



# Meeting Minutes - Draft

## Land Use & Environment Committee

City Hall  
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**Thursday, May 25, 2023**

**5:30 PM**

**Online and Via Phone, Room 112**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Madrone called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 3 - Chair Dani Madrone, Committee member Jim Cooper and Committee member Clark Gilman

**2.A OTHERS PRESENT**

City Manager Jay Burney  
Assistant City Manager Rich Hoey  
Community Planning and Development Director Leonard Bauer  
Housing Program Manager Darian Lightfoot  
Finance Director Aaron BeMiller

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following people spoke: Larry Dzieza, Bob Jacobs, Judy Bardin, Walt Jorgensen.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**5.A** [23-0475](#) Approval of April 27, 2023 Land Use & Environment Committee Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

**6. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**6.A** [23-0448](#) Multi-Family Tax Exemption Feasibility Study Recommendations

Ms. Lightfoot and Mr. Bauer provided a presentation regarding the Multi-Family Tax Exemption Feasibility Study Recommendations. The Committee discussed reporting and whether to require financial analysis of projects, use of a fee-in-lieu as a down payment assistance or assistance for tenant-option-to-purchase programs, adjusting

boundaries to include both sides of major arterials and match zoning, how the property tax is paid on the exempted valuation, the elements of a monitoring program, potential evaluation of the level of public benefit achieved, and inclusion of public art requirement.

**The recommendation was recommended for approval pending additional legal and staff review based on the Committee discussion..**

## **7. REPORTS AND UPDATES**

Mr. Bauer reported that the State Building Code Council has delayed the required implementation date of state building codes until October 29, 2023. He also reported that staff will provide Committee members with a summary of the 2023 legislation that affects CPD as well as agenda items being scheduled for the next Land Use meeting.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.