

**CITY OF ARCATA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

COUNCIL CHAMBER

JULY 27, 2020

**SPECIAL MEETING**

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Arcata was held on the above date at 2:07 p.m. via teleconference with Mayor Winkler presiding. Notice of this meeting was posted on July 24, 2020. PRESENT: Winkler, Pitino, Pereira. ABSENT: Watson. STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Diemer, City Attorney Diamond, Chief of Police Ahearn, Assistant City Manager Demello, Redwood Empire Municipal Insurance Fund (REMIF) Attorney Dale Allen.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Mayor Winkler invited public comment. None was received. Mayor Winkler closed the public comment period.

**ON MOTION BY PITINO, SECONDED BY PEREIRA, AND WITH A THREE-TO-ZERO VOICE VOTE WITH ONE ABSENCE, THE COUNCIL CONTINUED THE LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC AND DIRECTED STAFF TO CONTINUE TO TAKE ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO RESPOND TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY EMERGENCY. AYES: WINKLER, PITINO, PEREIRA.. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: WATSON. ABSTENTIONS: NONE.**

**A. Declare a Continuation of the Local Emergency Related to the Coronavirus Pandemic.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Approve Language of Rebuttal Argument in Favor of Measure A—Open Space, Parks and Trails Special Tax.**

City Manager Diemer said that for Measure A, the tax measure for Open Space, Parks and Trails, the Council submitted an argument in favor. Because the City received an argument against the measure, the Council had an opportunity to submit a rebuttal argument. She stated this agenda item was for the Council to approve the language of the rebuttal argument.

Mayor Winkler called for public comment. There was none. Mayor Winkler closed the public comment period.

**ON MOTION BY PITINO, SECONDED BY PEREIRA, AND WITH A THREE-TO-ZERO VOICE VOTE WITH ONE ABSENCE, THE COUNCIL APPROVED THE LANGUAGE FOR THE REBUTTAL ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE A, THE OPEN SPACE, PARKS AND TRAILS TAX MEASURE. AYES: WINKLER, PEREIRA, PITINO. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: WATSON. ABSTENTIONS: NONE.**

**DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

**A. Special Meeting, August 10, 2020, at 12:00 p.m., via Teleconference.**

**BY GENERAL CONSENSUS, THE COUNCIL CONFIRMED IT WOULD HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING ON AUGUST 10, 2020, AT 12:00 P.M.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The open meeting was adjourned at 2:13 p.m. to a closed session.

**SPECIAL MEETING**

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Arcata was held on the above date at 2:13 p.m. via teleconference with Mayor Winkler presiding. Notice of this meeting was posted on July 24, 2020. PRESENT: Winkler, Pitino, Pereira, Watson (arrived at 2:45 p.m.). ABSENT: None. STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Diemer, City Attorney Diamond, Chief of Police Ahearn, Assistant City Manager Demello, REMIF Attorney Dale Allen.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Lawson v. City of Arcata, et al., U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, Oakland Division, Case No. 3:18-cv-07238-YGR; Zoellner v. City of Arcata, et al., U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, San Francisco Division, Case No. 3:18:04471-EMC.**

The Council met in closed session via teleconference.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORTS**

**A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Lawson v. City of Arcata, et al., U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, Oakland Division, Case No. 3:18-cv-07238-YGR; Zoellner v. City of Arcata, et al., U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, San Francisco Division, Case No. 3:18:04471-EMC.**

There was nothing to report out from the closed session.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Dory  
City Clerk