



MINUTES OF
EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

November 4, 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
Ecological Rights Foundation v. City of Eureka
United States District Court Case No. 22-cv-01459-JST
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

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: Motion to Director the filing of appeal, Ecological association, motion by Councilmember Bauer, seconded by Councilmember Castellano, motion carried.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

A) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Bergel shared that November 13th is World Kindness Day, additionally, November 8th Volunteers needed to decorate Old Town Light Poles for Holidays. On November 15th at McKay Tract Veterans Day Run, Mayor Bergel let the Community know that Free Meal is looking for Volunteers and lastly that a Veterans Day Event will be held November 11th at the Adorni Center.

Mayor Bergel attended Kiwanis Women in Business Luncheon, congratulated those who were honored. Attended CAPE Board Meeting as well as spent time at Free Meal, Mayor Bergel attended the PacOut Green Team clean up, assisted with Old Town decorating and met with several constituents.

B) PRESENTATIONS:

B.1 2025 Holiday Season Initiatives - Economic Development Manager Swan Asbury presented with Rosa Dixon from Humboldt Made. Allie Jones with Illuminating Marketing, presented on former Mayors Initiative, Eureka for the Holidays. Amanda Kruschke presented on Main Street Open House, which will take place November 14th. Additionally, Henderson Center Open House will take place November 20th. Madison Green presented on Home for the Holidays Home Decorating Contest.

B.2 StartUp Humboldt Competition - StartUp Humboldt Campaign, Samantha Edwards Program Coordinator.

C) BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None

D) PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Phyllis
V Laurie
Sophia Nicks
Pippa Colter
Anonymous

E) COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS:

Councilmember Castellano, attended EMS meeting, thanked Sue from Belle Starr for her role as President, attended a Humboldt Tourism workshop.

Councilmember Moulton, met with Special Agent Couch from EPD, attended the Women in Business Luncheon sponsored by Kiwanis, attended COPP Board meeting and HBF meeting. Additionally, shared that Food for People can help those having difficulty affording food.

Councilmember Fernandez, attended de-escalation training, attended Centro Del Pueblo meeting, working with Councilmember Moulton and Business owners with regards to houseless community, attended AdHoc meeting with Contreras-DeLoach and City about sanctioned homeless camps.

Councilmember Bauer, attended HBF meeting, RCEA meeting, Redwood coast Mountain Bike Association at Eureka Theater, P Street Block Party for Halloween, thanked neighbors and city staff for participating.

Councilmember Contreras-DeLoach, attended Pathway to Payday, attended de-escalation training, Women in Business Luncheon hosted by Kiwanis, NALEO online meeting, P Street Halloween Block Party, Día De Las Muertos Celebration, met with members of Faith Community with regards to food resources and reminded all to vote.

F) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

G) CONSENT CALENDAR, Leslie Castellano moved, seconded by Kati Moulton, to approve Consent Calendar minus G. 2 motion Carried.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

G.1 Council Minutes – Approve Minutes of October 21, 2025 meeting as submitted.

G.2 Withdrawal of Measure N Local Coastal Program Amendment – Development Services Director Cristin Kenyon provided a report.

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

G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Scott Bauer, Adopt Resolution No. 2025 - 31 of the City Council withdrawing the Measure N Local Coastal Program Amendment No. EUR-MAJ-1-11 submitted to the California Coastal Commission on March 10, 2011, motion Carried

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

Noes: None
Absent: None

- G.3 New Classifications - Adopt Resolution No. 2025 - 32 adding Utility Billing Supervisor, Records Coordinator, Police Property Supervisor, and Digital Services Specialist to the City's Classification and Compensation Plan.
 - G.4 Pavement Rehabilitation 2025 - Declare Mercer Fraser Company the low bidder for the Pavement Rehabilitation 2025 Project; and award Bid No. 2025-14 to Mercer Fraser Company for the amount of \$2,761,761.00.
 - G.5 Red Panda Exhibit - Remodel 2025 Project - Accept completion of the Red Panda Exhibit – Remodel 2025 Project, Bid No. 2025-04; and Authorize the filing of a 'Notice of Completion' at the Office of the County Recorder.
 - G.6 1.77 Mobile Device Policy – Adopt Policy Number 1.77
 - G.7 Board and Commission Appointments - Approve the Mayors appointments to Board and Committees, Sallie McComas Citizens Oversight on Police Practices, Melodie Meyer Transportation Safety.
 - G.8 StartUp Humboldt Letter of Support - Approve letter of support for StartUp Humboldt Program and Competition.
 - G.9 Humboldt Made Funding Agreement - Approve updated funding agreement for Humboldt Made to include an additional \$5,000 in support of the Choose Humboldt shop local campaign.
- H) LEGISLATIVE ACTION CORRESPONDENCE: None
- I) ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS
- I.1 City of Eureka's Emergency Operations Plan 2025- Public Works Director Kelly Allen and Public Works Operations Analyst Kristen Galt provided a report.

No Members of the Public Addressed the Council on this Matter.

Kati Moulton moved, seconded by G. Mario Fernandez, Adopt Resolution No. 2025 - 33 of the City Council adopting the 2025 City of Eureka Emergency Operation Plan (EOP), motion Carried.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

- I.2 Bill No. 1048-C.S. Designation of Local Fire Hazard Severity Zones – Humboldt Bay Fire Chief Citro provided a report.

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

Kati Moulton moved, seconded by G. Mario Fernandez, Waive full reading, read by title only and Introduce Bill No. 1048-C.S., an Ordinance of the City of Eureka approving the Local Responsibility Area (LRA) Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map as provided by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), motion Carried

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

- I.3 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:
Anonymous

G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Kati Moulton, Waive full reading, read by title only, and adopt Bill No. 1051 C. S., Ordinance No. 967 of the City of Eureka 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, motion Carried.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

- I.4 Bill No. 1050 C.S. - Sales of Nitrous Oxide Ordinance - City Manager Slattery provided a report.

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

G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Renee Contreras-DeLoach, Waive full reading, read by title only, and adopt Bill No. 1050 C.S., Ordinance No. 966 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, motion Carried

Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Kati Moulton, 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 of Councilmember Castellanos request to use available funds from Participatory Budgeting for Food for People, St. Vincent's De Paul as a match.

By Consensus (majority), Council approved Councilmember Castellanos, request to not have a report on digital signs.

By Consensus, Council approved Councilmember Castellanos request for a Resolution for Trans Sanctuary City and Gender-Affirming Care to be placed on future agenda.

By Consensus, Council approved Councilmember Moutons request allowing EPD to request to research drone program.

By Consensus, Council approved Councilmember Contreras-DeLoach's request to place a Proclamation for Native American Heritage Month on the next agenda.

L) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

L.1 3rd Quarter EPD Statistics - City Manager Slattery introduced Chief Stephens who provided a report.

City Manager Slattery provided a report on food security in the area, an announcement tomorrow will be provided with regards to Food Drive Event, City Manager Slattery also provided other food opportunities.

M) PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED

ADJOURNMENT: 9:04PM

APPROVED:

Kim Bergel
Mayor

Attest:

Shannon Fazio
Deputy City Clerk