

PIEDMONT CITY COUNCIL

Special Meeting Minutes for Monday, February 7, 2022

A Special Session of the Piedmont City Council was held February 7, 2022, in the Police Department EOC Room at 403 Highland Avenue. In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2(a) the agenda for this meeting was posted for public inspection on February 3, 2022.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor King called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Teddy Gray King, Vice Mayor Jennifer Cavanaugh, and Councilmembers Betsy Smegal Andersen and Conna McCarthy

Staff: City Administrator Sara Lillevand, City Attorney Michelle Kenyon, and City Clerk John Tulloch

SPECIAL MEETING

The Council considered the following items of business:

Minutes

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

Resolution No. 08-2022

RESOLVED, that the City Council approves the meeting minutes for 12/20/2021, 01/06/2022, and 01/18/2022.

Moved by Cavanaugh, Seconded by Andersen

Ayes: Andersen, Cavanaugh, King, McCarthy

Noes: None

Absent: None

Resolution for Teleconference Meetings

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

Resolution No. 09-2022

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2021, pursuant to the requirements of Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(B), the City Council passed Resolution 77-2021, which made the required findings to authorize the use of streamlined notice requirements for teleconference meetings for the City Council and all Commissions, Committees, or advisory bodies of the City of Piedmont; and

WHEREAS, the gubernatorial declaration of a State of Emergency regarding the COVID-19 pandemic remains in place, and COVID-19 continues to threaten the health and lives of Piedmont residents and there is scientific consensus that variants of COVID-19 are highly transmissible in indoor settings; and

WHEREAS, AB 361 requires that every thirty (30) days, the City to reconsider the circumstances of the emergency and review whether it continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person, and the circumstances described in Resolution 77-2021 continue to persist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Piedmont does hereby resolve, declare, determine, and order as follows:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are correct and are material to this Resolution and are incorporated into this Resolution as findings of the City Council.

SECTION 2. The City Council desires to continue to meet by teleconference in accordance with Government Code Section 54953(e).

SECTION 3. The City Council has reconsidered the findings made in Resolution 77-2021, and finds that:

- (i) The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person; and
- (ii) State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

SECTION 4. The City Council reconfirms and incorporates the findings made in Resolution 77-2021 regarding the need for the Council and all Commissions, Committees, or advisory bodies of the City of Piedmont to meet by teleconference.

Moved by Andersen, Seconded by McCarthy
Ayes: Andersen, Cavanaugh, King, McCarthy
Noes: None
Absent: None
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Interviews

The Council discussed the interview process and interviewed candidates for the vacancy on the Council created by the resignation of Councilmember Tim Rood.

Appointment

At the conclusion of the interviews, Council deliberated on the applicants and made an appointment to the vacant seat.

Resolution 10-2022

RESOLVED, that the City Council appoints Jennifer Long to the City Council to fill the unexpired term of former Councilmember Tim Rood, with said term to begin on February 22, 2022 and end upon the certification of the results of the November 8, 2022 General Municipal Election.

Moved by Andersen, Seconded by Cavanaugh
Ayes: Andersen, Cavanaugh, King, McCarthy
Noes: None
Absent: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor King adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.