



MINUTES OF
EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

October 21, 2025

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
City of Eureka, et al., v. Fusion Smoke & Glass LP, et al.
Humboldt County Superior Court, Case No. CV2500926
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54946.9 (d)(1)

Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation (2 Cases)
Pursuant to § 54956.9(d) (2) California Government Code

REGULAR SESSION - 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Kim Bergel
Kati Moulton
Leslie Castellano
G. Mario Fernandez
Scott Bauer
Renee Contreras-DeLoach

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION: No Report

A) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Bergel, attended League of California Cities in Long Beach, enjoyed seeing Erin Brockovich speak. Mayor Bergel attended Democrat of the Year, as well as Betty Chin's event and multicultural fair at Zane Middle School. Mayor Bergel also attended Oktobearfest Fest at Zoo, Cultural Food Distribution at Alice Birney, PacOut event at Hilfiker, HCOAG meeting, McGuire Town Hall, attended Ops Complex groundbreaking, Summer Shindig. Mayor Bergel would also like to remind everyone of the ZumbaThon Saturday 2-4pm and Pathway to Payday will be coming up.

A.1 Proclamation- Domestic Violence Awareness Month - Councilmember Moulton read a Proclamation- Domestic Violence Awareness Month

B) PRESENTATIONS: None

C) BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None

D) PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Pat Gardner
Anonymous
Jerry Post
Amy Scott
Anonymous
Charles Wilson
Anonymous
Misty
R

E) COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS:

Councilmember Castellano, did not travel to Long Beach for League of California Cities Attended Visitors Center Industry Night, Live Well Humboldt, Eureka Main Street Meetings, Eureka Cultural Arts District, Humboldt Waster Management Meeting, Harbor 2x2, Senator McGuire Town Hall.

Councilmember Moulton, traveled to Long Beach for LOCC, attended sessions on Disaster Preparedness, attended No Kings Protest, red carpet event for One Battle After Another, Democrat of the Year dinner. Attended Groundbreaking for new Ops Complex, 6 Rivers Planned Parenthood informational meeting, attended City of Eureka Summer Shindig for Employees. Was able to attended Redwood Music Festival.

Councilmember Fernandez, traveled to Long Beach for LOCC, traveled to El Paso for

NALEO Conference, attended Chamber 2x2, Democrat of the Year event, unable to attend Eureka City Schools 2x2, No Kings Protest, Senator McGuire Town Hall.

Councilmember Bauer, traveled to Long Beach for LOCC, attended Summer Shindig, Redwood Coast Energy Authority meeting, met with Assembly member Rogers, met with Senate Candidate Damen Connelly, attended No Kings Rally.

Councilmember Contreras-DeLoach, traveled to Long Beach for LOCC, attended Summer Shindig, traveled to El Paso for NALEO Conference, attended Humboldt Bay Fire Open House, attended College of the Redwoods Science Night, attended event with Assembly Member Chris Rogers, Senator McGuire Town Hall.

F) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

G) CONSENT CALENDAR G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Kati Moulton, to approve Consent Calendar minus G. 6 and G. 9, motion Carried.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

- G.1 Council Minutes – Approve the Minutes of Regular Council Meeting September 16, 2025.
- G.2 Destruction of Records – Adopt Resolution No. 2025 - 28 of the City Council for Destruction of Certain Records in the Community Services Department.
- G.3 Accept Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Grant – Accept the Office of Traffic Safety Grant in the amount of \$70,000.00
- G.4 Public Work Designation – Adopt Resolution No. 2025 – 29 of the City Council of the City of Eureka authorizing the Public Works Department to use the “Public Works First Responder” symbol.
- G.5 Board and Commission Appointments – Appoint Melodie Meyer to Transportation Safety Committee and Deborah Dukes to Planning Commission.
- G.6 Request to Begin Research and Development of an Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Program – Pulled from Agenda and not discussed.

- G.7 Crowley Property Construction – Acceptance – Accept the Crowley Property Construction Project and Authorize the filing of a “Notice of Completion” at the Office of the County Recorder.
- G.8 California Department of Fish and Wildlife Office of Spill Prevent and Response (OSPR) Oil Spill Response Equipment Grant – Adopt Resolution No. 2025 - 30 allowing the Community Services Department to receive additional grant funding not to exceed \$5,000 from OSPR to purchase oil spill response equipment.

Councilmember Castellano left chambers.

- G.9 Eureka Chinatown Monument Bid No. 2025-16 – Award - City Manager Slattery provided a report.

No members of the Public Addressed the Council on this matter.

Kati Moulton moved, seconded by Scott Bauer, Declare Sequoia Construction Specialties. the low bidder for Bid No. 2025-16 Eureka Chinatown Monument Project; and, award Bid No. 2025-16 to Sequoia Construction Specialties for the amount of \$218,932; and approve \$225,000.00 for construction, which includes approximately 3% for contingency, motion Carried

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

H) LEGISLATIVE ACTION CORRESPONDENCE: None

I) ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

- I.1 Bill No. 1050 C.S. - Sales of Nitrous Oxide Ordinance - City Manager Slattery provided a report.

The following members of the Public Addressed the Council on this matter:

Amy Scott
Anonymous
Deborah Dukes
Jay McCubbery
Paul

Leslie Castellano moved, seconded by Scott Bauer, Waive full reading, read by title only, and introduce Bill No. 1050 C.S., adding Section 130.15 to Title XIII, Chapter 130, making it unlawful for any person in the City, with exceptions, to sell or attempt to sell,

offer, distribute, or provide nitrous oxide to any person and include restaurant allowances and coffee shop exceptions, motion Carried.

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

I.2 Bill No. 1051 C.S. - Tobacco Retailer Licensing Ordinance - City Manager Slattery provided a report.

The following members of the public addressed the Council on this Matter:

Amber
Jay McCubbery
Anonymous

Scott Bauer moved, seconded by G. Mario Fernandez, Waive full reading, read by title only, and introduce Bill No. 1051 C.S., adding Chapter 123, Sections 123-1 through 123-14 to Title XI, of the Eureka Municipal Code, "Tobacco Retailer Licensing," regulating tobacco product sales and requiring the licensing of tobacco retailers, including changes to 1235 B, no tobacco retailer within ¼ mile of existing retailer, or within 600 feet of Community Center, motion Carried.

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

J) REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS: None

K) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

By Consensus Council approved Councilmember Mouton's request for a sign ordinance update.

By Consensus Council approved Councilmember Contreras-DeLoach's request for a Emergency Streets Protocol report.

By Consensus Council approved Councilmember Fernandez's request for a National Trans Day of Reemergence Proclamation for November 18th, meeting.

By Consensus Council approved Councilmember Fernandez's request on AI Policy for City Employees.

By Consensus Council approved Councilmember Castellano's request for a presentation from Live Well Humboldt.

L) CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

L.1 Economic Mobility - City Manager Slattery provided a report.

M) PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED

ADJOURNMENT: 8:35PM

APPROVED:

Kim Bergel
Mayor

Attest:

Shannon Fazio
Deputy City Clerk