



MINUTES OF
EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

May 16, 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.

Public Employee Performance Evaluation - City Attorney, City Clerk & City Manager
Pursuant to section 54957.6 (b) (1) California Government Code

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

PLEDGE

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION: No final action to report.

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A) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Proclamation Older Americans Month – Councilmember Bauer presented

Mayor Bergel provided dates for upcoming events; a BBQ at Jefferson School on 5/19, City of Eureka hosted Town Hall, 1-4:30pm City Hall, 6/4, 2nd annual Kite Festival 5/20 & 5/21 at Halvorsen Park.

Mayor Bergel also attended the Mental Health Walk on 5/16 and asked for a moment of silence to recognize National Peace Officers Memorial Day.

B) PRESENTATIONS:

B.1 Area 1 Agency on Aging – Maggie Kraft and Megan Gallagher presented.

B.2 Forest Moon Festival – Recreation Coordinator Jim Thomas presented.

C) BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None

D) PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Unidentified Speaker

Roy Gomez

James Graham

Cornelius Lowenstein

Steve Parr

Harry Wilcox

Unidentified Speaker

Dawn Crow

Patty Callison

Jessica Rebholtz

Unidentified Speaker

E) PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Project Manager Robin Praszker provided a report on Collection of delinquent garbage and recycling fees. No one from the Public addresses the council regarding this matter.

Councilmember Bauer moved, Councilmember Moulton 2nd, Adopt a Resolution 2023-27 of the City Council providing for collection of fees. Motion Carried.

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

Absent: None

F) CONSENT CALENDAR:

Councilmember Fernandez moved, Councilmember Castellano 2nd to approve consent calendar, motion Carried.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

F.1 Council Meeting Minutes – Approve the regular Council minutes of May 2, 2023 as submitted.

F.2 Water Improvements 2023 Project – Award
Declare Mercer-Fraser Company, the preferred bidder on Water Improvements 2023 Project; and award Bid No. 2023-13 to Mercer-Fraser Company the amount of \$523,500.00; and approve \$691,650 for construction, which includes 24% for contingency and construction management.

F.3 Sunny Avenue Acquisition No. 2 (APN 006-181-011) - Adopt Resolution No 2023-28 of the City Council Authorizing the Acquisition of APN 006-181-011 on Sunny Avenue for \$38,000; and Authorize Chair and staff to sign all necessary documents to effectuate acquisition; and approve appropriation of necessary funds from the General Fund.

F.4 FY2023-24 CIP Project Budget Early Allocation –Approve additional appropriations for FY2023-24 capital projects.

F.5 Crowley Property Construction Contract –Approve sole source award for construction services to Mercer-Fraser Company for the amount of \$333,810; and approve \$350,000 for construction, which includes a contingency of approximately 5%.

G) LEGISLATIVE ACTION CORRESPONDENCE:

Councilmember Bauer presented AB 84; Council would like to bring it back for a future meeting.

Councilmember Bauer presented AB 972-CalCities Sponsored Bill; City Attorney Luna will draft a letter and bring it before Council.

Councilmember Castellano presented AB 812; Council would like to bring it back for a future meeting.

H) ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

H.1 Bill No. 1027-C.S. Section 150.029 Board of Appeals -Chief Building Official Brendan Riley provided a report. No one addressed Council with regards to this subject matter.

Councilmember Castellano moved, Councilmember Fernandez 2nd, to introduce Bill No. 1027-C.S., an ordinance of the City of Eureka repeal and replace Eureka Municipal Code Title 15, Chapter 150, Section 150.029, pertaining to the Board of Appeals., motion Carried.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

I) REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS:

- I.1 Regional Climate Action Plan Update – Development Services Director Cristin Kenyon provided a report. The following individual addressed the Council regarding this subject matter.

Deborah Dukes

- I.2 Solar Renewable Energy Improvements – Reject Bids – Public Works Director Brian Gerving provided a report. No one from the public addressed Council with regards to this matter.

Councilmember Castellano moved, Councilmember Bauer 2nd, Reject all bids for the Solar Renewable Energy Improvements Project, Bid No. 2023-19., motion Carried.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

- I.3 FY2023-24 Proposed Budget Introduction – Director Millar gave a presentation. No one from the public addressed Council with regards to this matter.

J) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

By Consensus, Councilmember Contreras-DeLoach requested to invite Humboldt Human Rights Council to give a presentation.

By Consensus, Councilmember Fernandez requested CoreHub to give a presentation.

By Consensus, Councilmember Fernandez requested a review of environmentally friendly purchasing policies.

K) CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

- K.1 Fleet Electrification – Public Works Director Brian Gerving provided a report.

L) PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED:

M) COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS:

Councilmember Bauer; traveled to Fort Bragg for Redwood Empire of CalCities.

Attended portrait of a graduate hosted by Eureka City Schools. Attended and enjoyed Strategic Visioning with other Council and Staff members.

Councilmember Castellano; attended Strategic Visioning, HWMA and HTA. Chinese Lunar New Year at Arts Alive.

Councilmember Fernandez; 3rd Ward Town Hall being hosted, Thursday May 18 at Eureka City Schools main office. Attended Strategic Visioning.

Councilmember Contreras-DeLoach; appreciated Strategic Visioning, attended Pathway to Payday. Attended CASA Gala, Redwood Art Association.

Councilmember Moulton; enjoyed Strategic Visioning. Attended Arts Alive and Lunar New Year. Reminder of upcoming Kinetic Sculpture Race and Forest Moon Festival.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:27pm

NOTICES

APPROVED:

Kim Bergel
Mayor

Attest:

Shannon Fazio
Deputy City Clerk