

Jeff Gee, Mayor
Lissette Espinoza-Garnica, Vice Mayor
Alicia C. Aguirre, Council Member
Kaia Eakin, Council Member
Diane Howard, Council Member
Elmer Martinez Saballos, Council Member
Chris Sturken, Council Member



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CITY OF REDWOOD CITY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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**JOINT CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, December 12, 2022**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Hale called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL** - All Council Members, were present. Council Member Reddy participated virtually.

Staff present: City Manager Melissa Stevenson Diaz, City Attorney Veronica Ramirez, and City Clerk Pamela Aguilar

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Mayor Hale led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR, MATTERS OF COUNCIL INTEREST AND ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

The following members of the public spoke:

- Amy Buckmaster
- Rona Gundrum
- Jeff Schabowski
- Jim Crampton

5. **PRESENTATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

None.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion and second, Howard and Aguirre, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, noting a revision to the Resolution under 6.A. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 6.A. Declaration of Results of the November 8, 2022 General Municipal Election for the City of Redwood City based on the County of San Mateo Chief Elections Officer's Certificate of Final Official Canvass (Revised 12-12-2022)
(307) Reso 16108 (0112)**

Recommendation:

Adopt a revised resolution reciting the facts and declaring the results of the General Municipal Election held in the City of Redwood City on November 8, 2022.

CEQA:

This is not a project under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

- 6.B. Investment Report for period ended September 30, 2022 (504) MO 22-218**

Recommendation:

By motion, approve the City's Investment Report for the period ended September 30, 2022.

CEQA:

This is not a project under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

- 6.C. Resolution declaring a continued state of local emergency and affirming findings on the need for the City Council and other City legislative bodies subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act to hold hybrid or virtual meetings pursuant to AB 361 to preserve public health and safety (301) Reso 16109 (0111)**

Recommendation:

Adopt a resolution of the City Council of the City of Redwood City declaring a continued state of local emergency and need for the City Council and other City legislative bodies subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act to hold hybrid or virtual meetings in order to ensure the health and safety of the public.

CEQA:

This is not a project under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

- 6.D. A Historic Preservation Agreement (Mills Act Contract) at 1417 Middlefield Road (612) Reso 16110 (0110)**

Recommendation:

Adopt a resolution for 1417 Middlefield Road authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute a Historic Preservation Agreement.

CEQA:

Categorically Exempt - Class 31. Historical resource restoration/rehabilitation

6.E. Acceptance of FY 2021 FEMA's Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Award in the amount of \$3,630,607 over the next three years (705) Reso 16111 (0109)

Recommendation:

Adopt a resolution of the City Council of Redwood City 1) accepting FY 2021 FEMA's Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Award in the amount of \$3,630,607 and authorize the City Manager to execute any related acceptance documents, subsequent amendments or modifications, and other documents; and 2) increasing the FY 2022-23 General Fund revenue and General Fund personnel expenditures by \$1,174,611 to accommodate the FEMA Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Award.

CEQA:

This is not a project under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

6.F. Award 2020-2021 Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project (802) MO 22-219

Recommendation:

By motion, approve and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents and award the standard form contract for the 2020-2021 Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project to SubTerra Construction, Inc. of San Francisco for their responsive and responsible low total bid of \$2,845,550; and authorize the City Manager or the City Manager's designee to increase the contract amount, if necessary, up to 10 percent of the amount awarded in an amount not to exceed \$3,130,105.

CEQA:

Categorically Exempt - Class 2. Replacement or reconstruction

6.G. Water Supply Assessment for Mixed-Use Development Project at 557 East Bayshore Road (802) Reso 16112 (0113)

Recommendation:

Adopt a Resolution Approving a Water Supply Assessment for Mixed-Use Development Project at 557 East Bayshore Road.

CEQA:

This is not a project under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

6.H. Approve Minutes of December 5, 2022 City Council meeting (301) MO 22-220

Recommendation:

Approve Minutes of December 5, 2022 City Council meeting.

6.I. Approve claims and checks from December 12, 2022 to January 9, 2023 and the usual and necessary payments through January 9, 2023 (303) MO 22-221

Recommendation:

Approve claims and checks from December 12, 2022 to January 9, 2023 and the usual and necessary payments through January 9, 2023.

7. MATTERS OF COUNCIL INTEREST

7.A. City Council Committee Reports

A. Climate Action Sub-Committee

Council Member Gee reported out on a Climate Action sub-committee meeting held December 8 with Mayor Hale and Councilmember Espinoza-Garnica.

8. CITY COUNCIL TRANSITION

8.A. Recognition of outgoing Council Members

City Manager Melissa Stevenson Diaz provided remarks to outgoing elected officials, Mayor Hale and Vice Mayor Reddy.

Council Members Aguirre, Espinoza-Garnica, Howard, Gee and Martinez Saballos gave remarks and presented Mayor Hale and Vice Mayor Reddy (virtually) with gifts for their years of service to Redwood City.

The following members of the public spoke:

- Helen Wolter, representing Assemblymember Josh Becker's office
- Raghda Karajha, representing Congresswoman Speier's office
- Dani Gasperini
- Shelley Masur
- Alisa MacAvoy

- Rona Gundrum
- Lou Covey
- Bill Newell
- Barb Valley
- Carla Sillin
- Emily Beach
- Cody Goodermote
- Arnoldo Arrealo
- Tom Linebarger
- Warren Dale

Outgoing Mayor Hale and Vice Mayor Reddy provided departing remarks.

8.B. Swearing in of new Council Members by City Clerk and presentation of Certificates of Election to newly elected Council Members

City Clerk Pamela Aguilar administered the oath of office to newly elected Council Members Kaia Eiken (District 5), and Diane Howard (District 6). Alan Sturken administered the oath of office to newly elected Council Member Chris Sturken (District 2).

The following members of the public spoke:

- Dylan Finch
- Alisa MacAvoy
- Rona Gundrum
- Marceline Luna
- Cody Goodermote

**8.C. Selection and installation of a new Mayor and Vice Mayor in accordance with Section 1.f of City Council Policy 2019-02 - Selection of Mayor and Vice Mayor
(205) MO 22-222
(205) MO 22-223**

City Clerk Pamela Aguilar gave a presentation.

The following members of the public spoke:

- Rona Gundrum
- Tom Linebarger
- Ed Stancil

Recommendation:

1. By motion, install Councilmember Jeff Gee as the new Mayor for a new two-year term through December 2024 and install Councilmember Lissette Espinoza-Garnica as the new Vice Mayor for a new two-year term through December 2024 in accordance with Section 1.f of City Council Policy 2019-02 -

Selection of Mayor and Vice Mayor in order to align Mayor and Vice Mayor terms with even-year elections.

2. Direct staff and the Governance Sub-Committee to evaluate City Council Policy 2019-02 - Selection of Mayor and Vice Mayor Policy in order to determine what modifications may be necessary to effectively implement the Policy in the future.

Motion and second, Martinez Saballos and Aguirre, to install Jeff Gee as Mayor for a new two-year term through December 2024 and install Councilmember Lissette Espinoza-Garnica as Vice Mayor for a new two-year term through December 2024 and approve the staff recommendation. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

City Clerk Pamela Aguilar administered the oath of office to Vice Mayor Espinoza-Garnica. Miss Elizabeth Gee administered the oath of office to Mayor Gee virtually.

Mayor Gee and Vice Mayor Espinoza-Garnica provided remarks.

9. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela Aguilar, CMC
City Clerk
Approved January 9, 2023