

## Sebastopol City Special Council Meeting – May 27, 2014 – Synopsis and Commentary

All Council Members were Present.

This 4:00pm meeting regarded the filling the seat of [Council Member Michael Kyes](#) who died the morning of May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Although my arrival was was late, apparently there was no formal statement by the Council recognizing the passing of Council Member Kyes.

After some discussion the Council agreed to advertise for applicants and select someone to fill the seat of Council Member Kyes at a June 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

If you are curious or wish to apply for the seat, you may [click here](#) for more **Official Information**.

### **Some Requirements Are:**

You must be a registered voter, a citizen of the US and a resident of California, have lived in the City for at least 30 days, be 18 or older and have a reasonably clean criminal record. After you submit your application you may not lobby on your own behalf and you will be interviewed on June 19<sup>th</sup>. The interview will be public and last from 15 to 30 minutes depending on how much competition you have.

### **Public Comment**

The usual speakers were absent so the few remarks were to the point.

### **A Parting Shot!**

The Council's shadow member was there and she had a great deal to say **after the public comments were closed**. Those of us who know and respect the process sat silent as she continued to exert her influence upon the Council. Perhaps she just didn't hear the Mayor close public comments but one wonders about the validity of meetings that allow favored individuals preferential treatment.

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