MINUTES OF
EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

March 18, 2025

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

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 OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION: No Closed Session

A) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

A.1 Dr. Ruby Banyan Retirement Proclamation

20250318_Dr. Banyan Retirement

A.2 Rhododendron Parade - Old Town Rotary Parade Chairpersons

B) PRESENTATIONS

B.1 South Gateway Monument Sign Presentation

C) BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS

D) PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Unidentified Speaker
Anthony Perez
Sari Baker

E) PUBLIC HEARINGS

F) CONSENT CALENDAR: Castellano moved, Fernandez seconded to approve the Consent Calendar minus item F.8, motion Carried.

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

F.1 Council Minutes - Approve the City Council regular meeting minutes of February 18th and March 4, 2025 as submitted.

F.2 Pavement Rehabilitation 2024 Bid No. 2024-17 - STIP Funding Allocation - Authorize an appropriation to Bid No. 2024-17 Pavement Rehabilitation for $600,000 of State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funding.

F.3 Destruction of Records - Adopt Resolution No. 2025-05 of the City Council approving the destruction of records pursuant to Government Code and City policy.

F.4 Eureka Rhododendron Parade - Sponsor the Eureka Rhododendron Parade coordinated by Eureka Old Town Rotary.

F.5 Exempt Surplus Property Resolution for Sunset Heights - Adopt Resolution No. 2025-06 of the City Council of the City of Eureka finding the Sunset Heights Property (APNs 008-052-024, -025, -026, and -032) is exempt surplus land pursuant to California Government Code Section 54221 (f)(1)(A) and/or 54421 (f)(1)(F) because the property is to be disposed of for development of deed-restricted affordable housing.

F.6 Policy 3.16 - Bilingual Pay - Adopt Policy 3.16 - Bilingual Pay, to establish a structured incentive program for employees providing bilingual translation and interpretation assistance.

F.7 2040 General Plan Annual Progress Report for the Year 2024 – Receive report.

F.8 Housing Element Annual Progress Report for the Year 2024 - Development Services Director Cristin Kenyon provided a report. The following individuals addressed the Council regarding this subject matter:
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Jim
Amelia
Brenden Killeen
Unidentified Speaker

G) LEGISLATIVE ACTION CORRESPONDENCE: None

H) ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

H.1 Bill No. 1040 C.S. - Unlawful Camping, Sitting, Lying Ordinance - City Manager Miles Slattery, Special Project Manager Jeff Davis and Managing Mental Health Clinician Jacob Rosen provided a report. City Attorney Autumn Luna, Police Chief Brian Stephens provided information. The following individuals addressed the Council regarding this subject matter:

Moulton moved, Castellano seconded to extend meeting to 11 pm, motion Carried.
Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Kati Moulton, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Betty Chinn
Kiley Bench
Bryan Hall Sr.
Aaron
Unidentified Speaker
Leigh Anagy
Mike Price
Ted Halstead
Greg Pierson
Pam Halstead
Judy Sousa
Lance
Unidentified Speaker
Janelle Egger
Ryan
Mark Mauer
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker

Unidentified Speaker
Dennis Houghton
Rick Toledo
Theresa
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Ray
Sarah Tebow
Nezzie Wade
Unidentified Speaker
Baxter
Todd Chittenden
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Hollis
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Aubrey
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Jannie
Unidentified Speaker
Jordyn
Unidentified Speaker

Moulton moved, Castellano seconded to extend meeting till 1 AM
Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Kati Moulton, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Simone
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Ruth
Unidentified Speaker
Beth Cumberland
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Alex

Karen Underwood
Moxie Alvarez
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Ellen
Chrystal Stewart
Unidentified Speaker
Lori Fare
Unidentified Speaker
Axel
Dylan
Kendall Finch
Brendan Killeen
Alice Finen
Becker
Nicki Garoutte
Jean
Amy Scott
Haven
Joe
Wren
Eva
Cindy Carson
Ethan LoCicero
Unidentified Speaker
Lexi Takaki
Unidentified Speaker
Sandra
Flam
Sarah May
Sarai
Ellen
Unidentified Speaker

By consensus the meeting was extended to 1:30 AM

Moulton moved, seconded by Bauer to table the item until April 1, 2025 meeting.

Substitute motion - Contreras-DeLoach moved, second by Fernandez to table the item till unknown date after the ad-hoc committee has the ability to meet and advise, motion withdrawn.

By consensus, Council provided direction to staff to work on 8 points prior to agendizing the ordinance at a future meeting.

I) REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS:

I.1 Award Contract for Bid No. 2024-20 Bay to Zoo Trail Consultant - Item pulled and not discussed.

J) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None

K) CITY MANAGER REPORTS: None

L) PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED

M) COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS

Fernandez moved, seconded by Moulton to not receive Council reports, motion carried.
Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Kati Moulton, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Noes: None
Absent: None

ADJOURNMENT: 1:15 AM

APPROVED:

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Kim Bergel
Mayor

Attest:

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Pamela J. Powell
City Clerk