

1 San Anselmo Council Minutes

2 Regular Meeting

3 Town Council Chambers and Via teleconference

4 Tuesday, December 13, 2022

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6 Mayor Fineman called the Regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

7 Call to Order: Optional Pledge of Allegiance

8 **COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alexis Fineman, Mayor

9 Steve Burdo, Vice-Mayor

10 Eileen Burke

11 Brian Colbert

12 Ford Greene

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14 **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Dave Donery, Town Manager

15 Megan Acevedo, Town Attorney

16 Serge Avila, Town Clerk

17 Heidi Scoble, Planning Director

18 Sean Condry, Public Works Director

19 Erica Freeman, Building Official

20 Mike Norton, CMPA Chief

21 Open Time for Public Expression

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23 Ms. Gail Page discussed the purchase of Building Bridge 2 by the County, a Budget for Public
24 Consumption request, and flood projects. She asked for transparency and accountability.

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26 Jack stated marsh preservation is an important part of flood mitigation.

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28 Ms. Ann Politzer thanked Councilmember Greene for his service. She asked for a report from
29 the ad hoc committee that is talking to the County about the fate of Building Bridge 2.

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1 Council requests for future agenda items; Committee liaison reports; questions and comments
2 to staff; miscellaneous items
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4 Councilmember Burke reported the Archie Williams Girls' Volleyball team is headed to the
5 Division III State Championships (Go Falcons!); she did not attend any meetings this month; the
6 Hillsdale Pocket Park is moving forward; progress is being made on the Memorial Park Project
7 and the fields will be ready for the opening of Baseball Season (Play Ball!); she attended the
8 Holiday Tree Lighting Event.
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10 Vice Mayor Burdo reported he attended his first LAFCO meeting; the Holiday Tree Lighting
11 Event; the work going on at Memorial Park looks fantastic; the work at the Hillsdale Pocket Park
12 also looks great.
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14 Councilmember Ford reported on the increase in traffic congestion on Sir Francis Drake
15 Boulevard and he suggested motorists turn off his or her engines when at a standstill.
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17 Councilmember Colbert reported he gave a lecture at Hass Business School; there is an
18 opportunity to drop off toys for those less fortunate; gave an update on the recent Ad Hoc
19 Committee for Creek Park meeting- the hope is to open the park in the summer of 2023.
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22 Mayor Fineman reported the Holiday Tree Lighting was wonderful and it is great to see in-
23 person gatherings; the Ross Valley Fire Department will be hosting a workshop soon on the
24 future of the department; the Housing Element subcommittee will meet this Thursday.
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26 Town Manager Donery reported he submitted the Council's questions to Flood Zone 9.
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28 **Special Presentation**

30 1. Open Space Committee- Bald Hill Property Acquisition

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32 Open Space Committee member Jonathon Braun discussed the acquisition of Bald Hill
33 property.
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35 Mayor Fineman opened the meeting to public comments.
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37 Mr. Ralph Myham, Mr. Paul Chignell, and Mr. Stanley Radke thanked Mr. Braun and the Open
38 Space Committee and supported the expenditure.
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40 Mayor Fineman closed the meeting to public comments.
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42 The Council thanked the Open Space Committee for its tireless work.
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44 **2. Consent Agenda**

46 2.1 Approve the Draft Minutes of the Town Council Meeting- November 15, 2022 47

48 2.2 Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 4463 to Allow for Virtual Town Council and
49 Committee Meetings in Compliance with AB 361
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51 2.3 Reports of Warrants Issued, November 2022

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2 2.4 Adopt Ordinance No. 1172 to Repeal and Replace Title 10 “Planning and Zoning”
3 Chapter 6 Accessory Dwellings
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5 2.5 Adopt Ordinance No. 1173 prohibiting the use of gasoline-powered landscape equipment
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7 2.6 Progress Report on Work Plan Priorities
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9 2.7 Resolution No. 4464 Authorizing Town Manager to execute Agreements with the California
10 Department of Tax and Fee Administration for Collection of the Town’s Transactions and
11 Use Tax
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13 2.8 Resolution No. 4465 Authorizing the Examination of Transactions (Sales) and Use Tax
14 Records
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16 2.9 Approve Announcing and publicizing impending expiration of terms for Board and
17 Commission seats
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19 Mayor Fineman opened the meeting to public comments.

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21 There were no comments.

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23 Mayor Fineman closed the meeting to public comments.
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25 **M/s, Burdo/Burke, Motion to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted.**

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27 **AYES: Burdo, Burke, Colbert, Greene, Mayor Fineman**

28 **NOES: None**
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30 **Council Items**

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32 3. Recognize Wayne Cooper for his many years of volunteer service to the Police Department
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34 Central Marin Police Authority Chief Norton recognized and thanked Mr. Cooper for his service
35 to the Police Department.
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37 Mr. Cooper stated it was an honor to have volunteered for the Police Department.
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39 Mayor Fineman opened the meeting to public comments.
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41 There were no comments.
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43 Mayor Fineman closed the meeting to public comments.
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45 The Council thanked Mr. Cooper for his years of service.
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47 4. Recognize the service of outgoing Councilmember Ford Greene
48 Town Manager Donery presented a staff report.
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50 Mayor Fineman opened the meeting to public comments.
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1 Mr. Larry Bragman stated he and Councilmember Greene have something in common- pursuing
2 justice against powerful institutions. Councilmember Greene has demonstrated daring and skill
3 in his many years of public service.
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5 Mr. Jeff Kroot, former San Anselmo Councilmember, stated Councilmember Greene has
6 accomplished a lot including saving Memorial Park from becoming a detention basin. People
7 always knew where he stood. He is a fabric of the community.
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9 Mr. Frank Egger, former Mayor of Fairfax, thanked Councilmember Greene for years of
10 unwavering service to San Anselmo and the upper Ross Valley.
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12 Mayor Fineman closed the meeting to public comments.
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14 The Council individually thanked Councilmember Greene for fifteen years of service on the
15 Council.
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17 Town Manager Donery presented Councilmember Greene with several gifts.
18 Councilmember Greene discussed his years of service and stated it was an honor to have
19 served the residents of San Anselmo.
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21 Councilmember Greene left the meeting.
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23 At 8:45 PM Council took a ten-minute recess.
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25 Council reconvened at 8:55 PM
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27 5. Oath of Office for Newly Elected- Town Clerk, Cecily T. Wilson and Town Treasurer John
28 Mahl.
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30 Mayor Fineman stated the Oath of Office will be administered to Town Clerk Cecily Wilson at
31 the next meeting.
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33 Town Clerk Avila administered the Oath of Office to Town Treasurer John Mahl.
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35 Mayor Fineman opened the meeting to public comments.
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37 There were no comments.
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39 Mayor Fineman closed the meeting to public comments.
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41 6. Recognize the service of Outgoing Mayor Alexis Fineman
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43 Vice Mayor Burdo stated it was a pleasure to have served as Mayor Fineman's Vice Mayor.
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45 Mayor Fineman opened the meeting to public comments.
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47 Mr. Willie Burke thanked Mayor Fineman for all the work she has put in- he has witnessed it
48 first-hand.
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50 Ms. Renee Goddard stated Mayor Fineman has been a guiding light for her.
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1 Mayor Fineman closed the meeting to public comments.

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3 The Council individually thanked Mayor Fineman for servicing as Mayor during difficult times.

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5 Mayor Fineman reflected on some of the past year's accomplishments.

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7 7. Reorganization of Town Council: Elect Mayor and Vice Mayor to one-year terms

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9 Mayor Fineman noted Vice Mayor Burdo is in line to become Mayor.

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11 **M/s, Fineman/Colbert, Motion to elect Vice Mayor Burdo as Mayor.**

12 **AYES: Burdo, Burke, Colbert, Mayor Fineman**

13 **NOES: None**

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15 **M/s, Burdo/Fineman, Motion to elect Councilmember Burke as Vice Mayor.**

16 **AYES: Burke, Colbert, Fineman, Mayor Burdo**

17 **NOES: None**

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19 8. Consider appointment of a Councilmember as an alternate representative to the Ross Valley
20 Fire Board

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22 Mayor Burdo took the Mayor's seat at the dais.

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24 Mayor Burdo stated staff is of the opinion that this matter could be continued.

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26 9. Consider appointment of a Councilmember as an alternate representative to the MCE Board
27 of Directors

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29 Mayor Burdo stated staff is of the opinion that this matter could be continued.

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31 **M/s, Burke/Colbert, Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 p.m.**

32 **AYES: Burke, Colbert, Fineman, Mayor Burdo**

33 **NOES: None**

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35 Respectfully submitted,
36 Toni DeFrancis,
37 Recording Secretary

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