOCATION, PLEASE COME UP TO THE PODIUM. SEEING NONE, I'LL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. IF THERE IS ANYONE ON ZOOM THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, PUBLIC COMMENT IS CLOSED ON THIS ITEM.

ALL RIGHT, BRINGING IT BACK FOR COMMENTS. COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN IS RIGHT UP THERE.

YES. SO THIS CAME UP AT THE SEBASTOPOL NON-PROFIT COLLABORATIVE MEETING WITH MICAH'S HUGS CAME AND EXPRESSED AND FILLED US ALL IN ABOUT THE BENEFITS THAT THE CITY OF PETALUMA HAS RECEIVED FROM HAVING THIS, THE METHOD OF DELIVERY, AND ALSO THE COUNTY HAS AT LEAST A COUPLE BASED UPON E-MAILS. I'M IN SUPPORT OF IT BECAUSE THEY ARE ONE OF OUR NON-PROFITS. THEY HAVE DONE TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF WORK, AND THEY ACTUALLY HAVE, AGAIN, WORLD RECORD FOR THEIR TRAINING. THE RISK IS BY OUR CITY ATTORNEY, WHO JUST STATED AGAIN TONIGHT, THAT THERE'S NOT A SUBSTANTIAL RISK ASSOCIATED WITH WE THIS TYPE OF PROPOSED CONFIGURATION. SO I REMAIN SUPPORTIVE OF IT. FOR THOSE THAT HAVE RESIDUAL CONCERNS, MAYBE WE GO WITH COUNCILMEMBER HINTON'S THOUGHT, WHICH IS WE JUST DO THIS ON A TEMPORARY BASIS, AND WE SEE HOW IT GOES. BECAUSE THE CITY IS NOT INVESTING ANYTHING OTHER THAN ITS INSURANCE. THAT'S THE REASON WHY IT WENT THROUGH SARAH BECAUSE I'M THE COUNCIL'S LIAISON TO OUR CIRA BOARD, SO THANKS.

COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YEAH. I REMAIN SUPER SUPPORTIVE OF THE EFFORT. NOT REALLY SUPPORTIVE OF THE LOCATION. I'M NOT REALLY SURE WHERE A BETTER LOCATION COULD BE, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO TRY TO FIND JUST A LITTLE BIT OF A BETTER LOCATION AND VERY NERVOUS ABOUT THAT LOCATION. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS OR THIS IS WORKING.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

SO I'M VERY SUPPORTIVE OF NARCAN AND MICAH'S HUGS, AND THE WHOLE MOVEMENT. I DO HAVE FRIENDS THAT HAVE LOST MOSTLY TEENAGE CHILDREN TO THIS EPIDEMIC. I CAME IN EXPECTING TO SUPPORT THIS TONIGHT. BUT I THINK I HAVE CHANGED MY MIND, AND I DO, AM HIGHLY CONCERNED. I CARRY THIS IN MY GLOVE BOX, AND I DO THINK IT'S A GOOD THING TO HAVE IN THE HANDS OF TEENAGERS, BUT I AM HIGHLY

CONCERNED FOR THAT YOUNGER, NOT HAVING SOME SORT OF CHILD PROOF LOCK BECAUSE I ALSO, ONE OF MY KIDS WERE LITTLE, THEY ALWAYS LIKED TO TRY THINGS OUT AND EXPERIMENT. THEY WOULD DO CRAZY THINGS WHEN THEY WERE OUT OF MY EYESIGHT, SO I'M L REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT TWO 10-YEAR-OLDS OR PEOPLE TRYING THIS OUT THAT WOULD JUST BE ABLE TO PLUCK IT. AND I THINK IT'S RIGHT IN THE PATH OF WHERE SCHOOL KIDS WALK, SO I DON'T THINK I COULD SUPPORT IT TONIGHT WITHOUT SOME MORE PROTECTIONS OF SOME SORT, SO IT CAN'T GET INTO OUR YOUNG THAT'S UNDER 11 OR 12, SO THAT'S GOING TO BE WHERE I'M GOING TONIGHT.

OKAY.

IT SEEMS TO ME THAT RATHER THAN HAVING SOMETHING LIKE THIS ON THE STREET AND OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE AT ALL HOURS TO ANYONE. IF THERE'S A WAY THAT SAFEWAY COULD HAVE THEM. I DON'T KNOW, MAYBE THEY ALREADY DO, BUT THEY'RE OPEN 24/7. IF PEOPLE KNOW OH, SAFEWAY HAS ONE OR 7-ELEVEN, THEY'RE OPEN 24/7. SO I DON'T KNOW IF THE NON-PROFIT HAS CHECKED OUT THOSE TWO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS. I GUESS THAT WOULD BE A QUESTION TO COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN, IF THOSE HAVE BEEN, HAVE THOSE BEEN CHECKED OUT? YOU DON'T KNOW? OKAY. OKAY.

I JUST WANT TO GIVE MY THANKS. AS IT STANDS, I CAN'T SUPPORT THIS BEING A LICENSED CLINICIAN. AS I STATED EARLIER, JUST UNDERSTANDING THE CHALLENGES WITH IT AND THE CONCERNS I HAVE. THERE'S NO WAY I COULD SUPPORT, PUTTING IT OUT ON THE STREET LIKE THAT. THERE ARE TOO MANY CONCERNS. I TOO HAVE A SON, AND I KNOW ALL THE DIFFERENT EXPLORATORY THINGS THAT KIDS DO TOGETHER WHEN THEY'RE NOT IN THEIR PARENTS EYES AND THIS -- I JUST HAVE A LOT OF CONCERN WITH THIS. YOU KNOW, I HAD THOUGHT ABOUT, WELL, I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET TO A YES ON THIS, WHERE DO WE PUT IT? THERE SEEMS TO BE SO MANY PLACES THAT ARE NOT IDEAL. I EVEN THOUGHT ABOUT IT AND PUTTING IT AT THE POLICE STATION. WHERE WOULD SOMEONE GO? THEY WOULD EITHER CALL POLICE OR CALL THE SENTENCE. AND SO I KNOW THEY ALREADY HAD IT ON THEM. LIKE VICE MAYOR MAURER'S SUGGESTION OF, YOU KNOW, IF STORES DO CARRY IT AROUND HERE, YOU KNOW, PERHAPS, I DON'T KNOW WHO WOULD TAKE IT ON, BUT PERHAPS IT WOULD BE A GOOD THING FOR US TO, YOU KNOW, PUBLISH EVEN ON OUR SOCIALS, WHERE YOU CAN FIND NARCAN HERE IN THE CITY THAT IS ACTUALLY FREE BECAUSE I KNOW A LOT OF PLACES DO HAVE IT. I MEAN, I HAVE IT NOW. BUT I WOULD BE CAUTIOUS, SIMPLY SO I -- THAT HAPPENS ALL THE TIME IN THE HOSPITALS. SO I CAN'T SUPPORT THIS TONIGHT. I EMPATHIZE, I UNDERSTAND THE INTENTION BEHIND IT AND THE SPIRIT OF IT. BUT JUST BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR TRYING TO DECIDE HOW TO, YOU KNOW, WHAT'S BEST FOR OUR CITY AND ALSO PROTECTING THE CITY AND EVERYONE HERE. IT SEEMS THERE ARE OTHER AVENUES WE COULD GO TO ACTUALLY GET THAT IN THE HANDS OF PEOPLE WHEN THEY NEED IT WITHOUT PUTTING IT IN A PLACE THAT ACTUALLY GETS IN HARM'S WAY AND POSSIBLY IN THE HANDS OF CHILDREN WHO SHOULD NOT BE MESSING WITH IT. SO ANY WAY, I CAN'T SUPPORT IT TONIGHT. THAT'S WHERE I'M AT. GO AHEAD, COUNCILMEMBER.

YEAH, I WAS TRYING TO GO IN MY HEAD, WHERE IS THE RIGHT PLACE TO BE? IF YOU'RE NOT GOING TO CALL THE POLICE, IF YOU'RE CONCERNED ABOUT DOING SOMETHING LIKE THAT, CALLING FOR HELP, HOW DO YOU GET TO THIS LOCATION? YOU KNOW, DO YOU WANT TO -- IS THERE SOMETHING YOU NEED TO KEEP PRIVATE? AND YOU KIND OF WANT TO DISCREETLY GET THIS STUFF BECAUSE YOU DON'T WANT TO GET ANYBODY ELSE IN TROUBLE? I'M NOT REALLY SURE. IT WAS GOING THROUGH MY HEAD, SHOULD IT BE IN A CHURCH OR A LIBRARY? I DON'T KNOW IF WE CAN BRING IT BACK AND SAY PUT THIS IN THE LIBRARY OR WORK WITH MICAH STILL TO PUT THIS IN A LOCATION THAT I THINK MAKES US ALL FEEL A TOUCH MORE COMFORTABLE. I DON'T KNOW. BUT I WOULD LOVE TO SUPPORT THIS. I JUST CAN'T SUPPORT THIS EXACT LOCATION. IT MAKES ME KIND OF UNCOMFORTABLE, YOU KNOW, GIVEN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL TRAFFIC RIGHT IN FRONT OF IT.

OKAY. WELL THEN, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION.

I'LL GO AHEAD AND MOVE THAT WE ADOPT WHAT MICAH'S HUGS HAS PUT FORWARD, AND IT PROBABLY WON'T GET A SECOND, BUT AT LEAST I'LL BE ON RECORD OF HAVING MOVED THE ITEM.

OKAY. SO I WAS JUST GOING TO DO A MOTION. I WAS GOING TO DO A MOTION NOT TO APPROVE THIS TONIGHT. BUT MARY, IS THERE A DIFFERENT WAY TO DO THAT?

NO, THE MOTION WOULD BE TO DENY THE REQUEST FOR THE CITY SPONSOR MICAH'S HUGS NARCAN DISTRIBUTION BOX AT THE 207 NORTH MAIN STREET.

SO MOVED. THAT'S MY MOTION.

THERE'S A PROCESS. IS THERE A WAY TO DIRECT THIS TO COME BACK IN A DIFFERENT WAY? WITH A DIFFERENT LOCATION?

YOU CAN CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, BUT YOU COULD DIRECT CITY STAFF TO WORK WITH MICAH'S HUGS NARCAN TO SEE IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER AVAILABLE LOCATIONS THAT WOULD BE -- WE WOULD ONLY BE LOOKING AT PUBLIC PROPERTY THOUGH. IT WOULD BE UP TO THEM TO WORK WITH THE PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS. SO WE COULD LOOK AT OTHER LOCATIONS AND BRING OTHER OPTIONS BACK. I WILL SAY THEY ARE, MY UNDERSTANDING, HAVING DONE THIS, IT'S A 24-HOUR ACCESSIBLE IS WHAT THEY'RE LOOKING FOR. I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY CITY BUILDINGS THAT HAVE THAT.

JUST OUTSIDE THE CITY BUILDINGS OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT? NO? COMMENTS?

I MEAN, OUTSIDE OF A CITY BUILDING, PHYSICALLY OUTSIDE?

CAN WE GET A SECOND ON THE MOTION?

I WAS GOING TO SAY --

CAN YOU REPEAT THE MOTION?

SO THE MOTION WAS MOVED BY MAYOR MCLEWIS TO DENY THE REQUEST FOR THE CITY SPONSORED MICAH'S HUGS NARCAN DISTRIBUTION BOX LOCATION AT 207 NORTH MAIN STREET.

I'LL SECOND THAT.

NOW WE CAN OPEN FOR DISCUSSION.

I HAVE A COMMENT ABOUT DIRECTING STAFF TO LOOK AT OTHER PUBLIC PLACES. I THINK THE ISSUE OF INDEMNIFICATION, LIABILITY, AND OPEN ACCESSIBILITY TO KIDS. THESE ARE ALL THE CONCERNS I HEARD. THOSE ARE ALL BECAUSE IT'S IN A PUBLIC SPACE. SO IF STAFF COULD GO TO MICAH'S HUGS AND TALK ABOUT ARE THERE STORES WITH 24/7 ACCESS, 7-ELEVEN, SAFEWAY, SOMETHING LIKE THAT, I WOULD DIRECT YOU TO DO THAT, BUT I DON'T THINK YOU CAN. I DON'T THINK THAT'S UNDER YOUR JURISDICTION, IS THAT CORRECT?

WE CAN TALK TO THEM AND JUST LET THEM KNOW THE COUNCIL IS NOT SUPPORTIVE OF THIS BEING IN A PUBLIC LOCATION FOR, FOUR OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE NOT SUPPORTIVE OF THIS IN BEING IN A PUBLIC LOCATION, AND IT MIGHT BE BETTER WITH THEM LOOKING AT PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS FOR BUSINESSES THAT ARE OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY.

OKAY.

FOR THE REASONS WE STATED, WHICH IT'S A LITTLE TOO OPEN.

COULD IT BE SAT OUTSIDE THE CITY HALL?

THAT IS STILL A PUBLIC LOCATION. YOU STILL HAVE THE SAME ISSUES.

I'M LESS CONCERNED BECAUSE I AGREE IT IS KIND OF LIKE A LOW RISK SITUATION, EXCEPT I'M MORE WORRIED ABOUT THE KID RISK OR LIKE THE UNINTENDED RISK FROM -- SO THAT COULD BE THE DIRECTION FROM THE COUNCIL. BEING LOCATED ANYWHERE, PUBLICLY, ACCESSIBLE.

YEAH.

DO WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND. I THINK WE SHOULD DEAL WITH THAT AND THEN, I MEAN, I'M NOT AMENDABLE TO WHAT YOU'RE GOING THROUGH. I DON'T KNOW IF ANYBODY ELSE IS, BUT WE ALREADY HAVE THREE.

ARE WE DONE WITH DISCUSSION?

I DON'T KNOW. I'M JUST WONDERING.

I MEAN, I COULD JUST ADDRESS IT. CITY HALL STILL OPENS IT UP TO 10-YEAR-OLDS IN MY MIND. THAT'S WHERE I'M NOT -- MY CONCERN IS ABOUT UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES WITH ANYBODY WALKING BY THAT'S UNDER A CERTAIN AGE, THAT IS OLD ENOUGH TO BE WITHOUT THEIR PARENTS, BUT TOO YOUNG TO HAVE ACCESS TO THIS MEDICATION. SO THAT'S WHERE I'M COMING FROM, AND I WOULD NOT BE IN FAVOR OF CITY HALL EITHER OR A LOCATION THAT 10-YEAR-OLDS OR 8-YEAR-OLDS COULD WALK BY.

AND THAT'S WHY I'M SAYING I'M NOT SUPPORTIVE OF THAT EITHER BECAUSE THAT WORRIES ME.

AND I AGREE. SO CAN THE DIRECTION BE FOR THEM TO WORK WITH MICAH'S HUGS FOR OTHER SITUATIONS THAT MIGHT WORK FOR THEM?

I PERSONALLY DON'T WANT TO DO THAT WITH MY MOTION. I MEAN, THEY SAID THEY WOULD AT LEAST COMMUNICATE OUR INFORMATION, YOU KNOW, OUR COMMENTS BACK TO THEM, BUT I DON'T WANT TO DIRECT CITY STAFF IN MY MOTION TO DO ANYTHING, YOU KNOW, LOOKING FOR NEW LOCATIONS OR ANYTHING BECAUSE I'M NOT SUPPORTIVE OF ANY OF THE PUBLIC LOCATIONS WHERE KIDS CAN ACCESS IT. I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THEM, YOU KNOW, TAKING IT UPON THEMSELVES TO CONNECT WITH PRIVATE BUSINESSES. THAT WOULD BE, IN MY OPINION, THAT WOULD BE A PERFECT SOLUTION. BUT I DON'T WANT TO DIRECT CITY STAFF. AS VICE MAYOR MAURER CONFIRMED, THAT'S NOT IN THE PER VIEW OF THE CITY TO ACTUALLY PURSUE ANY OF THAT. SO PERSONALLY I WOULD, YOU KNOW, THAT'S WHERE I'M AT.

SO IF THERE IS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION, I CAN CALL FOR THE MOTION?

WAS THERE ANYTHING ELSE? OH, OKAY. SO MOVED BY MAYOR MCLEWIS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HINTON TO DENY THE REQUEST FOR THE CITY TO COSPONSOR MICAH'S HUGS NARCAN DISTRIBUTION BOX AT 207 NORTH MAIN STREET. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN?

NO.

VICE MAYOR MAURER?

YES.

MAYOR MCLEWIS?

YES.

THE MOTION PASSES, 4-1 WITH COUNCILMEMBER CARTER, HINTON, VICE MAYOR MAURER, AND MAYOR MCLEWIS IN SUPPORT, AND COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN IN OPPOSITION.

ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO DO A PULSE CHECK HERE TO SEE IF ANYONE NEEDS A QUICK BREAK BEFORE, SINCE IT IS ALMOST 9:30? LOOKING TO MY LEFT HERE? NO ONE HERE NEEDS THAT? OKAY, ALL RIGHT, JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE. SO MOVING ON TO NUMBER NINE. CONSIDERATION OF AWARD OF EXTENSION OF CONTRACT FOR POSITION OF INTERIM CITY MANAGER. CITY PERSONNEL, ATTORNEY, HR CONSULTANT. I THINK OUR ATTORNEY CAN ADDRESS THIS.

YES, I THANK YOU, MAYOR. AS THE COUNCIL KNOWS, THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER HAS BEEN SERVING FOR A FEW MONTHS NOW. HER CURRENT CONTRACT IS SET TO EXPIRE ON JANUARY 31. THIS PROPOSED AMENDMENT WOULD EXTEND HER CONTRACT FOR TWO MONTHS THROUGH THE END OF MARCH, MARCH 31, 2026, OR WHEN THE CITY APPOINTS A FULL-TIME CITY MANAGER, CHEVRE OCCURS FIRST. THERE IS NO CHANGE IN HER COMMENTS. IT'S SIMPLY AN EXTENSION OF HER CONTRACT. WITH THAT, I'LL PAUSE, IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL.

ANYONE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? LOOKING TO MY LEFT, RIGHT, OKAY.

THIS WOULD NORMALLY BE A GOOD MOMENT TO BE FUNNY. IS IT OKAY? I FEEL WE NEED TO NEGOTIATION OR SOMETHING.

VICE MAYOR IS LAUGHING. THIS IS GOOD, WE'RE HAVING FUN. IF WE DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, THEN WE'LL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. THIS IS PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER'S CONTRACT FOR TWO ADDITIONAL MONTHS. IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT, I'LL COME INTO CHAMBERS FIRST. SEEING NONE, I'LL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF ANYONE ON ZOOM WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE EXTENSION OF THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER FOR TWO MONTHS -- TWO MONTHS, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING NONE, THERE'S NO PUBLIC COMMENT.

OH MY GOSH, ALL RIGHT. SO WE'RE RIGHT BACK HERE. GO AHEAD.



I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT FOR OUR WONDERFUL INTERIM CITY MANAGER THROUGH MARCH 2026.

I'LL SECOND.

IT'S OKAY. ARE YOU OKAY WITH THAT? OKAY, ALL RIGHT. GO AHEAD.

SO MOVED BY VICE MAYOR MAURER AND ZOLLMAN TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT FOR THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER UNTIL MARCH OF 2026. COUNCILMEMBER CARTER?

YES.

COUNCILMEMBER HINTON?

AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER ZOLLMAN?

YES.

VICE MAYOR MAURER?

YES.

MAYOR MCLEWIS?

YES.

MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

ALL RIGHT, PERFECT. SO NOW WE ACTUALLY HAVING PULLED ITEM NUMBER FOUR. THAT IS WHAT WE'RE GOING TO CONSIDER NEXT. THAT WOULD BE APPROVAL OF SECOND, WELL, I GUESS THE ZONING CODE UPDATES TO IMPLEMENT HOUSING ELEMENTS, ELEMENT PROGRAMS. THIS ITEM WOULD ADOPT THE ORDINANCE MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ZONING CODE TO IMPLEMENT CERTAIN HOUSING ELEMENT PROGRAMS THAT ARE PAST DUE. AND HAVING BEEN THE ONE TO PULL IT, I'M HAPPY TO HAVE OTHER PEOPLE COMMENT OR ASK QUESTIONS BEFORE I DO, UNLESS YOU WANT ME TO ADDRESS WHY I PULLED IT? GO AHEAD.

I'D LIKE TO MAKE A STATEMENT. I'VE GOT A FEW E-MAILS THAT ARE CONFLICTING MY COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. ALTHOUGH I'VE BEEN BUILDING AN ADU, AND I TALKED ABOUT IT FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS. I'VE BEEN FULLY TRANSPARENT THAT THERE IS NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST BECAUSE EVERY SINGLE RESIDENT IS THE NEW WAY. I'M NOT DIRECTLY IMPACTED, AND THAT'S A DEVICE THAT'S GIVEN TO ME ON THIS ITEM.

I'D ALSO LIKE TO JOIN IN BECAUSE I DON'T WANT COUNCILMEMBER HINTON TO THINK SHE'S THE LONE ONE. I HAVE NOT BEEN VOCAL BECAUSE I HAVE BEEN THROUGH MY OWN ANALYSIS AND RECEIVED MY OWN ADVICE. I TOO, MY PARTNER AND I, ARE BUILDING AN ADU. I DO NOT SEE THIS AS A CONFLICT.

OKAY. ANY OTHER? OKAY.

ARE WE JUST TALKING ABOUT CONFLICTS? [ LAUGHTER ] I JUST WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT I STILL SUPPORT THIS AND THAT SOME OF THE LETTERS THAT I RECEIVED, YOU KNOW, I TRIED TO RESPOND TO. IN MANY CASES THIS HASN'T, YOU KNOW, HAD ANY RESULT YET. LIKE IN SAN JOSE, THERE'S BEEN ONE, I THINK, IN AUGUST. THERE HASN'T REALLY BEEN ANY IMPACT ON ANYBODY'S HOME VALUE YET. SO IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN. YOU KNOW, IT'S ALWAYS HARD WHEN THINGS ARE UNKNOWN.

I HAVE A QUESTION FOR EVERYONE HERE. I'M BRINGING THIS UP BECAUSE BASED ON WHAT I HAVE OBSERVED IN THE LAST WEEK AND THE CITY. SO THE REASON I PULLED THIS, OBVIOUSLY I WAS A NO VOTE ON THIS. I PULLED IT BECAUSE I WANTED TO ASK IF ANYONE WOULD CONSIDER THIS STATEMENT, WHICH I WORKED WITH OUR CITY ATTORNEY ON, AS FAR AS WHAT COULD BE ADD TODAY THIS 1033. DOW HAVE GREAT CONCERN ABOUT IT. I CAN MAKE MY COMMENTS ABOUT IT LATER. BUT I WONDERED IF ANYONE WOULD CONSIDER A STATEMENT THAT SAYS MAY NOT BE SOLD SEPARATELY FROM THE PRIMARY RESIDENTS, PURSUANT TO THE SECTION OF THE ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT IS A MANUFACTURED HOME OR MOBILE HOME. I BROUGHT IT UP BECAUSE WE DID SEE PICTURES THIS WEEK. I SAW SOMEONE ELSE SENT PICTURES. BUT THERE IS A SITUATION WHERE A MOBILE HOME WAS JUST SLOTTED IN. IT'S THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE PROPERTY. AND IT JUST, I KNOW IT CAN BE SUBJECTIVE, BUT IT'S HUGE. IT STANDS OUT IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND IT IS EVEN OUT PAST THE HOUSE. I KNOW A LOT OF TIMES PEOPLE THINK ABOUT THEM IN THEIR BACKYARD OR THEIR NICE COTTAGES OR THEY LOOK NICE AND THEY'RE A PART OF THE PROPERTY. SO NOW WHAT WE HAVE IN THE CITY IS SOMEONE WHO JUST SLOTTED IN THE MOBILE HOME AND ALL THESE SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES. IT'S JUST A MONSTROSITY.



MY CONCERN WITH THAT, WITH THIS 1033. WE ARE ABLE TO MAKE PROVISIONS IN HERE BECAUSE THIS IS NOT A REQUIREMENT. SO I WAS WONDERING IF ANYONE WOULD CONSIDER THAT STATEMENT IN THERE. THAT'S MY QUESTION.

IN GENERAL, I CAN ASK THAT QUESTION, RIGHT? ALEX?

CERTAINLY, YOU COULD ASK THE COUNCIL.

I MEAN, I'M ACTUALLY OKAY WITH THAT BECAUSE I DIDN'T KNOW MOBILE HOMES WERE ABLE TO BE ADUs IN THE FIRST PLACE, FOR THIS KIND OF THING, SO I'M OKAY WITH THAT.

IS IT OKAY IF WE ANSWER THAT QUESTION?

I THOUGHT ABOUT THIS. WAS IT OKAY IF ONE OF MY NEIGHBORS PUTS IN, I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY'RE CALLED, MOBILE HOMES OR WHATEVER?

MANUFACTURED HOMES. YEAH, LIKE A MANUFACTURED HOME. WE DO HAVE A DESIGN AND REVIEW BOARD THAT WOULD REVIEW THINGS. BUT I DON'T THINK THEY ARE GOING TO BE WORKING ON SOME OF THE RULES AROUND AB1033. SO I JUST TRUST OUR DESIGN REVIEW BOARD. IF MY NEIGHBOR WANTED TO PUT IN -- THAT'S NOT HOW IT WORKS IS MY UNDERSTANDING.

SO THEY'RE REQUIRED TO BE APPROVED MINISTERIALLY IF THEY MEET THE STANDARDS. IN MOST SITUATIONS, THE STATE HAS SET VERY SPECIFIC STANDARDS. AND OTHER SITUATIONS, WE HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF FLEXIBILITY. IN THIS SITUATION SPECIFICALLY, THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT THAT WILL BE ADOPTED, SO WE HAVE SOME FLEXIBILITY TO SAY WE'RE ADOPTING IT WITH EASE AND RESTRICTIONS.

CAN I EXPLAIN WHY?

WHAT IS CONCERNING TO ME, WE'VE GOT NEIGHBORHOODS THAT HAVE THESE SPACES THAT ARE WIDE ENOUGH. IT ONLY REQUIRES FOUR FEET ON ALL SIDES. IF THEY'RE ALL WIDE ENOUGH, WE COULD WIND UP, YOU KNOW, I MEAN, YOU LOOK AT THE WORST-CASE SCENARIO, MAYBE THE BEST-CASE SCENARIO, BUT I ALREADY SAW SOMEBODY GOING THIS WEEK. WE COULD END UP IN A NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE THEY HAVE ALL THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE HOMES. WHAT IF THEY DECIDE THEY WANT TO SLIDE IN A MOBILE HOME BETWEEN ALL THESE HOMES AND SELL THOSE? NOW WE HAVE CREATED A MOBILE HOME PARK IN A NEIGHBORHOOD THAT I JUST DON'T KNOW. IS THAT THE INTENT OF EVERYONE HERE? AND THE REASON I BRING THIS UP IS BECAUSE I FEEL WE HAVE A LOT OF ONE-SIDED CONVERSATIONS ABOUT I UNDERSTAND THAT HOUSING IS EXPENSIVE HERE, AND SEBASTOPOL IS ONE OF THE PLACES THAT WILL ADDRESS THIS MORE THAN ANYONE. BUT I ALSO LOOK AT IT AS THE ONE-SIDED CONVERSATION, WHERE THE SINGLE LARGEST ASSET FOR MOST PEOPLE ARE THEIR HOMES. IF WE START GOING DOWN THIS PART WHERE WE ARE APPROVING THIS, WE'RE APPROVING IT WITHOUT KNOWING MANY THINGS, AND WE'RE THE ONLY ONES IN SONOMA COUNTY THAT'S APPROVING THIS. YOU KNOW, IF WE DON'T AT LEAST HAVE THE FULL CONVERSATION ABOUT THE HOME, YOU KNOW, THE PEOPLE THAT ARE OWNING THESE HOMES AND INVESTED THEIR LIVES INTO THEM, AND I JUST TRY TO PUT MYSELF IN THAT POSITION BECAUSE I DO WORRY ABOUT THAT. I LIVED IN HOUSTON FOR TEN YEARS BECAUSE IT WAS CHEAP. I SAVED MY MONEY. IT'S MY SINGLE LARGEST ASSET. I'M NOT MAKING THIS ALL ABOUT HOME VALUE, BUT I LOOK AT ALL THE DIFFERENT THINGS IN SEEING THAT, AND I LEARNED A LOT THIS WEEK AS I REQUESTED THE PERMIT AND EVERYTHING ELSE, AND IT'S COMPLETELY ILLEGAL. IF WE HAVE MORE PEOPLE THAT START SEEING THIS, WE COULD END UP WITH MOBILE HOME PARKS, YOU KNOW, ESSENTIALLY LOOKING LIKE THAT ALL THE WAY DOWN A STREET IF ALL THE HOMES ARE PLACED IN A CERTAIN PART, YOU KNOW, THOSE HOMES COULD BE SLOTTED BETWEEN THEM AND IT WORRIES ME. SO THAT IS WHERE THIS COMES FROM.

YEAH, JUST LIKE A REALITY CHECK. DO WE HAVE ANYONE FROM PLANNING HERE THAT COULD ADDRESS THIS AS A REALITY CHECK? I MEAN IS THAT --

JANE IS ON THERE.

CAN I ASK A QUESTION? IT SEEMS LIKE WE GOT INTO A DEBATE RIGHT NOW. SO WE'RE PAST THE QUESTION POINT. IF WE'RE GOING INTO THAT, THEN I'M GOING TO HAVE A COMMENT OR I'M WILLING TO WAIT IF WE'RE GOING TO PUBLIC COMMENT AND FOLLOWING OUR PROTOCOLS.

SHE HAD A QUESTION, SO DO WE WANT TO ANSWER THAT?

THEN GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

I'M SORRY. I WAS TRYING TO EXPLAIN WHY I WAS ASKING THESE QUESTIONS. VICE MAYOR, DID YOU -- IS JANE AVAILABLE OR JOHN?

YEAH, LET ME ASK HER TO UNMUTE. JANE, CAN YOU UNMUTE? THERE YOU GO.

CAN YOU HEAR US?

HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

BARELY. CAN YOU TALK UP A LITTLE BIT?

HOW ABOUT NOW?

THERE YOU GO. WE CAN HEAR YOU.

OKAY, GOOD. LET'S HOPE MY DOGS DON'T BARK.

DID YOU HEAR THE QUESTION, JANE? THE MAYOR HAS CONCERNS THERE'S GOING TO BE MULTIPLE MOBILE HOMES IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS AS ADUs. I'M JUST WANTING TO CHECK IN WITH YOU ABOUT GETTING A REALITY CHECK ON THAT?

YEAH. SO WE DON'T KNOW IF ADOPTION OF 1033 IS ACTUALLY GOING TO INCREASE MORE ADUs. BUT RIGHT NOW UNDER THE EXISTING LAW THAT ALLOWS MOBILE HOMES, NOT EVEN ON THE FOUNDATION, JUST TO BE USED AS ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS. THAT'S THE LAW NOW, IF WE ADOPT 1033, FOR THOSE PROPERTIES, WE ACTUALLY HAVE MORE DISCRETION BECAUSE 1033 IS MANDATORY. THE STATE DOESN'T DICTATE WHAT WE COULD DO, SO WE WOULD HAVE MORE DISCRETION AND ABILITY TO REGULATE THAN WHAT WE DO NOW.

ARE YOU SAYING THAT RIGHT NOW, SOMEBODY COULD PUT A MOBILE HOME ON THEIR PROPERTY AND CALL IT AN ADU, IS THAT CORRECT?

IF IT MEETS THE CRITERIA, YES, THEY CAN.

SO TO CLARIFY, THE DEFINITION OF ADU AND STATE LAW INCLUDES, SPECIFICALLY INCLUDES MANUFACTURED HOMES, AS DEFINED IN 18007. THEN THERE IS A SPECIFIC DEFINITION. BEING MOVED AND STARTING IN LENGTH AND SPECIFIES WITH OR WITHOUT THE FOUNDATION. THAT'S CURRENTLY ALLOWED UNDER STATE LAW, EVERYWHERE IN CALIFORNIA. BUT LIKE JAY MENTIONED, WE HAVE MORE FLEXIBILITY ON WHAT QUALIFIES FOR AB1033.

OKAY. ALL RIGHT.

IF I AGREED WITH HER ASCERTAINMENT.

RIGHT NOW ANYONE CAN PUT MANUFACTURED HOME ONTO THEIR PROPERTY AND CALL IT AN ADU. BUT IF YOU DO AB103 IN ORDER TO SELL IT, IT COULD ALSO BE, I MEAN, IT COULD BE A MANUFACTURED HOME, RIGHT? BUT WHAT THE MAYOR IS ASKING FOR THAT WE EXCLUDE MANUFACTURED HOMES FROM THE 1033. SO WOULD THAT PUT TWO LAWS? WHERE ANOTHER ONE SAYS YOU CAN'T?

SOMEONE WOULD STILL BE ALLOWED TO DO IT. THEY JUST WOULDN'T BE ALLOWED TO SELL IT SEPARATELY.

SO YOU COULDN'T MAKE THE MANUFACTURED HOME, THE CONDO TO SELL? YOU COULDN'T SELL IT?

CORRECT, IF THAT IS THE DIRECTION THEY WOULD WANT TO GO WITH AND THAT IS RESPONSIBLE, VERSUS IF YOU WERE TO SPLIT IT. WHEN YOU SPLIT IT, THEN IT BECOMES THE OWNER, YOU KNOW, THEN IT BECOMES OWNED BY SOMEONE ELSE, RIGHT? ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? DID YOU HAVE ANY, VICE MAYOR? NO MORE?

OKAY. DO WE WANT TO GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT?

THANK YOU, MAYOR. SO THIS IS PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE HAD TO IMPLEMENT THE HOUSING PROGRAM TO ADD THE AB1033. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, AGAIN, I'LL COME TO CHAMBERS FIRST, THEN GO OUT TO ZOOM. IT'S A TWO-MINUTE TIME LIMIT. IF ANYONE IN CHAMBERS WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT? OH.

I LIVE OUTSIDE THE CITY, BUT I HAVE A LONG STANDING INTEREST IN ADU. I THINK YOU WANT TO DEFINE MORE CAREFULLY WHAT YOU MEAN BY MANUFACTURED HOME BECAUSE IT CAN RANGE FROM AN UGLY LOOKING MOBILE HOME TO SOMETHING REALLY BEAUTIFUL AND WELL DESIGNED, SO MAYBE, I DON'T KNOW, THINK ABOUT THAT.

THANK YOU, LAURA, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL GO OUT TO ZOOM. MARY, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? THANK YOU. CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER STILL?

NO, BUT YOU KNOW, I WON'T TAKE VERY LONG.

OKAY, GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

THIS IS A REALLY, REALLY BIG ISSUE. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF ANY COUNCIL MEMBER HAS READ THE ENTIRE BILL. THIS WILL AFFECT EVERY SINGLE PROPERTY OWNER IN THIS TOWN, AND THERE ARE TONS OF UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES. I ALSO DON'T KNOW HOW THIS ISN'T A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. IF NISA'S ADU BECOMES A CONDO AND SHE SELLS IT. IF SHE HAD VOTED FOR THIS, IT'S A CONFLICT. MAYBE ALEX COULD TELOPHASE IT'S A CONFLICT OR NOT. THAT'S IT. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MARY. NEXT, I'LL COME INTO CHAMBERS. OLIVER?

YES, WE HAD FOUR DESIGN REVIEW PEOPLE HERE FOR AN HOUR EARLIER, TALKING ABOUT THESE MINUTE DETAILS ABOUT HOW WONDERFUL THE CITY WAS, SO ON AND SO FORTH. IT APPEARS IF IT IS LESS THAN A THOUSAND SQUARE FEET, YOU COULD DO WHAT YOU WANT, SQUASH UP AGAINST YOUR NEIGHBOR'S GARDEN WALL WITHIN FOUR FEET AND PUT WINDOWS AND STUFF. SEEMS LIKE A LOT OF THE RULES, UNLESS THEY DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS, WILL BE THROWN OUT OF THE WINDOW, WHICH IS UNACCEPTABLE BECAUSE THEY COULD DAMAGE YOUR NEIGHBOR'S PROPERTY VALUE AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE QUALITY OF LIFE. AND ENTIRELY SEPARATELY. THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL, WE HAVE AREAS WHERE PEOPLE ARE IN HOUSES OF AN ACREAGE. IF YOU PUT AN ADU, IT'S NOT A PROBLEM THE A ALL. IT WOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM WITHOUT THE LAW. BUT ONCE YOU GET INTO SOMETHING, ALL RIGHT, THE PLAYERS ON THE AVENUE OR SOMETHING, AND SOME IN THE SUBURBAN AREA. SLOTTING ADUs TO THOSE BASICALLY, YOU KNOW, THE 1950s, THE 60s STREET DESIGNS WOULD BE AN ABSOLUTE DISASTER, I THINK, FOR A LOT OF THE PEOPLE LIVING THERE. THERE WOULD BE WAY TOO MUCH TRAFFIC, CARS PARKED IN THE STREETS. THE ROADS ARE BAD ANY WAY, AND THERE WILL BE TRAFFIC CONGESTION. ZONING IS IMPORTANT AROUND THIS BASIC IDEA. SEPARATELY TO THAT, I THINK THIS NEEDS AN AWFUL LOT OF WORK BEFORE YOU SAY YES. RIGHT NOW, IT'S KIND OF CRUDE AND SIMPLISTIC. I THINK THERE'S A LOT OF LEGAL THINGS THAT COULD HAPPEN. OF COURSE, A LOT OF GREEDY DEVELOPERS ON THIS THAT WOULD JUMP OUT AND SELL OFF TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER. THAT WOULD BE REALLY BAD, I THINK, FOR THE CITY. OF COURSE, WE RELY HEAVILY ON TOURISTS. THAT WON'T BE GOOD IF THE CITY IS CRAM FULL OF HORRIBLE HOMES AND GOD KNOWS WHAT ELSE JAMMED INTO EVERY LITTLE CORNER.

THANK YOU, OLIVER FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. ROBERT, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE?

YES.

THANK YOU, CAN YOU STILL SEE THE TIMER?

I CAN.

GREAT, GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

YES, I THINK MAYBE IT HAS BEEN CLARIFIED. BUT IF THAT IS WHAT PEOPLE ON THE COUNCIL ARE THINKING THAT THIS IS GOING TO GO THROUGH A PROCESS AND THEY'RE GOING TO FIX IT, IT AIN'T. THAT'S THE ONE THING ABOUT THIS LAW. AS THE CITY ATTORNEY SAID, BASICALLY THE PLANNING DIRECTOR IS GOING TO BE THE ONLY DECIDER ON THIS. IT'S NOT GOING TO BE A PUBLIC PROCESS. IF YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD IS GOING TO BE BUILD AN ADU NEXT YEAR AND FOUR FEET FROM YOUR PROPERTY LINE, YOU WON'T GET ADVANCED NOTICE UNLESS THEY MENTION IT TO YOU. YOU WON'T GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE PLANS. YOU WON'T HAVE A PUBLIC FORUM WITH PEOPLE, EXPERTS TO SUPPORT YOU, IF IT IS WARRANTED. ALL THAT GOES OUT TO WINDOW WITH THIS. SO IT COMES DOWN TOIVE DESIGN REQUIREMENTS. THE PLANNING DIRECTOR CAN'T BE SUBJECTIVE IN THE REVIEW. SO THESE ORDINANCES NEED TO BE SPECIFIC ABOUT WHAT DESIGN REQUIREMENTS YOU WANT TO SEE IN THESE PROPERTIES. AND AS THE CITY ATTORNEY HAS SAID, THERE IS A LOT OF LATITUDE HERE. THERE IS NO, YOU KNOW, I NOTICED IN THIS ONE THAT THE CITY TOOK OUT THE PROVISION FOR WINDOWS BEING FIVE OR SIX FEET. THAT'S NOT A REQUIREMENT OF LAW. I DON'T KNOW WHY WE'RE MAKING THIS MORE CONSTRAINED RATHER THAN MORE EXPANSIONIVE. THERE SHOULD BE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS IN HERE FOR THINGS LIKE ROOF LINES, MATERIALS, CONSISTENCY WITH SURROUNDING PROPERTIES. THAT'S GOING TO HAVE TO BE MADE. WE JUST INTERVIEWED A FEW OF THEM AND THEY ALL SOUND GREAT. ALL THAT NEEDS TO BE HERE IN PRECISE LANGUAGE OR IT IS GOING TO BE BUILD NEXT DOOR TO YOU. IF IT MAKES YOU UNHAPPY, THAT'S IT. THERE IS NO CONSEQUENCES. AND ALSO, I DON'T HAVE ANYMORE TIME. NEVERMIND, BYE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR MCLEWIS, COUNCIL MEMBERS, STAFF, MY NAME IS SONYA AND I'M A LIFELONG SONOMA COUNTY RESIDENT, LOCAL BUSINESS OWNER, AND I CURRENTLY SERVE AS THAT ENGAGEMENT MANAGER AT GENERATION HOUSING. IS THROUGH HOMES THAT ARE NATURALLY AFFORDABLE. IT IS IMPORTANT TO STRESS THAT ADOPTING 1033 DOES NOT CHANGE WHAT CAN OR CANNOT BE BUILT. IT SIMPLY ALLOWS ADUs THAT ARE ALREADY PERMITTED UNDER EXISTING RULES TO BE SOLD AS HOMES. ADDITIONALLY, THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUES WILL FAR EXCEED THE ONE-TIME REVENUE FROM IMPACT FEES, WHILE ALSO PROVIDING HOMEOWNERSHIP. WHAT I WANT TO PERSONALLY SAY IS DELAYING THIS VOTE IS EVERY, I MEAN, I HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN. THEY'RE MOVING AWAY. I STARTED WITH GEN H TO KEEP MY KIDS FROM MOVING. AND ANY AMOUNT OF TIME YOU PUT FORWARD, THERE IS A YOUNG PERSON DECIDING WHETHER OR NOT THEY COULD STAY IN THIS COMMUNITY OR A SENIOR WHO IS NOT ABLE TO LIVE HERE ANYMORE AND HAS TO MOVE. AB1033 ADOPTING IT TONIGHT IS CRITICAL. IT'S A BIG STEP FORWARD IN BRINGING HOUSING INTO YOUR COMMUNITY. SO IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE INVEST IN HOUSING SOLUTIONS ACROSS EVERY LEVEL OF AFFORDABILITY AND OFFER REAL OPTIONS FOR OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS, AND 1033, AB1033 HELPS TO DO EXACTLY THAT. I URGE YOU TO CONTINUE SHOWING STRONG BRAVE LEADERSHIP BY ADOPTING AB1033 TONIGHT.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL GO OUT TO ZOOM. ADRIAN, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? THANK YOU. CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER?

I CAN, THANK YOU. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

GREAT, GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

GREAT, HI THERE, GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS ADRIAN COVERT. I'M A SANTA ROSA RESIDENT, AND I RESPECTFULLY ASKED THE COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE AB 1033 ORDINANCE. AND I WANT TO SAY THE PRIMARY MOTIVATOR FOR ME ON HOUSING ISSUES IS, YOU KNOW, WHEN I WAS A KID GROWING UP, I HAD A DOZEN FAMILY MEMBERS WHO LIVED WITHIN TEN MINUTES OF ME. OVER THE YEARS, ALL OF THEM LEFT TO OTHER STATES. I'M THE LAST PERSON OF MY FAMILY LIVING HERE IN SONOMA COUNTY. AS A RESULT OF NOT ENOUGH HOUSING, DRIVING UP HOUSING COSTS, MY SON, WHO IS A KINDERGARTENER, WHO RODE HIS BIKE EVERY DAY, HE'S NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO AFFORD TO LIVE HERE IF HE GROWS UP, IF WE DON'T ACT WITH SOME SENSE OF URGENCY. I WANT TO BE CLEAR ON WHAT THIS ORDINANCE CAN DO. PREVIOUS SPEAKER JUST ADDRESSED THAT. THAT'S NOT ON OUR DEBATE. WHAT WE'RE DEBATING IS WHAT PEOPLE COULD DO WITH THOSE. CAN THAT EXPEL THEM? AND HERE IS WHAT IT IS GOING TO DO. PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY YOUNG PEOPLE, WILL HAVE MORE HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES. THAT'S GOOD. EXISTING PROPERTY OWNERS ARE GOING TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ACCESS EQUITIES IN THEIR HOMES. THAT'S GOOD, IN THEIR PROPERTIES. MORE REVENUES FOR SERVICES, SCHOOLS, AS THE NEW PARCEL WILL BE ASSESSED UNDER MARKET VALUES FOR NEW HOMEOWNERS TO PAY. NOT THE ORIGINAL PROPERTY OWNERS. THOSE WON'T BE REASSESSED. THAT IS GOOD FOR THE LEGACY OWNER. IT'S GOOD FOR THE CITY. SO FEARS ABOUT VALUES ARE SPECULATIVE AND UNFOUNDED. THE BENEFITS, HOWEVER, THEY'RE REAL, THEY'RE REAL AND URGENT FOR YOUNG FAMILIES. I RESPECTFULLY RECOMMEND AND REQUEST THE COUNCIL MOVE FORWARD WITH ADOPTING THE ORDINANCE, THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, ADRIAN, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS IF THERE IS ANYONE IN CHAMBERS.

HI, COUNCIL. MY FIRST THOUGHT ON THIS IS THE COUNCIL MEMBERS THAT ARE INVOLVED IN BUILDING AN ADU SHOULD RECRUIT THEMSELVES. IF THIS GOES THROUGH AND THE HOMEOWNER CANAL PROFIT FROM IT, WELL, THAT'LL PUT YOU IN A VERY BAD LIGHT, I THINK. IT'S HAPPENING RIGHT NOW IN OUR GOVERNMENT AS WELL. SO THAT'S ONE ISSUE. OTHER ISSUE, I THINK BEFORE YOU APPROVE THIS. YOU SHOULD FIGURE OUT WITH YOUR PLANNING COMMISSION AND WHOEVER IS IN CHARGE OF THE BUILDING TO MAKE SURE IT PASSES CERTAIN RULES, LAWS, LOOKS, SO IT WILL KIND OF BLEND IN WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND MAYBE IT WON'T BE AN ISSUE IF IT LOOKS LIKE A PART OF THE HOUSE. IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE ATTACHED TO IT. BUT AT LEAST HAVE A LOOK, SO WHEN YOU'RE DRIVING BY, IT IS NOT LIKE OH, WHAT IS THAT? THAT'S MY OPINION. LIKE IT HAD ONE

HOUSE THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THAT YOU MENTIONED, MAYOR, IT IS BRIGHT BLUE, BRIGHT BLUE COMPARED TO EVERY OTHER HOME IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. IT STANDS OUT LIKE A SORE THUMB. THAT HAS TO BRING DOWN THE VALUE AND YOU WANT TO SELL IT BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT REALTORS DO, IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT SIZE, SO JUST THINK ABOUT MAKING SURE IT IS ESTHETICALLY RIGHT, OTHERWISE YOU'RE JUST KILLING YOURSELVES.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. CELESTE, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE?

YES.

THANK YOU, CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER? ZACH, CAN YOU RESET THE TIMER, PLEASE? ZACH, CAN YOU RESET THE TIMER, PLEASE? CELESTE, I'LL KEEP TRACK. THERE YOU GO, CAN YOU GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE?

YES, MY NAME IS CELESTE GOYER. I'M THE INTERIM DIRECTOR AT COALITION. OUR NON-PROFIT SPONSORED AB1033 TO HELP WITH OUR SEVERE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY CRISIS, AND CREATE A NEW PIPELINE OF AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP OPTIONS. I'LL SECOND WHAT ALL THE COMMENTERS HAVE SAID, NAMELY THIS LAW DOES NOT CHANGE WHAT CAN BE BUILT OR WHAT TYPE OF HOMES, CONSTRUCTION METHODS CAN BE USED TO CREATE ADUs. JUST HOW IT CAN BE OWNED. AND IN THE PLACES WHERE AD UCONN DOES ARE COMMON AND HAVE BEEN DONE FOR YEARS, SUCH AS PORTLAND, SEATTLE, AND AUSTIN, THIS OPTION IS CREATING FLEXIBILITY FOR HOMEOWNERS AND OPPORTUNITY FOR FIRST-TIME HOME BUYERS, AS WELL AS FOR OUR OLDER RESIDENTS WHO WANT TO DOWNSIZE AND STAY IN THOSE COMMUNITIES. OUR HOMES ARE UNAFFORDABLE, UNOBTAINABLE NOW BECAUSE THEY ARE LARGE HOMES ON LARGE LOTS. MAKING THE HOMES SMALLER WITH A SMALLER PIECE OF LAND, IS ONE WAY TO GET TO A PLACE OF AFFORDABILITY, AND WITH ADUs IN CALIFORNIA, THEY COULD BE LEVERAGED WHEN A SMALL PERCENTAGE OF THEM CAN BE CONVERTED INTO HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES. SO JUST A QUICK EXAMPLE OF THE HOMEOWNERSHIP WHERE THIS WILL BE A GREAT BENEFIT. OLDER HOMEOWNERS, STRUGGLING TO MAINTAIN AND PAY TAXES ON THE HOME ARE LARGER THAN WHAT THEY NEED. IT'S NOT IDEAL FOR AGING IN PLACE. MAYBE THEY DON'T FEEL THEY ARE SUITED TO BE A LANDLORD. THEY CAN CONVERT THEIR PRIMARY HOME AND ADU TO A CONDO. MAY TAY MOVE INTO THE SMALLER ONE, THE SINGLE LEVEL, SELL THE PRIMARY HOME, TO A FAMILY WHO NEEDS MORE SPACE. AND GREATLY REDUCE THEIR OWN MORTGAGE OR ELIMINATE THEIR MORTGAGE. SO OPTING HAS BEEN THE BENEFIT FOR THE CITIES AS OTHERS HAVE NOTED TO INCREASE PROPERTY TAX REVENUES. AND ALSO MAINTAIN YOUR VITALITY AND STOP LOSING RESIDENTS TO OTHER PLACES WITH MORE AFFORDABLE HOMES. SO ON BEHALF OF THE COALITION, I CONGRATULATE YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS ACTION, AND I ENCOURAGE YOU TO VOTE TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE THAT WILL ALLOW THE SEPARATE SALES OF ADUs. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

THANK YOU, CELESTE, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. IF ANYONE IN CHAMBERS WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, SEEING NONE, I'LL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. OMAR, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE?

HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

I CAN.

CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER?

YES, I CAN.

GREAT, GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNCIL MEMBERS. MY NAME IS OMAR LOPEZ. I'M THE POLICY COORDINATOR FOR GENERATION HOUSING HERE TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO ADOPT AB 1033. AS IT HAS BEEN STRESSED, THESE PROVISIONS DO NOT HAVE AN IMPACT ON WHAT OR WHERE SOMETHING CAN BE BUILT. TO ECHO STAFF, IF SOMEONE SO CHOOSES TO PLACE A MANUFACTURED HOME LOT, OR ANY OTHER ADU, THAT COULD HAPPEN RIGHT NOW. IF IT'S UNDER 700 SQUARE FEET, THE CITY WOULD NOT SEE A SINGLE CENT OF IMPACT FEES. ADUs WILL BE BUILT REGARDLESS OF ADOPTING AB 1033. DO YOU WANT TO CREATE NEW OWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AND NEW TAX REVENUES? WE KNOW PROPERTY TAXES ARE THE MOST CONSISTENT YEAR-

OVER-YEAR REVENUE FOR CITIES. IMPACT FEES, WHICH ARE ONE-TIME FEES, WILL NOT HELP THE CITY'S LONG-TERM FINANCIAL SITUATION. AT ITS CORE, THE COUNCIL'S CHOICE TONIGHT IS TO EXPAND OWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY AND TAX REVENUES OR ARTIFICIALLY RESTRICT THEM. PLEASE MOVE THIS FORWARD, AND WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I'LL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. IF THERE IS ANYONE IN CHAMBERS. SEEING NONE, I'LL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. LEWIS, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE? SURE.

THANK YOU.

CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER?

NO, I CAN'T.

I'LL JUMP IN WHEN YOU HAVE ABOUT 20 SECONDS LEFT. GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

OKAY. THANK YOU, I'M LEWIS BUCHNER. I LIVE HERE IN SEBASTOPOL. OTHER PEOPLE HAVE STATED THAT THE AB 1033 NO WAY CHANGES WHAT CAN BE BUILT. MY PERSONAL OPINION IS IF COUNCIL WANTS TO PROVIDE SOME TUNING TO THAT, SO WHAT CAN GET BUILT AND SOLD AS A CONDOMINIUM HAS SOME DESIGN REVIEW RESTRICTIONS. I AM NOT OPPOSED TO THAT IN ANY WAY. I'M A LITTLE CONCERNED ABOUT THE KIND OF BIGGER POLITICAL ISSUE HERE. YOU KNOW, WE THINK OF OURSELVES AS A VERY PROGRESSIVE COMMUNITY. AND THIS ISSUE IS JUST FRAUGHT WITH NOT IN MY BACKYARD. IT IS SO EASY TO SAY I'M OPEN HEARTED, I'M OPEN MINDED, I REALLY WANT TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE GAIN HOMEOWNERSHIP. I'M REALLY WORRIED ABOUT THE COST OF HOUSING. IT'S ONE OF THE BIGGEST PROBLEMS IN SONOMA COUNTY. AND YET IF HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH MY NEIGHBOR'S BACKYARD, THEN I'M NOT IN SUPPORT OF IT. I THINK WE HAVE TO BE CAREFUL OF THAT, YOU KNOW? I THINK WE NEED TO WALK OR TALK. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE INTERGENERATIONAL WEALTH FOR PEOPLE THAT OTHERWISE MAYBE COULDN'T HAVE IT. THIS IS A WAY TO FIND A WAY THAT MORE OTHER PEOPLE THAT WORK IN OUR TOWN CAN ACTUALLY LIVE IN OUR TOWN, LIKE OUR TEACHERS AND OUR FARMERS AND OUR POLICEMEN, THAT THEY CAN ACTUALLY LIVE HERE. AND SO I'D LIKE US TO -- TAKE -- TAKE THE HIGH ROAD HERE, YOU KNOW? LET'S REALLY LOOK AT THE SOCIAL AND POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS OF WHAT REALLY WE ARE DOING TO ENCOURAGE OPENING UP HOUSING, MAKING HOUSING MORE AFFORDABLE, INVITING PEOPLE WHO REALLY DESERVE AND BELONG TO LIVE HERE, TO BE ABLE TO LIVE HERE ALONG WITH THE REST OF US. THEY'RE LUCKY TO BE HERE. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, LOUIS, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE?

CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER?

I HAVE A CLOCK HERE. IT'S JEN CLOSE, SEVASTOPOL RESIDENT, FOR GENERATION HOUSING, I'M SORRY I CAN'T BE THERE IN PERSON. I AM ON THE WAY HOME FROM SFO. APOLOGIES IF I AM NOT THE MOST ORGANIZED TONIGHT, I WANT TO THANK THE PEOPLE WHO POINTED OUT THE RED HEARING RED HERRING IN THAT THIS LAW DOES NOT EXPAND WHAT CAN ALREADY BE BILLED. IT ONLY CHANGES THAT YOU CAN SELL IT, WHICH WOULD LIKELY INCREASE OPERATIVE VALUES, OF BOTH THE PROPERTY AND SURROUNDING PROPERTIES. AND THEN, I WANT TO ECHO WHAT LUIS HAS SAID, AND SAY, I WOULD LIKE TO LOOK AT THIS FROM A SOCIETAL POINT OF VIEW AND FROM A VALUES PERSPECTIVE. THE ARGUMENTS AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER, AND PROPERTY VALUES GOING DOWN, AND THOSE ARGUMENTS AROUND PROPERTY IS GOING DOWN ARE NOT EVIDENCED BY ADDING MULTIFAMILY HOUSING OR DENSITY. IT IS QUITE TO THE CONTRARY. THOSE ARE THE KINDS OF ARGUMENTS THAT HAVE CREATED SEGREGATED CITIES AND SEGREGATED SCHOOLS, AND BENEFITED THE HOUSE OVER THE HAVE-NOTS. FOR A CENTURY, NOW, THEY ARE THE REASON THAT WE HAVE GREAT WEALTH INEQUALITY IN THIS COUNTRY. IT IS THAT SIMPLE. ALL OF THOSE LAWS, EVEN THOUGH THEY LOOK ABOUT THE SAME ACROSS THE COUNTRY, EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THOSE LAWS THAT RESTRICTED OPPORTUNITY TO HOUSING WAS VOTED ON BY A CITY COUNCIL LIKE YOU. SO RIGHT NOW, I REALLY INVITE YOU TO BE THE CITY COUNCIL OF ONE OF THE MOST PROGRESSIVELY VOTING CITIES IN THE COUNTRY ON NATIONAL ELECTIONS, AND SHOW UP AS A TRUE REGRESSES RIGHT HERE AT HOME. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT, I WILL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS, IF THERE IS ANYONE IN CHAMBERS BUT SEEING THEN I WILL GO BACK OUT TO ZUNE RENATA, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF, PLEASE?



CAN YOU HEAR ME?

YOU CAN PICK CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER? GO AHEAD, PLEASE PICK

I WILL JUST ECHO WHAT I HEARD A LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE SAY. THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR YOUR VOTE, TWO WEEKS AGO, I LIVE HERE IN SEVASTOPOL. I CAME TO THAT MEETING, AS DID 15 OTHER PEOPLE WHO SPOKE IN FAVOR OF THIS ORDINANCE BUT I HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING TONIGHT THAT SHIFTS THE THINKING THAT YOU DID THEN. THERE IS NO NEW INFORMATION HERE THAT I HAVE HEARD, AND I THINK A LOT OF RED HERRINGS HAVE BEEN LIFTED UP. I WAS REALLY PROUD THAT YOU PASSED IT LAST MEETING, AND I WAS REALLY PROUD TO SEE THE SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE OF THE DECISION OF LOCAL MEDIA AND PROUD THAT WE WOULD BE LEADING THE WAY ON THIS BRAND-NEW STATE BILL THAT IS DESIGNED TO DO EXACTLY WHAT SOME OF THE OTHER SPEAKERS HAVE SPOKEN TO, WHICH IS TO CREATE A MORE DIVERSE AND VIBRANT LITTLE TOWN. I REALLY WANT TO ECHO ADRIAN, I REALLY THINK THEY HAVE COVERED EVERYTHING AND I APPRECIATE YOUR CONSIDERATION, THANK YOU.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT I WILL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. SEEING THEM, I WILL GO BACK UP. CANNOT, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF PLEASE? CAN YOU SEE THE TIMER? GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

YES. I WANT TO ADD SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN SAID A LOT, BUT, I THINK THE STICKINESS OF THE MISUNDERSTANDING WARRANTS IT BEING SAID A LOT, WHICH IS THAT WE GET EMOTIONAL WHEN WE FEEL LIKE WE ARE UNDER THREAT, AND SOMETIMES THAT THREAT CAN BE AESTHETIC. I REALLY DON'T LIKE WHEN I HAVE TO LOOK AT SOMETHING THAT I THINK IS LIKELY. I THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE FEEL THAT WAY, AND IT CREATES AN EMOTIONAL RESPONSE. SO, THAT CREATES A STICKINESS TO WHAT OTHERS ARE CALLING A RED HERRING, WHICH IS THIS MISUNDERSTANDING ABOUT THIS DECISION HAVING ANYTHING TO DO WITH WHAT CAN AND CANNOT BE BILLED BUT IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH WHAT CAN AND CANNOT BE BUILT. SO, I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTICE THAT WE ARE HAVING AN EMOTIONAL REACTION, TO ANESTHETIC ASSAULT, OR THE PERCEPTION OF A THREAT, WHICH THEN GETS NAMED AS PART VIEW VALUES AND ALL THESE OTHER THINGS BUT UNDERSTANDING THAT OUR EMOTIONAL RESPONSE DOES NOT ACTUALLY MAKE THIS DECISION HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THAT. I AM HAVING MY AN EMOTIONAL RESPONSE TO CELESTE'S COMMENTS OF MAKING ABOUT OLDER PEOPLE, BECAUSE AS A HOSPICE NURSE, I SAW THAT SO MANY OLDER PEOPLE STRUGGLING WITH THE ABILITY TO STAY IN THEIR HOME, DUE TO VARIOUS DIFFERENT COMPLEX FINANCIAL SITUATIONS, MANY OF WHOM MIGHT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO NOT TAKE OUT A PREDATORY LOAN, BECAUSE THEY COULD SELL OFF THEIR 80 YOU. I JUST THINK THIS CREATES SO MANY DIFFERENT FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR SO MANY DIFFERENT TYPES OF PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT A PART OF THE HYPER- WEALTHY CLASS, BUT AGAIN, I ECHO PREVIOUS SPEAKERS IN SAYING LET'S STAND UP FOR OUR VALUES AND FOR HELPING THOSE WHO MAY BE ARE INTO THE TOP OF THE CHAIN RIGHT NOW. THANK YOU.

INC. YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT I WILL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. SEEING THEM, I WILL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. IF THERE WAS ANYONE ON ZOOM WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, AMY, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF PLEASE?

YES, THANK YOU. I CAME IN LATE, AND I THINK A LOT HAS ALREADY -- MY FEELINGS HAVE ALREADY BEEN EXPRESSED LARGELY, FROM WHAT I AM HEARING. I JUST, PLEASE URGE YOU TO ADOPT 1033, JUST FOR THE FUTURE OF THE CITY OF SEVASTOPOL, FOR OUR YOUNG FAMILIES AND WORKFORCE AND OUR SENIORS, MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, FAMILIES AND SENIORS TO LIVE IN THIS AREA, WHERE THE COST OF LIVING CONTINUES TO RISE AND PUSH OUT OUR CHILDREN AND OUR COMMUNITY. I JUST ECHO WHAT -- I DID COME IN LATE, BUT WHAT I JUST HEARD FROM THE LAST COUPLE OF PEOPLE, I THINK THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. I WILL COME BACK INTO ZOOM -- EXCUSE ME, CHAMBERS. IS THERE ANYONE IN CHAMBERS? SEEING THEN, I WILL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM, IF THERE IS ANYONE ON ZOOM WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT OF THE SECOND READING OF HOUSING 1033, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING THEN, PUBLIC, DISCLOSED.



BEFORE WE GET INTO OUR COMMENTS, I WANTED TO ASK THE ATTORNEY IF HE WOULD CLARIFY SOMETHING, CAN YOU CLARIFY THE IMPACT FEE, VERSUS TAXES? I KNOW THAT WE HAD A CONVERSATION ABOUT THAT, I JUST WANTED TO ASK YOU.

UNDER STATE LAW, THE CITY IS PROHIBITED FROM IMPOSING IMPACT FEES ON A DUS BUT ARE 750 SQUARE FEET OR LESS. WE CAN IMPOSE IMPACT FEES FOR BIGGER TRIM TREES, BUT THEY HAVE TO BE PROPORTIONATE TO THE SIZE OF THE PRIMARY UNIT. LET'S SAY YOU HAVE A 1600 SQUARE FOOT SINGLE FAMILY HOME, AND YOU BUILD THE 800 SQUARE FOOT ADU, THE CITY COULD CHARGE 50% OF THE IMPACT FEE RATE. IF YOU WERE 749 SQUARE FEET, THE CITY COULDN'T CHARGE ANYTHING. SO, FOR CONTEXT, A SINGLE-FAMILY HOME IMPACT FEE FOR THE CITY, WITH TRAFFIC AND ALL THE VARIOUS IMPACT FEES NOT INCLUDING WATER AND SEWER CONNECTION IS AROUND \$24,000. SO, FOR 750 SQUARE FOOT ADU, FOR AN 800 SQUARE FOOT ADU YOUR CHARGING AROUND 12,000, FOR A 749 SQUARE FOOT ADU YOUR CHARGING ZERO. PROPERTY TAXES, ACCOUNTING FOR WHEN PROPERTY GETS REASSESSED AND WHATNOT, LET'S SAY A NEW ADU IS ASSESSED AT \$1000, THE PROPERTY TAX IS 1%, MOST OF THAT MONEY GOES TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS, THE COUNTY AND CITY SHARE IS LESS THAN 12%, SO YOU'RE LOOKING AT A YEAR OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUE BEING LESS THAN \$1000, SO, IN TODAY'S DOLLARS WITH THOSE NUMBERS IT WOULD TAKE, YOU KNOW, 12 YEARS TO GET THERE, IF YOU ARE JUST LOOKING FOR DOLLARS TO ACCOUNT FOR THAT IMPACT FEE REVENUE YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO COLLECT.

THANK YOU. I KNOW THAT WE ALL HAVE COMMENTS, AND I WILL MAKE A COMMENT AND I WILL TAKE MY MASK OFF TO MY OWN DETRIMENT, BECAUSE I AM REALLY OFFENDED AND DISAPPOINTED AT SOME OF THESE COMMENTS, WITH THIS, YOU KNOW, LABELING OF PEOPLE, LABELING PEOPLE BECAUSE THEY HAVE A DIFFERENT OPINION. NAME-CALLING, CONDESCENSION ABOUT THOUGHTS THAT ARE COMMUNICATED HERE, AND I WILL GIVE A LITTLE CONTEXT, HERE. I THINK IT IS WRONG TO LABEL PEOPLE. YOU KNOW, EVERYONE IS ALLOWED TO HAVE THEIR OWN THOUGHTS ON THESE THINGS, AND LABELING AND SAYING PEOPLE DON'T UNDERSTAND, I WILL GIVE YOU SOME CONTEXT. I DO UNDERSTAND, AND I DO HAVE VALUES, AND I DO WORRY ABOUT VALUES FOR EVERYBODY. AND THAT IS BECAUSE I GREW UP IN POVERTY. I GREW UP IN OHIO, IN POVERTY, WITH A PARENT WHO HAD AN EIGHTH GRADE EDUCATION, AND A MOTHER WHO HAD A 12th GRADE EDUCATION. I WORKED THREE JOBS TO PUT MYSELF THROUGH COLLEGE, I GREW UP IN EXTREME POVERTY. POVERTY MOST PEOPLE HERE DON'T EVEN UNDERSTAND THAT I WOULD ASK PEOPLE HERE TO CHECK YOUR PRIVILEGE WHEN YOU LABEL PEOPLE AND CONDESCEND TO PEOPLE BECAUSE THEY HAVE A DIFFERING OPINION. THAT IS WHY OUR COUNTRY IS SO DIVIDED RIGHT NOW. THIS IDEA THAT YOU SIT HERE AND LABEL PEOPLE THE WAY WE DO, YOU KNOW NOTHING ABOUT ME. I WORKED THREE JOBS BUT I LIVED IN HOUSTON, TEXAS, FOR A DECADE SO THAT I COULD AFFORD TO BUY A HOUSE HERE BECAUSE I KNEW I COULDN'T AFFORD IT. I DO HAVE VALUES AND I'M SURE EVERYONE ELSE HERE WITH A DIFFERING OPINION HAS VALUES, AND I FIND THAT THIS, IN OUR COMMUNITY, WE ARE A KIND COMMUNITY, BUT THAT IS NOT. WHAT I DID WAS, A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO EMAILED US ABOUT WANTING US TO OPEN THIS HOUSING HERE PAST 1033, I LOOKED UP MOST OF THE PEOPLE AND THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE WHO EMAILED US DON'T EVEN LIVE IN THIS CITY, NOR DO WE REPRESENT THEM HERE. THIS IS THE SAME SITUATION THAT WE GOT INTO WHEN WE HAD HORIZON SHINE, AND ALL THESE PEOPLE FROM ADVOCACY AGENCIES AND NONPROFITS AND PEOPLE OUTSIDE OUR COMMUNITY TELLING US WE NEEDED TO DO THIS AND WE ALL KNOW HOW THAT DIDN'T WORK OUT AND WE ALL KNOW ABOUT THE ACLU LAWSUIT THAT WE SPENT HALF \$1 MILLION DEFENDING BECAUSE WE HAD EVERYONE ELSE TELLING US WHAT WE NEEDED TO DO IN THIS CITY, YET WE DON'T HAVE ANYONE HERE, IN THE ROOM THAT I AM AWARE OF, CLAMORING THAT WE NEED TO PASS THIS. WE SHOULD BE LISTENING TO PEOPLE WHO ACTUALLY LIVE HERE, AND WHAT THEY WANT BECAUSE THEY ELECTED US AND I WANT TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO STOP THIS LABELING, IT IS OFFENSIVE, AND IT IS WRONG. I THINK IT IS WRONG. I BROUGHT THIS UP SIMPLY BECAUSE I WANTED TO -- I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT, HOW DO I GET TO A POINT WHERE I COULD BE OKAY WITH THIS, AND THAT IS WHY I STARTED WORKING WITH THE ATTORNEYS TO TRY TO FIGURE IT OUT BECAUSE MANY TIMES WHEN THESE THINGS DON'T WORK OUT, I TRY TO FIGURE, HOW CAN I GET TO A YES? BUT I DON'T GET TO A YES WHEN I HAVE PEOPLE WHO ARE SUPPORTIVE -- WHO ARE INSULTING. I UNDERSTAND THAT EVERYBODY WANTS MORE HOUSING. I GET IT BUT I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET TO A YES, BUT TO LISTEN TO THIS IT

JUST MAKES ME ANGRY AND I TOOK MY MASK OFF TO MY OWN DETRIMENT RIGHT NOW SIMPLY BECAUSE I WANTED YOU TO SEE HOW FRUSTRATED I AM, BECAUSE IT IS NOT NICE. WE ARE A KIND COMMUNITY AND THE WAY SOME OF THESE COMMENTERS WERE, ARE NOT LIKE OUR COMMUNITY. IT FRUSTRATES ME SO MUCH. THOSE ARE MY THOUGHTS BUT THE ONLY THING I CAN SUPPORT HERE TONIGHT IS IF WE DID COME BACK WITH SOMETHING, BECAUSE I WANT TO HONOR EVERYONE HERE, AND HAVE A FULL CONVERSATION, NOT JUST A ONE-SIDED CONVERSATION ABOUT THIS. AND I AM SORRY FOR RANTING ABOUT THIS, BUT IT BOTHERS ME WHEN PEOPLE MAKE LABELS AND PEOPLE DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT YOU, AND I HAVE WORKED MY ENTIRE LIFE TO HAVE THIS HOUSE HERE, AND I ASSUME OTHER PEOPLE HAVE, TOO. IT IS OKAY FOR US TO TALK ABOUT WHETHER IT IMPACTS THEIR VALUES AND HOME VALUES, BECAUSE FOR SOME PEOPLE IT IS THE SINGLE LARGEST ASSET THAT THEY COUNT ON TO RETIRE, AND FOR US TO JUST WANT TO HAVE A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE DESIGN OF THESE HOMES, EVERYONE HERE HAS BEEN SUPPORTING IT. I AM LIKELY OUTVOTED HERE, BUT TO ASK FOR THAT DOES NOT MEAN I AM A NIMBY, IT JUST MEANS I WANT TO HAVE A FULL CONVERSATION, AND I INVITE YOU TO COME IN PERSON TO OUR MEETINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY, NOT ON ZOOM, SHOW YOUR FACES AND HAVE HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH US TO THANK YOU. WHO ELSE LIKE TO TALK, SORRY. GO AHEAD.

OKAY. WELL, I AM GOING TO BE SUPPORTING THIS TONIGHT. THE WAY I VOTED THE FIRST TIME. MY HOME IS MY LARGEST SINGLE ASSET, I HAVE NEVER WORKED FOR A BIG COMPANY, SO I DON'T HAVE A BIG PENSION OR A HUGE 401(K) TO RELY ON, WITH QUITE A BIT OF MONEY TO BUILD A ADU. I HAD NO IDEA THIS LEGISLATION WOULD COME DOWN WHEN I ATTEMPT THAT, BUT I AM TRYING TO MAXIMIZE MY PROPERTY, AND I DO HAVE TO SAY, MY PERSONAL EXPERIENCE, ONE OF MY NEIGHBORS IS NOT IN FAVOR OF IT. IT HAS BEEN DIFFICULT. BUT, I HAVE THE LEGAL RIGHT, AND I BELIEVE IN PROPERTY RIGHTS, TO USE MY PROPERTY TO HELP SUPPORT MYSELF IN RETIREMENT. WITH THAT SAID, I WILL ADD A FEW LITTLE THINGS I HAVE LEARNED, WHICH IS THAT IT COSTS ABOUT \$400 PER SQUARE FOOT TO BUILD A HOUSE FROM SCRATCH. I LOOKED AT SOME VERY NICE MANUFACTURED HOMES OVER AT SONOMA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS AT THE HOME SHOW AND THEY HAVE A NICER VERSION FOR ABOUT 200, AND COST ABOUT 40,000 TO DO A FOUNDATION ON THOSE MANUFACTURED HOMES. FOR ME, THIS EXAMPLE OF THE ONE WE GOT, I DON'T MUCH LIKE IT, BUT I DO THINK THAT MANUFACTURED HOMES SHOULD BE ALLOWED IF THEY ARE ALLOWED IN THE ORIGINAL ADU LEGISLATION. AND SO, THOSE ARE MY THOUGHTS. PEOPLE HAVE TALKED ABOUT WINDOWS AND THINGS, I'VE GOT TO TELL YOU, THE ADU HAS A WORSE VIEW OF THE NEIGHBORS PROPERTY THAT THAT MY PRIMARY HOME . I CAN LOOK RIGHT INTO THEIR BACKYARD. SO, THAT IS JUST MY EXPERIENCE IN THIS, AND THE WAY I WILL MOVE FORWARD ON THE ROAD TONIGHT, BECAUSE I AM, AGAIN, IN FAVOR OF PEOPLE BEING ABLE TO TRY TO STAY IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND WHETHER IT IS MY MOM, OR MY DAUGHTER, I AM IN THE SANDWICH MIDDLE, AND THE ADU I THINK HELPS PEOPLE STAY IN THEIR HOMES, AND IT IS ALSO A PART OF MANY PEOPLE'S FINANCIAL PLAN FOR THE FUTURE. VICE MAYOR?

NUMBER 56 DEFINES MANUFACTURED AND MOBILE HOMES. IT SAYS THAT THEY SHALL BE ALLOWED, PROVIDED THEY ARE PLACED ON A PERMANENT FOUNDATION. SO, YOU HAVE TO BE ON A PERMANENT FOUNDATION, THEY HAVE TO HAVE A CERTAIN ROOF PITCH, AND THEY CANNOT BE USING METAL OR ALUMINUM SIDING. SO, THEY WOULD BE NOT A TRAILER IN THAT WAY. THEY WOULD BE A MANUFACTURED HOME THAT DID NOT HAVE METAL SIDING. I THINK, SINCE MANY FRACTURED HOMES RIGHT NOW WERE ALLOWED AS ADU'S IN SEVASTOPOL, YOU WOULD THINK IF THERE WOULD BE A BLIGHT PROBLEM WITH IT, THAT WE WOULD BE SEEING IT NOW. I THINK JUST BECAUSE YOU CAN SELL IT -- AND IT WILL NOT BE EASY FOR ANYONE TO DO THIS TO 1033, I THINK IT WILL BE REALLY DIFFICULT, ACTUALLY, THERE WILL BE A LOT OF COST TO IT, BUT I SUPPORT MANUFACTURED HOME BEING ABLE TO BE INCLUDED AS A ADU. SO, I WILL SUPPORT THIS AS IT IS WRITTEN. COUNCILMEMBER SILVER?

I, TOO, REMAIN SUPPORTIVE, IN LINE WITH COUNCILMEMBER HINTON AND MAUER.

SINCE IT WAS CLARIFIED THAT SOMETHING ON WHEELS CANNOT BE A ADU , WHICH I WAS A LITTLE NERVOUS ABOUT, I WILL KEEP THE VOTE GOING THE WAY WE VOTED LAST TIME.

I DO KNOW SOME MANUFACTURED HOMES ARE BRILLIANT BUT THEY RANGE ALL OVER THE PLACE. ALREADY, ADU'S ARE BEING BUILT, DESPITE WHAT THE NEIGHBOR MIGHT WANT WERE NOT.

I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ZONING CODE CHANGES OR SECOND READING, HOWEVER YOU WANT TO SAY IT, TO IMPLEMENT THE HOUSING ELEMENT IN AB 1033 PROVISIONS.

SECOND.

MARY?

NO, THAT'S OKAY.

SO MOVED BY VICE MAYOR MAUER, AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ZALMAN, TO APPROVE THE WAIVING OF THE SECOND READING AND ADOPTING THE ORDINANCE TO IMPLEMENT THE ZONING ORDINANCE AB 1033. CANCEL NUMBER CARTER? COUNCILMEMBER HINTON? COUNCILMEMBER ZALMAN? VICE MAYOR MAUER? MAYOR MICK LEWIS? THE MOTION PASSES 4-1, WITH COUNCIL MEMBERS CARTER, ENTER, ZALMAN, IN SUPPORT AND VICE MAYOR UPPERS OPPOSITION.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SO, WE WILL GO ON TO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT, RIGHT?

THANK YOU, MAYOR. THIS IS A SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE NIGHT, THESE ARE FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA. IF YOU DID NOT GET A CHANCE TO SPEAK DURING THE FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD . I WILL COME TO CHAMBERS FIRST. MICHAEL?

IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I SPENT AS LONG AS A CITY COUNCIL MEETING. I JUST WANT TO SAY, THAT I SO KNOW THE AMOUNT OF DEDICATION AND DEVOTION AND COMMITMENT TO THE CITY THAT YOU WILL HAVE, BECAUSE I DID IT FOR FOUR YEARS. AND SO,'S IS THE FUNNY PART, WHEN I MOST APPRECIATE IT IS WHEN I LOOK AT MY WEEKLY PLANNER AND I CAN GO THREE WEEKS OUT AND HAVE NOTHING ON MY CALENDAR. AND IT IS SO LIBERATING, YOU HAVE NO IDEA. UNTIL YOU GET OFF COUNSEL YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO EXPERIENCE THAT. IS TO SAY THANK YOU. EVEN THOUGH WE DON'T ALWAYS AGREE, I APPRECIATE IT.

THANK YOU, MICHAEL, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT I WILL GO OUT TO ZOOM. IF THERE'S ANYONE ON ZOUMA THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AN ITEM NOT ON TONIGHT'S AGENDA AND DO NOT HAVE A CHANCE TO TALK DURING THE FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING THEN I WILL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS.

I WOULD BE INTERESTED TO KNOW WHAT THE CITY'S STRATEGY IS AROUND GROCERY OUTLET. HAVE BEEN AT THE TWO MEETINGS OF THE HEART CENTER. EDITOR IF THERE IS ANY KIND OF FORMAL -- ENOUGH TO HAVE INFORMED YOU ARE INVITED YOU AS TO WHAT THE PLAN IS WITH THAT. IT SEEMS TO BE LIKE THE THING WE JUST DISCUSSED RIGHT NOW. EVERY POORLY FORMED AND NOT WELL UNDERSTOOD AND A LOT OF THINGS COULD GO SIDeways VERY QUICKLY. SO, I WOULD BE INTERESTED TO HEAR IF ANYBODY WANTS TO COMMENT, WHAT THE PLAN IS FOR THE CITY TO BE AT THAT MEETING AND WHAT THE STRATEGY IS. THANK YOU.

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

YES.

THANK YOU. CAN YOU GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT?

I JUST WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU SO MUCH TO OUR MAYOR FOR WHAT SHE PRESENTED TO THE PEOPLE. I AGREE WITH HER COMPLETELY, AND IT WAS UPSETTING TO ME, TOO, TO BECAUSE NOBODY KNOWS HOW HARD PEOPLE HAVE WORKED FOR WHAT THEY HAVE. SOMETIMES, IT SEEMS LIKE THERE IS A LOT OF ENTITLEMENT. THANK YOU, MAYOR.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT I WILL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. IS THERE ANYONE IN CHAMBERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT? SEEING THEN I WILL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. ROBERT, CAN YOU UNMUTE YOURSELF PLEASE?

CAN YOU HEAR ME?

I CAN. GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT.

THIS IS THE RISKIEST PUBLIC COMMENT I HAVE EVER MADE BECAUSE I WILL USE THE WORD DONALD TRUMP, BUT DONALD TRUMP HAS SET AN UNPRECEDENTED POLICY THAT AS LONG AS HE IS COMPLETELY TRANSPARENT HE CAN PROFIT FROM EVERY ACTION AND DECISION THAT HE MAKES AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, HE CAN PERSONALLY PROFIT FROM IT. I DIDN'T THINK THAT WAS WHAT CONFLICT OF INTEREST WAS ABOUT. AND WHEN COUNCILMEMBER HINTON SAID SHE HAS BEEN FULLY TRANSPARENT ABOUT THE FACT THAT SHE IS

BUILDING A ADU , AND WENT ON TO SAY THAT HER GOAL IS FINANCIAL SECURITY WITH THIS ADU, I AM SORRY, JUST BEING TRANSPARENT DOESN'T CREATE NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN MY MIND AND I THINK THE ISSUE IS THAT YOU GUYS NEED TO PUT THIS ON THE AGENDA AND HAVE A REAL DISCUSSION ABOUT WHAT CONFLICT OF INTEREST MEANS IN THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL, BECAUSE I THINK THREE PEOPLE IN THIS VOTE WERE CONFLICTED, THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, ROBERT, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. I WILL COME BACK INTO CHAMBERS. IF THERE IS ANYONE IN CHAMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AN ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA? SEEING THEN I WILL GO BACK OUT TO ZOOM. IF THERE IS ANYONE ON ZOOM THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AN ITEM NOT ON TONIGHT'S AGENDA, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND VIRTUALLY. SEEING THEN, PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THIS SECOND PERIOD IS CLOSED.

THANK YOU, MARY.

LET'S SEE, WE ARE MOVING ON TO, DO ANY COUNCIL MEMBERS HAVE A REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEMS? NO, BUT I WOULD LIKE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO ADDRESS, A SPEAKER ASKED EARLIER ABOUT THE OPINION ABOUT OUR BEING ABLE TO VOTE ON THAT, IF YOU WOULD GO AHEAD AND ADDRESS THE OPINION THAT SO, UNDER THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT COUNCILMEMBER'S DO NOT HAVE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST IF A PROPOSED ORDINANCE AFFECTS A SIGNIFICANT SEGMENT OF THE POPULATION, AND THE COUNCILMEMBER IS NOT UNIQUELY AFFECTED. SO, COMPARED TO OTHER PEOPLE WITHIN THAT SEGMENT. AND THEN THERE ARE THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT, A SIGNIFICANT SEGMENT IS DEFINED AS 15% OF RESIDENTIAL PARCELS. SO THIS ORDINANCE WOULD APPLY TO ALL PARTICULAR -- EXCUSE ME, THAT APPLY TO ALL RESIDENTIAL PARCELS IN THE CITY.

DID THAT SUFFICE?

YEAH. I JUST WASN'T SURE IF YOU ARE ASKING OKAY.

ALL RIGHT. NO ONE HAS ANY AGENDA ITEMS? OKAY. SO, LET'S SEE. WE CAN GO ON TO STAFF REPORTS. CITY MANAGER?

JUST A REMINDER, WE HAVE AN AGENDA REVIEW MEETING TOMORROW, DEPARTMENT REPORTS ARE ATTACHED TO THE AGENDA REPORT. PG ANDY IS DOING A WALK-THROUGH COMMUNITY MEETING TOMORROW WITH A MOBILE HOME PARK REGARDING THE METER INSTALLATION, AND WE ARE CONTINUING DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS.

ALL RIGHT, COUNCIL MEMBERS? VICE MAYOR?

I HAVE SOME NEWS FROM THE ZERO WASTE GROUP, SOMETHING THAT IS HAPPENING BECAUSE OF THIS STATE LAW WHERE YOU ARE REQUIRED TO COMPOST, IT IS THAT THE RECEIVING FACILITY IS MAXING OUT ON THE AMOUNT OF COMPOST THAT IS BEING BROUGHT TO THEM, AND SO, THEY ARE CUTTING THE COMPOST BACK BY SOMETHING LIKE 30%. THAT IS GOING TO AFFECT EVERYONE'S BILLS, ALL OF OUR TRASH BILLS AND THEY ARE ESTIMATING, FOR A RESIDENT, IT WILL BE ABOUT A THREE DOLLAR INCREASE PER MONTH. SO, THAT IS REALLY SIGNIFICANT, AND I WANTED TO GIVE YOU A HEADS UP THAT THAT IS HAPPENING. WE HAD SOME DISCUSSIONS ABOUT HOME COMPOSTING, AND THE IMPORTANCE OF THAT, BUT ALSO AT THE STATE LEVEL, MAYBE THEY CAN BETTER FASTTRACK SOME OF THESE LARGER COMPOSTING FACILITIES. I HAVE ONE AT THE AIRPORT RIGHT NOW. THANK YOU.

ANYONE ELSE?

I WILL JUST SAY THAT WE HAD ANOTHER GREAT COMMONS MEETING, AND WE WILL BE PUTTING FORTH OUR QUARTERLY REPORT AT A NEAR COUNCIL MEETING. AS FAR AS WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THE HOMELESS COALITION BOARD, WE CONTINUE TO HAVE FREQUENT MEETINGS TO KEEP UP WITH OUR FEDERAL ADMINISTERED CHANGING POLICY ABOUT WHAT THEY ARE TRYING TO FIND, BOARD OF HOUSING OR ONLY TEMPORARY SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, SO THE MEETINGS KEEP COMING FAST AND FURIOUS TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR MOST VULNERABLE CONTINUE TO RECEIVE HOUSING ON A COUNTYWIDE BASIS.

OKAY. ANYONE OVER HERE? IT'S FINE, IF NOT.

THE A CTA MEETING WAS CANCELED FOR JANUARY BECAUSE A LOT OF MEMBERS HADN'T DETERMINED WHO THEIR BOARD MEMBERS WOULD BE, BUT I DID SIT IN ON THE TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE, AND THERE WAS NO NOTABLE THINGS REALLY IN THAT MEETING.

OKAY. WE ARE GETTING TO TIME, HERE, SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE. OKAY. I WAS JUST GOING TO REPORT THAT I ATTENDED THE MAYORS MEETING TWO WEEKS AGO, AND I KNOW AT THAT MEETING, THE DISCUSSION WAS JUST SURROUNDING WHAT TOPICS WOULD BE DISCUSSED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. SO I THINK THEY ARE STILL TAKING SUGGESTIONS FOR THAT. THERE WAS THAT MEETING, AND THEN MAYBE YOU REMEMBER, FOR SOME REASON IT IS NOT SHOWING UP ON MY CALENDAR, IS THE EVENT ON THE 31st? IT IS BEFORE OUR NEXT MEETING. ON THE 31st, THE SEVASTOPOL IS LAUNCHING THE TEMPLE THERE. I KEEP REMINDING EVERYONE TO COME THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO SAY. IT LOOKS LIKE WE WILL END ONE OR TWO MINUTES BEFORE TIME. SO ANYWAYS, THAT IS ALL. THE MEETING IS ADJOURNED. THANK YOU. [Event Concluded]