
Ripon City Council Minutes

TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2023 – 6:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING

CLOSED SESSION AT 5:30 PM

CLOSED SESSION: The closed session meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON CLOSED SESSION MATTERS: No one from the public wished to speak at this time.

ROLL CALL: Council Members Gary Barton, Daniel de Graaf, Vice Mayor Leo Zuber, Mayor Michael Restuccia. Remote: Dean Uecker.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Administrator Kevin Werner, City Attorney Tom Terpstra (remote), City Clerk Lisa Roos.

IN THE MATTER OF:

(1) Conference with Labor Negotiators

Labor negotiations pursuant to Section 54957.6 of the California Government Code.

(a) Unrepresented Employees

Return to open session.

City Attorney Terpstra said Council met in closed session to discuss labor negotiations of certain unrepresented employees, staff was given direction and no reportable action was taken.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM with Council Member Barton leading in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

INVOCATION:

Pastor David Morris gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Michael Restuccia	Mayor	Present	
Leo Zuber	Vice Mayor	Present	
Daniel de Graaf	Council Member	Present	
Gary Barton	Council Member	Present	
Dean Uecker	Council Member	Remote	

OTHERS PRESENT:

City Administrator Kevin Werner, City Attorney Tom Terpstra (remote), Planning Director Ken Zuidervaart, Recreation Director Kye Stevens, Director of Public Works James Pease, Police Lieutenant Dan Sauer, City Clerk Lisa Roos, Deputy City Clerk Jane Kilgore, Information Systems Technician Hunter Crosby, Steven Verver, Gary Silvey, David Morris.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On behalf of the public, City Clerk Roos read the following public comment received via email.

Marty Harris said he and his wife have lived and operated businesses in San Joaquin County for many years and much of their family currently reside in Ripon. He said in August 2010, the Lathrop-Manteca Fire Station 32 responded to a near drowning and saved their two-year-old granddaughter’s life. Harris said supporting the fire and EMS services is very important to them.

Harris said a brand-new fire station was built in Ripon on the corner of North Ripon Road and River Road four years ago and remains unstaffed. He said they are encouraging the Council to support staffing this fire station. Harris said that as our community grows, it is vital to supplement our expanding city with appropriate levels of emergency support.

Harris said he and his wife are happy and eager to support this effort and in 2011 he attended LAFCO Municipal Review meetings where he believes his involvement helped staffing efforts for San Joaquin County. He said his past efforts give him a greater understanding of the issues involved. He said he spoke with fire chiefs in the Manteca and Ripon area and is eager to move forward on this issue. Harris plans to attend the upcoming LAFCO meeting on July 13, 2023 with his wife and granddaughter and bring this topic to the attention of other EMS providers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Ripon City Council Meeting of June 13, 2023.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Leo Zuber, Vice Mayor
SECONDER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

1. CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING - JUN 13, 2023 6:00 PM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED (OR AMENDED):

Vice Mayor Zuber requested Items 1.4A, 1.4B and 1.4G be pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended.

RESULT:	ADOPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gary Barton, Council Member
SECONDER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar as amended.

RESULT:	ADOPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gary Barton, Council Member
SECONDER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

1.1. Income

A. STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Sales Tax \$352,261.77
(June 2022 \$303,561.93)
FY 2022-23 YTD: \$4,490,065
FY 2021-22 YTD: \$4,517,379

Highway Users Tax \$36,263.03
(May 2022 \$33,272.05)
FY 2022-23 YTD: \$372,636
FY 2021-22 YTD: \$358,473

SB1 Street & Road Tax \$32,386.28
(June 2022 \$28,306.87)
FY 2022-23 YTD: \$350,366
FY 2021-22 YTD: \$325,052

TOTAL \$420,911.08

B. CCATT HOLDINGS

Monthly Acacia Avenue Cell Tower Lease Payment
June 2023 **\$1,271.90**

1.2. Bills, Invoices, Payments

A. SAN JOAQUIN PARTNERSHIP		
Annual Membership Fee - Invoice #11055		\$5,000.00
B. TERRACON CONSULTANTS, INC.		
Fleet Maintenance Facility		
Materials Testing & Inspection Services		
Progress Payment		
Invoice #TJ52876A	\$3,421.00	
Invoice #TJ60958	<u>\$1,236.00</u>	
		TOTAL: \$4,657.00
C. BASECAMP ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.		
Lower Stanislaus River Multi-Use Trail Project		
Environmental Assessment		
Progress Payment – Invoice #52171		\$2,157.50
D. WGR SOUTHWEST, INC.		
City Storm Water Permit Assistance		
Progress Payment – Invoice #28502		\$810.00
E. CENTRAL SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY		
2022 Liability Retrospective Adjustment		\$36,928.00
F. UNITED SIGN SYSTEMS		
Fabrication and Installation of Replacement City Hall Monument Sign		
Invoice #15205		\$26,595.83
G. CALIFORNIA CAD SOLUTIONS, INC.		
Geographical Information System		
Site Development and Annual DashGIS Subscription Fee		
Invoice #701600		\$36,940.00
H. LDA		
Corporation Yard Construction Services		
Progress Payment – Invoice #23/622-03-20		\$44,000.00
I. HARRIS & ASSOCIATES		
Proposition 218 Fire Suppression Assessment Study		
Progress Payment – Invoice #58170		\$6,391.25
J. DIEDE CONSTRUCTION, INC.		
Fleet Maintenance Facility Project		
Progress Payment – Invoice #4		\$508,389.65

K. LAW OFFICE OF THOMAS H. TERPSTRA

General Matters	\$6,723.02
Police Matters	\$5,405.62
Water Matters	<u>\$2,212.50</u>

TOTAL \$14,341.14

L. SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT

Blossom Express Driver May Invoice #AR113609	\$1,765.62
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M. PROVOST & PRITCHARD CONSULTING GROUP

State Required Water Loss Audits and Validations	
Progress Payment - Invoice #100536	\$650.50
Progress Payment - Invoice #101083	<u>\$1,854.50</u>

TOTAL \$2,505.00

1.3. Resolutions

A. RESOLUTION NO. 23-32

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON ADOPTING GARBAGE FEES FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES

This resolution sets the fees for additional garbage services.

B. RESOLUTION NO. 23-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON ADOPTING THE CITY OF RIPON EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 - 2024 FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF, NON-REPRESENTED POLICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES, AND PART-TIME RECREATION EMPLOYEES

This resolution adopts the employee compensation plan for Fiscal Year 2023 - 2024 for all administrative staff, non-represented Police Department employees, and part-time recreation employees.

C. RESOLUTION NO. 23-34

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON WITHDRAWING FROM THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LETTER NOTIFYING THEIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This resolution approves the withdrawal of the City of Ripon from the California Municipal Finance Authority and authorizes the Mayor to send a letter notifying their Board of Directors.

1.4. Miscellaneous Items

A. *ITEM A WAS MOVED TO ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT*

B. *ITEM B WAS MOVED TO ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT*

C. LIEBERT CASSIDY WHITMORE

Agreement for Special Services
Employment Relations Consortium
Membership (July 2023 - June 2024)

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore for employment relations training & consulting services and approve payment of membership dues (Annual Payment: \$2,730.00 paid from the General Fund).

D. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

MCR Engineering

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Professional Services Agreement with MCR Engineering to provide construction management and inspection services for various projects in the not to exceed amount of \$30,000 (funding source: varies by construction project).

E. PARCEL MAP

Parcel Map No. 22-79

Accept Parcel Map No. 22-79 (1265 S. Mohler Road) and authorize the Mayor, City Engineer and City Clerk to sign for recording.

F. WELL 19 PUMP STATION

Soracco, Inc.
Change Order No. 4

Approve Change Order No. 4 to paint the pump control building in the not to exceed amount of \$4,999.46 (funding source: Water Enterprise Capital Fund).

G. *ITEM G WAS MOVED TO ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT*

H. ANNUAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT REPORT

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Accept the City's annual military equipment report for the year ending June 30, 2023.

I. GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - AMENDMENT NO. 3

Terracon Consultants, Inc.

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 3 to the General Services Agreement with Terracon Consultants, Inc. to provide construction materials testing and inspection services for capital projects, including the Fleet Maintenance Facility Project and the Well 19 Pump Station Project in the not to exceed amount of \$20,000 (funding source: varies by construction project funding source).

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT

1.4A : MEASURE K RENEWAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT - BLOSSOM EXPRESS

Blossom Express Transit Service Reimbursement

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Measure K Renewal Cooperative Agreement (C-24-003) with San Joaquin Council of Governments in order to receive funding to operate the Blossom Express transit service over a four year period from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027.

Vice Mayor Zuber asked why the operating hours of the bus are the same but the cost went up significantly.

City Administrator Werner said the Transit district provides a driver for the City's Blossom Express service and charged the City their hourly rate, however, as of July 1, 2023 they are adding a 30% administrative cost.

Motion to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Measure K Renewal Cooperative Agreement (C-24-003) with San Joaquin Council of Governments in order to receive funding to operate the Blossom Express transit service over a four-year period from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027.

RESULT:	ADOPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Leo Zuber, Vice Mayor
SECONDER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

1.4B : SECOND AMENDMENT TO PROVOST AND PRITCHARD AGREEMENT

Provost & Pritchard

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 2 to the General Services Agreement with Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group for consulting services to prepare the Annual Water Loss Audit and Validations for fiscal years 2015/16 through 2022/2023 in the not to exceed amount of \$12,400 (funding source: City Water Operating Fund).

Vice Mayor Zuber said this item has been on the agenda before but he does not recall seeing the reports described in the agreement.

Public Works Director Pease said the reports are not complete so Council has not seen them yet; they will be included in the next Urban Water Management Plan update. He said they have not been a requirement until this point.

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 2 to the General Services Agreement with Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group for consulting services to prepare the Annual Water Loss Audit and Validations for fiscal years 2015/16 through 2022/2023.

RESULT:	ADOPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Leo Zuber, Vice Mayor
SECONDER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

1.4G : OLYMPIC GAMES REPLICA TORCH COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE DONATION

Michael White

Accept the donation from Michael White of a commemorative plaque describing the 1960 Winter Olympic Games replica Olympic Torch and its historical significance to the City of Ripon and approve the relocation of the torch from the Community Center to the Museum by Public Works staff (donation: \$1,431.71).

Vice Mayor Zuber said he wanted to acknowledge the work Mr. White has done to get this project going. He said Mr. White has been working on this for over a year; the torch is in front of the Community Center but the event actually happened in front of what is now the museum. He said Mr. White has invested \$1,400 in a beautiful plaque to go with the torch. Zuber said the history he learned was very interesting and feels the community would be interested to learn about it as well.

Motion to accept the donation from Michael White of a commemorative plaque describing the 1960 Winter Olympic Games replica Olympic Torch and its historical significance to the City of Ripon and approve the relocation of the torch from the Community Center to the Museum by Public Works staff.

RESULT:	ADOPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Leo Zuber, Vice Mayor
SECONDER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

****END OF CONSENT CALENDAR****

2. RESOLUTIONS

A. RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON
DESIGNATING THE VOTING
DELEGATE TO THE LEAGUE OF
CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL
CONFERENCE

Determine if any Council Member(s) will be attending the annual conference in Sacramento from September 20, 2023 through September 22, 2023.

If Council Member(s) will be attending, designate the voting delegate and alternate voting delegate to attend the annual business meeting being held on September 20, 2023.

(Conference cost: \$650.00)

(Hotel cost per night: \$177.00)

Mayor Restuccia asked if anyone was interested in attending. Council declined to attend due to scheduling conflicts.

No action taken.

B. RESOLUTION NO. 23-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON
ADOPTING THE CITY OF RIPON
FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET

This resolution adopts the City of Ripon Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget.

City Administrator Werner presented a powerpoint summary of the 2023-24 Budget saying this is the last step of the budget process and then reviewed the completed steps. Werner pointed out that there are many different funds that the City uses.

Werner summarized the City's Operating Budget saying that 90% of the funds are the General Fund and the Enterprise Fund.

Werner said Council had asked for a comparison of the City's burden compared other cities

and recapped that the burden is made up of taxes, workers compensation, healthcare and retirement. He said compared to other cities Ripon is 8% higher on healthcare, but our Police Tier 1 CalPERS Retirement expenses are 20% below other cities, and our Administrative Retirement expenses are 32% lower than other cities both including unfunded liability.

Werner summarized the transfers that will be made from the General Fund and the accounts to which they will be made. Werner pointed out a policy change that Council had made for half of the money to be transferred to a fund to fund future reconstruction projects.

Werner summarized staffing changes including an additional Community Services Officer, an additional Dispatcher (expense to be shared with Escalon and Lathrop), and two part-time Recycling Center Workers. The Recycling Center Workers will be a 12-month trial and staff will evaluate the effectiveness at the end of the 12-month period.

Mayor Restuccia complimented Werner, saying it was a well done summary.

Motion to approve Resolution 23-35 adopting the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating and Capital Budget.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Leo Zuber, Vice Mayor
SECONDER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Council will take action on the following items at the conclusion of each Public Hearing.

A. ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 FOR THE CITY OF RIPON LIGHTING DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 23-36

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF AND APPROVING THE LEVY OF THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 FOR ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 05-1, CITY OF RIPON, COUNTY OF SAN JOAQUIN, CALIFORNIA, COMMONLY KNOWN AS CITY OF RIPON LIGHTING DISTRICT

This is a public hearing to set the amount and give approval of the levy of the annual assessment for the City of Ripon Lighting District.

Recommended Action: Authorize the Mayor to sign and execute any and all documents necessary and to forward these documents to the County Assessor’s Office in order to place the assessment on the county tax rolls.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

No one from the public wished to speak at this time.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

Motion to approve Resolution 23-36 determining the amount of and approving the levy of the annual assessment for the fiscal year 2022-2023 for the City of Ripon’s Lighting District and authorizing the Mayor to sign and execute any and all documents necessary and to forward these documents to the County Assessor’s Office in order to place the assessment on the County tax rolls.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
SECONDER:	Leo Zuber, Vice Mayor
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

B. ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 FOR THE CITY OF RIPON'S TEN LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS

RESOLUTION NO. 23-37

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF AND APPROVING THE LEVY OF THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 FOR THE CITY OF RIPON'S TEN LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF SAN JOAQUIN, CALIFORNIA.

This is a public hearing to set the amount and give approval of the levy of the annual assessments for the City of Ripon’s ten Landscape Maintenance Districts.

Recommended Action: Authorize the Mayor to sign and execute any and all documents necessary and to forward these documents to the County Assessor’s Office in order to place the assessment on the county tax rolls.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

No one from the public wished to speak at this time.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

Motion to approve Resolution 23-37 determining the amount of and approving the levy of the annual assessment for the fiscal year 2022-2023 for the City of Ripon’s ten Landscape Maintenance Districts and authorizing the Mayor to sign and execute any and all documents necessary and to forward these documents to the County Assessor’s Office in order to place the assessment on the County tax rolls.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gary Barton, Council Member
SECONDER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

C. ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT

TAZ 23-26 pertaining to Recreational Vehicle Storage

This is a public hearing to consider an amendment to Title 16 the “Development Code”, by amending Chapter 16.12 “Definitions and Use Classification Systems” and Chapter 16.24 “Industrial Districts” to allow for recreational vehicle storage in the heavy industrial district. **Recommended Action:** Approve the recommended amendment to Chapter 16.12 “Definitions and Use Classification Systems” and Chapter 16.24 “Industrial Districts”, based on the findings in the staff report.

Planning Director Zuidervaart said in August of 2022 the Planning Commission approved a storage facility in the Heavy Industrial District. The applicant was informed that a mini storage was an approved use but RV storage was not allowed. Staff received an application for a Zoning Text Amendment in March 2023 to allow for RV storage in the Heavy Industrial District. Zuidervaart said staff put together a recommendation to allow for RV storage. He said staff received feedback from the Fire Department regarding accessibility in the event of a fire so staff added parameters to add that any RV storage would have to comply with current lot coverage parameters for building structures. This applicant is planning on storing all RVs inside buildings and this will be the requirements going forward.

Vice Mayor Zuber asked if it is a requirement to store RVs in buildings or are they allowed to be outside. Zuidervaart said they can be indoors or outdoors but the lot coverage will be the same as buildings.

Council Member de Graaf asked if there are any screening requirements. Zuidervaart said landscaping is a requirement including fencing.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

No one wished to speak at this time.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

Motion to approve the recommended amendments to Chapter 16.12 – Use Classification System Ordinance and Chapter 16.24 – Industrial District Ordinance.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
SECONDER:	Leo Zuber, Vice Mayor
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

D. GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT (GP22-96) AND REZONE (Z22-97)

RESOLUTION NO. 23-38

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON APPROVING A GENERAL PLAN MAP AMENDMENT (GP22-96) TO ALLOW FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE RIPON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CAMPUS

This is a public hearing on a request to amend the General Plan Land Use designation and zoning classification on two parcels located at 552 N. Wilma Avenue and 456 Maple Avenue for Ripon Christian Schools.

Recommended Action: Approve the General Plan Land Use Map Amendment (GP22-96) and adopt the attached resolution and approve the Ripon Christian School rezone (Z22-97).

Planning Director Zuidervaart said Ripon Christian Schools recently processed an application to construct a greenhouse and campus maintenance facility on the Ripon Christian High School campus. The application also included a general plan land use amendment application, a property rezone application and a lot merger application in order to facilitate the proposed project as well as potential future campus expansion projects.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

No one wished to speak at this time.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

Motion to adopt Resolution 23-38 approving the Ripon Christian General Plan Land Use Map Amendment (GP22-96).

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
SECONDER:	Gary Barton, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

4. ORDINANCES

First Reading and Introduction

A. ORDINANCE NO. 921

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON
AMENDING CHAPTER 16.12 -
DEFINITIONS AND USE
CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS AND
TABLE 16.24.1 OF CHAPTER 16.24 -
INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS OF THE
RIPON MUNICIPAL CODE

This ordinance amends Chapter 16.12,
entitled “Definitions and Use Classification
Systems” and Table 16.24.1, entitled “Uses
in Industrial Districts”.

Motion to waive the first reading and introduce Ordinance 921 amending Chapter 16.12, entitled “Definitions and Use Classification Systems” and Table 16.24.1, entitled “Uses in Industrial Districts”.

RESULT:	FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 8/8/2023 6:00 PM
MOVER:	Leo Zuber, Vice Mayor	
SECONDER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member	
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker	

First Reading and Introduction

B. ORDINANCE NO. 922

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON
REZONING CERTAIN REAL
PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 552 N.
WILMA AVENUE (APN 259-660-35)
AND 456 MAPLE AVENUE (APN 259-
040-02) IN THE CITY OF RIPON

This ordinance rezones properties owned
by Ripon Christian Schools located at 552
N. Wilma Avenue (APN 259-660-35) and
456 Maple Avenue (APN 259-040-02)
from R1 (Single Family Residential) and
R1UC (Single Family Residential Urban
Core) to PS (Public-Semipublic).

Motion to waive the first reading and introduce Ordinance 922 rezoning properties owned by Ripon Christian Schools located at 552 N. Wilma Avenue (APN 259-660-35) and 456 Maple Avenue (APN 259-040-02) from R1 (Single Family Residential) and R1UC (Single Family Residential Urban Core) to PS (Public-Semipublic).

RESULT:	FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 8/8/2023 6:00 PM
MOVER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member	
SECONDER:	Gary Barton, Council Member	
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker	

First Reading and Introduction

C. ORDINANCE NO. 923

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIPON
AMENDING CHAPTER 2.15
"COMMISSIONS" OF THE RIPON
MUNICIPAL CODE

This ordinance amends Chapter 2.15
Commissions of the Ripon Municipal Code
providing necessary updates and
clarification to the commission application
and appointment process.

Planning Director Zuidervaart said there was a discussion regarding the ordinance at the June 2023 meeting and the ordinance before Council is the result of that. He said he placed a revised version on the dais for Council that included few minor edits that addressed comments received.

Motion to waive the first reading and introduce of Ordinance 923 amending Chapter 2.15 Commissions of the Ripon Municipal Code providing necessary updates and clarification to the commission application and appointment process with presented changes.

RESULT:	FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 8/8/2023 6:00 PM
MOVER:	Gary Barton, Council Member	
SECONDER:	Leo Zuber, Vice Mayor	
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker	

First Reading and Adoption

D. ORDINANCE NO. 924

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF
RIPON FIXING THE AMOUNT OF
MONEY TO BE RAISED BY
TAXATION AND THE RATE OR
RATES OF TAX THEREFORE
NECESSARY TO CARRY ON THE
VARIOUS FUNCTIONS AND
DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF
RIPON AND REPEALING ALL
ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT
THEREWITH

This ordinance sets the amount of money
raised by taxes necessary to carry on the
various functions of the City of Ripon.
(City tax rate: \$0.00)

Motion to waive the first reading and adopt Ordinance 924 setting the amount of money raised by taxes necessary to carry on the various functions of the City of Ripon.

RESULT:	FIRST READING ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
SECONDER:	Gary Barton, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Love-Love Ripon Tennis Foundation
Discussion/Action

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Ripon and the Love-Love Ripon Tennis Foundation that will define the responsibilities between the City and the Foundation to complete a Tennis Complex at the Mistlin Sports Park.

City Administrator Werner said the City was approached about six months ago by Di Quaresma about building a new tennis complex. He said the Love-Love Ripon Tennis Foundation (Foundation) has offered financial assistance in the form of a donation to help move forward the design and construction of a tennis complex at the Mistlin Sports Park. He said the proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) works with the Foundation to define the responsibilities of both parties. He said the Foundation will provide all items necessary to put the project out to bid and the City would in turn pay 50% of all construction costs of the tennis courts as well as 100% of the infrastructure requirements. The City would complete the bid process and oversee the construction as well as manage and maintain the tennis complex. Werner said as staff went through the final draft of the MOU, they found some additional changes to make it easier to understand. He said staff presented the changes to the Foundation and they agreed with them.

Mayor Restuccia said this is a project that the City was wanting to do and the community came forward and raised money towards it. He said it shows commitment from the community and he believes it is a great project.

Council Member de Graaf said it adds to the quality of the Mistlin Sports Park and is a nice addition. He echoed Restuccia's sentiments regarding the support of the community.

Council Member Barton asked if the MOU contractually financially obligates the City. Werner said it does not, the City cannot move forward until the money is available and vice versa for the Foundation. He said the first step is a preliminary design by an engineer and a cost estimate.

Motion to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Ripon and the Love-Love Ripon Tennis Foundation that defines the responsibilities between the City and the Foundation to complete a Tennis Complex at the Mistlin Sports Park with presented changes.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Leo Zuber, Vice Mayor
SECONDER:	Daniel de Graaf, Council Member
AYES:	Restuccia, Zuber, de Graaf, Barton, Uecker

B. GRAND JURY REPORT NO. 0322

Discussion/No Action

Discuss response to Grand Jury Case No. 0322 for Superior Court of California, County of San Joaquin regarding, "School Safety: A Shared Responsibility" and provide direction to staff.

This response must be returned to the Grand Jury before August 24, 2023.

Lieutenant Sauer said the 2022-23 San Joaquin County Grand Jury has published Case No. 0322, "School Safety: A Shared Responsibility" and made findings and recommendations to each entity surveyed within the County. The City of Ripon's suggested response is presented for review. The City must respond before August 24, 2023.

Sauer said one of the findings states that there is a lack of communication between the school districts and law enforcement agencies in regards to Comprehensive School Safety Plans (CSSP). He said the Police Department has long enjoyed a collaborative relationship with Ripon Unified School District (RUSD) and worked together to develop the current individual CSSP for each school. The Grand Jury recommends that by December 15, 2023 each law enforcement agency in San Joaquin County meaningfully collaborate and approve the updated CSSP for school sites within that agency's jurisdiction. He said the Police Department began working with RUSD in September 2022 to update their CSSP.

Council Member Barton said it seems like the recommendations were generic to all of the cities in the community. Sauer agreed and said neither the City nor RUSD were specifically mentioned.

Mayor Restuccia said that is a great thing because commonly in the Grand Jury reports, they pull out each city specifically. The findings and recommendations in this report were of a more global nature.

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Department Heads:

Lieutenant Sauer said there is Area of Responsibility Meeting on August 7, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Emergency Operations Center at the Police Department. Mayor Restuccia asked if a Nixle will be sent out. Sauer confirmed.

Recreation Director Stevens said that Baseball/Softball and T-Ball seasons have wrapped up and the Ripon Chiefs will start football in a few weeks.

Stevens said there will be a movie in the park on July 21, 2023.

Planning Director Zuidervaart said there is no Planning Commission meeting scheduled for July.

Public Works Director Pease said the Large Item Pick-Up Program is still available to residents.

Pease said June water usage was 25% lower than 2013 numbers and 8% lower than 2022 numbers.

City Council:

Council Member de Graaf said he wanted to thank everyone for coming to the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 PM.

(Signed) Mike Restuccia
Mayor

ATTEST:

(Signed) Lisa Roos
City Clerk