



AMENDED AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Ross Town Council

Thursday, January 12, 2023

Town Hall

31 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard

Ross, CA 94957

The meeting will be held in person. Additionally, the Open Session beginning at 6:00 p.m. will be televised live on Zoom. Members of the public have the option of participating in-person or remotely via Zoom.

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Submit public comment by:

1. Emailing cmartel@townofross.org prior to 4:00 P.M. the day before the meeting.
2. Attend the meeting in person and provide public comment.
3. If participating remotely, during the public comment portion of the Open Session select the "Raise Hand" icon in the Zoom meeting or press *9 if calling into the meeting.

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1. **5:15 pm. Call to Order.**
 2. **Posting of agenda/changes to agenda.**
 3. **Closed Session.**
CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Property: (1 Ross Common, Ross CA 94957)
Town negotiator: (Town Manager)
Negotiating parties: (United States Postal Service)
Under negotiation: (Instruction to negotiator on both price and terms of lease payments)
 4. **6:00 p.m. Open Session. Council will return to open session and announce actions taken, if any.**
 5. **Employee appreciation and recognition of Town employee: Recreation Specialist - Jeneane Wagner (5 years). (Castets)**
 6. **Introduction and welcome to new employee Maureen Borthwick, Recreation Manager. (Johnson)**

7. **Open Time for Public Expression. (5 minutes)**
Limited to three minutes per speaker on items not on agenda.
8. **Mayor's Report.**
9. **Council Committee & Liaison Reports. (5 minutes)**
 - a. **Ross Valley Fire Department – January 11, 2023 Board meeting (Kuhl, Brekhus)** [!\[\]\(467d80e979964f7f8c752fb22248b5b7_img.jpg\)](#)
10. **Staff & Community Reports. (20 minutes)**
 - a. **Town Manager**
 - b. **Ross Property Owners Association**
11. **Consent Agenda. (5 minutes)**

The following items will be considered in a single motion, unless removed from the consent agenda:

 - a. **Minutes: 12/8/22** [!\[\]\(b71552d33dbf62adf5e5199a70ee02bf_img.jpg\)](#)
 - b. **Demands. (Johnson)** [!\[\]\(03134b765d1473836ff001925b1b0550_img.jpg\)](#)
 - c. **Town Council consideration of adoption of Resolution No. 2289 Assembly Bill 361 Amending Open Meeting Laws to Expand Teleconference Meeting Options During Proclaimed State of Emergencies. (Stock)** [!\[\]\(aed6947356668967079310026052edc0_img.jpg\)](#)
 - d. **Resolution 2290 approving an amendment to the Agreement for Town Attorney Services. (Johnson)** [!\[\]\(e61aeb0d9066d5d9e54d9b655f50da3d_img.jpg\)](#)

End of Consent Agenda.


Administrative Agenda.

12. **Presentation by Pacific Gas & Electric staff regarding the Vegetation Management Program and public noticing processes in advance of street closures and planned power outages; Town Council discussion and direction to Town staff. (20 minutes)**
13. **Town Council consideration of introduction of Ordinance No. 720, an Ordinance of the Town of Ross, amending Ross Municipal Code Chapter 12.24 "Planting, Alteration, Removal, or Maintenance of Trees" (Tree Protection Ordinance). (Simonitch, 15 minutes)** [!\[\]\(cf5be311f7b2821912d8009884508fa2_img.jpg\)](#)
14. **Discussion regarding potential citizen recognition strategies and providing direction to staff on next steps. (Kuhl and McMillian, 10 minutes)**


- 14a. Recommendation to authorize the Town Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Town of Fairfax to provide the Town of Ross with temporary police officer staffing during the period January 12, 2023 through June 30, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$75,000. (Johnson, 10 minutes)**

End of Administrative Agenda.

Public Hearings on Planning Projects.

- 15. 78 Shady Lane, Demolition, Design Review, and Variance, and Town Council consideration of adoption of Resolution No. 2285. (Markwick, 20 minutes)** 
Tatyana Mirnova, 78 Shady Lane, A.P. No. 073-101-41, Zoning: R-1:B-10, General Plan: ML (Medium Low Density), Flood Zone: AE (High Risk).

Project Summary: The applicant requests approval of Demolition, Design Review, and a Variance to remodel the existing home, additions to the existing home, demolish the existing carport, and construct a garage in the side yard setbacks. The project also proposes a Nonconformity permit to construct two small second story additions. The project is categorically exempt from the requirement for the preparation of environmental documents under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities), because it consists of the minor alteration of existing private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

- 16. 160 Lagunitas Road, Demolition, Design Review, and Variance, and Town Council consideration of adoption of Resolution No. 2291. (Lopez-Vega, 20 minutes)** 
AJ and Melissa Rhode, 160 Lagunitas Road, A.P. No. 073-201-07, Zoning: R-1:B-A, General Plan: VL (Very Low Density), Flood Zone: X (Moderate risk).

Project Summary: The applicant requests approval of Demolition, Design Review, and Variance applications. The project includes demolishing the existing single-family residence, detached carport, and pool. The project proposes to construct a new 6,233 SF two-story single-family home in the same location as the existing home and a 394 SF matching detached garage. The applicant is requesting to build a new pool and deck in the same location as the existing pool, which requires a variance due to the pool encroaching into the side yard setback. The project is also proposing a vehicular and pedestrian gate located on the south side of the property. New landscaping and hardscape are being proposed throughout the property. The project is categorically exempt from the requirement for the preparation of environmental documents under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 (New Constructions), which exempts the construction of a new single-family homes

End of Public Hearings on Planning Projects.

- 17. No Action Items: (Mayor, 5 minutes)**

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- a. Council correspondence**
- b. Future Council items**

18. Adjournment.

If any of the matters discussed above are challenged in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at any public hearing described on this notice or in written correspondence delivered at, or prior to, the Council meeting at which this matter will be heard. (Government Code Section 65009). In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Town Manager at (415) 453-1453, extension 107 or (415) 453-1950 (Fax). Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the town to make reasonable accommodation to help insure accessibility to this meeting.