



Meeting Agenda

Minutes

Monday, March 17, 2025 at 6:00 pm

621 11th Street, Fortuna CA

Regular Meeting Agenda

**Zoom Option: 1-669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 827 4137 7163 Password:
809035**

- We May Disagree, But We Will Be Respectful of One Another
- All Comments Will Be Directed to the Issue at Hand, and Addressed to the City Council
- Personal Attacks are Unacceptable
- The City Council May Take Action on any Item on this Agenda.

1. CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE / ROLL CALL

Minutes:

Mayor Johnson called the public meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the flag salute. ROLL CALL: Council Member Conley - Present, Council Member Diaz - Present, Mayor Pro Tem Trent - Present, Mayor Johnson - Present

2. ORAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Minutes:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Gordon Clatworthy. There being no additional comments from the public, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

a. Pinning of New Police Sergeant - Ryan Richardson

Minutes:

Police Chief Casey Day recognized and pinned the new Police Sergeant, Ryan Richardson.

4. DISCUSSION ITEM

a. The Great Redwood Trail and Strong's Creek Trail – Project Update and Grant Opportunity

Minutes:

STAFF REPORT: Public Works Director/City Engineer, Brendan Byrd, Hannah Bartee from Coastal Conservatory and Elain Hogan from the Great Redwood Train Agency provided presentation on the Great Redwood Trail Project. PUBLIC COMMENT: Michelle Bushnell and Orville Gerson. There being no additional comments from the public, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes:

PUBLIC COMMENT: Justin Primofiore. There being no additional comments from the public, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section. CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trent to approve Consent Calendar items a - m. AYES: Council Member Conley, Diaz, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED 4/0.

- a. City Council Minutes – March 3, 2025 (Special Meeting)**
- b. City Council Minutes – March 3, 2025 (Regular Meeting)**
- c. City Council Minutes – March 10, 2025 (Special Meeting)**
- d. City Council Minutes – March 10, 2025 (Special Meeting)**
- e. Administrative Department Monthly Report**
- f. Community Development Department Monthly Report**
- g. Finance Department Monthly Report**
- h. Parks & Recreation Monthly Report**
- i. Police Department Monthly Report**
- j. Public Works Monthly Report**
- k. Report of Disbursements**
- l. Approval of the May 1, 2025 to June 30, 2027 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Concerning Working Conditions, Wages and Benefits with the Fortuna Police Employee Association (FPEA)**
- m. Approve Supplemental Budget Request to Purchase a New Domain Controller**

6. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

a. City Council Vacancy

Minutes:

STAFF REPORT: City Manager, Amy Nilsen, provided staff report regarding the process of filling the vacant City Council seat. PUBLIC COMMENT: Clyde Smith and Michelle Bushnell. There being no additional comments from the public, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section. CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Council Member Diaz to make an appointment to the Fortuna City Council by May 11, 2025 through the following schedule: announce vacancy & solicit applications beginning March 18, 2025; filing deadline for applications April 18, 2025; and notice and hold a Special Public Meeting to conduct interviews & selection on April 28, 2025. Roll Call Vote. AYES: Council Member Conley, Diaz, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED 4/0

b. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Professional Services Contract Amendment with Jacobs Engineering for City's Wastewater NPDES Compliance Project (CIP 0171)

Minutes:

STAFF REPORT: Public Works Director/City Engineer, Brendan Byrd, provided staff report on the amendment to the Professional Services Contract with Jacobs Engineering for the City's Wastewater NPDES Compliance Project. PUBLIC COMMENT: There being no comments from the public, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section. CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Council Member Diaz to approve a professional services contract amendment in the amount of \$1,829,722 with Jacobs to provide engineering and support services for the City of Fortuna Wastewater NPDES Compliance Project, CIP 0171, and establish a contract no to exceed limit of \$4,900,000. Roll Call Vote. AYES: Council Member Conley, Diaz, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED 4/0

7. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Minutes:

STAFF REPORT: City Manager, Amy Nilsen, provided verbal report.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

- a. Council Member Kyle Conley
- b. Council Member Carlos Diaz
- c. Mayor Pro Tem Tami Trent
- d. Mayor Mike Johnson

10. ADJOURN

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CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Council Member Diaz to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. MOTION CARRIED: 4/0