

TRACY CITY COUNCIL - SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

December 20, 2024, 5:15 p.m.

Tracy City Hall, 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy, CA.

1. Mayor Arriola called the meeting to order at 5:21 p.m.
2. There were no actions taken pursuant to AB 2449.
3. Roll call found Council Members Evans, Nygard, Mayor Pro Tem Abercrombie, and Mayor Arriola present. City Council had no declarations of conflicts.
4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE – Alice English stated the last meeting was a fiasco which was expected and shared that there were more comments in favor of going with the Grand Jury. The voters voted Mateo Bedolla as third place. Council went against the voters. If you want to change the policy, bring it back for the 2026 election. The difference between Mateo Bedolla and Dotty Nygard was 250 votes, and shared concerns about Council changing the policy to be in their favor.

Mayor Arriola objected to the characterization by Ms. English.

5. CONSENT ITEMS – Motion was made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Council Member Nygard to adopt the Consent Item. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

5.A. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A NEW SCOPE OF SERVICES TO THE EXISTING LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH COLANTUONO HIGHSMITH & WHATLEY, PC FOR INTERIM ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY SERVICES FOR A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$450,000. – **Resolution 2024-233** authorized the execution of a new scope of services to the existing agreement with Colantuono Highsmith & Whatley, PC for Interim Assistant City Attorney.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.A. APPOINT ANDREW SHEN TO SERVE AS INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY AND APPROVE A SCOPE OF SERVICES TO THE EXISTING LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE RENNE PUBLIC LAW GROUP FOR INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY SERVICES FOR A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$250,000.

Bijal Patel, City Attorney provided the staff report.

There was no public comment.

There were no Council comments.

ACTION: Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Abercrombie and seconded by Council Member Evans to adopt **Resolution 2024-234** appointing Andrew Shen to serve as Interim City Attorney and approve a scope of services to the existing Legal Services Agreement with the Renne Public Law Group for Interim City Attorney

services for a not to exceed amount of \$250,000. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

7. Council Items and Comments – None

8. Adjournment – Time: 5:32 p.m.

ACTION: Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Abercrombie and seconded by Council Member Evans to adjourn. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on December 19, 2024. The above are action minutes. A recording is available at the office of the City Clerk.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk