

City Manager Weekly Update September 8, 2023

9/9, Sat.	10:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.	Airport Day - Wings & Wheels
9/13, Wed.	6:00 p.m.	Planning Commission meeting
9/18, Mon.	6:00 p.m.	Airport Advisory Commission meeting
9/19, Tue.	6:00 p.m.	City Council meeting
9/25, Mon.	4:00 p.m.	Public Safety Oversight Commission meeting
9/25, Mon.	6:00 p.m.	Park & Recreation Commission meeting
9/28, Thu.	8:30 a.m.	2x2 (City/RDUSD) meeting

September 5, 2023, City Council Meeting

Actions taken by the City Council at their September 5 meeting included:

- Adopted an ordinance that will require community event organizers to follow State law in terms
 of responsible beverage service, rather than the current ordinance which is stricter than state law
 (the new ordinance takes effect 30 days after adoption);
- Adopted a resolution in opposition to Initiative No. 21-0042A1, which if passed would further limit the City's ability to increase taxes and fees; and
- Approved the purchase of one (1) police vehicle.

For more information on these and other items, or to view the recording of the meeting, follow this link: Meeting Agenda, Attachments, Minutes & Video | Rio Vista California (riovistacity.com)

Airport Day – Saturday, Sept. 9

All are welcome to start the day early with the very popular Lions Club breakfast fundraiser at 9:00 a.m. at the Travis Aero Club Hangar. The main event starts at 10:00 a.m. and food trucks will open at 11:00 a.m. There will be live music, kids' area, vintage and experimental aircraft, cars, motorcycles, and vendor booths. The Solano County Sheriff's Office, Rio Vista Police and Fire Departments, Montezuma Fire District, and U.S. Coast Guard will all be represented, and kids will have an opportunity to get a close-up experience with agency vehicles and personnel. A special flyover and 9/11 tribute will take place starting at 11:45 a.m.

Land Swap with the School District

The City is negotiating a land swap with the School District in order to provide another municipal well location. Options were provided to the School District. The School District relayed potential concerns about the cost of construction within the business park. City staff will review other potential options and provide a list of construction requirements.

Joint Facility Use Agreement

The City made headway on the Joint Use Agreement with the School District. A draft was provided to the School District for their review on August 30. The School District responded on September 6 with a few requested revisions. I believe staff will have an updated draft ready for the 2x2 to review and make a recommendation at their next meeting on September 28. Should the 2x2 make a recommendation of approval, I will schedule the item for City Council consideration at a meeting in October.

Army Base Fish Technology Center

Robin Borre, Public Works Director, and I met with two representatives of the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) regarding the Rio Vista Army Base Fish Technology Center project. DWR and the United States Department of Fish and Wildlife have significantly downsized the project to just a production facility to produce 500,000 Delta smelt and a marina for the sole purpose of releasing the fish. The only tourism aspect that may be included is a self-guided tour with informative signs. The City should consider whether this still meets their vision of the Army Base property and how to proceed.

Recreation Staff & Program

Staff will be asking the City Council for their vision of a City Recreation program. Staff will then use that guidance to develop a program.

General Plan Working Group

The General Plan Working Group (Working Group) met on September 7 to review Highway 12 circulation goals and policies, noise, and the introduction section of the General Plan. Now that more is known about the Flannery project, the Working Group decided to reevaluate previously reviewed sections to make sure they still meet the City's goals. Understanding CalTrans has plans to realign Highway 12 in the long-term future, the Working Group discussed whether the City should support the proposed realignment. After review of data that shows traffic along Highway 12 does not result in much time spent in town and thus economic activity, the Working Group decided to support the realignment with a goal of creating Rio Vista into a destination. The Working Group did not decide which specific realignment was preferable, as more information was needed.

Upcoming Meetings:

September 12 - Little Egbert Multi-Benefit Meeting: Overview

September 12 - CAP Solano Staffing Meeting regarding Homeless Services

September 14 - Solano Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors Meeting

September 14 - Tour of the Northwest Wastewater Treatment Plant and Beach Plant

September 15 - Little Egbert Multi-Benefit Meeting: Flood

Community Patio Project

Below is the Community Patio timeline:

- October 3 City Council meeting- First reading of Ordinance amendment to allow furniture to be stored outside at night and other minor amendments.
- October 17 City Council meeting Second reading of Ordinance amendment to allow furniture to be stored outside at night and other minor amendments.
- November 17 Assuming the City Council approved the first and second readings on October 3 and 17, the amended ordinance takes effect.

Conditions have been drafted for the Outdoor Dining Permit. Pursuant to <u>Chapter 17.080.080</u> of the Rio Vista Municipal Code, the City must notice the project to those property owners and businesses within 300 feet of the project. If there is a written request, the City must hold a public hearing. Otherwise, the Zoning Administrator, Robin Borre, can issue the permit. A final decision on the project should be completed by November 17.

Economic Development Strategy Report

The Economic Development Strategy Report will be presented for City Council consideration at the October 17 City Council meeting.