MINUTES OF EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

March 15, 2022

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.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CLOSED SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:
PRESENT: Susan Seaman
Leslie Castellano
Natalie Arroyo
Kim Bergel
Scott Bauer
Kati Moulton

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION: No report.

A) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Seaman acknowledge Humboldt County Association of Government who will be coordinating the Traffic Safety Task Force.

Congratulations to Food for People who will be breaking ground on their new facility.
Erik and Viviana Hollenbeck of Blue Ox is featured on the Magnolia Network with a free screening on Friday, March 18th at Eureka Theater

A.1 Artist of the Year - Economic Development Manager Swan Asbury provided a report and Mayor Seaman honored Topher Reynolds as Artist of the Year.

A.2 Business of the Year - Economic Development Manager Swan Asbury provided a report and Mayor Seaman honored Hole in the Wall/Pile High Deli as Business of the Year.

A.3 Rhododendron Parade Update – Eric Smith, Old Town Rotary President provided information on the Rhododendron Parade to be held April 30, 2022.

A.4 Tsunami Preparedness Week Proclamation - Councilmember Bauer presented a proclamation for Tsunami Preparedness Week.

B) PRESENTATIONS

B.1 City Of Eureka Downtown Parking Study - Traffic Engineer Scott Ellsmore provided a report. Mark Doty and Divya Gandhi presented information about the Study.

C) BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None

D) PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:
James Graham
Cornelius Lowenstein
Steve Parr
Unidentified Speaker
Unidentified Speaker
Ash Teeter
Caroline Griffith
Latanya Jacob

E) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

F) CONSENT CALENDAR Natalie Arroyo moved, seconded by Kim Bergel, to approve the CONSENT CALENDAR, motion Carried
Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Natalie Arroyo, Kim Bergel, Scott Bauer, Kati Moulton
Naes: None
Absent: None
F.1 Council Meeting Minutes - Approve the regular Council minutes of March 1, 2022 as submitted.

F.2 Rhododendron Parade Sponsorship - Sponsor the Eureka Rhododendron Parade coordinated by Eureka Old Town Rotary.

F.3 Destruction of Records - Adopt Resolution No. 2022-19 of the City Council for Destruction of Certain Records in the Human Resources Department.

F.4 Washington Street Pump Station Pump Upgrade Project 2022 Award - Declare Mercer-Fraser Company the low bidder on the Washington Street Pump Station Pump Upgrade Project 2022, Bid No. 2022-01; and Award Bid No. 2022-01 to Mercer-Fraser Company for the amount of $605,750; and Approve $700,000 for construction, which includes a contingency of approximately 11% and Construction Management in the amount of $25,000.

F.5 Henderson Improvements 2021 Acceptance - Accept the Henderson Improvement 2021 project, Bid No 2021-07; and Authorize the filing of a “Notice of Completion” at the Office of the County Recorder.

F.6 City Hall Electric Vehicle Charging Station Award - Declare Hooven & Co., Inc. the preferred bidder on City Hall EV Charging Station Project; and Award Bid No. 2022-09 to Hooven for the amount of $55,000; and Approve $59,500 for construction, which includes 7% for contingency.

F.7 K Street Lift Station Decommissioning Project 2022 Award - Declare Wahlund Construction the low bidder on the K Street Lift Station Decommissioning Project 2022, Bid No. 2022-04; and award Bid No. 2022-04 to Wahlund Construction for the amount of $217,800; and appropriate $260,000 in Wastewater Enterprise funds to the project; and approve $260,000 for construction, which includes a contingency of approximately 20%.

F.8 Native Plants for Elk River Estuary Enhancement Project - Authorize contract with Samara Restoration for the propagation of native plant material for the Elk River Estuary Enhancement Project in an amount of one hundred and eighty-seven thousand dollars (187,000); and Authorize City Manager to negotiate and execute contract documents.

F.9 FY2022-23 Project Budget Allocation - Approve additional appropriations for FY2022-23 capital projects.

F.10 AB2808 - Ranked Choice Voting Repeal - Authorize the Mayor to sign a letter in opposition of AB 2808 - Ranked Choice Voting Repeal.
G) LEGISLATIVE ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Seaman requested council approval to authorize a letter to State of California to allow for additional time for Child Care Facilities Humboldt Child Care Task Force.

H) ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

I) REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

I.1 General Plan Annual Progress Report - Principal Planner Kristen Goetz provided a report. The following individual addressed the Council regarding this subject matter:

Latanya Jacob

I.2 Housing Element Annual Progress Report - Principal Planner Kristen Goetz provided a report. No from the public addressed the Council regarding this subject matter.


Kim Bergel moved, seconded by Kati Moulton, extend meeting till 10 PM, motion Carried
Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Natalie Arroyo, Kim Bergel, Scott Bauer, Kati Moulton
Noes: None
Absent: None

J) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

K) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

City Manager Miles Slattery provided a update on a grant received by CAPE of 1.6 million received to support Betty's Trailer Village development on Hilfiker Lane.

L) PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED

M) COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS:

Councilmember Castellano attended the reading event at Alice Birney School and the Chamber of Commerce dinner.

Councilmember Bauer attended the Chamber of Commerce dinner. The Gulches and Greenways survey is available and the meeting will be on March 29th at 5:30 PM.
Councilmember Bergel announced the start of the bear and coyote exhibit for the Sequoia Park Zoo. She participated in Bowel for Kids’ Sake and will be participating in the Perilous Plunge upcoming.

Councilmember Moulton attended the Waterfront Specific Plan meeting. This is also a good time of year to donate to your favorite nonprofit.

Councilmember Arroyo attended the HTA meeting. The City of Eureka and County of Humboldt are participating in pilot project to provide transit bus passes for employees.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:47 PM

APPROVED:

Susan Seaman
Mayor

Attest:

Pamela J. Powell
City Clerk