

**LARKSPUR CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

**Larkspur City Council Chambers
400 Magnolia Avenue, Larkspur, CA**

**January 18, 2017
6:30 p.m.**

The video link to this meeting is here:
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The City Clerk certifies that this Agenda has been posted in accordance with the requirements of the Government Code.

Mayor Way opened the regular meeting by noting the Council had just adjourned from a Special Meeting, which was a Closed Session, and that no reportable action was taken at that meeting.

1. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITY COUNCIL: PRESENT: Mayor Kevin Haroff; Vice Mayor Dan Hillmer;
Councilmember Larry Chu; Councilmember
Catherine Way

ABSENT: Councilmember Ann Morrison

STAFF: PRESENT: City Manager Dan Schwarz; City Attorney Sky
Woodruff; Public Works Director Julian
Skinner; City Clerk Cynthia Huisman

2. PRESENTATIONS: Judi Kirshbaum, Larkspur's Representative to the Marin Commission on Aging gave her annual report on what the commission's goals were for the coming year.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Dennis Gilardi
- Jim Sheller

- 4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR:** The purpose of the Consent Calendar is to group items that may be approved routinely. Anyone may request removal of an item for discussion.
- 4.1 Approval of Warrants
 - 4.2 Approval of Minutes: December 7, 2016
 - 4.3 Adopt Resolution No. 01/17, Rescinding Resolution No. 52/16, Authorizing Eminent Domain Proceedings for Trail Easement (546 Magnolia) Nazari Pathway
 - 4.4 Adopt Resolution No. 02/17, Adoption of the City of Larkspur Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan – 2017 Update
 - 4.5 Adopt Resolution No. 03/17, Establishing Spending Authority for the City Manager for Revenue Measure Analysis, Educational Material Development, and Public Outreach
 - 4.6 Adopt Resolution No. 04/17, Approve Salary and Job Description for City Clerk/Records Administrator
 - 4.7 Approve Massage Business License for Massage Therapist
 - 4.8 Approve Massage Business License for Massage Therapist

Mayor Haroff removed item 4.3 for further comment and called for a motion to adopt the balance of the Consent Calendar.

Moved by Councilmember Hillmer, Seconded by Councilmember Chu to adopt the Consent Calendar, minus item 4.3 **The motion was approved unanimously, Councilmember Morrison absent.**

The Mayor opened the meeting to public comment.

- Cindy Winter, Greenbrae
- Maureen Gaffney, Larkspur

City Manager Schwarz gave the staff report on Consent Item 4.3 and noted a dialogue with the owners of the property is ongoing. There was no council discussion.

Mayor Haroff opened the item to public comment.

- Dennis Gilardi, Larkspur
- James Holmes, Larkspur

Council had questions and discussed the item. Mayor Haroff called for a motion to approve Item 4.3.

Moved by Councilmember Hillmer, Seconded by Councilmember Chu to approve Consent Item 4.3. **The motion was approved unanimously, Councilmember Morrison absent.**

5. CITY MANAGER’S ORAL REPORT:

The City Manager gave his oral report.

Seeing a request to speak Mayor Haroff opened the item to public comment.

- Cindy Winter, Greenbrae

6. COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

Councilmember Way noted that the Twin Cities Disaster Preparedness Council is co-sponsoring an event with the Mill Valley disaster preparedness group on January 19. It is a county wide meet and greet of all county disaster prep representatives. She was appointed to a seat on the League of California Cities Public Safety Policy Committee.

Councilmember Hillmer attended the Flood Zone #9 Advisory Committee meeting on December 21, 2016.

Mayor Haroff attended the scoping session for the improvements on East Sir Francis Drake Blvd.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7.1 MARIN SANITARY SERVICE RATE HEARINGS

A. REQUEST FOR RATE INCREASE FROM MARIN SANITARY SERVICE

The City Manager gave the staff report. Patti Garbarino, President of Marin Sanitary Service, spoke and answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Haroff opened the meeting to public comment.

- Rick Adler, William Avenue, Larkspur
- James Holmes, Larkspur
- Shawn Nazari, Larkspur

Council had questions of staff regarding rate methodology.

Mayor Haroff called for a motion to adopt the resolution and the rate increase as outlined.

*Moved by Councilmember Chu, Seconded by Councilmember Hillmer to adopt the resolution implementing the garbage rate increase. **The motion was approved unanimously.***

B. ESTABLISHING A VEHICLE IMPACT FEE ON REFUSE COLLECTION VEHICLES

City Manager Schwarz gave the staff report. He suggested that due to information received after the packet had been prepared and clarification of some details in the report, that the Council continue the item to the February 1st regular meeting.

Mayor Haroff opened the meeting to public comment.

- James Holmes

The council had no comments. Mayor Haroff called the vote.

*Moved by Councilmember Way, Seconded by Councilmember Chu to continue item 7.1-B, Establishing a Vehicle Impact Fee on Refuse Collection Vehicles, to the next regular City Council meeting, which is February 1. **The motion was approved unanimously.***

8. BUSINESS ITEMS:

8.1 LARKSPUR LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY CENTER SCHEMATIC DESIGN PROJECT: GENERAL DISCUSSION CONCERNING ISSUES AND NEXT STEPS

The City Manager gave the staff report. He noted that staff had some unfinished presentations due to the halting of the process with the passing of the Library Director and the Public Works Director leaving the city.

Mayor Haroff and the Council then opened the meeting be opened to public comment.

- Susan Schmidt, Piedmont Road, Larkspur
- Todd Ziesing, Larkspur
- Dennis Gilardi, Larkspur
- James Holmes, Larkspur
- Larry Lanctot, Larkspur
- Shawn Nazari, Larkspur
- Joan Foley, Larkspur
- Matt Howard, Larkspur

The Mayor brought the discussion back to Council. Council agreed to hold workshops to review past work completed by staff and consultants and to start a review of financial considerations. Staff will bring a presentation to Council in March and will be looking for a list of specific directions from Council. Engaging stakeholders by both staff and Council will be an important activity in the days ahead. The Council's Larkspur Library and Community Center Ad-Hoc committee will meet and discuss financial issues.

Mayor Haroff opened the meeting to public comment.

- Susan Schmidt, Piedmont Road, Larkspur

There was no action taken as this was a discussion item.

Mayor Haroff called a five minute break. The meeting was called back to order.

8.2 MAGNOLIA AVENUE TRAFFIC PLAN UPDATE

Public Works Director Julian Skinner gave the staff report and a power point presentation of the findings of the traffic study update.

Mayor Haroff opened the meeting to public comment.

- Dennis Gilardi, Larkspur
- Cindy Winter, Greenbrae
- Tamsen McCracken, Larkspur
- James Holmes, Larkspur
- Liz Swearingen, Larkspur
- Bjorn Grienberg, Marin County Bike Coalition
- Bill McCullough, Larkspur
- Bill Harris, Larkspur
- Peter MoritzBurke, Larkspur

Council held discussion on the topic. Three of four councilmembers present were in agreement to direct staff to the alternative scenario as noted in the staff report.

Direction to staff was to maintain two through lanes on Magnolia Avenue from Bon Air Road to Dartmouth Drive and to proceed with modifying the stormwater enhancement project to increase the infiltration chamber to account for the deletion of the median widening at an estimated additional project cost of \$50,000.

8.3 CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Haroff noted that the City Council Committee appointments occur each year and that this year there were a few minor changes to previous appointments. There was no vote and council agreed to the appointments as presented by the mayor.

9. ADJOURN MEETING

Mayor Haroff called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Larry Chu asked that the council adjourn the meeting in memory of Ann White. Ann worked in the Library for over 30 years and was a cherished member of staff.

*Moved by Councilmember Chu, Seconded by Councilmember Way to adjourn the meeting in memory of Ann White. **The motion was approved unanimously, Councilmember Morrison absent.***

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing minutes were duly and regularly adopted at a regular meeting of the Larkspur City Council.

LARKSPUR CITY CLERK