



MINUTES OF
EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

June 18, 2024

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.

CLOSED SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

Conference with Legal Counsel-Initiation of Litigation (1 Case) Pursuant to California Government Code paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of section 54956.9

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.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

A) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A.1 Proclamation-Dump the Pump - Councilmember Bauer presented a Proclamation for Dump the Pump
- A.2 2024 Humboldt County Law Enforcement Torch Run Proclamation - Mayor Bergel presented a Proclamation for Humboldt County Law Enforcement Torch Run

Mayor Bergel attended the groundbreaking of Da Yas Park and will sit on a jury for League of California Cities Helen Putnam Award recipients. Mayor Bergel also gave the Commencement Speech at Redwood Coast Montessori, Mayor Bergel attended the Peace Run where the City of Eureka received recognition. Mayor Bergel also addressed that there is a plan for a camp for those experiencing homelessness, additionally, the City has hired a new maintenance worker for the trails.

- B) PRESENTATIONS: None
- C) BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None
- D) PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Jason Pearce
Steve Harris
Stephen Parr
Stacia O'Neil
Dan Reed

- E) PUBLIC HEARINGS:
 - E.1 FY2024-25 Budget Adoption- Finance Director Millar presented on Budget Fiscal Year 2024-25

Public Hearing Opened/Closed 7:11pm – No One from the Public addressed the Council on this matter.

Leslie Castellano moved, seconded by G. Mario Fernandez, Adopt Resolution No. 2024-33 of the City of Eureka Adopting the Budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024; and Adopt Resolution EPFA-34 of the Eureka Public Financing Authority Adopting the Budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, motion Carried

Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Kati Moulton, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Noes: None
Absent: None

- E.2 2024-25 Fee Schedule - Finance Director Millar provided a report.

Public Hearing Opened/Closed 7:15pm – No one from the Public addressed the Council on this matter.

Kati Moulton moved, seconded by Leslie Castellano, Adopt Resolution No 2024- 35 of the City Council establishing various fees and service charges within the City of Eureka., motion Carried

Ayes: Kati Moulton, Leslie Castellano, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Noes: None
Absent: None

F) CONSENT CALENDAR

G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Scott Bauer to approve the Consent Calendar, motion Carried

Ayes: Kati Moulton, G. Mario Fernandez, Leslie Castellano, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Noes: None
Absent: None

F.1 Council Minutes – Approve Minutes from Regular Council Meeting, May 21, 2024 and Special Council Meeting, June 6, 2024

F.2 Revegetation Services Elk River Estuary Project-

Accept the Revegetation Services for the Elk River Estuary Enhancement Project performed by Samara Restoration; and

Authorize the filing of Notice of Completion at the Office of the County Recorder.

F.3 Accept ABC Grant Funds 2024/2025 - Council accept a Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control grant in the amount of \$43,362.00 for enforcement of liquor laws.

F.4 Council Meeting Cancellation – Cancel July 2nd Council Meeting due to Holiday

F.5 Letter in Support of SB 1053 - Authorize Mayor Bergel to sign and staff to transmit letter in support of SB 1053

- F.6 Policy 3.82 - Workplace Violence Prevention Program - Approve and adopt Policy 3.82 - Workplace Violence Prevention Program in Compliance with SB 533 and CalOSHA Regulations.
- F.7 Housing Authority Letter of Support for Demolition - Authorize a letter of support for the City of Eureka Housing Authority's Partial Demolition and Disposition Applications
- F.8 Memorandum of Understanding Teamsters 7/2024-6/2027 - Adopt Resolution No. 2024-36 authorizing the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Eureka and the Teamsters Local 137 effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027.
- F.9 Utility Systems Mechanic I/II/Senior and Utility Classifications - Adopt Resolution No. 2024 - 37 of the City Council creating new classifications of Utilities Systems Mechanic I/II and Senior Utilities Systems Mechanic; and implement wage adjustments to select utilities positions in the Public Works Department.
- F.10 Nationwide Opioid Settlements and Appointing the City Attorney or designee as the City' s Authorized Representative to Implement the Settlements – Adopt Resolution No 2024 - 38 of the City Council of the City of Eureka Approving Participation in Nationwide Opioid Settlement Litigation and Appointing the City Attorney or City Attorney designee as the City's Authorized Representative and Authorizing the City Attorney or City Attorney's designee to Execute Necessary Documents and Take All Reasonable and Necessary Actions to Implement the Settlements, Secure the Funds, and Fulfill City's Prior Agreement to Compensate Outside Counsel.

G) LEGISLATIVE ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

By Consensus Council approved Councilmember Bauer's request for a letter of support for Climate Resiliency Bond.

H) ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

H.1 November 5, 2024 General Municipal Election- Adopt Resolutions of the City Council pertaining to the General Municipal Election to be held November 5, 2024. – City Clerk Pam Powell and City Attorney Autumn Luna provided a report.

The following members of the Public addressed the Council on this matter;
Juan Pablo Cervantes

Scott Bauer moved, G. Mario Fernandez 2nd - Adopt a Resolution of the City Council, calling and giving notice of the holding of a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 for the election of municipal officers and for the submission to the voters of a ballot measure relating to the General Plan; and Resolution of the City Council, requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt to provide election services and to consolidate the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 with the Statewide General Election to be held on that date; and Resolution of the City Council adopting regulations for Candidates for Elective Office pertaining to Candidates Statements; Resolution setting priorities for filing written arguments regarding a city ballot measure and directing the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis; and Resolution of the City Council providing for the filing of rebuttal arguments for city measures submitted at municipal elections.

A Substitute Motion was made to hold a Special Meeting on June 24, 2024 at 5pm, to consider all resolutions related to the November 5, 2024 General Election. Leslie Castellano moved, seconded by Renee Contreras-DeLoach, motion carried.

Ayes: Kati Moulton, Leslie Castellano, G. Mario Fernandez, Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Noes: Scott Bauer
Absent: None

H.2 Bill No. 1036-C.S. Ranked Choice Voting Ordinance Amendment – City Attorney Autumn Luna provided a report.

The following members of the Public addressed the Council on this matter;
Juan Cervantes
Steve Chessin
Steven Hill

Scott Bauer moved, seconded by Kati Moulton, Waive full reading, read by title only, and introduce Bill No. 1036-C.S., An Ordinance of the City of Eureka Amending Sections 37.20, 37.21, and 37.23 of Chapter 37 of the Eureka Municipal Code: Ranked Choice Voting for the offices of Mayor and Council Member, 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 Design Review - Development Services Director Kenyon provided a report.

The following members of the Public addressed the Council on this matter;

Chuck Petty
Dan Reed
Raelina Krikston

- I.2 Council Membership on Chamber of Commerce 2 x 2 Committee – By consensus Council approved, Councilmember Fernandez was appointed to the Chamber of Commerce 2x2 Committee into primary role, Councilmember Castellano was appointed as alternate. Councilmember Contreras-DeLoach was appointed to Harbor Commission, Councilmember Fernandez was appointed as alternate.

J) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

By Consensus, Council approved Councilmember Castellano's request to bring forth an AdHoc Committee for marketing.

K) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- K.1 EPD Traffic Enforcement Update - Chief Stephens presented on Traffic Enforcement.

G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Kati Moulton to extend meeting to 10pm, motion Carried

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

L) PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED: None

M) COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS

Councilmember Castellano, attended HTA and Friday Night Market, Eureka Main Street, Humboldt County Services District 2x2.

Councilmember Moulton, no travel to report. Attended Friday Night Market, looking forward to Juneteenth.

Councilmember Fernandez, no travel to report. Looking forward to Juneteenth.

Councilmember Bauer, attended Friday Night Market, Congratulations to all the High School Graduates.

Councilmember Contreras-DeLoach, no travel to report, no scheduled meetings. Attended Friday Night Market.

ADJOURNMENT

9:33pm

APPROVED:

Kim Bergel
Mayor

Attest:

Shannon Fazio
Deputy City Clerk