1. **PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR AGENDA PLANNING SESSION**

1. Juanita San Ramon stated that liquor advertisements in liquor store windows should be reduced from an allowed 33% of available window space to 15%, that legal loopholes should be closed and that the City should be a partner in the effort.
2. Lexy Salvador, a Novato High School student and Friday Night Live members, asked that the existing Lee Law be enforced and that retailers be compelled to comply with the law in an effort to reduce teen alcohol use.
3. Tatiana Frates said that Friday Night Live was looking to make changes for the better and that action should be taken to support lowering the percentage of window space taken up by alcohol ads, which encourage teens to smoke and drink.
4. Jose Gomez stated that the goal was to create better neighborhoods by limiting teen access to alcohol and cigarette ads.
5. Jack Anderson asked that consideration of the Lee Law be added to a future agenda.

2. **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA PLANNING FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2016 - JUNE 30, 2016**

Interim Assistant City Manager Michael Fuson stated that the questions raised by the commenters would be followed up on. The item received majority Council support to move to the second step of the agenda process.

Mr. Fuson reviewed the list of significant agenda items for the second quarter, following which the Council requested items they were interested in adding to the schedule. Councilmember Drew raised the issue of the City’s annual birthday celebration, Paint the Town Red, and received majority support to move a discussion of the City’s role in the event to the second step of the agenda process. Councilmember Fryday requested that Council consider adopting a resolution of support for Measure AA (Save the Bay) and received majority support for it to move forward using the expedited process.
A. CONVENE, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL

Boy Scout Troop #27 led the Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Mayor Eklund
         Mayor Pro Tem Athas
         Councilmember Drew
         Councilmember Fryday
         Councilmember Lucan

Absent: None

Also Present: Interim Assistant City Manager Mike Fuson, City Attorney Jeff Walter and City Clerk Sheri Hartz.

B. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

No closed session was scheduled.

C. CEREMONIAL MATTERS/PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation: Senior Club Proclamation

Senior Club President Andie Miramontes was present to accept the proclamation and say a few words of thanks.

Proclamation: Alcohol Awareness Month

Berta Campos-Anicetti, Chair of Novato Blue Ribbon Coalition for Youth's Alcohol Marijuana Action Team, along with several members, were present to accept the proclamation and make remarks about the work of the group.

D. APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA, WAIVER OF THE READING OF ORDINANCES AND NOTICES OF INTENT

Mayor Pro Tem Athas moved, Seconded by Councilmember Lucan, to approve Final Agenda, Waiver of the Reading of Ordinances and Notices of Intent. The motion was approved unanimously.
E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Dirk Mobitzer
2. Cheryl Paddack
3. Melissa Rinck

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. COUNTY OF MARIN MAJOR CRIMES TASK FORCE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT- REVISED JPA REQUEST

   Council adopted Resolution No. 24-16 accepting language revisions to the Marin County Major Crimes Task Force Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement.

   Councilmember Lucan moved, Seconded by Councilmember Drew, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was approved unanimously.

G. UNFINISHED AND OTHER BUSINESS

   No items were listed for this section.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

   No items were listed for this section.

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

2. COUNCIL DIRECTION TO CITY OF NOVATO ABAG VOTING DELEGATE IN PREPARATION FOR UPCOMING GENERAL ASSEMBLY BUSINESS MEETING

   Consider providing direction to the Council's appointed delegate to ABAG (Association of Bay Area Governments) on items that will be voted on at ABAG's upcoming General Assembly Business Meeting.

   Mr. Fuson introduced the item and then turned it over to Councilmember Drew for discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

4. Cliff Jacobs

   Councilmember Drew moved, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Athas, to approve Council's direction to City of Novato ABAG voting delegate for the upcoming General Assembly business meeting, to support the budget adoption but opposing the bylaw change regarding quorum. The motion was approved unanimously.
3. CITY MANAGER RECRUITMENT

Consider receiving community input on the desired attributes and skills for the next Novato City Manager, approving the recruitment process, and approving and authorizing the interim assistant city manager to execute the contract with Bob Murray & Associates ("Murray") in the amount of $24,400 to conduct the recruitment and authorizing a contingency of $2,000 in case additional services are required.

City Attorney Walter presented the item and responded to Council questions.

The ad hoc committee, comprised of Mayor Eklund and Mayor Pro Tem Athas, made comments about the process.

PUBLIC COMMENT

5. Al Dugan
6. Joan Goode
7. Hutch Turner

At this time Council discussed changes to the proposed recruitment process. It was determined that the visit to the candidate's city should be an optional step, that the social event should be removed from the process and that the Council would review the entire list of initial applicants rather than leaving that to the consultant and the ad hoc committee.

Discussion then ensued regarding the composition of the interview panels. It was decided to add a sixth person to Community Panel #2, who would be an existing City Manager chosen by the entire Council to participate. Consensus was reached to change the configuration of the employee panel to include two members from SEIU and two Police Department staffers - one sworn and one non-sworn - and one member of the Engineering Group. It was suggested that the panel also include two department heads instead of one. Mayor Eklund and Councilmember Drew did not support having two Department Heads on the panel. Mayor Eklund suggested having one Department Head and one member from the Exempt Group.

Councilmember Lucan moved, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Athas, to Approve the City Manager recruitment as outlined but revised to change the composition of the employee panel to include two Department Heads, two SEIU members, two members of the Police Department- one sworn and one non-sworn- and one member from the Engineering Group. The motion was carried on a 3-2 vote with Mayor Eklund and Councilmember Drew voting no.

Mayor Pro Tem Athas moved, Seconded by Councilmember Lucan, to approve the revised City Manager recruitment process and the execution of the contract with Bob Murray & Associates in the amount of $24,400 to conduct the recruitment and authorizing a contingency of $2,000 in case additional services are required. The motion was approved unanimously.
J. COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND BOARDS (CCB's) APPOINTMENTS

4. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

8. Cliff Jacobs

Council voted on and made appointments to its Boards, Commissions and Committees as follows:

Measure F Oversight/Citizens Finance Advisory Committee: Don Bibeault and Tim O'Connor

Multicultural Advisory Commission: Veda Florez, David Selzer and Sara Sutler-Cohen

Street Improvement Oversight Committee: Karen Boven

Novato Streetscape Committee: Kyla Medigovich (converted from alternate member to regular member)

K. COUNCILMEMBER/CITY MANAGER REPORTS

Councilmember Lucan stated that there was an upcoming SMART Board meeting at which the SMART Board would be hearing the decision on whether or not to accept the reimbursement agreement for the Downtown Novato SMART Station. He commented that a complaint had been filed against him with the FPPC regarding the vote the City Council had taken in January on the Downtown Novato SMART Station, and that because the complaint was still open he planned to recuse himself from voting on the reimbursement contract at the SMART Board meeting. Councilmember Lucan further commented that if he receives clearance from the FPPC prior to the commencement of the SMART Board meeting, he would then participate in the vote.

Councilmember Drew expressed thanks to the Police, Public Works and Parks, Recreation and Community Services Departments for three great tours that she had received, and commented that it had been a wonderful experience.

Mayor Eklund stated that she would be attending an upcoming ABAG meeting, and that she would be participating in an upcoming League of California Cities meeting as well.

Councilmember Athas reported that she would also be attending the upcoming League of California Cities meeting.

L. WORK STUDY SESSION

No items were listed for this section.
M.  ADJOURNMENT

At 9:01 p.m. the Council adjourned in memory of Kevin Butler and Victor Lubinoff.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing minutes were duly and regularly adopted at a regular meeting of the Novato City Council

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Sheri Hartz, City Clerk