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ADJOURNED REGULAR
AND SPECIAL MEETING
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>> WE GOT THE PUBLIC ON A FRIDAY NIGHT.
DEDICATION.

>> COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY: I THINK THEY MIGHT ALL BE STAFF.

>> WE ARE LIFE, MADAM MAYOR.

>> MAYOR STERN: THANK YOU.

WELCOME EVERYONE TO OUR CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING ON THIS FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 4TH, 2022 AT 5 P.M.

NICE TO SEE THAT WE HAVE PARTICIPATION HERE ON A FRIDAY EVENING.
WE'LL HAVE TO REMEMBER THAT.

I AM RECONVENING OUR ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING AND CONCURRENTLY
OPENING OUR SPECIAL MEETING.

SO WITH THAT I'M CALLING THIS MEETING TO ORDER AND OUR FIRST LINE OF
BUSINESS AS ALWAYS IS OUR PLEDGE TO THE FLAG.

I'M GOING TO ASK IF YOU WOULD JOIN IN OUR PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND RISE
TO THE LEVEL THAT YOU'RE ABLE AND WE'LL SAY THE PLEDGE TOGETHER.

[RECITING PLEDGE]

>> MAYOR STERN: OKAY.

NOW I WILL ASK CITY CLERK TAMURA IF SHE COULD PROCEED WITH THE ROLL
CALL.

>> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.

>> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: HERE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.

>> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN: HERE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY.

>> MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO: YOU'RE MUTED, SUZANNE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY: THANK YOU.

I AM HERE.

>> MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO.

>> MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO: HERE.

>> MAYOR STERN.

>> MAYOR STERN: I AM HERE.

WE'LL MOVE TO ITEM D OF THE AGENDA, PUBLIC COMMENTS.
AND I'LL ASK IF THERE ARE ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD LIKE
TO MAKE A COMMENT OF THREE MINUTES PER PERSON.

>> YES, MADAM MAYOR, WE FIRST HAVE LEE PHILLIPS.

>> GOOD AFTERNOON.

I SUPPORT -- CAN YOU HEAR ME?
ARE YOU ABLE TO HEAR ME?

>> YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU.

>> I SUPPORT THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECTING THE COUNTY TO FIGHT
SACRAMENTO'S OVERREACH AND PRESENT ALL ALTERNATIVE TO THE CITY
RESIDENTS.

THIS WOULD INCLUDE GOING -- ALIGNING WITH OTHER LIKE-MINDED CITIES
AGAINST SACRAMENTO OVERREACH IN TERMS OF OVERDEVELOPMENT.
WOODSIDE RECENTLY BOUGHT AN EXEMPTION BASED ON THE DANGEROUS MOUNTAIN
LION HAVING HABITAT IN THAT CITY.
THE CITY SHOULD LOOK FOR SIMILAR EXEMPTIONS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING ALL ALTERNATIVES AT A FUTURE OPEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME TODAY.

>> MAYOR STERN: THANK YOU, LEE, FOR YOUR COMMENT.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT?

>> NEXT IS JIM BURTON.

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>> GOOD EVENING, MADAM MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL.

FRIDAY NIGHT AT 5:00, I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE.

I THINK YOU KNOW MY POSITION.

OBVIOUSLY, THE HIGH ROSE PROJECT WITHIN NOT IN FAVOR AT ALL.

I APPRECIATE COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO'S POSITION IN THAT WHATEVER WE CAN DO TO NOT ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN, I THINK EVERYONE IS ON BOARD WITH THIS.

I WANT TO REITERATE, I DON'T THINK IT'S GOOD FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

CERTAINLY WHAT SACRAMENTO PASSED AT THE STATE LEVEL IS NOT GOOD FOR US IN LOCAL CONTROL.

I WOULD ARGUE THAT THE DOWNTOWN AND THE DINING DECKS AND THE ALLOWANCE OF ALCOHOL ON THE STREETS AND THE TAKING UP OF THAT IS A SIMILAR ISSUE BUT THAT'S NOT OUR POINT TONIGHT.

I'M NOT GOING TO BELABOR THE TIME BUT I DID WANT TO VOICE MY OPPOSITION TO THIS PROJECT AND FULLY SUPPORT WHATEVER DIRECTION THE CITY WILL GO UNDER ATTORNEY BARROW'S GUIDANCE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>> MAYOR STERN: THANK YOU, JIM, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT COMMENT.

>> THERE'S NO FURTHER REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS AT THIS TIME.

>> MAYOR STERN: OKAY.

THANK YOU.

SO NOW WE ARE MOVING INTO OUR CLOSED SESSION.

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LY ASK CITY ATTORNEY BARE ROW IF HE COULD GIVE US AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

>> THANK YOU, MAYOR.

PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9D2 THE CITY COUNCIL WILL GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ANTICIPATED LITIGATION.

>> MAYOR STERN: I'M WAITING FOR MY DOG TO NOT BE SO UPSET ABOUT THIS DEVELOPMENT.

>> WHO LET THE DOGS OUT.

>> MAYOR STERN: THANK YOU FOR THAT.

I APOLOGIZE.

AND WE WILL RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION BEFORE WINKY BARKS AGAIN.

I'LL SEE YOU ALL THERE AND WE'LL RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION WHEN WE'RE COMPLETED.

>> ONE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE PUBLIC.

WE'LL BE BACK ON THIS SAME ZOOM CHANNEL SOMETIME THIS EVENING.

SO KEEP YOUR EYES ON THAT.

BYE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY: THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR STERN: THANK YOU.

[RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION]

>> MAYOR STERN: I APOLOGIZE.

I COULD NOT START VIDEO OR UNMUTE.

OKAY.

WHENEVER WE ARE READY TO RECONVENE.

>> GIVE ME ONE SECOND.

I'LL HAVE I.T. START THE LIVE FEED.

WE ARE LIVE, MADAM MAYOR.

>> MAYOR STERN: THANK YOU.

AND WE ARE BACK AND WE'RE RECONVENING INTO OPEN SESSION AND I'M GOING TO TURN THIS OVER TO ATTORNEY BARROW, CITY ATTORNEY BARROW TO MAKE A CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT IN OPEN SESSION.

>> THANK YOU, MAYOR.

EARLIER THIS EVENING THE CITY COUNCIL IN A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE ITEM IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA WHICH WAS ANTICIPATED LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 5495649D2.

THERE WAS NO VERBAL ACTION TAKEN BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT THE TIME.

IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO ADJOURN THE SPECIAL MEETING AND THEN RECONVENE THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING.

>> MAYOR STERN: AND I NEED TO ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO CONTINUE THIS MEETING TO OUR --

>> I'LL MAKE A MOTION.

>> SECOND.

>> MAYOR, BEFORE YOU DO THAT, ADJOURN THE SPECIAL MEETING.

>> MAYOR STERN: OKAY.

I'M ADJOURNING THE SPECIAL MEETING.

>> RIGHT.

>> MAYOR STERN: AND ENTERTAINING A MOTION TO RECONVENE AT THE SPECIAL MEETING TO FEBRUARY 9TH AT 6 P.M.

>> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: THAT'S MY MOTION, YOUR HONOR, AS STATED.

>> MAYOR STERN: A MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO.

CAN I HAVE A ROLL CALL VOTE.

>> LET ME CLARIFY THAT.

IF THIS MOTION PASSES IT'S THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING ON THE HOUSING ELEMENT FOR NEXT WEDNESDAY.

AND IT WILL IN ESSENCE A STUDY SESSION BUT IT'S TECHNICALLY THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING THAT STARTED ON TUESDAY THAT WAS RECONVENED TODAY.

IF THIS MOTION PASSES, IT WILL RECONVENE ON WEDNESDAY, THE 9TH, AT 6:37.

>> MAYOR STERN: AND IT'S A REGULAR MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, OPEN AND NOTICED TO THE PUBLIC, CORRECT?

>> YES.

>> MAYOR STERN: GREAT.
OKAY.
I THINK WE GOT IT.
ARE WE READY FOR ROLL CALL VOTE?
>> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.
>> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: YES.
>> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.
>> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN: YES.
>> COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY.
>> COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY: YES.
>> MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO.
>> MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO: YES.
>> MAYOR STERN.
>> MAYOR STERN: YES.
>> MOTION PASSES 5-0.
>> MAYOR STERN: I WILL ADJOURN THIS MEETING TO WEDNESDAY,
FEBRUARY 9TH AT 6 P.M. FOR THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING.
THANK YOU ALL FOR JOINING US ON FRIDAY EVENING.
IT'S BEEN A NICE WAY TO START OFF OUR WEEKEND AND WE WILL SEE YOU ALL
NEXT WEEK.
HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEKEND.