CITY OF CALISTOGA HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 21, 2021 via Zoom at 10:00 a.m.

Acting City Manager Zach Tusinger swore in the new Green Committee members before the start of the meeting.

1. ROLL CALL

Committee members present virtually: Laurel Gourd, Lan Richardson, Laurel Rios, Cathy Schwamberger, David Shaw. Staff members present: Zach Tusinger. New committee members introduced themselves and spoke about their interests in the committee and their background.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of Officers (Chair and Vice Chair)

Laurel Gourd was elected Chair and David Shaw was elected Vice Chair.

B. Overview of Brown Act and Meeting Procedures

Staff member Tusinger provided an overview of the Brown Act and meeting procedure and answered questions from the committee members.

C. Establishment of Monthly Meeting Date/Time

The Committee voted to establish the third Monday at 10 a.m. as the regular meeting time.

D. Presentation and Q&A with City's Housing Element Project Consultant

Members of the team from M-Group introduced themselves, discussed the outreach approach for the Housing Element, explained and answered questions about the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA), talked about the site selection strategy, and discussed the nuts & bolts of a Housing Element. M-Group noted that there is a greater emphasis on Fair Housing in this Housing Element. The committee members asked questions about the Housing Element project. M-Group will come back to the Housing Advisory Committee at a future date. They will report back on the community outreach.

4. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' IDEAS & REQUESTS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

At future meetings committee members suggested the following ideas: ideas on how to get people involved in the Housing Element Project, making sure the discussions are fact based and that information is used to educate people, information on available utilities, and overview of affordability levels.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.