DRAFT
PIEDMONT CITY COUNCIL

Special City Meeting Minutes for Monday, December 16, 2024

A Special Session of the Piedmont City Council was held December 16, 2024, in the Community Hall, 711 Highland Avenue, Piedmont, CA, in accordance with the provisions of Government Code 54953. In accordance with Government Code Section 54957(b), the agenda for this meeting was posted for public inspection on December 12, 2024.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cavenaugh called the Special Session meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Jennifer Cavenaugh, Vice Mayor Betsy Smegal Andersen, Councilmember Jennifer Long, Councilmember Conna McCarthy, and Councilmember Tom Ramsey

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Administrator Rosanna Bayon Moore, City Attorney Michelle Marchetta Kenyon, Planning and Building Director Kevin Jackson, Fire Chief Dave Brannigan, Recreation Direction Chelle Putzer, Finance Director Michael Szczech, Communications Program Manager Echa Schneider, and City Clerk Anna Brown

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no **Public Testimony** received.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Election Result Certification

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Registrar of Voters has provided the official canvass of the regular municipal election held November 5, 2024, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council now finds and declares that the whole number of ballots cast, and numbers of votes received are as set forth in the attached canvass, that Conna McCarthy, and Lorrel Plimier have been elected to the Piedmont City Council and that Michael Malione, Max Roman and Susan Struble have been elected to the Board of Education.
(0435)

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

Resolution No. 70-2024
RESOLVED, that the City Council approves the Consent Calendar as noted.
Moved by Andersen, Seconded by McCarthy
Ayes: Andersen, Cavenaugh, Long, McCarthy, Ramsey
Noes: None
Absent: None

CEREMONIAL ITEM: Comments by and Appreciation of Outgoing Mayor

Mayor Cavenaugh was recognized by City Administrator Bayon Moore and City Attorney Marchetta Kenyon for her service to the City of Piedmont. A video message was played for Mayor Cavenaugh featuring members of the community and colleagues.

There was **Public Testimony** from:

Alameda Mayor Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft, an unidentified 37-year resident, Teddy King, Corey Smegal, and Vaughn Khouri reflected on and expressed thanks for Mayor Cavenaugh's service to the community.

Mayor Cavenaugh recapped her experiences while serving the City of Piedmont and thanked her colleagues and family, staff, and community members.

REGULAR AGENDA

The Council considered the following items of special business:

Swearing in of New Board of Education Members

In accordance with the results of the November 5, 2024, General Municipal Election, Max Roman was sworn in by Victoria Roman and Susy Struble and Michael Mallone were sworn in by City Clerk Anna Brown.

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

Comments by New Board of Education Members

Max Roman thanked his family and departing school board members, City staff, and administration, and expressed his excitement to begin his service to the community.

Michael Mallone thanked Piedmont Alps, supporters, and departing school board members, as well as his campaign manager and strategist, supporters, and family.

Susy Struble noted the volunteer work required to run the City and school district and shared her mantra "your kid is my kid and I hope my kid is your kid."

Swearing In of New Councilmembers

In accordance with the results of the November 5, 2024, General Municipal Election, Conna McCarthy was sworn in for a second term by Sara Lillevand and Lorrel Plimier was sworn in by Michael Plimier.

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

Election of Mayor

Vice Mayor Andersen requested nominations for Mayor of the City of Piedmont.

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

Resolution No. 71-2024
RESOLVED, the City Council elects Betsy Smegal Andersen to serve as Mayor of the City of Piedmont.
Moved by McCarthy, Seconded by Long
Ayes: Andersen, Long, McCarthy, Plimier, Ramsey
Noes: None
Absent: None

Election of Vice Mayor

Mayor Andersen requested nominations for Vice Mayor of the City of Piedmont.

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

Resolution No. 72-2024
RESOLVED, the City Council elects Conna McCarthy to serve as Vice Mayor of the City of Piedmont.

DRAFT

Moved by Long, Seconded by Ramsey
Ayes: Andersen, Long, McCarthy, Plimier, Ramsey
Noes: None
Absent: None

Comments by New Councilmembers

Vice Mayor McCarthy introduced her family and thanked Piedmont voters, her colleagues, staff, and community members.

Lorrel Plimier thanked her voters, supporters, and family, the League of Women Voters, and current and past Council members.

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

Comments by New Mayor

Mayor Andersen recognized her support team, campaign members, and friends, expressed her excitement to cut ribbons and work together with the City Council and school board, and recognized and thanked City staff.

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Andersen adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

DRAFT