



LARKSPUR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES

Larkspur City Council Chambers
400 Magnolia Avenue, Larkspur CA

July 19, 2023

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REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Paulson called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COUNCIL PRESENT: Scot Candell, Kevin Carroll, Catherine Way, and Mayor Gabe Paulson

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: City Clerk Alison Foulis, Assistant to the City Manager Shannon O'Hare, Senior Planner Alex Othon, City Manager Dan Schwarz, and City Attorney Sky Woodruff

Mayor Paulson led the pledge of allegiance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public wished to speak.

3. PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

3.1 Larkspur Community Foundation: Update on Projects

Larkspur Community Foundation member Joan Lundstrom provided a presentation to the Council and answered questions.

4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Way requested that Item 4.9 be removed from the Consent Calendar. The Council asked questions of the business license applicant. Satisfied with the answers, the Council re-added Item 4.9 to the consent calendar.

Mayor Paulson called for public comment and James Holmes requested Item 4.7 be removed from the consent calendar and provided comments.

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Candell, and seconded by Councilmember Carroll, the City Council approved the consent calendar, including Item 4.9 and excluding Item 4.7, in one motion. The vote was unanimously in favor. The approved consent calendar consisted of the following items:

- 4.1 Approve warrants.
- 4.2 Approve minutes of the June 21, 2023, regular meeting.
- 4.3 Approve minutes of the June 23, 2023, special meeting.
- 4.4 Approve minutes of the July 5, 2023, regular meeting.
- 4.5 Appoint Councilmember Catherine Way as Larkspur's voting delegate for the Cal Cities' Annual Conference in September 2023.
- 4.6 Adopt Ordinance 1066 amending Chapter 18.23, "Accessory Dwelling Units," and repealing Chapter 18.24, "Junior Accessory Dwelling Units," of Title 18 of the Larkspur Municipal Code (Text Amendment #22-26).
- 4.8 Adopt Resolution 47/23 approving a salary and job description for Recreation Coordinator.
- 4.9 Approve the business license for Larkspur Landing Cinema, 500 Larkspur Landing Circle. Applicant: David Corkill.

Mayor Paulson called for a report on Item 4.7.

- 4.7 Adopt Resolution 46/23 authorizing a consultant services agreement with Schaaf and Wheeler for engineering services in an amount not to exceed \$280,000 for the Heatherwood Stormwater Pump Station Rehabilitation Project (CIP 24-303).

City Manager Schwarz provided a report and answered questions from the Council.

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Candell, and seconded by Councilmember Way, the City Council adopted Resolution 46/23. The vote was unanimously in favor.

5. CITY MANAGER'S ORAL REPORT

City Manager Schwarz gave his oral report.

6. COUNCILMEMBERS' ORAL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Councilmember Carroll reported on the following items:

1. Ross Valley Sanitary District Pump Station Opening

Mayor Paulson reported on the following items:

1. Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority
2. SMART Board of Directors Meeting

Councilmember Way reported on the following items:

1. March 2024 Special Election for Filling a Council Vacancy

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 7.1 INTRODUCE AND WAIVE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 1069 AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE LARKSPUR MUNICIPAL CODE
Council to hold a public hearing and consider waiving the first reading and introducing Ordinance 1069 amending various sections of the Municipal Code for a general municipal code cleanup ordinance.

City Clerk Foulis presented the staff report and City Manager Schwarz answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Paulson opened the public hearing and the Council received comments from James Holmes. Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Paulson closed the public hearing.

Upon motion by Councilmember Way, and seconded by Councilmember Carroll, the City Council introduced and waived the first reading of Ordinance 1069 amending various sections of the Larkspur Municipal Code. The vote was unanimously in favor. Ordinance 1069 will be brought back to the next regular meeting for adoption.

- 7.2 PUBLIC HEARING ON RENT STABILIZATION AND EVICTION PROTECTIONS
 - A. ORDINANCE 1068, THE LARKSPUR JUST CAUSE EVICTION AND TENANT PROTECTIONS ORDINANCE
Council to consider waiving the second reading and adopting Ordinance 1068 introduced at the June 21, 2023, regular meeting.
 - B. ORDINANCE 1067, THE LARKSPUR RENT STABILIZATION ORDINANCE
Council to conduct the continued public hearing and consider the possible format and details of a rent stabilization ordinance (Continued from June 21, 2023).

City Manager Schwarz provided a report to the Council and answered questions.

Mayor Paulson opened the public hearing.

The Council received public comment from:

- Johnson Reynolds
- Alexis Arguello
- Josette Schwartz
- Tristan

- Romeo Arrieta
- Karen Crow
- Angelina Soldatos
- Njoki
- Dorothy O’Leary
- Joan Weinberg
- Pam
- Anne Clark
- Jaquelin Harris
- Steven Rajninger

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Paulson closed the public hearing.

Upon motion by Councilmember Carroll, and seconded by Vice Mayor Candell, the Council adopted Ordinance 1068, the Larkspur Just Cause and Eviction Protections Ordinance. The vote was unanimously in favor.

Mayor Paulson adjourned the meeting at 8:14 P.M. for a brief recess. Mayor Paulson reconvened the meeting at 8:20 P.M.

Upon motion by Mayor Paulson, and seconded by Councilmember Carroll, the Council introduced and waived the first reading of Ordinance 1068, the Larkspur Rent Stabilization Ordinance, including the addition of a new Section 6.20.120 entitled “Sunset” which reads “This chapter shall automatically sunset on December 31, 2030.” The motion was approved 3-1 (Way opposed). The ordinance will be brought back to the regular meeting on September 6, 2023, for consideration of adoption.

8. BUSINESS ITEMS

None.

9. ADJOURN

The Council adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Attested

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Shannon O'Hare, Acting City Clerk