

City of Capitola

City Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 08, 2023 – 6:00 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

Closed Session – 5 PM

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2)
One Case

Regular Meeting of the Capitola City Council – 6 PM

1. **Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance** – *The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. In attendance: Council Members Brooks, Clarke, Pedersen, Brown, and Mayor Keiser.*
2. **Report on Closed Session** – *The City Council met and discussed one item on the Closed Session Agenda. No reportable action was taken.*
3. **Additions and Deletions to the Agenda** – *Change order of Items 9B and 9C.*
4. **Presentations**
 - A. City Clerk Moss introduced Austin Westly, Deputy City Clerk, and Rosie Wyatt, Customer Service and Office Coordinator
 - B. The Mayor presented a Proclamation honoring Parks and Recreation Month in July to the Recreation Division
5. **Additional Materials**
 - A. Correspondence Received - Item 8D – 80 emails
 - B. Additional Materials - Item 9A
 - C. Correspondence Received - Item 9D – 2 emails
6. **Oral Communications by Members of the Public**
 - *Gorin Klepich, resident, spoke about Jade Street Park.*
7. **Staff / City Council Comments**
 - *Council Member Clarke reminded residents of the Classic Car Show in Capitola.*
 - *Council Member Brooks thanked volunteers for their efforts.*
8. **Consent Items**
 - A. Approval of City Council Minutes
Recommended Action: Approve 5/25/2023 City Council Meeting Minutes
 - B. Public Works Equipment Budget Amendment

Recommended Action: Adopt a resolution to amend the FY 2022-23 budget to allow for the purchase of \$35,000 of essential equipment from the Equipment Internal Service Fund.

C. FY 2023-24 Appropriation Limit

Recommended Action: Adopt a resolution setting the Fiscal Year 2023-24 appropriation limit.

D. Ordinance Adding Capitola Municipal Code Chapter 2.18

Recommended Action: Adopt an ordinance of the City of Capitola adding Capitola Municipal Code Chapter 2.18 establishing mobile home park rent stabilization.

E. Wharf to Wharf Race Donation Agreement

Recommended Action: Authorize the City Manager to sign an agreement with Wharf-to-Wharf Race for the handling of donations for the Capitola Wharf Enhancement Project (CWEP).

Motion to approve Items 8A, 8B, 8C, 8E: Vice Mayor Brown

Seconded: Council Member Clarke

Voting Yea: Council Members Brooks, Clarke, Pedersen, Vice Mayor Brown, and Mayor Keiser

Motion to approve Item 8D: Vice Mayor Brown

Seconded: Council Member Brooks

Voting Yea: Council Members Brooks, Clarke, Pedersen, and Vice Mayor Brown

Abstaining: Mayor Keiser

9. General Government / Public Hearings

A. Jade Street Community Center Renovation Project

Recommended Action: Provide direction to staff regarding the conceptual design for the Jade Street Community Center Renovation Project.

Public Works Director Kahn presented the staff report.

The City Council provided direction to staff to seek external funding sources for this project and return in September with an update.

B. Jade Street Park Universally Accessible Playground Project Conceptual Design Alternatives

Recommended Action: Direct staff to work with Verde Design and prepare a final concept plan, for consideration by the Council on July 27, 2023, for the Jade Street Park Universally Accessible Playground Project that meets projected available funding and include opportunities to enhance the design should additional funding become available.

Public Works Director Kahn presented the staff report.

Janet, resident, spoke in support of this project.

Council Member comments included recognition of the value of the communication board element, a recommendation for staff to seek outside funding sources, and request to maintain square footage of the project.

The City Council directed staff to prepare a final concept plan that meets projected available funding, includes opportunities to enhance design if additional funding is obtained, and return to the City Council in July.

C. Jade Street Park Universally Accessible Playground Fundraising Partnership

Recommended Action: 1) Approve the playground naming procedure; and 2) Direct staff to draft a Sponsorship Policy.

Chloe Woodmansee, Assistant to the City Manager, presented the staff report.

Brenda, resident, spoke in support of this project.

The City Council provided direction to staff on the naming and sponsorship of the project.

D. Housing Element Public Review Draft

Recommended Action: Receive staff presentation on Housing Element public review draft and provide feedback.

Community Development Director Herlihy presented the staff report.

Public Comments:

- **Albert Lufrey, Union Worker, spoke in support of worker housing.**
- **Rene Biaz, NorCal Carpenters Union, spoke in support of worker housing.**
- **John Mulry, resident, spoke in support of worker housing.**

Council Member comments included thanks for staff and the consultant's presentation, a wish to incorporate local labor and fair wages into the Housing Element, and clarification on the mall's housing usage.

E. Modification to Parking Meter Rates

Recommended Action: Introduce, by title only, waiving further reading of the text, an ordinance of the City of Capitola amending Municipal Code Sections 10.36.055A and 10.38.010.

Community Development Director Herlihy presented the staff report.

Motion to introduce the ordinance: Vice Mayor Brown

Seconded: Council Member Pedersen

Voting Yea: Council Members Brooks, Clarke, Pedersen, Brown, and Mayor Keiser

F. 2023 – 2024 Salary Schedule

Recommended Action: Adopt a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2023 – 2024 annual salary adjustment, consistent with the following employment agreements: Association of Capitola Employees, Police Officers Association, Confidential Employees, Police Captains, and Management.

Chloe Woodmansee, Assistant to the City Manager, presented the staff report.

Motion to adopt the resolution: Council Member Pedersen

Seconded: Vice Mayor Brown

Voting Yea: Council Members Brooks, Clarke, Pedersen, Brown, and Mayor Keiser

10. Adjournment – Adjourned at 8:01 to the next regularly scheduled meeting at 4:00 PM on June 22, 2023.