



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COTATI COMMUNITY**  
**REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 27, 2010**  
**6:00 PM CLOSED SESSION**  
**7:00 PM REGULAR SESSION**  
**City Council Chambers, City Hall, 201 W. Sierra Avenue**

**6:00 PM CLOSED SESSION CALL TO ORDER (CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS)**

Mayor Coleman-Senghor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION (CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE)**

**CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Government Code Section § 54957.6)**

Agency designated representatives: Dianne Thompson, Jone Hayes

Employee Organization: Cotati Employees Association

Unrepresented employee(s): Senior Planner, Senior Building Inspector, Associate Planner, Public Works Field Maintenance Supervisor, Administrative Analyst, Building Inspector, Assistant Planner, Accountant, Maintenance Worker II, Accounting Specialist, Administrative Secretary, Permit Technician, Account Clerk II, Maintenance Worker I, Planning Technician, Recreation Coordinator, Administrative Clerk, Recreation Assistant, Account Clerk I

**REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

**7:00 PM REGULAR SESSION**

**CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Coleman-Senghor called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. He indicated that there was nothing to report out of the closed session.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present: Councilmembers Gilardi, Harvey and Landman, Vice Mayor Orchard and Mayor Coleman-Senghor.

Staff present: Administrative Services Director Jone Hayes, Acting Community Development Director/Assistant to the City Manager Marsha Sue Lustig, City Engineer/Director of Public Works Damien O'Bid, Administrative Secretary Keri Pajon, City Attorney Rich Rudnansky, and City Manager Dianne Thompson

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Harvey led the pledge of allegiance.

### **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2010 REGULAR MEETING AND NOTICE OF WAIVING OF READING OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES INTRODUCED AND/OR ADOPTED UNDER THIS AGENDA (*Action*)**

**Moved** by Councilmember Gilardi, seconded by Councilmember Landman and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2010 Regular meeting as presented and to waive reading of all resolutions and ordinances introduced and/or adopted under this agenda.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cotati citizens and other interested parties are encouraged to register for City of Cotati community updates via e-mail and text at [nixle.com](http://nixle.com).

Redwood Empire Disposal is hosting Cotati's Fall Community Cleanup on Saturday November 6 and Saturday November 13 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Park and Ride lot off St. Joseph's Way. Proof of residency is required. For additional details including a list of materials accepted, call Redwood Empire Disposal at 707-585-0291 or log onto the City's website at [ci.cotati.ca.us](http://ci.cotati.ca.us) and check the events calendar.

The Cotati Historical Society Museum is open regularly on Saturdays from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

The City flew the United Nations flag in support of the annual United Nations Day Commemorations.

## **PRESENTATION**

### **SONOMA CITY/COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY GROUP (SWAG) UPDATE**

Phil Demery of the Sonoma City/County Solid Waste Advisory Group (SWAG) presented an update to the Council regarding SWAG's priorities and objectives for developing a regional long-term solid waste option. He responded to questions and concerns of the Council regarding the resolution of outstanding liabilities, revenue sources to handle liability issues, future waste technology, concerns that closed landfills still need monitoring and are without revenue, the long-term structure for oversight of landfills, the goals of SWAG, and timeline for the landfill.

Councilmember Harvey, Cotati City Council's primary representative to the Sonoma County Landfill Task Force, responded to the Council that she is very pleased with the work they have done and is in support of the group.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Dianne Thompson reported on the following:

- Highway 101 project update
- City website headlines, including City Manager message, recruitment, and use of Measure A funds

## **APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA**

Mayor Coleman-Senghor requested to move City Council Reports to the top of the Agenda.

**Moved** by Vice Mayor Orchard, seconded by Councilmember Gilardi and passed unanimously to move City Council Reports to the top of the Agenda and to approve the Final Agenda.

## **CITIZEN BUSINESS**

Wayne Clark spoke about the political candidates running for office.

George Barich spoke about the following:

- The rumor on the street about an officer being investigated. He was concerned how this information was let out and he would like Council to have staff look into this.
- He doesn't feel that the Council was being honest in why they hired a lieutenant.
- He expressed concern about the Mayor making comments on items that are on his personal web blog.

Max Scheder-Bieschin commented on the Economic Development study session that was held and is looking forward to follow-up information. He stated that there were a group of people willing to help move this information forward.

Greg Karraker was appreciative of the work that was done on the flag pole and hoped that there would be a flag on the pole by Veterans Day.

Councilmember Gilardi asked staff for the status on the flag pole and clarification on the hiring of the lieutenant's position.

City Manager Thompson stated that the lieutenant's position, whether permanent or contracted, was hired to take on administrative duties, freeing up the sergeants to be on the street. The lieutenant on staff is currently contracted while the recruitment for a permanent lieutenant is moving forward.

City Manager Thompson explained that there will soon be some additional information on the Economic Development study session available on the website.

City Engineer O'Bid said that the goal is to have the flag on the flag pole before Veterans Day.

Mayor Coleman-Senghor explained the lighting issue. He suggested that if the lighting issue isn't cleared up that the City has someone, possibly the fire department, take on the responsibility of raising and lowering the flag. He would like to follow-up done on this item.

Closed Citizen Business at 7:55 p.m.

### **DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Mayor Coleman-Senghor would like the possibility of creating an Economic Development Commission put on as a future agenda item.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Moved** by Vice Mayor Orchard seconded by Councilmember Harvey and passed unanimously to adopt items 2 through 7 on the Consent Calendar.

**2. ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO BECOME A HEALTHY EATING, ACTIVE LIVING (HEAL) CITY (City Manager) (Action)**

Resolution No. 2010-59 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI TO BECOME A HEALTHY EATING, ACTIVE LIVING (HEAL) CITY

**3. ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION RELATING TO POLICE RESERVES AND SUPERSEDING RESOLUTIONS R-68-36, R-68-39 AND 97-40 (Administrative Services) (Action)**

Resolution No. 2010-60 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI RELATING TO POLICE RESERVES AND SUPERSEDING RESOLUTIONS R-68-36, R-68-39 AND 97-40

**4. AUTHORIZATION OF HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR CITY HALL (City Manager) (Action)**

Motion to implement a holiday schedule for City Hall consisting of the cancellation of the regular City Council meeting of December 22, 2010 and the closure of City Hall during the period of Monday December 20 through Thursday December 30, 2010.

**5. ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND FILING THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION, A.R. DEVELOPMENT, LLC, ROSEN RANCH SUBDIVISION (Engineering/Public Works) (Action)**

Resolution No. 2010-61 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI ACCEPTING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND FILING THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION, ROSEN RANCH SUBDIVISION

**6. COTATI DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN AREA REVITALIZATION PROJECT – AUTHORIZING FILING AN APPLICATION FOR TRANSPORTATION FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES (TLC) (Engineering/Public Works) (Action)**

Resolution No. 2010-62 entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (STP) AND/OR CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (CMAQ) FUNDING AND COMMITTING THE NECESSARY NON-FEDERAL MATCH AND STATING THE ASSURANCE TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT

**7. DOWNTOWN OLD REDWOOD HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – PRELIMINARY DESIGN AGREEMENT (Engineering/Public Works) (Action)**

Motion authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Omni-Means for public outreach and preliminary design of the Downtown Old Redwood Highway Infrastructure Improvement Project.

**ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND CALL TO ORDER OF JOINT MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL AND COTATI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Mayor Coleman-Senghor adjourned the Regular meeting and called to order the joint meeting at 7:55 p.m. and opened the floor to public comment on the Consent Calendar (Joint Meeting).

There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Coleman-Senghor closed the public comment period.

**CONSENT CALENDAR (JOINT MEETING).**

**Moved** by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Gilardi and passed unanimously to adopt items 8 and 9 on the Joint Consent Calendar.

**8. WARRANTS AND AUDITED CLAIMS SEPTEMBER 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2010 (Administrative Services) (Action)**

This motion receives and files warrants and audited claims for September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010.

**9. WARRANTS AND AUDITED CLAIMS SEPTEMBER 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 – OCTOBER 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 (Administrative Services) (Action)**

This motion receives and files warrants and audited claims for September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 – October 13<sup>th</sup> 2010.

**ADJOURNMENT OF JOINT MEETING; RECONVENING OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

Mayor Coleman-Senghor adjourned the Joint meeting and called to order the Regular meeting at 7:57 p.m.

**CITY COUNCIL REPORTS (*Discussion*)**

Councilmembers reported on recent and upcoming activities, including reports from meetings attended at City expense.

Mayor Coleman-Senghor requested to move City Council Reports to the top of the Agenda.

Mayor Coleman-Sengor spoke about the passing of Henry Fush and his service to the City. He expressed sympathy to his family. His memorial service will be held on Saturday at 2:00 pm in the Cotati room. He would like it on record thanking him for his service.

Councilmember Gilardi commented on his passing and her last conversation with him. She requested that staff send a letter.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Coleman-Senghor adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m. in the memory of Henry Fuhs.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/Keri Pajon, Administrative Secretary