

# City of Capitola

## Special City Council Meeting Minutes

### Friday, January 06, 2023 – 4:00 PM



City Council Chambers  
420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, CA 95010

**Mayor:** Margaux Keiser

**Vice Mayor:** Kristen Brown

**Council Members:** Yvette Brooks, Joe Clarke, Alexander Pedersen

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### Special Meeting of the Capitola City Council – 4:00 PM

#### 1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members Yvette Brooks, Joe Clarke, Alexander Pedersen, Kristen Brown and Mayor Margaux Keiser.

#### 2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda - *None*

#### 3. Additional Materials - *None*

#### 4. Oral Communications by Members of the Public

BJ & Sally John spoke about wharf repairs.

#### 5. General Government / Public Hearings

*All items listed in "General Government / Public Hearings" are intended to provide an opportunity for public discussion of each item listed. The following procedure pertains to each General Government item: 1) Staff explanation; 2) Council questions; 3) Public comment; 4) Council deliberation; 5) Decision.*

##### A. Resolution Ratifying a Proclamation of Local Emergency

Recommended Action: Adopt a resolution ratifying a Proclamation of Local Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services due to a significant weather event commencing on January 3, 2023.

City Manager Goldstein, Recreation Manager Bryant, Police Chief Dally, Public Works Director Kahn, and Community Development Director Herlily presented the staff report.

Public comments were received from the following: Edward Newman commended City Staff and leadership for their efforts in response to the emergency. Jacques Bertrand shared concerns about building inspections and costs to residents. Steven Woodside commended staff for their response to the storm and suggested that staff accept storm debris from residents. BJ and Sally John spoke about wharf repairs and expansion of the wharf during repairs. Linda Smith commended staff for their quick response and recognized the Public Works department for putting themselves at risk to work to mitigate damages. Carin Hanna spoke about volunteer fundraising for recovery efforts from the storm through the Community Foundation.

Council Member Brooks requested clarification on volunteer mobilization and commended staff for their work during the emergency. She requested that an update be provided at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting and that the City Council receive a daily update and notification prior to City press conferences.

Council Member Clarke requested a website update for volunteer coordination and thanked staff for their efforts.

Vice Mayor Brown requested an update on the PG&E efforts to turn on power to the evacuation zone. Chief Dally provided information on the PG&E efforts. Vice Mayor Brown thanked staff for their efforts.

***Motion to adopt the resolution made by Vice Mayor Brown***

***Seconded by Council Member Brooks***

***Voting Yea: Mayor Keiser, Vice Mayor Brown, Council Member Brooks, Council Member Pedersen, Council Member Clarke***

**6. Adjournment** - Adjourned at 4:48 PM to the regularly scheduled City Council meeting on January 12, 2023 at 5:15 PM.

**ATTEST:**

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Margaux Keiser, Mayor

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Julia Moss, City Clerk