

**CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA
CITY COUNCIL**

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Dave Potter called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Roll call: Councilmembers Jeff Baron, Alissandra Dramov, Karen Ferlito, Mayor Pro Tempore Bobby Richards, and Mayor Dave Potter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney read an announcement regarding public comment.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Dale Byrne

EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS

A. Monterey County Business Council Presentation

Roger Gilbert gave a presentation on the Monterey County Business Council (MCBC), highlighting that the MCBC operates business programs to help small businesses grow and thrive.

B. 3CE Annual Update Presentation

Sophia Schwirzke presented on Central Coast Community Energy's (3CE) year in review, covering prioritization on innovation, renewable energy, and investing in the community.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Ferlito pulled item #2 from the consent agenda to ask Police Chief Tomasi about ambulance and fire response times in the Public Safety report. She inquired whether response times exceeding five minutes were due to heavy traffic or other factors. Chief Tomasi explained that delays are typically caused by units responding from other locations, sometimes as far as Monterey, or due to heavy traffic, depending on the time of day.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Richards to approve consent agenda items #1-5, seconded by Councilmember Baron, and approved 5-0-0-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Baron, Dramov, Ferlito, Richards, and Mayor Potter

NOES: None

ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Item 1 - August 5, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes, and August 6, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes

Item 2 - July 2024 Monthly Reports

Item 3 - July 2024 Check Register Summary

Item 4 - Resolution 2024-072 accepting the \$3,000 donation from Community Emergency Response Volunteers (CERV) for use by the Community Emergency Response Team

Item 5 - Resolution 2024-073 to designate the 2024 Holiday Closure from December 24, 2024 – January 1, 2025

ORDERS OF BUSINESS

Item 6 - Resolution 2024-074 authorizing the City Administrator to execute Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement with Peninsula Messenger Service for mail delivery for a not-to-exceed increase of One Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$105,600.00) for the term of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Finance Manager Jayme Fields presented the item and answered questions from Council.

Public Comment:
Carolyn Hardy

Councilmembers Dramov and Ferlito suggested reducing deliveries from daily to three times a week to save costs. Councilmember Baron also proposed allowing an option for non-medically necessary recipients to pay for daily delivery to help offset expenses. He added that delivering to 15 more addresses could further reduce costs. Councilmember Dramov inquired about the possibility of offering eligibility to low-income residents.

Mayor Pro Tem Richards made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-074 to extend the contract for 6 months, and have staff come back in 6 months with other options on the program moving forward, seconded by Ferlito, and approved 5-0-0-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Baron, Dramov, Ferlito, Richards, and Mayor Potter
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Item 7 - Resolution 2024-075, authorizing the City Administrator to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Wallace Group, for Project Management and Design Services, for a not-to-exceed fee increase of \$39,770

Project Manager Javier Hernandez presented the item and answered questions from Council. Councilmember Dramov asked about the status of the repairs on the 2 beach access stairs that are currently closed. Assistant City Administrator Swanson reported that they are waiting for an engineer's assessment on whether city staff can conduct the repairs internally or if requires hiring engineers. Councilmember Ferlito suggested more public outreach to educate the community about the road repairs that are in progress. Bob Harary said he agrees with Ferlito, and noted that Carmel has the highest paved roads index in the County.

Public Comment:
None

Mayor Pro Tem Richards made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-075, seconded by Councilmember Ferlito, and approved 5-0-0-0 by the following roll call vote:
AYES: Councilmember Baron, Dramov, Ferlito, Richards, and Mayor Potter
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Item 8 - Resolution 2024-076 authorizing the purchase of a 2024 Ford F-750 5-yard dump truck from National Auto Fleet Group under Sourcewell Contract #091521 for \$135,825

Environmental Programs Manager Mary Bilse presented the item to Council and answered questions from Council.

Public Comment:
None

Councilmember Ferlito made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-076, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Richards, and approved 5-0-0-0 by the following roll call vote:
AYES: Councilmember Baron, Dramov, Ferlito, Richards, and Mayor Potter
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Pierik read the closed session title.

Item A - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8:

Property: Rio Park, East of Dolores Street and Lasuen Drive, Carmel-by-the-Sea

Agency negotiators: City Administrator, City Attorney

Negotiating parties: Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD)

Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

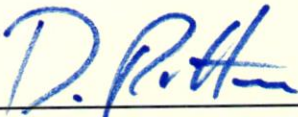
Public comment:

None

ADJOURNMENT

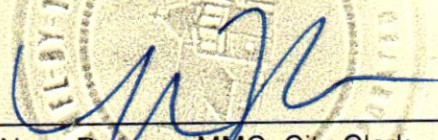
Council adjourned to closed session at 5:30 p.m.

SIGNED:



Dave Potter, Mayor

ATTEST



Nova Romero, MMC, City Clerk