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City of Sebastopol City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Meeting of August 2, 2016

6:00 pm - Convene Regular City Council Meeting, Sebastopol Community Center, 390 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA

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Notice: All resolutions and ordinances introduced and/or adopted under this agenda are waived of all reading of entire resolution(s) and ordinance(s).

The Sebastopol City Council welcomes you to its meetings that are generally scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month. Your interest and participation are encouraged and appreciated.

A notice of the meeting was posted by the City Clerk on July 28, 2016.

5:30 pm CONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING, Sebastopol Youth Annex/Teen Center, 425 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA

Call to Order: Mayor Gurney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Gurney
 Councilmember Eder
 Councilmember Jacob
 Councilmember Slayter

Absent: Vice Mayor Glass

Staff: City Manager-City Attorney Larry McLaughlin
 City Clerk Mary Gourley

INTERVIEW FOR OPENING ON DESIGN REVIEW BOARD:

1. Interview for Opening on the Design Review Board (To Fill the Position Created by the Resignation of Bill Shortridge (City Manager/City Clerk)

City Manager McLaughlin presented the staff report recommending the City Council interview the applicant for the opening on the Design Review Board.

The Council interviewed the applicant for the Design Review Board.

There was no action on this item.

City Council Action: None Required. Interviewed applicant.

Reference Order Number: 2016-178

DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

2. Appointment of Applicant to Fill the Position on the Design Review Board Created by the Resignation of Bill Shortridge (City Manager/City Clerk)

City Manager McLaughlin presented the staff report recommending the City Council appoint an applicant to the opening on the Design Review Board to fill the term of former Design Review Boardmember Shortridge of December 31, 2017.

The Council discussed the following:

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Recommended appointing Lars Langberg
- Stated he is a local resident
- Stated he has a local business in town
- Stated he is an architect
- Discussed his background on the CORE Project

Mr. Bryan, applicant, commented as follows:

- Discussed that Mr. Langberg is younger and has a forward, thinking mind
- Stated Lars Langberg would benefit the City in design work if appointed
- Recommended Mr. Langberg for the appointment

Councilmember Slayter commented as follows:

- In agreement with the previous comments
- Appreciates the comments made
- Stated it is an enlightened conversation to have with the applicant
- Discussed the applicant recognizes his compromises in his body of knowledge that Lars Langberg may fill
- Discussed interviewing Mr. Langberg in January when the Council had many high quality applicants for not enough openings
- Stated he was in favor of Lars at that time
- Stated he is thrilled to be able to appoint Lars this evening

Councilmember Slayter moved and Mayor Gurney seconded the motion to appoint Lars Langberg to the opening on the Design Review Board to fill out the remainder of the term of former Boardmember Shortridge with a term ending of December 1, 2017.

Discussion:

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Was also disappointed that Lars Langberg was not appointed last time
- Stated he likes some of Mr. Bryan's comments
- Stated that we all live here and get used to seeing the same things such as faded paint, bad sidewalks, etc.
- Stated Mr. Bryan's comments are astute
- Stated he would like to have the opportunity to have him participate in some capacity
- Get fresh view point
- Experience of seeing how other cities do these things
- Wish the City had two openings
- Be intrigued with what he could bring to bear
- Discussed that Lars' credentials are extensive
- Has given of himself to the City
- Concur that should an opening become available approach Mr. Bryan and ask him if he would like to serve

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Enjoyed Mr. Bryans' remarks
- Liked the term "Zoomier"
- Interested in comment that that this is a City not well kept up
- Stated the Downtown Association did a lot of work on this issue of pride of place
- Discussed the City doing better with street trees as mentioned
- Make the City an attractive place for us who are here all the time and visitors
- A lot of people come here twice
- People research and choose to live here
- Encourage him to apply if he felt time to commit in future

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Eder, Jacob, Slayter and Mayor Gurney

Noes: None

Absent: Vice Mayor Glass

Abstain: None

City Council Action: Appointed Lars Langberg to the Design Review Board

Minute Order Number: 2016-179

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Gurney adjourned this portion of the City Council meeting at 5:50 pm to the regular meeting to be held at 6:00 pm.

6:00 pm CONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING, Sebastopol Youth Annex/Teen Center, 425 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA

6:00 pm Convene Regular City Council Meeting, Sebastopol Youth Annex/Teen Center, 425 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA

Call to Order: Mayor Gurney called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Gurney
Councilmember Eder
Councilmember Jacob
Councilmember Slayter

Absent: Vice Mayor Glass

Staff: City Manager-City Attorney Larry McLaughlin
City Clerk Mary Gourley
Engineering Manager Henry Mikus
Superintendent of Public Works Richard Emig

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Mayor Gurney led the salute to the flag.

PROCLAMATION(S)/PRESENTATION(S):

The following was presented:

- Certificate of Appreciation to Outgoing Design Review Boardmember Bill Shortridge
- Proclamation – Gravenstein Apple Month
- Proclamation Proclaiming September as School Attendance Awareness Month.
- Proclamation Supporting the biannual "Bloomin' Back Yards" educational garden tour conducted by the Sonoma County Master Gardeners on Sunday, September 18, 2016
- Proclamation from City of Sebastopol for National Health Centers Week - Occidental Health Center 40th Anniversary National Health Centers Week (August 7-13th)

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (This is an opportunity for the public to address the City Council on items that are not listed on the agenda. This time is set aside to receive comments from the public regarding matters of general interest not on the agenda, but related to City Council business. Pursuant to the Brown Act, however, the City Council cannot consider any issues or take action on any requests during this comment period. Speakers are allowed to speak for a maximum of three minutes so that all speakers have an opportunity to address the City Council. The Mayor has the authority to limit the time allowed for speakers dependent on the amount of speakers in attendance. It is the goal of the Council to conclude the public comments portion of the agenda within 30 minutes. If the public comment period exceeds twenty minutes, the presiding officer, typically the Mayor, reserves the right to reduce the time per speaker or carry over public comments to after all business items are completed.)

There were none.

STATEMENTS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BY MAYOR/CITY COUNCILMEMBERS FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA (This is the time for the Mayor or City Councilmembers to indicate any statements of conflicts of interests for any item listed on this agenda)

There were none.

Consent calendar items are routine matters or matters which have been reviewed by the City Council previously. These items may be approved by one motion without discussion

unless a member of the City Council requests that the item be taken off the consent calendar.

Councilmember Eder requested Item Number 6 be removed from the consent calendar.

Councilmember Slayter moved and Councilmember Eder seconded the motion to approve the Consent Calendar Item Numbers 3, 4, 5 and 7.

Discussion:

Councilmember Slayter stated he is thrilled to see these items, especially Number 4 and thanked the Engineering Manager for working with Caltrans and getting that important work underway.

Mayor Gurney also thanked the Engineering Manager and stated next is the bike lanes project.

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Eder, Jacob, Slayter and Mayor Gurney
Noes: None
Absent: Vice Mayor Glass
Abstain: None

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM(s):

3. Approval of Minutes of July 19, 2016 City Council Meeting Minutes (City Clerk)

City Council Action: Approved the Minutes of July 19, 2016 City Council Meeting

Minute Order Number: 2016-180

4. Approval of Request for Proposals (RFP) for ADA Pedestrian Ramps SR 116 Design and Bid Documents (Engineering Manager)

City Council Action: Approved Request for Proposals (RFP) for ADA Pedestrian Ramps SR 116 Design and Bid Documents

Minute Order Number: 2016-181

5. Approval of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Sewer Line Relocation Study Zimpher Creek (Engineering Manager)

City Council Action: Approved Request for Proposals (RFP) for Sewer Line Relocation Study Zimpher Creek

Minute Order Number: 2016-182

~~6. Approval of Installation of three 2700 kelvin LED cobra head street lights for trial period (Superintendent of Public Works)~~

7. Adoption of Resolution Approving an Amended Comprehensive Memorandum of Understanding for Sebastopol Police Officers Association (SPOA) Bargaining Group

City Council Action: Adoption of Resolution Approving Amended Comprehensive Memorandum of Understanding for Sebastopol Police Officers Association (SPOA) Bargaining Group

Minute Order Number: 2016-184

Resolution Number: 6103

6. Approval of Installation of three 2700 kelvin LED cobra head street lights for trial period (Superintendent of Public Works)

Superintendent Emig presented the staff report recommending the City Council approve the installation of three 2700 Kelvin LED cobra head street lights for a trial period.

Mayor Gurney discussed McKinley Street, Soll Court and Gwendolyn Place as the recommended places and questioned if the light will be placed way deep in the cul-de-sac or near a cross street for the residential streets.

Superintendent Emig commented as follows:

- Discussed Gwendolyn Place and stated one LED light will be placed close to Litchfield
- Discussed Soll Court and stated that this has not yet been scoped out yet but will probably be placed within the cul-de-sac

Mayor Gurney suggested that they be placed in an area that will be noticed by the public and questioned how staff will let the public be aware of these installations so that people can go by and experience these lights. She stated this is very important.

City Manager McLaughlin stated staff can put a notice on the City web site.

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Stated the light is here for display
- Asked the Superintendent to demonstrate the light

Superintendent Emig displayed the light to the City Council and demonstrated the brightness of the lights.

Mayor Gurney questioned if the high pressure sodium lights were more yellow.

Superintendent Emig stated they are supposed to be more yellow.

Mayor Gurney stated she thought they are warmer.

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Discussed installation
- Suggested getting pictures of the lights (objective photographs and put on web site)
- Suggested having the photographs show the lights side by side

Superintendent Emig stated this item is responding to the Council's request for more information.

Mayor Gurney stated the Council showed an interest in experiencing this light with the low Kelvin as PG&E was proposing a light of 4000 Kelvin.

Superintendent Emig stated he believed PG&E lights were 4000 Kelvin.

Councilmember Eder questioned if PG&E has had any further contact concerning availability of other options in their retrofit program.

Superintendent Emig stated no.

Mayor Gurney opened for public comment.

Michael Carnacchi commented as follows:

- Discussed the warranty of the lights
- Questioned the cost to having the lights replaced
- Comparison to sodium lantern – stronger
- Now that CVS is going up quickly, and lights in their parking lot, there was never an answer about their LED lights
- Questioned the brightness of their LED lights
- Stated this parking lot will light up that corner

Mayor Gurney asked for staff comments regarding public comments.

Superintendent Emig commented as follows:

- Stated he will check the warranty
- Replacement costs: under \$400 each to purchase so that would probably be the cost if the lights were damaged and need to be replaced
- Installation pretty easy as long as the pole is not damaged
- Budgeted \$200.00 to install

Councilmember Eder addressed the comment on the CVS parking lot lights as follows:

- Stated the parking lot does have LED lights
- Discussed the final meeting held between CVS and the City where he made a case made for lower Kelvin lights
- Stated the project manager took note
- City never received any written documentation that agreed to lower kelvin lights
- Case made by the City that the City is interested in reducing glare and going to warmer light

City Manager McLaughlin stated he will follow up with CVS and remind them of that request.

Councilmember Eder questioned if a lamp head is about \$300.00.

Superintendent Emig stated they are under \$400.00.

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Stated the lights are repairable
- Stated there is a driver and LED module
- Stated portions of the light can be replaced
- Stated based on his research most come with a 10 year warranty
- Seems to be industry standard
- Attended trade shows and outside of P&E programs, there are lamp head manufactures that have own in house programs for City to replace their street lights with LEDs
- Stated they provide light heads and installation
- Keep paying same amount of money to PG&E but the difference between what actual costs are and what we're paying are paid against the cost of installation
- Paid off over time
- Get same results
- If pleased with lights
- See if City can move forward to wholesale replacement using priorities in house financing

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Questioned if CVS is coming in with a higher Kelvin, can they plug in a lower kelvin into that unit
- Suggested staff inform them we are trying out 2700 Kelvin units
- Discussed the previously rejected P&E project at 4000 rating or more

Councilmember Eder moved and Councilmember Slayter seconded the motion to approve

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Eder, Jacob, Slayter and Mayor Gurney

Noes: None

Absent: Vice Mayor Glass

Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved Installation of three 2700 Kelvin LED Cobra Head Street Lights for a Trial Period

Minute Order Number: 2016-183

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/PRESENTATION:

8. Presentation by Sonoma County Health Action Cradle to Career Program on Universal Access to Quality Pre-School (Kellie Noe, Department of Health Services and Angie Dillon-Shore, First 5 Sonoma County Executive Director (Mayor Gurney)

Mayor Gurney presented the report and introduced Angie Dillon and Bryan Vaughn who provided a presentation to the City Council.

Angie Dillon and Bryan Vaughn presented an informational presentation to the City Council.

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Stated it is wonderful to have this information in person
- Discussed being the liaison to Health Action
- Grateful to have this presentation tonight
- Questioned if the County has approached any schools who may be interested and have the facilities and network to assist this faster than the City can

Bryan Vaughn commented as follows:

- Stated they have looked into that
- Stated it is a critical piece of the system
- Stated ideally school districts would have to have pre-school programs on campus
- Stated the system for K-12 is different than pre-school
- Stated there is natural tensions there
- Discussed dollars and how it is funded
- Reached out (surveys, meetings, identify needs and potential opportunities)
- Look more for one time investments
- Take new revenue source for meeting the gap for working families

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Thanked the presenters for the informative presentation
- Questioned if County Supervisors have had this discussion on universal access

Bryan Vaughn commented as follows:

- Stated the Board is prioritized to provide pre-school to 3-4 years
- Made significant investments for the First 5
- Discussed at loss of losing spots
- Buildings falling apart
- Strict codes for developing pre school
- Infusion of funding to save slots
- Working towards expanding the system
- Discussed potential tax revenue this year but stated the timing is not right for this year
- Stated it is on the table and has been discussed openly
- Building desire for community behind it
- Getting out awareness
- Spending next couple of years working with the community

Councilmember Eder questioned their opinion on the role of home school plays in school.

Bryan Vaughn commented as follows:

- Stated just having preschool does not have the affect
- Discussed quality preschool
- Certain metrics
- First 5 quality rating system for pre schools
- Mixed delivery
- Meeting of quality
- Can be part of conversation
- Not sure how funding would work

Councilmember Eder questioned if home schools have the ability to have the curriculum provided to them.

Bryan Vaughn commented as follows:

- Stated there are a lot of home schools
- Stated most are unlicensed but a good proportion are licensed
- Discussed being a part of the system
- Issue of quality

Councilmember Eder questioned if the presenters know of any preschool programs or internships that work with students.

Ms. Dillon stated she thinks there are some in the area, but noted that some subsidized State schools and larger centers do utilize those services.

Councilmember Eder stated it seems like a good fit.

Bryan Vaughn commented as follows:

- Discussed First 5 providing scholarships
- Discussed providing training to preschool providers
- Building supply of workers and teachers will be the big piece
- Discussed the difference in pay

Councilmember Slayter questioned the data regarding third grade reading levels, and questioned why this is so low and is it trending up or down.

Bryan Vaughn commented as follows:

- Stated this is based on State testing standards
- Percentage of all third graders reading proficiently is 62 percent
- Seems the County is pretty on point with State wide
- Trend not up or down
- Not know Sebastopol's numbers off hand
- A lot of kids are not going to preschool and not ready to learn
- Discussed READY
- Big differences in kids who went to preschool and kids who did not

Councilmember Slayter questioned if kids who have not been to preschool repeating more common than is used to be and can we make the assumption that the kids that have not been to preschool is burdening public school system.

Mr. Vaughn commented that it would be a fair assumption and that part of the reason of repeating kindergartens can account for the gap.

Councilmember Slayter questioned if the reading level goes up or down after 5th or 6th grade

Mr. Vaughn commented that the number stays consistent and that if a child stays behind, it the trend. He stated that good programs can bridge the gap.

Councilmember Slayter commented as follows:

- Stated he would like to see the comparison.
- Happy programs are in place
- Doing as much as we can at this moment
- Financially a big lift to get the programs funded
- So many needs

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Discussed the statistics
- Discussed the 38%
- Stated this is disturbingly low
- Questioned if this is the County average

Mr. Vaughn stated he did not know the answer off hand but would look it up and get back to the Council.

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Discussed the low statistics and stated Sebastopol High Schools have the highest SAT scores in County
- Hard to understand low proficiency level in third grade if it is an indicator of success then high SAT score
- Demographics of populations moving around
- Student population travelling

Bryan Vaughn commented as follows:

- Will have to look at those figures
- Discussed demographics of who is entering kindergarten than those who are leaving 12th grade
- Saw tipping point of kindergartens are Latinos
- Not know what that looks like in Sebastopol
- Will look into this and send follow up information

Mayor Gurney stated the demographics will be really revealing.

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Discussed article about Sonoma Academy
- When as society when every school has those statistics irrespective of race
- Put number on chart is annual cost to house a prisoner

Mr. Vaughn commented as follows:

- CA endowment did advertisement
- Cost of prison versus cost of school

Councilmember Eder questioned when will we figure out that it is cheaper up front than on the back end.

Mayor Gurney stated we do not take care of our most vulnerable people.

Mayor Gurney opened for public comment.

Marsha Sue Lustig commented as follows:

- Stated in Sebastopol, our schools are completely segregated
- Mayor's question is very relevant
- Plays favor into keeping everyone's scores lower
- Charter Schools are white
- School system at under high school is now brown
- No change to the teachers that kids have when kids went there
- Great school
- Discussed unintended consequences of Charter school movement
- Discussed not exasperate problem for funding
- Need to bring kids back together
- This is driving the scores down
- Discussed having a non-reader through the Fifth grade
- Reads now, but is slower

ila Benavidez-Heaster commented as follows:

- Thanked the presenters for the work they are doing
- Thanked Council for having this presentation
- Deep concerns
- Preschooler 8 hours day in that kind of environment
- How restoring them
- Are we doing enough where they will get the full body kind of experience as well as cognizant
- Deep concern for all of us
- When hear terms of dynamic governance
- Where do they come from

- Not traditional system
- Children learn so much through music gymnastic
- All are pieces of learning
- Concern to give theme enough
- Comes from opening doors rather than saying this is the track
- Feels good
- Too many closed systems
- Language is a closed system
- Concept is closed system
- Move beyond that to have fully evolved individual
- Concerned about exhaustive bodies

The Council thanked the presenters for the presentation.

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Discussed exhaustion and long day
- Discussed studies of kids being burned out at third grade
- Not nurtured
- Not have quality time

Mr. Vaughn commented as follows:

- Stated that is a fantastic point
- Quality system accounts for that
- Provides for rest time, outdoor creative play
- Not institutionalized and putting kids in chairs and forcing them to learn
- Takes into account needs of kids
- Builds around that
- Teach kids how to learn
- Socialization
- Creativity
- Not meant to exhaust kids

Mayor Gurney discussed curriculum available to people who are interested in becoming a provider.

Mr. Vaughn commented as follows:

- Not advocating a particular curriculum
- Open to discipline and different ways of learning
- Needs certain pieces
- Outdoor play
- Motor school
- Creativity up to providers
- Standards of types of learning

The Council thanked the presenters for their presentation.

City Council Action: None Required. Received the informational report.
Reference Order Number: 2016-185

PUBLIC HEARING(s): **NONE**
REGULAR CALENDAR AGENDA ITEMS (DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION) CONTINUED:

9. Discussion and Action of Request for Authorization to Enter into a Contract
Contract No. 2016-09 with W-Trans for a Study and Design Recommendations:
Safety Improvements to Willow/Jewell Intersection (Engineering Manager)

Engineering Manager Mikus presented the staff report recommending the City council discuss and act upon the request for authorization to enter into a contract number 2016-09 with W Trans for a Study and Design Recommendations: Safety Improvements to Willow/Jewell Intersection.

Mayor Gurney requested an explanation of a T intersection and 90 degree intersection.

Manager Mikus commented a T is where the street ends.

Mayor Gurney clarified that a T does not mean 90 degrees.

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Discussed the timeline
- 4-5 weeks following notice to proceed for draft report
- Coordinates with repaving schedule
- Questioned what is the timing assuming the Council gives the green light tonight
- When expect to see item back before Council

Mayor Gurney suggested this return in October.

City Manager McLaughlin commented that this could return in October.

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Discussed it being clear for item number 3 (island space) (round about) – in favor of that idea being investigated
- Stated this does not mean that the roundabout location had to be determined by the island

Manager Mikus stated that was his mistake making that assumption.

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- May take island but roundabout design may adjust somewhere other than island
- Clear to W Trans staff that the roundabout invention does not have to be limited to island space only

- Concerned to know if W Trans is going to inform the Council how or if each of these options would disrupt the City infrastructure there.

Manager Mikus commented as follows:

- Stated W Trans is supposed to be providing a list of pros and cons
- Discussed providing impacts to intersection or crosswalk

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Questioned if W Trans is aware of what is underground and what they may be messing up
- Suggested they give suggestions of how to use the new real estate on the road way that may not remain roadway
- Drawing should show bulb outs from the drawing provided by Councilmember Slayter

Manager Mikus stated he did not discuss that with W Trans but can ask them to do that.

Councilmember Jacob questioned if when this is looked out, he stated he does not see funding for the first three options in the staff report and stated this makes him think that these items are years out.

Manager Mikus commented as follows:

- Stated that depends on the Council
- Stated funds are available
- Stated the Council would need to make that choice
- Stated it can be possible once the City sees what are the costs
- Stated the Council can change the five year projections

Councilmember Jacob commented as follows:

- Stated he is interested in seeing lower cost options
- Discussed markings
- Discussed proper crosswalks
- Large well defined bright crosswalk installed to protect pedestrians
- Items that do not cost as much
- Help alleviate problems in that intersection

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Chief Weaver and Superintendent Emig made recommendations for interim things to do in last report
- Important to instruct W Trans to look at something simpler

Manager Mikus discussed the road disruption option.

Mayor Gurney stated that maintaining status quo does not help.

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Stated not sure W Trans telling us what to do with reclaimed pavement is under purview
- Goal is to show the Council the impacts on traffic on either one of these options
- Idea would be in terms of costs if it were shown that it would not be perceived terrible impact on traffic by reconfiguring the intersection
- Discussed K rails temporarily
- Stated these are relatively inexpensive
- Stated people in the neighborhood talked of beautifying it
- Shown to be desired modification of that intersection could be as simple as making it a concrete or asphalt curb and replacing it with K railing would do the job
- Stated the rest of the modifications to it could be a separate project
- Not think even if temporary to permanent, there is the case made for that, that the City is not looking at significant costs
- Not looking at tens of thousands of dollars
- Looking at creating two lengthy curbs
- Not losing parking
- Not a signifnat capital project at this time

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Discussed an example of this at Bodega and Ragle
- Bulb out that shortens the crosswalk
- Example of alternatives

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Not construction of bulb outs or any change to the existing sidewalk structure
- Eventually connect the sidewalk that follows the radius to that pint
- Paint sidewalk in there
- Discussion of removing the existing stop sign at the island
- Making Jewell possibly a through street
- Alleviate concerns of cars queuing up in front of people's homes
- Make Willow subservient to Jewell at that intersection
- Bring that in the traffic study
- Roundabout – use island as round about

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Questioned if when W Trans gives work product, it will contain drawings looking down at the intersection so that the Council can see the excess real estate
- Need to know if that would allow for additional parking on the street
- If conflict with the parking and it would not work with cars backing out, the Council would need to know that
- Questioned if W Trans will know that and provide that to the Council

Manager Mikus stated yes.

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Questioned if W Trans will be providing other possibilities
- Analyzed to see if that is a practical thing to consider

Manager Mikus commented as follows:

- Discussed the scope of work that covers items that seem to be key items
- Discussed modifying the scope of work
- Discussed being cautious based on the task outlined in the scope of work
- Stated the Council can approve additional funding to the contract

City Manager McLaughlin commented as follows:

- Discussed the additional comments tonight
- Recommended the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment if needed in the event that W Trans cannot do the contract for the suggested amount of \$5700

Manager Mikus suggested a cap of an additional \$1000.

City Manager McLaughlin suggested that the contract not exceed \$8-\$10,000.

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Wise to authorize the City Manager to do that
- Get W Trans to get the work done faster
- Priority to the City Council
- Fits in with the safety issues on Bodega Avenue

Councilmember Eder stated it is unclear what additional conditions the Council is coming up with.

Manager Mikus commented as follows:

- Stated the roundabout is not limited to the island space
- Discussed inclusion of underground utilities
- Discussed including lower cost option – crosswalk improvements
- Discussed including K rails
- Discussed reviewing parking consequences

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- W Trans is not analyzing the K rails
- Stated they are only saying if the radius is closed off, what affect does it have on the traffic
- T intersection at some odd degree
- Using all existing infrastructure
- Most simple modification
- Discussed idea if want to extend 90 degree intersection than impacting that island
- Discussed tree and storm drain in the island

- Stated all we need to know is if it will have a significant difference traffic wise
- Not know if W Trans needs to do an analysis of the underground, but needs to know where it is

Mayor Gurney questioned if W Trans will be providing information as to whether or not the options will have an impact on the infrastructure.

Manage Mikus stated he would inform W Trans of that.

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Discussed using the island space as a roundabout
- Discussed if placed there, it would not be dictated by the island, but dictated by homes, curve-age, property, etc.
- Cannot center a roundabout on the island
- Stated the island may be eliminated
- W Trans real task at hand is to say if the island radius is eliminated, whether a 74 degree, 90 degree, etc. would have cars back up
- Questioned if a roundabout is done, will all traffic disappear
- W Trans needs to do an analysis of the traffic which is what they do

Mayor Gurney stated she agrees and suggested doing a cocktail napkin approach to looking at options and providing that to the Council.

Councilmember Eder suggested staying with the \$5700.00 figure.

Councilmember Slayter commented as follows:

- Stated this is a good discussion
- Stated he is happy to see this back so fast in front of the Council
- Discussed the design of the sidewalk and landscape aesthetics
- Stated he is interested in seeing that
- Discussed accessibility issues for doing the quick and dirty with K rails
- Stated it can be more problematic that what is being realized
- Not know the legalities of that other than it could be opening up the City to liability for accessibility that does not exist now
- Stated it is impossible to temporarily improve this
- Take doing a major project to make it comply with ADA
- Need to keep in that mind
- W Trans is the Traffic Engineer - not ADA expert
- Give it a go with temporary solution with caveat that we may not be able to do it
- Seems easy but may be harder than look
- Discussed the scope of work
- Only suggestion is number 3 – strike use island space
- Design intersection as roundabout
- Balance of existing curves and real estate in middle of intersection tells where it will fit

Mayor Gurney opened for public comment.

Michael Carnacchi commented as follows:

- Questioned if the purpose for this is to cut traffic down from people cutting through to avoid the intersection at Bodega Avenue
- Stated if that is the case, he suggested seeing how much it would cost to have a police presence there instead
- Stated it is illegal to cut through
- Suggested the police department start ticketing
- Stated if that happens, the word will get out

Marsha Sue Lustig commented as follows:

- Discussed a superior pedestrian alternative to the intersection
- When all does down, we will have something that is actually great for getting through the neighborhood, and crossing to the school and library
- W Trans will look at the intersection for a roundabout and find the best location
- Discussed there could be a tree in the middle of it
- Stated roundabouts are not always round
- Can make it fit
- Discussed having a superior pedestrian alternative
- Want to see W Trans highlight on each one of the pedestrian accessibility including ADA
- Discussed how everyone gets around
- See where the cars get backed up
- See other traffic ramifications
- General Plan chooses pedestrian safety over vehicle if the choice has to be made

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- Suggested authorizing the City Manager to go beyond the \$5700 if needed to a range of \$8000 - \$10,000
- Move forward on this contract, and if the conversation tonight gets a different number from W Trans, the City Manager is authorized to execute an amendment

Councilmember Eder stated he does not feel that the amendment is necessary based on the Council's comments of items to be reviewed.

Councilmember Slayter concurred and stated that he is not sure what has been added to the scope and suggesting staying with the current budget of \$5700.

Councilmember Jacob moved and Councilmember Eder seconded the motion to approve Authorization to enter into a Contract, Contract No. 2016-09, with W-Trans for a Study and Design Recommendations: Safety Improvements to Willow/Jewell Intersection.

Discussion:

Councilmember Slayter commented as follows:

- The main focus here is pedestrian safety
- Silly intersection for auto traffic
- Not unsafe as data shows
- General consensus for pedestrians is that it is unsafe
- Lots of people walk through that intersection
- Need to make sure that is what we are trying to do is make it safe is the focus of the study

Mayor Gurney commented as follows:

- W Trans needs to look at pedestrian travel through that intersection
- W Trans needs to look at bike travel through intersection
- Routine professional consideration of W Trans
- Discussed the kick off meeting and requested staff provide the minutes of the last meeting and this meeting to the consultant
- Discussed the more detailed discussion and how it relates to W Trans

Councilmember Eder commented as follows:

- Concur the focus is pedestrian safety
- Not bleed traffic off other intersections
- Best hope is to improve the situation and not make it worse or push the problem to other streets
- Improve pedestrian safety at that intersection
- Discussed that the sight distance is terrible
- Stated it is not safe
- ADA = concur with Councilmember Slayter - nothing of that is ADA currently
- Connects to Ives Park which is about 6 million dollars away from being ADA compliant
- City needs to be careful but the City has also not been in the financial position to do anything
- Stated the City needs to take baby steps
- Hate for the enormous financial burden of the revitalization of Ives Park stand in the way of this

VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmembers Eder, Jacob, Slayter and Mayor Gurney

Noes: None

Absent: Vice Mayor Glass

Abstain: None

City Council Action: Approved Authorization to enter into a Contract, Contract No. 2016-09, with W-Trans for a Study and Design Recommendations: Safety Improvements to Willow/Jewell Intersection.

Reference Order Number: 2016-188

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

10. City Manager-Attorney/City Clerk Reports:

- City Council Meeting for August 16, 2016 has been cancelled.
- Nomination Period for City Council Candidates is Open July 18 – August 12, 2016 - If 1 or more of the incumbents does not file by August 12, 2016, the nomination period will be extended for 5 days, until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 17, 2016.
- Mayors and Councilmembers Association Meeting Scheduled for Thursday, August 11, 2016 in Cloverdale, CA
- CVS Update – Stated there have been concerns of how massive the interior structure looks; reiterated that CVS is required to build the exterior of the pharmacy in compliance with the DRB approval by the City Council and that the approval is based on certain elevations and designs
- Stated he asked staff to continuously monitor that and staff will continue to provide information to the City Council

11. City Council Reports/Committee/Sub-Committee Meeting Reports: (Reports by Mayor/City Councilmembers Regarding Various Agency Meetings/Committee Meetings/Sub-Committee Meeting /Conferences Attended and Possible Direction to its Representatives (If Needed) on pending issues before such Boards):

Councilmember Slayter reported out as follows:

- Discussed Sonoma Clean Power
- Stated the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors voted to accept SCP offer of service
- Stated they are moving forward
- Stated it was a big hurdle
- Stated it was unanimous as they understand the benefits of the program
- Enormous step in the growth of SCP

12. Council Communications Received:

Mayor Gurney announced the following:

- Mentioned that citizens on Jewell who live close to that intersection contacted her about kids climbing up the culvert
- Stated this was forwarded to Public Works who took action in two days
- Stated PW found the old grate and closed the culvert opening
- Received a thank you from the citizen
- Impressed that City staff is so responsible and resourceful
- Shared a letter from Nancy Dempsey, LAB regarding the Library Garden Beautification Project
- Stated the Library Branch Manager has commented on how beautiful it looks outside
- Important to share good and positive messages

- Discussed a call from Dr. Joel Taylor with concerns of the wall near the Toy Works called Before I Die and Mr. Taylor requested this be changed to While I Still Live
- Discussed communication received from a renter on Bodega Avenue regarding rent control in Sebastopol
- Stated if anyone would like to champion this, to please submit an agenda item to the Agenda Review Committee

13. Future City Meeting Dates/Events (Informational Only): (See Agenda)

CLOSED SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Gurney adjourned the regular City Council meeting at 8:10 pm. to the next Regular City Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 6:00 pm at the Sebastopol Teen Center/Youth Annex, 425 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA. The City Council of August 16, 2016 has been cancelled.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Gourley, MMC, City Clerk