

**LARKSPUR CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

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

**February 15, 2017
6:30 p.m.**

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Mayor Haroff opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

STAFF: PRESENT: City Attorney Sky Woodruff; Planning/Building Director Neal Toft; Senior Planner Kristin Teiche; City Clerk Cynthia Huisman; Police Chief Mike Norton; Assistant to the City Manager Shannon O'Hare

- 2. PRESENTATIONS:** Presentation by Jack Valinoti, President, Greenbrae Property Owners Association- "Measure A--County Service Area #16 (Greenbrae) future ballot item to increase the CSA 16 Assessment from \$150 to \$300 annually."

Mr. Valinoti gave his presentation, noting that maintenance costs have escalated and that capital improvements need in Greenbrae. The Council had some questions for Mr. Valinoti and thanked him for his presentation.

- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT:** The City Council will hear public comments only on matters over which they have jurisdiction. There will be no Council discussion. The Mayor will allot no more than five minutes to any individual.

Unless the Council determines otherwise, the total amount of time allocated to this agenda item will be 15 minutes

- Cindy Winter, Greenbrae
- Debbie Horowitz, Larkspur

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: February 1, 2017

Mayor Haroff called for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

*Moved by Councilmember Morrison, Seconded by Vice Mayor Hillmer to adopt the Consent Calendar as submitted. **The motion was approved unanimously.***

5. CITY MANAGER'S ORAL REPORT

In the City Manager's absence Planning Building Director Neal Toft gave the City Manager's Oral Report.

6. COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Councilmember Chu noted that Mike Norton was officially sworn in as Chief of Police of the Central Marin Police Authority on February 6, 2017. He also noted that the Central Marin Police Authority is applying for the Drug Free Communities Grant. The CMPA is discussing a merger with the Ross Valley Healthy Communities Collaborative to share in the grant.

Councilmember Morrison noted she is member of the Marin County Homeless Commission and shared some data as to what the program has accomplished this year.

Mayor Haroff attended a joint Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM) City of Larkspur meeting regarding improvements on East Sir Francis Drake Blvd.

Vice Mayor Hillmer shared that the letter sent to Supervisor Damon Connelly prompted conversation at TAM.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

8. BUSINESS ITEMS:

- 8.1 UPDATE ON MARIN CLIMATE AND ENERGY PARTNERSHIP (MCEP) AND PRESENTATION OF LARKSPUR'S 2014 ANNUAL GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS INVENTORY

Christine O'Rourke, Marin Climate Energy Partnership (MCEP) Sustainability Coordinator gave a presentation explaining the role of MCEP and provided an overview on the impacts of climate change for 2016. She also discussed how the city is attempting to meet its goals to reduce gas emissions that contribute to global warming.

Council had some questions for Ms. O'Rourke.

Mayor Haroff opened the meeting to public comment.

- Helene Marsh
- Roger Roberts, San Rafael
- Kelly Jones, Larkspur
- Dwaine Price, Larkspur
- Alana Marshall
- Betsy Clark, Larkspur

The Council thanked Mr. O'Rourke for the presentation and the public for their comments.

8.2 PROPOSITION 64 (ADULT USE OF MARIJUANA ACT): DISCUSSION CONCERNING COMMUNITY ISSUES AND NEXT STEPS

Planning/Building Director Neal Toft gave the staff report. Staff sought direction from Council on key questions related to marijuana related commercial activities, both medical and non-medical; regulation of personal cultivation and or deliveries.

Council had comments on regulating recreational use on private property being complaint based and the complexities of enforcement. Additionally commercial growing of marijuana won't be legal until 2018 so Council still had some time to consider the issue.

The Mayor opened the meeting to public comment.

- Kelly Jones, Larkspur
- Burt Strain, Novato
- Thomas Gelig, Greenbrae
- James Holmes, Larkspur

Mayor Haroff brought the conversation back to the Council. It was noted that marijuana is still a controlled substance and that for business interests there is still no commercial banking available to them.

Council gave direction to staff to get more information regarding commercial activities as to explore permitting or regulating them; preserve the status quo on allowing deliveries to personal residences.

Council did not see the need for an urgency ordinance to regulate or prohibit commercial growing, deliveries, indoor cultivation or outdoor cultivation at this time. Mayor Haroff opened the meeting to public comment.

- Thom Gelig, Greenbrae

The Mayor noted this is an ongoing conversation at this point and that Council had provided staff with some preliminary direction that they would like additional information on.

9. ADJOURN MEETING

Mayor Haroff called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

*Moved by Councilmember Morrison, Seconded by Councilmember Chu to adjourn the meeting. **The motion was approved unanimously.***

Meeting adjourned at 9:44 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