

# MINUTES OF EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

## <u>December 5, 2023</u>

The City Council of the City of Eureka met in <u>REGULAR</u> 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.

CLOSED SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

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

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

REGULAR SESSION - 6pm

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Kim Bergel

Leslie Castellano Kati Moulton

G. Mario Fernandez

Scott Bauer

Renee Contreras-DeLoach

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION - No report out of closed session.

#### A) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

A.1 Alice Birney First Grade Class Artwork – Mayor Bergel welcomed 1st grade students from Alice Birney, whose artwork is currently on display at City Hall.

#### B) **PRESENTATIONS**

B.1 CAPE Holiday Program – Program Coordinator Katelyn Merrill and Social Services Coordinator Sierra Wood provided a presentation.

Mayor Bergel attended parties for Historical Society and Clarke Museum. Ribbon cuttings for Schuders Fine Art Gallery and Good Relations. Mayor Bergel also volunteered at St. Vincent de Paul for Thanksgiving and attended the Turkey Trot. Mayor Bergel attended a ride along with EPD recently and hosted the 4th Town Hall on substance abuse disorder.

#### C) **BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: D)

Unidentified Speaker Joe Bonino Steve Parr Unidentified Speaker Kenny Carswell Hailey Bruno Sinita

Tim Callison

Unidentified Speaker

Maggie Hinchlyn

Dremelia

Marian Brady

#### E) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

F) CONSENT CALENDAR - G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Scott Bauer to approve the Consent Calendar minus item F.2

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

> F.1 Council Minutes – Approve the special and regular Council meeting minutes of November 21, 2023 as submitted.

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F.2. Highland Park Renovation Project Award – City Manager Miles Slattery provided a report. The following individual addressed the Council regarding this subject matter:

Unidentified Speaker

Kati Moulton moved, seconded by G. Mario Fernandez, Declare Hooven and Co. Construction, Inc. the low bidder on the Highland Park Renovation Project, Bid No. 2024-1; and Award Bid No. 2024-1 to Hooven and Co. Construction, Inc. for the amount of \$793,427.25; and Approve \$834,000 for construction, which includes a contingency of approximately 5%, motion Carried.

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

Contreras-DeLoach

Noes: None Absent: None

- G) LEGISLATIVE ACTION CORRESPONDENCE: None
- H) ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:
  - H.1. Ceasefire Resolution This Item was pulled from the agenda and not discussed.
- I) REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS:
  - I.1 Eddy Alexander Marketing Report President Jennifer Eddy of Eddy Alexander provided a report. The following individual addressed the Council regarding this subject matter:

Sarai

J) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

By consensus Council approved Councilmember Fernandez's request for an update on Participatory Budgeting.

K) CITY MANAGER REPORTS - City Manager Slattery announced that Police Chief Todd Jarvis will be retiring at the beginning of 2024, he wanted to thank Chief Jarvis for everything he brought to the City of Eureka. In addition, City Manager announced that Assistant Police Chief Brian Stephens would be appointed as the next Chief of Police for Eureka Police Department.

Grace Marton Park received a grant award of \$650,000, which will allow for improvements and gardens in Halvorsen Park.

K.1 Eureka Builds It! Program Framework - Economic Development Manager Swan Asbury and Finance Director Lane Millar provided a report Eureka Builds It! framework. City Council Minutes December 5, 2023 Page 4

# L) PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED:

Unidentified Speaker

Eileen Barch

Michelle Constantine

Jessica Frint

Linden Tyler Glavich

Sarai

Jasmine

Ellen P.

Naomi Steinberg

Brianne Hutchinson

Amy

Tamar

Gigi

Avril

**Emily Siegel** 

Oren Nardi

Jakob

Lilach Assayag

Aaqib Haq

Jose

### M) COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS

Councilmember Castellano appreciated the public comment at tonight's meeting. She traveled to Carlsbad to attend CalCities League Leaders meeting.

Councilmember Moulton - no travel to report.

Councilmember Fernandez – listened to the speakers during tonight's meeting and would like to continue to work towards a resolution.

Councilmember Bauer, Attended CalCities Board of Directors meeting in Carlsbad.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:23pm

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APPROVED:	
Kim Bergel Mayor	
Attest:	
Shannon Fazio Deputy City Clerk	