



**MINUTES**  
**JOINT MEETING OF THE COTATI CITY COUNCIL AND THE SUCCESSOR**  
**AGENCY TO THE FORMER COTATI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
**City Council Chamber, City Hall 201 W. Sierra Avenue**  
**Tuesday August 8, 2017**  
**7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Wendy Skillman	Councilmember	Present
John C. Moore	Council Member	Present
John A. Dell'Osso	Council Member	Present
Susan Harvey	Mayor	Present
Mark Landman	Vice Mayor	Present

Staff present: City Attorney Robin Donoghue, City Manager Damien O’Bid, Police Chief Michael Parish, Community Development Director Vicki Parker, Deputy City Clerk Lauren Berges, Director of Administrative Services Norm Veloso, Director of Public Works Craig Scott

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND NOTICE OF WAIVING OF READING OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES INTRODUCED AND/OR ADOPTED UNDER THIS AGENDA (ACTION)**

**A. COTATI CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING - JUL 25, 2017 7:00 PM**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	John A. Dell'Osso, Council Member
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark Landman, Vice Mayor
<b>AYES:</b>	Skillman, Moore, Dell'Osso, Harvey, Landman

**5. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. The City of Cotati has special open office hours on Monday evenings from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. by appointment, in the Community Development Department at City Hall as part of its 'Cotati-Open for Business' program. This program provides personalized assistance and information to developers, current Cotati business owners, and those interested in starting a new business within the City.

- B. The Rohnert Park-Cotati Regional library hosts events for all ages, including art exhibits, book clubs and children's programs. All events are free and open to the public. For more information, call the library at 584-9121 or visit [www.sonomalibrary.org](http://www.sonomalibrary.org).
- C. The Cotati Historical Society Museum is open regularly the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 5:00-7:00 p.m., Saturdays from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., and by appointment. For more information call 707-794-0305.
- D. Citizens interested in receiving City of Cotati community alerts via text or email are encouraged to sign up at [nixle.com](http://nixle.com).
- E. The City offers a variety of recreation programs for all ages. See details on the web at [cotaticity.org](http://cotaticity.org).
- F. The annual Cotati Accordion Festival is being held Saturday August 19th and Sunday August 20th from 9:30 am to 8 pm in La Plaza Park.

**6. PROCLAMATIONS**

**A. PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI HONORING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF FRIAR TUCKS PUB**

Cheryl Nixon of Friar Tucks Pub in attendance to receive proclamation

Public comment:  
George Barich of Cotati  
Taylor Nixon of Cotati

**7. APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA (ACTION)**

**8. CITIZEN BUSINESS AND PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

Public comment:  
Laurie Alderman of Cotati  
George Barich of Cotati

Councilmembers comment

**9. CONSENT CALENDAR (ACTION)**

**RESULT:**  
**MOVER:**  
**SECONDER:**  
**AYES:**

**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**  
John A. Dell'Osso, Council Member  
Mark Landman, Vice Mayor  
Skillman, Moore, Dell'Osso, Harvey, Landman

- A. SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR CONSIDERATION OF 1. OBJECTIONS TO A REPORT OF SEWER CHARGES AND PENALTIES OUTSTANDING AND 2. ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING ITEMIZED REPORT OF SEWER CHARGES AND PENALTIES OUTSTANDING AND 3. DIRECTING LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS**
- B. SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS TO THE OUTSTANDING BACKFLOW TESTING CHARGES AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-18**
- C. AWARD CATOR FIELD ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT**
- D. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY REPORT, SONOMA COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY**
- E. 2017 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR CITY HALL AND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

**10. DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Councilmember Skillman requests a future agenda item on a skate park for the City

**11. PUBLIC HEARINGS (ACTION)**

**A. CANNABIS INDUSTRY BUSINESS TAX**

Presentation by Director of Community Development Vicki Parker

Councilmembers and staff comment

Public comment:

George Barich of Cotati  
Laurie Alderman of Cotati  
Brandon Levine of Cotati  
Craig Litwin of 421 Group

Councilmembers and staff comment

RESOLUTION NO 2017 - 46 ENTITLED: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI (1) ORDERING AND GIVING NOTICE OF AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017 FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO COTATI VOTERS AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COTATI ADDING CHAPTER 5.30 TO THE COTATI MUNICIPAL CODE TO IMPOSE A CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX ON CERTAIN CANNABIS BUSINESSES OPERATING IN COTATI, AND AMENDING CHAPTER 5.04 TO IMPOSE A BUSINESS LICENSE TAX ON CERTAIN OTHER CANNABIS BUSINESSES OPERATING IN COTATI (2) APPROVING BALLOT LANGUAGE, (3) PERMITTING THE FILING OF BALLOT ARGUMENTS, (4) DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PROVIDE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS AND (5) SETTING INITIAL TAX RATES FOR A THREE- YEAR TERM.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	John A. Dell'Osso, Council Member
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John C. Moore, Council Member
<b>AYES:</b>	Skillman, Moore, Dell'Osso, Harvey, Landman

ORDINANCE NO 873 ENTITLED: INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI AMENDING AND RESTATING IN ITS ENTIRETY CHAPTER 5.04 ENTITLED “BUSINESS LICENSES” OF THE COTATI MUNICIPAL CODE TO REQUIRE CANNABIS TESTING LABS TO PAY THE GENERAL BUSINESS TAX AND TO AMEND PROVISIONS GOVERNING ENFORCEMENT, PENALTIES AND REFUNDS RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF GENERAL BUSINESS TAXES AND UPDATING RELATED DEFINITIONS IN CHAPTER 8.24 ENTITLED “MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES”.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>INTRODUCED [UNANIMOUS]</b> Next: 8/22/2017 7:00 PM
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark Landman, Vice Mayor
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John C. Moore, Council Member
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Councilmember Landman moves to authorize the mayor to file a written argument in favor of the proposed measure on behalf of the City Council and in the event an argument is filed against the measure do authorize the mayor to file a rebuttal argument on behalf of the council. Councilmember Moore seconds. Unanimous vote.

**B. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTATI ADOPTING UPDATED WATER AND SEWER RATES AND SUPERSEDING THE EXISTING RATES**

Presentation by Director of Public Works Craig Scott and Bob Reed, Rate Consultant

Councilmembers comment

Public comment:  
Unknown resident of Cotati  
George Barich of Cotati  
Laurie Alderman of Cotati  
Eric Omen of Cotati

Councilmembers and staff comment

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**C. ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE AT 7675 OLD REDWOOD HIGHWAY**

Presentation by Director of Community Development Vicki Parker

Public comment:  
George Barich of Cotati  
Laurie Alderman of Cotati

Councilmembers and staff comment

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**D. INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1.20.010 OF CHAPTER 1.20 OF THE COTATI MUNICIPAL CODE TO PERMIT CODE VIOLATIONS TO BE CHARGED AND PROSECUTED AS EITHER MISDEMEANORS OR INFRACTIONS**

Presentation by Chief Parish

Councilmembers and staff comment

Public comment:  
George Barich of Cotati

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<b>AYES:</b>	Skillman, Moore, Dell'Osso, Harvey, Landman

**12. REGULAR AGENDA (ACTION)**

**A. CITY LIGHTING PROJECT REVIEW**

Presentation by City Manager O'Bid

Councilmembers comment

Public comment:  
Laurie Alderman of Cotati  
George Barich of Cotati

Councilmembers comment

Motion to continue meeting passed 10 pm by Councilmember Skillman second by Councilmember Landman

Public comment:  
Laurie Alderman of Cotati  
George Barich of Cotati

**13. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Report by City Manager O'Bid

Public comment:  
Laurie Alderman of Cotati

**14. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Councilmembers report on local and regional meetings and events

**15. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**

Public comment:  
George Barich of Cotati  
Laurie Alderman of Cotati

**16. INFORMATION RECEIVED AFTER THE AGENDA WAS POSTED**

**A. SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION RECEIVED AFTER THE AGENDA WAS POSTED.**

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Harvey adjourns meeting at 10:23 pm