

Regular Council Meeting of November 17, 2020

Pursuant to Proclamation 20-28 issued by Governor Inslee on March 24, 2020 and further amended, which prohibits in person meetings, this regular meeting was attended only by the Mayor, Councilmembers and staff, as social distancing requirements could be met; call in number was provided to the public.

Present were: Mayor Neal, Councilmembers Naillon, Marthaller, McElheran, Hart and Moser. (Naillon and Moser via speakerphone). Absent: None.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Neal. Pledge of Allegiance given.
Copies of the November 3rd council meeting minutes were read and approved.
Copies of the November 10th budget workshop minutes were read and approved.

Jeff Bunnell called in regarding The Oroville Initiative Adopt-A-Park Program proposal; updated information provided to the Mayor and Council answered the majority of their questions. Bunnell stated that he would like to have the applications out as soon as possible, with the program starting in the spring. Council agreed that it is a great program and thanked Bunnell for the proposal.

Public Hearing continuation for the Rezone and Text Amendment tabled until Mayor Neal and Councilman Naillon have an opportunity to discuss options with Planner Kurt Danison.

Public Hearing on the adoption of the Zoning Map to ensure that there is an official zoning map that accurately reflects past rezones, annexations and the present interpretation of the zoning district boundaries opened by Mayor Neal. Planner Danison stated that there is a section that needs to be included from previous annexations that is not reflected on the map. Mayor Neal closed the hearing and the hearing will be continued to the December 1st meeting to allow for the creation of an updated map. Clerk Denney to provide Danison with the zoning information for the annexations to be included on the map.

Public Hearing on the Preliminary 2021 Budget. Clerk Denney explained that the 2020 budget amount, with the budget amendment to be discussed later in the meeting, is \$10,208,550; the proposed 2021 budget amount is \$9,822,000. The 2021 budget will include the completion of the East Lake Water Association Consolidation Project and the Central Avenue street project. Clerk Denney explained that an additional public hearing will be held on the budget during the December 1st meeting, with final budget adoption taking place during the December 15th meeting.

2020 Budget Amendment Ordinance #900, second reading, discussed by Clerk Denney, which increases the Street Fund by \$87,000 for the final reimbursement from TIB on the 16th Avenue project, bringing the Street Fund to \$925,450. Motion by Marthaller, second by Hart that Ordinance #900 be approved; motion carried.

Public Facilities Use further discussed; Clerk Denney stated that she put it into an application format, but additional information is still needed. Discussed that reimbursement to the City for any damages to a public facility would be billed as actual costs; also discussed application process and how potential renewals would be handled. Item tabled to a future meeting.

Ordinance #901 amending Airport Fuel Rates explained by Clerk Denney; request is to increase the cost from an additional \$.50 to \$1.00 over cost and applicable taxes. Motion by Naillon, second by Marthaller that Ordinance #901 be approved; motion carried.

River Oaks / Gene Bouma Development Agreement received. Clerk Denney explained that the property was developed in the 1990's and the City has an agreement to provide occasional maintenance and repairs when needed for the sewer lift station, which are reimbursed by Gene Bouma; Bouma just wanted to reconfirm the agreement. Superintendent Thompson stated that he does not mind helping them out, however, it should be restricted to regular City business hours only. Further discussion on the City providing this service for a private development. Clerk Denney to contact Gene Bouma and request that language be added that the City will provide this service during regular City business hours only.

Public Safety Testing Subscriber Agreement Renewal received. Clerk Denney stated that contracting with Public Safety Testing has worked out really well for the City. Chief Langford agreed as long as lateral officers are not required to go through PST. Clerk Denney requested that the Council approve the contract renewal with the termination date selected as 12/31/23. Motion by McElheran, second by Hart that Mayor Neal be authorized to sign the renewal agreement with Public Safety Testing through 12/31/23; motion carried.

Ordinance #902 amending Sewer Rates reviewed. Clerk Denney stated that the increase had been discussed during the budget workshops and the proposal is to increase the base rate by \$2.00, but leave the per additional unit rates alone. Motion by Hart, second by Marthaller that Ordinance #902 be approved; motion carried.

Oroville Library and Community Board letter received from Jeff Frazier and Terri Dean dissolving the OLCB and notifying the City that their assets will be distributed per letters to the NCRL, Heather Burnell and the Oroville Chamber of Commerce. Discussed that the Oroville Library and Community Board members are appointed by the City and their purpose is for the benefit of the local library; the Council felt that all assets should be turned over to the library. Clerk Denney to contact Terri Dean with the Councils determination. Councilman Naillon asked that thank you letters be sent to Frazier and Dean for their service to the community.

Superintendent Thompson requested permission to sell the old airport fuel at the current road fuel price, as it cannot be used for aviation use; Thompson would like to set a 50 gallon minimum and 300 gallon maximum. Councilman Marthaller requested that the receipts state 'not for aviation use'. Motion by Marthaller, second by Hart that Superintendent Thompson be approved to sell the old airport fuel at \$2.50 per gallon; motion carried.

Karen Frisbie requested permission to place banners on the fence at Prince Heritage Park for the Christmas Tree Lighting Festival and Ice Fishing Festival; Council approved request.

Karen Frisbie stated that the County Store has made a large donation for the fire victims to Frisbie and she will be distributing meat from the Subway location; wanted to make the City aware of it.

Councilman Hart stated that he has been approached about the City renaming Henry Kniss Park; Superintendent Thompson stated that the Soccer Fields should be named. Issue to be considered. Councilman Marthaller stated that the Historical Society could be contacted for suggestions.

Councilman Hart stated that 17th Avenue was closed to vehicle use years ago to allow the kids of Oroville a location to sled in the winter; asking that the City consider doing that this year. Superintendent Thompson stated that the hill in Veteran's Memorial Park would be a great place for the kids to sled. Further discussion on options.

Motion by McElheran and second by Marthaller the vouchers \$74,779.28, #28151-28186, DOR-EFT, be paid, the November 15, 2020 payroll of \$41,411.70, #28137-28150, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202049-202050, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:37 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk