

MINUTES
CALISTOGA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, June 20, 2023 - 6:00 PM
Calistoga Community Center

1 CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL - SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND OPTIONAL PATRIOTIC ACTIVITY

Mayor Donald Williams called the regular session to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Williams, Vice-Mayor Lopez-Ortega (present at 6:19 p.m.),
Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Eisenberg

Absent: Councilmember Gift

2. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSIONS

Mayor Williams said there was a closed session held with Energy Vault for property leasing this afternoon, there is no reportable action.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATION ON CONSENT ITEMS OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

3.1. Casey White gave the Council an update in regard to the NVTS Trail.

4. ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion by Mayor Williams and Seconded by Councilmember Eisenberg adopting the agenda with the exception of item #'s 8.2 and 8.5 which have been postponed to a future meeting.

AYES: Mayor Donald Williams, Vice Mayor Irais Lopez-Ortega, Councilmember Lisa Gift, Councilmember Scott Cooper, and Councilmember Kevin Eisenberg

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Snideman announced that Jed Matcham has been selected as the new Fire Chief. Chief Matcham spoke about his experience and thanked the Council.

6. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ AWARDS

6.1. Public Works Director Rayner presented a proclamation in recognition of the retirement of Utility Systems Superintendent Ben Zachariah.

6.2. Mayor Williams presented a proclamation in recognition of the retirement of Fire Chief Campbell.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Councilmember Cooper, seconded by Councilmember Eisenberg to adopt the consent calendar as presented.

Ayes: Mayor Williams, Vice Mayor Lopez-Ortega, Councilmembers Eisenberg, Cooper and Gift.

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7.1. Consider authorizing the City Manager to execute a Funding Agreement with Napa County to complete pavement repair on Silverado Trail within the city limits - **APPROVED**

7.2. **Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-059** Awarding the Business Economic Diversification Grant to Vine Ecology.

7.3. **Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-041** authorizing the contract with O' Connor & Company, CPA's to complete the Fiscal Year end June 30, 2022 audit.

8. PUBLIC HEARING

8.1. **Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-043** Determination of Public Convenience and Necessity (PCN) for a motorcycle sidecar tour service business in the City of Calistoga
Mayor Williams opened and closed the hearing with no public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Kevin Eisenberg and seconded by Vice Mayor Irais Lopez-Ortega to adopt the resolution.

AYES: Mayor Donald Williams, Vice Mayor Irais Lopez-Ortega, Councilmember Lisa Gift, Councilmember Scott Cooper, and Councilmember Kevin Eisenberg

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

8.2. **This item has been continued to a future regular city council meeting.** "Safe Firearm Storage" ordinance, adding section 8.06.040 to the Calistoga Municipal Code Chapter 8.06, Health & Safety: Firearms

8.3. **Adoption of Resolution 2023-52** amending the book of fees for various regulatory activities, products, and services.

This is a continued public hearing. Mayor Williams opened and closed the public hearing with public comment from Millie Pease and Donna Higgins requesting the council consider a separate fee schedule for citizens within the city limits and the facility rental fees be waived for City Council appointed committees.

Motion by Vice Mayor Irais Lopez-Ortega and seconded by Councilmember Kevin Eisenberg to adopt the resolution amending the book of fees with the following changes: omitting the Building Fee Schedule to be adopted separately after some clarifying changes, and lowering the Appeal Fee to \$400 for City residents only.

AYES: Mayor Donald Williams, Vice Mayor Irais Lopez-Ortega, Councilmember Lisa Gift, Councilmember Scott Cooper, and Councilmember Kevin Eisenberg
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

- 8.4. **This item has been continued to a future regular city council meeting.** Adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration and the 2023-2031 Housing Element Update to the City's General Plan and direction to staff to submit to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).
- 8.5. **Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-042** adopting the City's Operating and Capital Improvement 2023-24 Budget and Annual Appropriations Limit

Motion by Vice Mayor Irais Lopez-Ortega and seconded by Councilmember Kevin Eisenberg to adopt the resolution.

AYES: Mayor Donald Williams, Vice Mayor Irais Lopez-Ortega, Councilmember Lisa Gift, Councilmember Scott Cooper, and Councilmember Kevin Eisenberg
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

9. GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- 9.1. **Adoption of resolution 2023-055** awarding Fiscal Year 2023-24 Community Enrichment Grants.

Motion by Councilmember Kevin Eisenberg and seconded by Councilmember Scott Cooper to adopt the resolution.

AYES: Mayor Donald Williams, Vice Mayor Irais Lopez-Ortega, Councilmember Lisa Gift, Councilmember Scott Cooper, and Councilmember Kevin Eisenberg
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

10. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Cooper reported that the fairgrounds effort continues to move forward. Vice Mayor Lopez-Ortega suggested Council consider adopting a yearly proclamation calendar.


Mayor Williams attended a fire mitigation and grants meeting in Napa.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting, at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Prepared by:



Yudiana Galvan, City Clerk

Approved by:



Donald Williams, Mayor

APPROVED: 9/19/23