

MINUTES - MORRO BAY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 10, 2015
VETERANS MEMORIAL HALL – 6:00 P.M.

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| PRESENT: | Jamie Irons | Mayor |
| | Noah Smukler | Councilmember |
| | Christine Johnson | Councilmember |
| ABSENT: | John Headding | Councilmember |
| | Matt Makowetski | Councilmember |
| STAFF: | Dave Buckingham | City Manager |
| | Joe Pannone | City Attorney |
| | Dana Swanson | City Clerk |
| | Sam Taylor | Deputy City Manager |
| | Susan Slayton | Administrative Services Director |
| | Rob Livick | Public Works Director |
| | Scot Graham | Community Development Manager |
| | Eric Endersby | Harbor Director |
| | Amy Christey | Police Chief |
| | Steve Knuckles | Fire Chief |

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

A quorum was established with Mayor Irons, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Smukler present. The meeting was called to order at 6:02p.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Employee Recognition

<https://youtu.be/58xBsHEDlNk?t=2m31s>

The City Council and staff recognized the following employees for their service to the City by presenting service pins:

15 years – Bonnie Johnson, Brandon Kato, Becka Kelly, and Bryan Millard

20 years – Bruce Keogh

The City Council and staff recognized the recent promotions of Fire Captain Michael Talmadge and Police Sergeant Tony Mosqueda.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney Pannone reported that with regard to the Closed Session Items, the Council did not take any reportable action pursuant to the Brown Act.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

<https://youtu.be/58xBsHEDlNk?t=7m11s>

Councilmember Johnson shared information from a presentation to the Economic Vitality Corporation regarding a fund raising campaign for a new homeless center to be located at 40 Prado Road. She also provided a verbal report following her attendance at the Central Coast Economic Forecast event Friday, November 6, 2015 at the Madonna Inn Event Center.

Councilmember Smukler announced a public forum regarding the proposed wind energy project will be hosted by Trident Winds, LLC on Thursday, December 10, 2015 at the Morro Bay Veterans Hall.

Mayor Irons attended a California Coastal Commission coastal issues group workshop in Half Moon Bay on Friday, November 6, 2015. Agenda items included the need for continued funding and support at the State level for LCP updates, and sea level rise guidelines.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

<https://youtu.be/58xBsHEDlNk?t=24m55s>

League of Women Voters Civil Discourse Presentation

Marguerite Bader and Sharon Kimball, speaking on behalf of the San Luis Obispo County League of Women Voters, presented information and recommended best practices for elected officials, citizens and staff to follow in order to promote civility and civil discourse in the public arena. Civil discourse is courteous, constructive communication characterized by mutual respect, fairness, and attentive listening.

PUBLIC COMMENT

<https://youtu.be/58xBsHEDlNk?t=45m49s>

Ric Deschler, representing the Morro Bay Friends of the Library, announced the Friends of the Library book sale to be held Saturday, November 14th at the Community Center beginning at 9:00am for Friends of the Library members, and open to general public at 10:00am.

Trina Dougherty, representing Morro Bay Friends of the Library, added that thousands of used books, DVDs and CDs will be available at low prices Saturday, November 14th at Community Center. The book sale is open to members only 9:00-10:00am, the general public 10:00am-12:30pm, and a bag sale 1:00-2:00pm.

Jon Elliott, Morro Bay resident and owner of Mike's and Tiny Mike's Barber Shops, announced a ribbon cutting ceremony at Tiny Mike's Barber Shop located at 2300 North Main Street on Thursday, November 19th at 5:30 pm. In addition, free men's haircuts will be offered for needy and first-time customers.

John Gajdos, Morro Bay resident and local coordinator for Operation Holiday Wreaths, announced the organization's goal to place a wreath on every veteran headstone in SLO County. Orders can be placed until November 23rd online at www.wreathscrossamerica.org. A wreath laying ceremony will be held on December 12th at 9:00am at local cemeteries to coincide with the event held at noon at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington DC. Please contact Mr. Gajdos at (805) 441-4384 or johngaj3@gmail.com for more information.

Nancy Castle, Morro Bay, announced the Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on Thanksgiving Day, November 26th from 1:00 - 3:00pm.

The public comment period was closed.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

Unless an item is pulled for separate action by the City Council, the following actions are approved without discussion.

- A-1 RESOLUTION NO. 70-15 PLEDGING TO FOLLOW BEST PRACTICES OF CIVILITY AND CIVIL DISCOURSE IN ALL OF ITS MEETINGS; (CITY COUNCIL)
<https://youtu.be/58xBsHEDlNk?t=53m9s>

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

The public comment period for the Consent agenda was opened; seeing none, the public comment period was closed.

Mayor Irons pulled Item A-1 to read the proposed resolution into the record.

MOTION: Mayor Irons moved the Council adopt Resolution No. 70-15. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Johnson and carried unanimously, 3-0-2.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS / SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

- C-1 ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 596 AMENDING TITLE 14 TO ADD CHAPTER 14.42 TO THE MORRO BAY MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING AN EXPEDITED PERMITTING PROCESS FOR SMALL RESIDENTIAL ROOFTOP SOLAR SYSTEMS; (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)
<https://youtu.be/58xBsHEDlNk?t=56m17s>

Community Development Manager Scot Graham provided the staff report.

The public comment period for Item C-1 was opened; seeing none, the public comment period was closed.

MOTION: Mayor Irons moved for adoption of Ordinance 596 amending Title 14 to add Chapter 14.42 to the Morro Bay Municipal Code establishing an expedited permitting process for small residential rooftop solar systems, and waive further reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Smukler and carried unanimously, 3-0-2.

D. NEW BUSINESS

D-1 FY 15/16 CITY GOALS UPDATE; (ADMINISTRATION)
<https://youtu.be/58xBsHEDINk?t=57m48s>

Mayor Irons provided a “State of the City” overview.

City Manager Buckingham, along with staff, presented the FY 15/16 City Goals Update and responded to Council inquiries. [FY 15/16 Goals Update Presentation](#)

The public comment period for Item D-1 was opened.

Ric Deschler, Morro Bay, suggested wayfinding signs should be called directional signs. Regarding Goal 6.d, he suggested the City should not be promoting development of the Tri-W property.

The public comment period for Item D-1 was closed.

Mayor Irons suggested staff recommendations #4 and #7 be left in place for potential funding during mid-year budget adjustments. Councilmembers Johnson and Smukler concurred.

Councilmember Smukler suggested the Tri-W discussion is an important one to have during the General Plan update.

MOTION: Mayor Irons moved the Council adopt staff recommendations with the exception of recommendations #4 and #7 which will remain for consideration of potential funding during mid-year budget review. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Smukler and carried unanimously, 3-0-2.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 pm.

The Regular Meeting of November 24, 2015 was previously canceled. Consequently, the next Regular Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, December 8, 2015** at **6:00 pm** at the Veteran’s Memorial Hall located at 209 Surf Street, Morro Bay, California.

Recorded by:

Dana Swanson
City Clerk