

Staff: City Manager/City Attorney Larry McLaughlin
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Mary Gourley
Fire Chief Bill Braga
Acting Police Chief Greg DeVore
Public Works Superintendent Dante Del Prete

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Mayor Slayter led the salute to the flag.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

The following was presented:

- Certificates of Appreciation to Outgoing Planning Commissioners (Colin Doyle/Gerald Glaser)
Reference Order Number: 2020-034

PUBLIC COMMENT (At this time, members of the public may comment on any item not appearing on the agenda. It is recommended that you keep your comments to three minutes or less. Under State Law, unless otherwise permitted under the Ralph M. Brown Act, the merits of the matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon by the City Council at this time. For items appearing on the agenda, the public will be invited to make comments at the time the item comes up for Council consideration.)

Alana Brogan commented as follows:

- Palm Drive Health Care District
- Gravenstein Health Care
- Chapter is putting on disaster event – Feb 23rd
- 1:30 pm- 4:30 pm
- Sebastopol Community Center
- Provided information on the program

Mayor Slayter announced the following:

- Analy Eco Action Club
- Hosting Event (film)
- Made by Sebastopol resident
- Hike the Divide
- Conversation of Climate Action
- Feb 12th
- 7:00 pm
- Analy High School

STATEMENTS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BY MAYOR/CITY COUNCILMEMBERS FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA (This is the time for the Mayor or City Councilmembers to indicate any statements of conflicts of interests for any item listed on this agenda). *There were none.*

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- The consent agenda consists of items that are routine in nature and do not require additional discussion by the City Council or have been reviewed by the City Council previously. These items may be approved by one motion without discussion unless a member of the City Council requests that the item be taken off the consent calendar.
- The Mayor will read the consent calendar items; ask if a Councilmember wishes to remove one or more items from the consent calendar; and then open public comment to the members of the public in attendance. At this time, a member of the public may speak for up to three minutes on the entire consent calendar and request at that time that an agenda item or items be removed for discussion.
- If an item or items are removed from the consent calendar, the item shall be placed at the end of the regular agenda items unless otherwise determined by the Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem.
- Council Members may comment on Consent Calendar items or ask for minor clarifications without the need for pulling the item for separate consideration. Items requiring deliberation should be pulled for separate consideration and shall be placed at the end of the regular agenda items unless otherwise determined by the Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Slayter read the consent calendar items.

Mayor Slayter questioned if any Councilmember(s) wanted to remove any item(s) from the consent calendar. There were none.

Mayor Slayter asked for public comment on the consent calendar items. There was none.

Vice Mayor Glass moved and Councilmember Gurney seconded the motion to approve Consent Calendar Item(s) Number(s) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Carnacchi, Gurney, Hinton, Vice Mayor Glass and Mayor Slayter
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

1. Approval of Minutes of the City Council Special Meeting of January 15, 2020 (Responsible Department: City Administration)

City Council Action: Approved Minutes of the City Council Special Meeting of January 15, 2020
Minute Order Number: 2020-035

2. Approval of Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of January 21, 2020 (Responsible Department: City Administration)

City Council Action: Approved the Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of January 21, 2020
Minute Order Number: 2020-036

3. Approval of Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget Sub-Committee Meeting Schedule (Responsible Department: Administrative Services)

City Council Action: Approved Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget Sub-Committee Meeting Schedule
Minute Order Number: 2020-037

4. Approval of Award of Contract to Wood Environment and Infrastructure Solutions to Develop a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (Responsible Department: Planning/Fire)

City Council Action: Approved Award of Contract to Wood Environment and Infrastructure Solutions to Develop a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

Minute Order Number: 2020-038

5. Approval of Addition of Daryl Phillips/Phillips Seabrook Associates to the Qualified Consultants List for On-Call Floodplain Administrator services (Responsible Department: City Administration/Fire)

City Council Action: Approved Addition of Daryl Phillips/Phillips Seabrook Associates to the Qualified Consultants List for On-Call Floodplain Administrator services

Minute Order Number: 2020-039

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/PRESENTATION:

6. Presentation by the County Supervisors to Discuss a Proposed One-Half Percent (0.5%) Sales Tax Measure, "SONOMA COUNTY WILDFIRE PREVENTION, EMERGENCY ALERT, AND RESPONSE TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX ORDINANCE" (Responsible Department: City Administration/Fire Chief)

Mayor Slayter presented the agenda item recommending the City Council hear the presentation from the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors on the Proposed One-Half Percent (0.5%) Sales Tax Measure, "SONOMA COUNTY WILDFIRE PREVENTION, EMERGENCY ALERT, AND RESPONSE TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX ORDINANCE and introduced Supervisor Hopkins and Supervisor Rabbitt.

Sonoma County Board of Supervisors Hopkins and Rabbitt provided a presentation to the City Council.

Mayor Slayter opened for questions.

Mayor Slayter commented as follows:

- Discussed Region 7 – City of Santa Rosa and Sonoma County Fire District
- Upgrades are outsized in comparisons to others - part of County less populated compared to other fire departments – not Region 7
- Discussed funding – regional consolidation – 4/5th vote
 - Supervisor Hopkins commented as follows:
 - Reallocation requires unanimous vote – Involved pulling funds from one area and giving it to another – needs to be unanimous – needs to be in best interest of the community
 - Claw back clause – not pursuing consolidation at adequate pace
 - Checks and Balances – no favoritism
- If region has funding reduced by 4/5 vote that reduction does not get reallocated
 - 4/5 of Board would have to agree to allocation
 - Unanimous vote to take money away

Teri, County Administrator's Office, commented as follows:

- Discussed 4/5th provision
- Change provision of expenditure plan
- Claw back is for reallocation
- Not going to take money from particular community unless under extreme circumstances
- Intended to stay in the community

Councilmember Hinton commented as follows:

- Goal is for full consolidation of County eventually
- Estimate when that might happen

Supervisor Rabbitt commented as follows:

- Started to discuss 2017
- Taken on speed after Kinkade Fire
- Discussed fire departments
- County has unique geography
- Feel number have today is still too many
- Want to have carrot/stick

Councilmember Hinton stated that the Consolidation reviews would be done every three years.

Supervisor Hopkins stated that is correct.

Dan George discussed 7 regions.

Vice Mayor Glass commented as follows:

- Is there funding that is restricted or not allowed for public outreach
- Discussed teaching public of defensible space
- Teach how to protect property

Mr. George commented as follows:

- First line of preventing – putting more folks in the fire station
- Prevention officer
- More boots on the ground

Supervisor Hopkins discussed the vegetation management funding.

Vice Mayor Glass commented as follows:

- Discussed Sonoma County roads
- Discussed bad land use policy in the past
- Not enable bad land use policy
- Not role of this measure to lay down the law
- Know the Board is considering this
- Not smart to build more fountain groves in path of fire wind tunnel

Supervisor Hopkins commented as follows:

- Discussed climate change
- Discussed General Plan update
- Board committed
- Focused on city centered growth

Supervisor Rabbitt commented as follows:

- Appreciate point
- 70% of calls are medical emergencies
- Discussed needing more personnel
- On EMS Ad Hoc
- Doing Ordinance
- Augment paramedic service if they can through that ordinance
- Build up first response in County
- Have generational moment to make huge push forward

Supervisor Hopkins commented as follows:

- Strong coastal plan
- Updating
- Prevent over development
- Bodega Bay classic example – property owners pay on parcel tax – most calls are tourists

Councilmember Gurney commented as follows:

- Discussed staffing – 6 for Sebastopol – questioned if there are 6 paid positions – Mr. George stated yes- 3-0 staffing every day
- Is this more for the City to have 6 – Chief Braga stated yes
- Discussed Funding (\$958000 a year) to Sebastopol – Mr. George stated that is correct (estimate)
- Who is going to manage those funds
- Little City
- Own fire department
- In budget
- A lot of money to the City
- If not consolidated in budget
- If consolidate – crossing borders – how is it managed – Mr. George commented as follows:
funding with stay into the new entity

Teri commented as follows:

- Money would go with entity
- New district would still be providing proper service to that area
- Funding stays in the community

Supervisor Rabbitt commented as follows:

- Makes this more attractive
- Dollars follow entity
- Serve the area of the original entity
- Enhanced service level

Councilmember Gurney commented as follows:

- Discussed consolidation
- Funding dedicated to our services -- Mr. George commented that the funding would go to entity in charge of those folks – maintain volunteers – need more paid staffing

- Takes out of City budget

Vice Mayor Glass commented as follows:

- 10 percent increase to general fund budget
- When have three paid people, takes more than that to fight fire
- Volunteers are critical
- Need hybrid organization

Supervisor Rabbitt commented as follows:

- Discussed City of Santa Rosa
- Common issue
- Multiple entity response
- Discussed mutual aid

Councilmember Carnacchi commented as follows:

- Discussed consolidation
- Is there talk of consolidating Sebastopol with Gold Ridge
- If we get that funding, it will go into the General Fund
- Would not be the case if Sebastopol consolidated
- Where does money go Mr. George stated it goes into the general fund and is restricted – dedicated to fire services
- Still apply if Sebastopol consolidated with Gold Ridge – Mr. George stated yes
- If consolidate -what happens to equity of equipment – Mr. George commented that there are things that we are learning and need to discuss how to deal with items such as assets

Supervisor Rabbitt commented as follows:

- Not decide where the money goes
- Chief's did
- Discussion up to the Chiefs
- Not dictate who goes to whom but rather who wants to go to whom
- Makes for a stronger measure

Supervisor Hopkins commented as follows:

- Concern small communities left behind
- Measure is designed to make sure there is better service in smaller areas
- Guarantee level of service
- Make what is happening in the community better than it was before
- Bolster assets and services
- End up better and stronger

Councilmember Carnacchi commented as follows:

- What happens to the chain of command
- The fire departments coming together
- Only one chief – Mr. George stated yes - but a lot of consolidation happened when chiefs retired
- One Fire Chief runs the district

- Find position for that person
- Discussed comprehensive evacuation plan
- What would that look like
- That is missing
- Main intersections not controlled
- How does the measure going to affect coming up with a comprehensive evacuation plan – Mr. George commented that Chris Godley is working on that

Supervisor Hopkins commented as follows:

- Developing evacuation plans and testing them
- Starting with most at risk communities
- Looking at Occidental Rio Nido and Cazadero first
- Goal is to work with everyone
- Discussed emergency Council

Mayor Slayer commented as follows:

- Discussed most funding is geared towards personnel
- Are there given percentages to what percent for equipment, personnel or up to each entity receiving funds

Teri commented as follows:

- Discussed provision in expenditure plan for startup costs
- Receive funding as of Jan 2021
- Collection begins in October
- Discussed station improvements
- How is move different than new form functional standpoint Mr. George – moving closer to Bloomfield (Valley Ford)
- What is plan for level of expenditure for new stations – Mr. George discussed lease purchase – amortize

Teri commented as follows:

- Looked at over 30 years
- Looked at common bonding
- Looked at how Gold Ridge was able to handle it

Mayor Slayer commented as follows:

- \$150- \$200 million in construction
- Bonding costs or loan payments (interest payment)
- Large number

Supervisor Hopkins discussed grants and loans for rural areas or low interest loans.

Mayor Slayer commented as follows:

Are there women fire chiefs in this County – Supervisor Hopkins commented – North Sonoma Coast and Cal Fire

Councilmember Gurney commented as follows:

- Husband taught kindergarten for 32 years
- One boy youngest of five
- Day one – I want to be a fire fighter
- Never wavered
- Watched Gold Ridge – saw little boy now a grown-up fire fighter – on working group

Mayor Slayer opened for public comment. There were none.

Council Deliberations:

Mayor Slayer commented as follows:

- Discussed current sales tax rate
- \$30,000 auto – end up at \$2700 in sales tax currently if measure passes – goes up \$150 on \$30000 purchase
- Parcel taxes see all over the County for fires
- Wish measure was more specific of Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Association
- Not accurate to name of association

City Manager McLaughlin commented as follows:

- Discussed wording of staff report
- Staff report allow council to express support if Council was so inclined
- Abbreviated agenda does not stop the ask for support

Councilmember Carnacchi commented as follows:

- Not sure have enough information
- Still confused on consolidation part
- Not sure if he will take a vote

Councilmember Hinton commented that she is willing to support this item tonight.

Mayor Slayer, Vice Mayor Glass and Councilmember Gurney were supportive of the measure.

Vice Mayor Glass commented as follows:

- Discussed consolidation
- Discussed no city districts
- Not stick to make city consolidate
- City funding is guaranteed

Councilmember Carnacchi commented as follows:

- Not saying he does not support the measure
- Wants to do due diligence
- Hear both sides

- Supports Sebastopol Fire Department

Vice Mayor Glass and Councilmember Hinton seconded the motion receiving the presentation by the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors on the proposed Sonoma County Wildfire Prevention, Emergency Alert and Response Sales Tax Measure on the March 2020 ballot and supporting the passage of Measure G.

Discussion:

Councilmember Carnacchi commented as follows:

- Change position
- Go with consensus of the Council

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Carnacchi, Gurney, Hinton, Vice Mayor Glass and Mayor Slayter

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved to support the proposed Sonoma County Wildfire Prevention, Emergency Alert and Response Sales Tax Measure on the March 2020 ballot - Measure G.

Minute order Number: 2020-040

Mayor Slayter called for a break at 7:22 pm and reconvened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

7. Presentation by Health Action Committee on Vaping (Alana Brogan)(Requestor: Vice Mayor Glass)

Vice Mayor Glass presented the agenda item recommending the City Council hear the presentation from Health Action Committee on Vaping (Alana Brogan).

Alana Brogan and representatives from Health Action provided a presentation to the City Council.

Mayor Slayter opened for questions.

Councilmember Hinton questioned what is an unvetted retailer.

The representatives commented as follows:

- Discussed original map had inaccuracies
- Retailers have inactive license- list now corrected
- Discussed one does not have a license- Bills Market #9

Councilmember Hinton questioned how much are the fees collected in Windsor, County and Sonoma.

The representatives commented as follows:

- Windsor -\$350 per year
- Sonoma – Not sure
- Healdsburg – \$235 per year – collected by Police Department

- County – \$350 per year

Councilmember Hinton commented as follows:

- Not break out nicotine and marijuana suspensions
- Difference
- What is suspension for tobacco use or marijuana use for vaping

The representatives commented as follows:

- Discussed data
- Specific questions related to nicotine for suspensions
- Requirements for funder
- Asked specific question
- Can provide the survey questions

Councilmember Hinton asked if this is sold online.

The representatives commented as follows:

- Discussed provisions
- Discussed policy options
- Restricting sales online

Councilmember Hinton questioned how do we restrict companies online from selling to Sebastopol residents.

The representatives commented as follows:

- County and San Francisco put policy in place
- Notify manufacturers
- Do test to see if they can get products delivered

Councilmember Gurney commented as follows:

- Education item
- Discussed statistics – is there a breakout of male and female

The representatives commented they did not bring the breakout.

Councilmember Gurney commented as follows:

- Be interested to know that
- Statistics on adult users in Sebastopol and West County

The representatives commented as follows:

- No specific data on adult users
- CA Health Survey does ask that question
- Sonoma county data not statistically stable
- Data pulled together – waiting on data

Councilmember Gurney commented as follows:

- Discussed higher incidents of adult users
- Does that relate to higher population of student users
- Is the culture prevalent – ease and acceptance here more so than whole County

The representatives commented as follows:

- Not know of any research on it
- In this area more tolerance
- Might also have to do with marijuana piece – stayed away from that for this TRL
- Without data no clear way to know answer

Councilmember Gurney discussed other demographics.

Mayor Slayter commented as follows:

- Discussed action by Federal government on flavor products and curious exemptions for disposals
- Interested to know thoughts
- What is that going to do to the market

Presenter commented as follows:

- Marginal impact
- Exempt other products as well
- Federal government continues to allow exemption- kids will switch to those
- Discussed liquids for refillable devices are not restricted

Mayor Slayter commented as follows:

- Discussed statistics on Menthol
- Discussed African Americans
- LGBTQ community and other groups

The representatives commented as follows:

- Percentage of African Americans who smoke use menthol cigarettes
- Groups targeted – do not have percentages on how many use menthol cigarettes

Mayor Slayter opened for public comment.

Shana, Principal Analy High School, commented as follows:

- What is going on in Sebastopol specifically for students
- Relieved to hear people are asking the right questions
- In Sebastopol we have a problem
- Discussed vaping of nicotine
- Multi-faceted approach to be effective
- Opportunity to create policy
- In agreement with this
- Discussed first time offender for vaping – do not suspend student

- Educating student
- What made the student vape – reflect on items – have counselors to ask questions – require them to do assignment to watch educational videos about vaping – write papers – families get involved as well
- Second time of vaping may go to suspension – not had second time offender this year
- Easy to hide vaping paraphernalia
- Vaping crosses all boundaries
- Opinion of being addictive to vaping has benign affect
- Most students do not know they are addicted
- Banning flavors most impactful action

Pam Granger commented as follows:

- Working on tobacco control
- Important topic of regulating retailing
- Discussed smoking of menthols by groups
- Discussed government inaction
- Leave up to local governments
- Discussed adult users
- Discussed age to purchase
- Discussed price – increase in cost of cigarettes
- Flavors are a problem
- Checklist
- Consider license

Michelle, works for Center for Well Being, commented as follows:

- Youth presented to Town of Windsor
- Resource
- Offer school administrator services to City staff
- Provide education/youth engagement
- Youth being targeted and manipulated

A member of the audience commented as follows:

- Discussed issue to her son
- Asked google price of jewel
- Phone communicated back – jewel pod purchase for \$20
- Industry good and market is growing
- Concerning
- Limitations on what can go through the mail is worth exploring

Mary Lou commented as follows:

- Easy to buy online
- Strategy is to work with parents
- Hope to develop through Chapter

- Often parents have no idea
- Education of parents and kids

The representatives commented as follows:

- Discussed clarity of online sales
- Sign for anything order online
- Show ID
- Discussed packaging – has to say tobacco products

Mayor Slayter questioned if restrictions on sale of actual devices can be done – the representative stated that is possible.

Councilmember Gurney commented as follows:

- Group here is a community resource
- Consider a TRL
- Helpful by drafting TRL and bringing to us what the community recommends
- Such as climate action group bringing emergency resolution

Vice Mayor Glass commented as follows:

- Good idea
- Need to work with the Health Action Group
- Bring in other stake holders (Police, City staff and retailers)
- Have some get togethers
- Roundtable on what it is we are thinking can be done
- Get input from police department
- County can provide enforcement services
- Hear from City staff
- Hear what County has to offer
- Work in collaboration
- Get direction from Council
- Rep to Health Action
- City staff work with Health Action, Retailers and other stake holders
- Move forward with program that our city can move forward with

Councilmember Gurney commented as follows:

- Support direction to representative
- Create roundtable
- Most forceful ordinance
- Tackle this
- Wise approach

Vice Mayor Glass commented as follows:

- Include City Attorney in conversation and round table
- Do outreach to stake holders

- Get community together
- What actions City can take
- City Attorney to look at other ordinances
- City Attorney to give feedback to group and Council

City Manager/Attorney McLaughlin commented he has information on this already.

Mary Lou commented the round table is a good idea.

Sedecia commented as follows:

- Being in conversation reasonable and fair to give all sides their voice
- Could cause delay in being effective and moving this forward to action into retail license
- Caution in trying to have round table meetings, it just delays the process
- Urge us to treat this as urgent issue

Councilmember Hinton commented as follows:

- Like round table idea
- Bring stake holders together
- Passed education program around alcohol
- Similar to doing this
- Always want retailers combined
- If going to do something like charge retailer another fee, combine efforts
- About education for both students and retailers

Vice Mayor Glass commented as follows:

- Voice support for moving this along as fast as possible
- Understand urgency
- Understand if enact without consulting it does not implement well
- Be on fast track time frame
- Round table

Mayor Slayter commented as follows:

- Hears Council general consensus
- Vice Mayor to work with City staff, advocates, local retailers, and stake holders to have
- conversation of what form a TRL might take
- Bring back to Council for discussion

City Council Action: No formal action; however:

- Hears Council general consensus
- Vice Mayor to work with City staff, advocates, local retailers, and stake holders to have
- conversation of what form a TRL might take
- Bring back to Council for discussion

Minute order Number: 2020-041

PUBLIC HEARING(s):

None

REGULAR CALENDAR AGENDA ITEMS (DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION)

8. Discussion and Consideration of Adoption of Resolution Approving the Mid-Year Budget adjustments to the City of Sebastopol Budget for 2019-2020 and Acceptance of Quarterly Financial Informational Report (Responsible Department: Administrative Services)

Administrative Services Director Kwong presented the agenda item recommending the City Council discuss and consider of Adoption of Resolution Approving the Mid-Year Budget adjustments to the City of Sebastopol Budget for 2019-2020 and Acceptance of Quarterly Financial Informational Report.

City Manager McLaughlin provided additional information as to why the insurance increased and provided information on REMIF. He also discussed the projected deficit of June 2020 of \$574K and stated with belt tightening from City Departments, will be able to absorb or remedy much of the projected deficit and discussed potential use of reserves.

The Budget Sub-Committee members (Vice Mayor Glass and Councilmember Hinton) provided additional comments as follows:

Councilmember Hinton commented as follows:

- Surprised
- Not what we thought
- Sales Tax down – impact from flood
- Saved reserves
- In good shape

Vice Mayor Glass commented as follows:

- Discussed one-time revenue sources
- \$1.6 million
- Many of the expenses incurred for the flood happened in the prior fiscal year
- When look at financial statements it gets confusing
- Had big losses in prior year but did not get funds until current fiscal year
- Spent \$800000
- \$300,000 that is money ear marked for aqua dam; money earmarked to pay Persinger for architectural work for community center
- Leave half a million to compensate for flood damage that has not yet been spent
- Sitting on those funds
- Cannot move forward for Community Center building until finish flood mitigation plan
- Required before moving forward with remodel/construction for community center
- Cannot do that until invest in flood mitigation plan
- Cannot pull permits until have plan in place for Community Center
- Expense is buried in last year's budget and income is buried in this year's budget

Mayor Slayter opened for questions.

Councilmember Gurney commented as follows:

- Understand expenses bridge two fiscal years
- Discussed chart (flood assistance)
- Helpful to capture what was just said in this chart
- Expenses for this year only

Director Kwong commented as follows:

- \$466,000 spent in prior year for flood related events
- General fund paid for flood from reserve
- Reimburse general fund to make it whole
- Ineligible costs in this year's budget
- Most expenses are in prior year

Councilmember Gurney questioned what does ineligible mean.

Director Kwong stated these are items that will not be reimbursed by FEMA.

Councilmember Carnacchi commented as follows:

- Discussed the insurance increase
- Spread out throughout the departments
- Is increased reflected in figures – Director Kwong stated that is correct

Councilmember Gurney asked for breakout of Senior Center, Community Center and Ives Pool as these are distinct organizations in our community.

Councilmember Hinton stated the items are listed in the packet.

Mayor Slayter stated they are listed on page 19 of 28. He stated these are lumped together as a group.

Director Kwong commented that the organizations are listed under recreation in the budget.

Mayor Slayter opened for public comment. There was none.

Council Deliberations:

Councilmember Carnacchi commented as follows:

- When first elected went to training/conference for Mayors and Councilmembers
- Discussed when a city is in trouble
- Discussed potential use of reserves
- Discussed use of reserves
- Know when the City is in trouble
- At what point do we say we are in financial trouble

City Manager McLaughlin commented as follows:

- Discussed reserves
- Reserves are more than needed

- Set reserves knowing some of those reserves will be used
- Do not need to keep that high percentage of reserves
- Not fair to citizens
- Budget sub-committee does not recommend use of reserve unless on high side of reserve policy

Councilmember Gurney commented as follows:

- Take long view of economy
- There was a time when the Council had to zero out the reserve
- Discussed the City needing to cut staff hours to keep everyone working and avoid lay offs
- Built up reserve level
- Quite an accomplishment

Councilmember Hinton commented as follows:

- Moving out of general fund to put in special saving account
- CalPERS
- Conservative and setting up for future by moving one out

Director Kwong commented as follows:

- All department head working hard with budget
- All looking at monthly reports
- Stay within appropriation
- If it is not necessary to spend, we are not going to spend that
- Moving balances to saving account
- Discussed CalPERS unfunded liability
- Departments diligent with their budgets

Vice Mayor Glass commented as follows:

- Not think another city has 40% reserves
- Need to be looking at operating expenses and how do they compare to our operating income
- Right at the edge of spending a little more than we are bringing in – part of reason for reserves is to fill out the bumps
- Discussed future hotel and TOT revenue
- Discussed fire money from Measure G (if passes)
- Not in trouble yet

Mayor Slayter discussed the elimination of the redevelopment money from the state of \$250,00.00.

Mayor Slayter discussed the vetting of the budget by the budget sub-committee and staff.

Councilmember Gurney thanked City staff for the presentation and stated the presentation was very helpful.

Vice Mayor Glass moved and Councilmember Hinton seconded the motion to approve adoption of Resolution Approving the Mid-Year Budget adjustments to the City of Sebastopol Budget for 2019-2020 and Acceptance of Quarterly Financial Informational Report.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Carnacchi, Gurney, Hinton, Vice Mayor Glass and Mayor Slayter
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved adoption of Resolution Approving the Mid-Year Budget adjustments to the City of Sebastopol Budget for 2019-2020 and Acceptance of Quarterly Financial Informational Report.

Minute Order Number: 2020-042

Resolution Number: 6283-2020

10. Consideration and Direction to Mayor or his/her Designated Representative for Voting for Various Boards and Committee Vacancies at the February 2020 City Selection Committee and Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Association Meeting (Responsible City Administration)

City Selection:

- **Remote Access Network (RAN) Board**, one position, to fill term vacated by Mayor Gina Belforte (Rohnert Park). Unspecified term but must be filled by a Mayor.

Letters Received as of the posting of the agenda: NONE

Board of Directors

- **Child Care Planning Council of Sonoma County**, one position, to fill expired term (Feb. 2020) of Julie Combs (Santa Rosa). Term expires three years from appointment.

Letters Received as of the posting of the agenda: NONE

Since then the City received one letter of interest from Vice Mayor Fleming for the Child Care Planning Council.

Mayor Slayter presented the agenda item recommending the City Council discuss and provide direction to the Mayor or Voting Delegate for City Selection and Board Committee Selections for the February 13th Meeting.

Mayor Slayter opened for questions. There were none.

Mayor Slayter opened for public comment. There were none.

Council Deliberations:

The Council supported Vice Mayor Fleming for childcare council.

The Council discussed the process if nominations were received at the MC meeting. It was Council direction to not have the Mayor vote on any nominations from the floor.

City Council Action: Council supported Vice Mayor Fleming for childcare council.

The council discussed the process if nominations were received at the MC meeting. It was Council direction to not have the Mayor vote on any nominations from the floor,

Minute Order Number: 2020-043

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

11. City Manager-Attorney/City Clerk Reports: None
12. City Council Reports/Committee/Sub-Committee Meeting Reports: (Reports by Mayor/City Councilmembers Regarding Various Agency Meetings/Committee Meetings/Sub-Committee Meeting /Conferences Attended and Possible Direction to its Representatives (If Needed) on Pending issues before such Boards)

Councilmember Carnacchi reported as follows:

- Discussed Palm Drive Health Care District Meeting and the directors unanimously approved dissolution of the district.
- According to LAFCO, if the cumulative property values in the district that are located outside of Sebastopol city limits, not including the property values of the detached area properties (River and Bodega), amount to less than the property values within Sebastopol city limits. the City of Sebastopol could be named as the successor agency that is responsible for winding down the affairs of PDHCD:
- A LAFCO representative was at the PDHCD meeting and when I questioned him about the timing and the process for determining that, he said that LAFCO would be working closely with the city and that this is the first time that a governing board of a district has requested dissolution and therefore, we are in uncharted territory.

City Manager McLaughlin discussed the process of the dissolution if the City was appointed the Successor Agency and could contract out with the County but it would be at no cost to the City.

Councilmember Gurney questioned who on staff would do this. City Manager McLaughlin commented the City would contract with the County.

Vice Mayor Glass discussed the assessment areas and assessed areas.

Councilmember Carnacchi commented if they are detached no longer part of the district but on the hook for paying down the bankruptcy.

Councilmember Carnacchi reported on the ADA Sub-Committee meeting and stated by the end of the week the City should hear about the possibility of getting to keep the McKinley Street crossing.

Councilmember Hinton discussed the sidewalks and crosswalks at the plaza.

City Manager provided additional information on the ADA Caltrans Sub-committee meeting.

Mayor Slayter discussed the intersection from Sebastopol to Petaluma Avenue and right turn onto Petaluma Avenue and proximity to Depot Street was equated to the crosswalk at McKinley and stated it was clear that that person who made that decision has never come to Sebastopol.

The Council discussed Depot Street and long crosswalk concern by CVS.

Councilmember Hinton reported as follows:

- Attended League of CA Cities in Sacramento
- Attended ethics training
- Council is to report out from events attended if the city has paid for the event
- Attended the 2020 State of the County Breakfast
- Long Range Fire Staffing Sub-Committee Meeting was also conducted

Vice Mayor Glass reported as follows:

- Discussed the long-term fire staffing sub-committee meeting
- Trying to gather information and bring people together to collect information to present that information to the Council as a whole
- Hard to do
- Love our department
- Love our volunteers
- Do not want to do anything to harm them
- Number one priority is safety of public doing what tis financially viable for our City
- Difficult to navigate this
- Not have a predetermined agenda
- Work on objective decision
- Delicate walk this is on lava rock
- Met with Health Action: Being funded and staffed by Palm Drive Health Care District; Discussed community center need for skate park facilitator and they will be considering that; discussed long run for Health Action; doing good work; fund visiting nurse for foot care for Burbank Heights; funded trailers at Park Village; reporting to Council partnerships and new funding streams

Councilmember Hinton commented as follows:

- Hiring another staff member to fire department
- Sales tax measure

Councilmember Gurney reported as follows:

- Discussed zero waste sub-committee
- Discussed film
- High School students made them aware of the film
- Group organized groups to do business visits (to go ware)
- Discussed compliance
- Issue with lids – may consider adjustment to ordinances
- People are generally coming around
- Discussed new law for restaurants to accept customers re-usable cartons
- Compost containers on the plaza
- Invited to meet new Director of the County library system- will be at library tomorrow at 5:00 pm

Mayor Slater reported as follows:

- Went to State of the County address

- Informative presentation
 - PG&E/Senator Weiner bill – public takeover of PG&E – Bill long and dense
 - Different proposal than one from Mayor of San Jose
13. Council Communications Received. None
14. Future City Meeting Dates/Events (Informational Only): (See Agenda Below and City Web site for Up to Date Meeting Dates/Times)

CLOSED SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING: Mayor Slayter adjourned the meeting at 10:03 pm.

Meeting was adjourned to the next Regular City Council Meeting which will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 6:00 pm at the Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA.

Respectfully Submitted:

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