



MINUTES OF
EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

November 7, 2023

The City Council of the City of Eureka met in REGULAR Session on the above date, 5:00 P.M. Closed Session, 6:00 P.M. Open Session, at the Eureka City Hall, Council Chambers, 531 "K" Street, Eureka.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CLOSED SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

Conference with legal counsel - existing litigation
Aqueous Film-Forming Foams Products Liability, Case No. 2:18-mn-2873-RMG

Conference with Real Property Negotiators
Property: Parcel Number 001-093-013 "E" Street between 3rd Street & Opera Alley
Agency negotiator: Miles Slattery for the City of Eureka
Negotiating Parties: Clarke Museum
Under negotiation: Price, terms and conditions

Conference with legal counsel - existing litigation
Citizens for a Better Eureka vs. City of Eureka City Council, Does 1 to 10
Humboldt County Superior Court Case No's. CV2300565, CV2300712, CV2301562
and CV2301563

Conference with legal counsel - existing litigation
Michele Constantine-Blackwell & Michael Munson vs. City of Eureka, et al.
Humboldt County Superior Court Case No. CV2301627

REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Kim Bergel

Leslie Castellano
Kati Moulton
G. Mario Fernandez
Scott Bauer
Renee Contreras-DeLoach

ABSENT: None

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION -City Attorney Luna reported on a motion by Councilmember G. Mario Fernandez, seconded by Councilmember Leslie Castellano to opt out of the class action litigation settlement for Aqueous Film-Forming Foams Products.

A) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

A.1 Proclamation – National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week - Councilmember Contreras-DeLoach presented a Proclamation

A.2 Proclamation- Great American Smokeout - Councilmember Fernandez presented a Proclamation

Mayor Bergel asked for a moment of silence for those killed due to wars. Mayor Bergel read a letter from a visitor via the Seaborn Cruise ship that recently was in port. December 2nd Town Hall on substance abuse disorder.

B) PRESENTATIONS – PETA

Ashley from PETA provided a presentation on the PETA Fish Quilt displayed outside Council Chambers.

C) BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None

D) PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Nezzie Wade
Olivia Fox
Jasmine Jolly
Danielle
Ian Fox
Micah Star
Camden
Heather Hyde
Karley Rojas
Althea Christensen
Ash Teeter
Luna Garrard
Lissie

Hannah Ozanian

E) PUBLIC HEARINGS

- E.1 Ocean View Acquisition and Operations Complex Development CEQA
- Public Hearing continued to a special meeting of the City Council on
November 21, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

F) CONSENT CALENDAR - G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Leslie Castellano to approve the Consent Calendar, motion Carried.

Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Kati Moulton, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach

Noes: None

Absent: None

- F.1 Council Minutes – Approve Council Minutes November 7, 2023 as submitted.
- F.2 Eureka Housing Authority Repositioning Grant Funding Support Letters
- Authorize the Mayor to sign two letters encouraging the Infill and Infrastructure Grant Program to approve two Eureka Housing Authority applications to redevelop the properties on Burrill Street and C and Clark Streets.
- F.3 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant - Accept the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2023 Local Solicitation awarded to the Eureka Police Department in the amount of \$15,803.00; and Approve to use the funds on hiring an organizational development consultant to provide critical analysis and increase connectivity, synergy, and morale.
- F.4 CalRecycle Authorizing Grant Resolution - Adopt Resolution No. 2023-54 of the City Council allowing the Community Services Department to apply for all CalRecycle grants which the City is eligible.
- F.5 2023 Officer Wellness and Mental Health Grant Award - Accept the 2023 Officer Wellness and Mental Health Grant Award awarded to the Eureka Police Department in the amount of \$28,000.00; and Approve to use the funds for comprehensive on-site health and fitness assessment, continued personalized health consultations, expanding the department's peer support team, and utilizing services provided by a licensed mental health clinician that works with law enforcement.

F.6 2023 Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Grant - Accept the Office of Traffic Safety Grant for the amount of \$55,000.00.

F.7 Letter of Support for California Welcome Center Designation - Authorize the Mayor to sign a Letter of Support for the Visit California Welcome Center Designation.

I) REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

I.1 Operation Light Up Eureka Program – Project Coordinator Sarah West provided a report. The following members of the public addressed the council on this item:

Eileen Barch
Althea Christensen
Heather Hyde

Kati Moulton moved, seconded by Scott Bauer, Approve the 'Operation Light Up Eureka program, motion Carried

Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Kati Moulton, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach

Noes: None

Absent: None

I.2 Elections Code 9212 Report on Citizen's Initiative Amending the City's General Plan for 21 City-Owned Parking Lots and the Jacobs Middle School Site - Development Services Director Kenyon provided a report. The following members of the public addressed the Council on this item:

Tom Wheeler
James Clower
Gordon Claverly
Michelle Norton
Mike Munson
Marian Brady
Grayson
Althea Christensen
Colin Fiske
Kenny Carswell
Caroline Griffith
Heather Hyde
Thomas Edrington
Linden & Company
Michelle Constantine
Roy Gomez

- I.3 Regional Climate Action Plan Update -Development Services Director Kenyon provided a report. The following members of the public addressed the Council on this matter:

Tom Wheeler
Colin Fiske
Caroline Griffith
Heather Hyde

G) LEGISLATIVE ACTION CORRESPONDENCE: None

H) ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS: None

J) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

By consensus, Council approved Councilmember Bauer's request to research a full time position to monitor the implementation of the Climate Action Plan.

Councilmember Castellano would like a timeline and report on participatory budgeting.

By consensus, Council approved Councilmember Castellano's request to agendize a Ceasefire Resolution for discussion. Councilmembers Fernandez and Castellano will work with City Attorney Luna on a resolution to present.

K) CITY MANAGER REPORTS- City Manager Slattery provided a report on the warming centers that will be available this winter season. Volunteers needed to assist with decorating Old Town and Downtown on Friday 11/10.

L) PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED

M) COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS

Councilmember Castellano, attended in Local Humboldt Design meeting, Humboldt Transit Authority Meeting.

Councilmember Moulton, asked for those interested in supporting homeless this winter, to donate money, socks and tarps to local agencies. Looking forward to Humboldt Bay JPA meeting, attended Chamber 2x2. Kiwanis of Henderson Center Women in Business luncheon, happy to see all 3 winners are non-profits.

Councilmember Fernandez, met with ECS Board Mike Duncan, reported that the ECS is down to 5 applicants for Superintendent.

Councilmember Bauer, attended P St Halloween Block Party along with nearly 1,000 others.

Councilmember Contreras-Deloach, family attended Halloween Block Party, Chamber 2x2, Kiwanis luncheon, attended Chamber ribbon cutting. Reminder Native American Heritage month.

ADJOURNMENT : 9:20pm

APPROVED:

Kim Bergel
Mayor

Attest:

Shannon Fazio
Deputy City Clerk