

MINUTES
CALISTOGA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, April 9, 2024 - 6:00 PM
1307 Washington Street, Calistoga CA 94515

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance and Optional Patriotic Activity

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

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

Absent:

2. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSIONS - NONE

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

Public comment was made by Mary Salinger.

4. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Snideman introduced our new Planning and Building Director Greg Desmond. She shared that parklet removal has begun and compost bins have been purchased and will soon be installed. Also, the public can join Chief Celaya in support of Sexual Assault Awareness Month at the "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" event on April 14th at Napa's Veteran's Memorial Park 1pm-3pm.

5. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ AWARDS

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

6.1. **APPROVED** - Consider Approving Minutes of March 19, 2024 and 2022.

6.2. **Adoption or Ordinance No. 768** - Cancelling the City of Calistoga's enforcement responsibility for mobile home parks (MHP) and installations and special occupancy parks under the California Health and Safety Code.

6.3. **Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-17** - Approving an agreement with PG&E for use of the Calistoga Community Center as a PG&E Resource Center.

6.4. **Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-18** - Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a five year contract with Perfectmind, Inc. dba. Xplor Recreation for Recreation Management System Software for program registration and facility booking services.

6.5. **Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-19** - Authorizing staff to submit a match commitment letter to CalOES for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, in the amount of \$487,353 to fund the improvements to raise Kimball Creek Dam located at 3522 Evey Road.

6.6. **Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-20** - Authorizing amendments to the Salary and Benefits Resolutions - Executive Management and Mid-Management

This item was pulled for discussion by Vice Mayor Lopez-Ortega who asked clarifying questions concerning the flexible spending program. Council discussed.

There was no public comment.

Staff was directed to bring this item back to Council before the open enrollment period for discussion of possibly reinstating the flexible spending program.

A motion was made by Mayor Williams to approve the amendments, seconded by Vice Mayor Lopez-Ortega.

AYES: Mayor Williams, Vice Mayor Lopez-Ortega and Councilmembers Eisenberg, Cooper and Gift.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

7. **PUBLIC HEARING**

7.1. **This Item was Continued to a Future Meeting** - Consider an Ordinance of the City of Calistoga amending its regulations concerning ADU utilities and fees for public health and safety concerns, and make other clarifying and conforming changes to occupancy, height, and parking requirements for ADUs and JADUs to be consistent with state law.

This item was presented by Planning and Building Director Greg Desmond and Public Works Director Derek Rayner. Council discussed and asked clarifying questions.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gift to continue this item to a future Regular Council Meeting for discussion, seconded by Councilmember Cooper.

AYES: Mayor Williams and Councilmembers Eisenberg, Cooper and Gift
NOES: Vice Mayor Lopez-Ortega
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

8. **GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Mayor Williams changed the order in which these items were presented to accommodate presenters and recusals.

Council took recess from 8:22 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

8.1. **APPROVED** - Housing Advisory Committee 2024 Workplan

This item was presented by City Manager Snideman.

There was public comment by Laurel Rios and Laurel Gourd of the Housing Advisory Committee.

Council discussed and encouraged the Housing Advisory Committee to keep working.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gift to approve the 2024 Housing Advisory Committee Workplan, with direction for the committee to work on the proposed ADU Amendments and items A-E of the Housing section in the newly updated Council Priorities, seconded by Councilmember Eisenberg.

VIA ROLL CALL

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

8.2. **Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-21** - Approving the conversion of the Washington Street Parklet to Bicycle Parking.

This item was presented by Public Works Director Derek Rayner.

There was public comment by Millie Pease and John Gleazer of the Green Committee.

Council discussed and directed staff to include a bench in the finished parklet.

A motion was made by Mayor Williams to adopt the resolution, seconded by Councilmember Cooper.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

8.3. **APPROVED** - Updating the City Council Priorities and Civic Operating Agreements.

This item was presented by City Manager Snideman.

There was public comment by Millie Pease and Laurel Rios.

Mayor Williams summarized some of the items included in the document, Council discussed.

A motion was made by Mayor Williams to approve the 2024 City Council Priorities and Civic Operating Agreements, seconded by Councilmember Cooper.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

- 8.4. **Adoption of Resolution 2024-22** - Adopting the Expenditure Plan for the proposed Napa Valley Transportation Authority – Tax Agency’s Measure U – Napa Valley Transportation Improvement Act, for the purpose of improving local streets and roads and investing in regional capital projects.

This item was presented by NVTVA.

There was a motion by Councilmember Eisenberg to adopt the resolution, seconded by Vice Mayor Lopez.

VIA ROLL CALL

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

- 8.5. **Adoption of Resolution 2024-23** - Approving Objective Design Standards to be applied to a qualifying affordable housing project on Parcel #011-050-024 identified as a Reuse Site to accommodate lower income housing in the 2023-2031 Housing Element.

This item was presented by Planning and Building Director Greg Desmond and M-Group Consultant Tom Ford.

Council discussed gave staff direction to change the document to omit the color restriction in 3.3 and to change the guest parking ratio to 1 space per every 3 units.

A motion was made by Mayor Williams to adopt the resolution, seconded by Councilmember Gift.

VIA ROLL CALL

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

- 8.6. **Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-24** - Approving Objective Design Standards to be applied to a qualifying affordable housing project on Parcels 011-062-008 & 011-072-020 identified as a Reuse Site to accommodate lower income housing in the 2023-2031 Housing Element.

Mayor Williams and Councilmember Gift recused themselves from this item due to a property proximity conflict.

This item was presented by Planning and Building Director Greg Desmond and M-Group Consultant Tom Ford.

There was public comment by Laurel Gourd.

Council discussed gave staff direction to change the document to omit the color restriction in 3.3 and to change the guest parking ratio to 1 space per every 3 units.

A motion was made by Councilmember Eisenberg to adopt the resolution, seconded by Councilmember Cooper.

AYES: Vice Mayor Lopez-Ortega and Councilmembers Eisenberg and Cooper

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Mayor Williams and Councilmember Gift

ABSENT: None

9. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Gift congratulated the CHS band for their award-winning performance in Hawaii.

Councilmember Eisenberg spoke about the food ware ordinance by the Green Committee and stated the NVTA will be approaching Council soon as there has been an increase in cost for the Vine Trail Project. He also requested that staff bring back the Mobile Food Vending item to a future Regular Council Meeting to discuss changing the ordinance to allow for more approved, Council concurred.

Mayor Williams spoke about wanting the public to be able to take tours of the City's water treatment plant and expressed his sympathies for the passing of former Councilmember Karen Slusser.

10. ADJOURNMENT

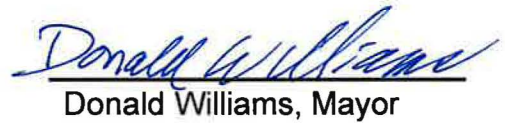
Vice Mayor Lopez-Ortega adjourned the meeting in memory of former Councilmember Karen Slusser, at 9:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Prepared by:


Yudiana Galvan, City Clerk

Approved By:


Donald Williams, Mayor

APPROVED:4/30/24