



**CITY OF PETALUMA, CALIFORNIA  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL & PETALUMA COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY (PCDSA)**

City Hall Council Chamber  
11 English Street  
Petaluma, CA 94952

**MINUTES  
Monday, November 6, 2023  
REGULAR SESSION - 6:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor McDonnell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

• **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor McDonnell, Councilmember Barnacle, Councilmember Cader Thompson, Councilmember Healy, Councilmember Nau, Councilmember Pocekay, Councilmember Shribbs

ABSENT: None

• **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

• **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**AGENDA CHANGES AND DELETIONS (TO CURRENT AGENDA ONLY)**

- Mayor McDonnell requested and with consensus of Council, the Maria Drive Presentation was moved on the agenda after Proclamations and before the General Public Comment.

**PROCLAMATIONS**

- Small Business Saturday  
Marie McCusker, Executive Director for Petaluma Downtown Association accepted the Proclamation.
- Veterans Day  
Joe Noriel, Veteran, History Connection President, and Board member to the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion Riders accepted the Proclamation.

**PRESENTATIONS**

- Maria Drive Improvements: Recycled Water Extension and Road Reconstruction Project Update  
Ken Eichstaedt, Senior Traffic Engineer presented the presentation and addressed questions from council members.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

During General Public Comment, the public is invited to make comments on items of public interest that are within the City Council's subject matter jurisdiction and that are not listed on the current agenda. Public comments are limited up to three minutes per person. Depending on the number of persons wishing to address the Council, time will be allocated in equal shares totaling no more than twenty minutes, subject to

the Council's discretion (Cal. Gov't. Code §54954.3(a), Petaluma City Council Rules, Policies and Procedures, III).

Mayor McDonnell opened General Public Comment.

Katherine Bobrowski  
Duane Bellinger  
Robert J Hansen  
Raney  
Nishaan

Mayor McDonnell closed General Public Comment.

### **COUNCIL COMMENT**

Councilmember Shribbs  
Councilmember Pocekay  
Councilmember Nau  
Councilmember Cader-Thompson  
Councilmember Healy  
Councilmember Barnacle  
Mayor McDonnell

### **CITY MANAGER COMMENT**

Assistant City Manager Brian Cochran

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approved the Minutes of the City Council/PCDSA Regular Meeting of October 16, 2023 and Special Closed Meeting of October 23, 2023
2. Approved the Tentative Agenda for City Council/PCDSA Regular Meeting of November 20, 2023 and Significant Agenda Items for October-December, 2023
3. Adopted **Resolution 2023-166 N.C.S.** Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with the Sonoma Marin Area Transit (SMART) for Funding Reimbursement Related to Paving and Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements on North McDowell Boulevard Within the Limits of the SMART's MUP Project
4. Adopted **Resolution 2023-167 N.C.S.** Authorizing the Purchase of a Monarch MK-V Electric Utility Tractor and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute All Documents Necessary to Complete the Marin Area Transit (SMART) for Funding Reimbursement Related to Paving and Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements on North McDowell Boulevard Within the Limits of the SMART's MUP Project
5. Adopted **Resolution 2023-168 N.C.S.** Revising the Compensation Plan for Unit 8, July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2026
6. Adopted **Ordinance No. 2862** of a 5 Year Extension to the Commercial Lease Between the City of Petaluma and Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) for the Property Located at 210 Lakeville Street (APN 007-131-004) Which Includes the Old Train Depot and Neighboring Buildings and Parking Lot

It was m/s by Healy/Barnacle to approve the consent calendar with removal of Item 9 on the November 20, 2023 Tentative Agenda to be continued to a date uncertain.

Vote: Carried 7-0  
Yes: Councilmembers: Barnacle, Cader Thompson, Healy, Nau, Pocekay, Shribbs, Mayor McDonnell  
No: None  
Absent: None  
Recused: None

7. Adopted **Resolution 2023-169** Declaring Results of Majority Protest Proceedings and Adopted **Ordinance No. 2866 N.C.S.** to Renew the Petaluma Tourism Improvement District

Ingrid Alverde, Director of Economic Development and Open Government presented the staff report. Ms. Alverde indicated that this was the final hearing to declare results of the majority protest proceedings and adopt an Ordinance to renew the Petaluma Tourism Improvement District.

Mayor McDonnell opened and closed the public hearing as there were no speakers.

There were no Majority Protests received.

It was m/s by Healy/Pocekay to adopt resolution declaring results of the majority protest proceedings and adopt Ordinance to Renew the Petaluma Tourism Improvement District

Vote: Carried 7-0  
Yes: Councilmembers: Barnacle, Cader Thompson, Healy, Nau, Pocekay, Shribbs, Mayor McDonnell  
No: None  
Absent: None  
Recused: None

8. Introduction (First Reading) of **Ordinance No. 2867** approving a Zoning Amendment to Designate the Red Barn Complex located on Parcel B of the Approved Scott Ranch Subdivision Project Adjacent to Kelly Creek and D Street a Local Landmark APN 019-1200-041 FILE NO. PLLD 2023-000

Mayor McDonnell announced a recess at 7:59 p.m., and resumed meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Councilmember Pocekay recused and left the chambers.

Heather Hines, Special Projects Manager, presented the staff report regarding the Red Barn and application for Local Landmark Designation and presented an overview of the Landmark Designation process and background.

Mayor McDonnell opened and closed the public hearing as there were no speakers.

It was m/s by Healy/Cader Thompson to introduce Ordinance approving a Zoning Amendment to designate the Red Barn complex located on Parcel B of the approved Scott Ranch subdivision project adjacent to Kelly Creek and D Street a local landmark designation.

Vote: Carried 6-1  
Yes: Councilmembers: Barnacle, Cader Thompson, Healy, Nau, Shribbs, Mayor McDonnell  
No: None

Absent: None  
Recused: Councilmember Pocekay

9. Consideration of a Resolution to Direct Installation of Story Poles to Evaluate Potential Visual Effects of the Proposed Hotel Project, EKN Appellation Hotel, at 2 Petaluma Blvd South (APN 008-063-009; 008; & 011)

Andrew Trippel, Planning Manager, presented the staff report, overview, background, proposals, and alternatives for the installation of story poles for the EKN Appellation Hotel project, and reviewed the policy to evaluate potential visual effects on proposed developments.

Mayor McDonnell opened the Public Hearing.

Christine White  
Lydia Asselin  
Jane Hamilton  
Dave Alden  
Judi Allewilt  
Duane Bellinger  
Bruce Morton

Mayor McDonnell closed the Public Hearing.

It was m/s by Healy/Nau to adopt resolution with staff recommendation and include two alternatives; for compliance to allow a drone swarm/light show and/or alternatively crane suspension top story on site with timeframe in early December.

Vote: Failed 2-5  
Yes: Councilmembers: Healy and Nau  
No: Councilmembers: Barnacle, Cader Thompson, Pocekay, Shribbs, Mayor McDonnell  
Absent: None  
Recused: None

Councilmember Barnacle made a second motion to adopt resolution with staff recommendation, alternatives added by Councilmember Healy; and to include Economic Proposal and additional language presented. Councilmember Barnacle withdrew his motion after council discussion.

No action was taken on item.

Mayor McDonnell recessed for break at 9:52 p.m., and resumed meeting at 10:08 p.m.

10. Discussion, and Possible Direction, for Resuming Virtual Participation at Council Meetings

Patrick Carter, Assistant to the City Manager, presented the staff report. Mr. Carter reported on the background of the Brown Act, Covid-19, Resumption of In-Person Meetings, and the recent disruptions at City Council meetings, and reviewed the Analysis of Options to resume virtual comment.

Mayor McDonnell opened the Public Hearing.

Duane Bellinger

Mayor McDonnell closed the Public Hearing.

This item was informational only. No action was taken.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor McDonnell adjourned the meeting at 10:22 p.m.