

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call:

Councilmembers present: Charles Gee, Salina Edwards, Jim Paschall, Vice Mayor Bruce Roundy
and Mayor Dennis Hoffman

Councilmembers absent: None

Staff present: City Attorney Greg Einhorn and City Manager Pete Carr

Citizen Comments:

None

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 6:41 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9

One potential case

Meeting adjourned to open session at 6:56 p.m.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Direction was given.

Reconvene to regular session

Roll Call:

Councilmembers present: Charles Gee, Salina Edwards, Jim Paschall, Vice Mayor Bruce Roundy
and Mayor Dennis Hoffman

Councilmembers absent: None

Staff present: City Planner Scott Friend, Sergeant Sean Johnson, City Attorney Greg Einhorn,
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Angie Crook and City Manager Pete Carr

Meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Citizen Comments:

Byron Denton, 127 Tanner Way, thanked the public works staff for keeping the City going during the recent heat spell. Mr. Denton attended the Art Gallery showing and stated there is a lot of talent in our town. Mr. Denton noted the Blue Frogs were working very well at the sewer ponds.

Jody Samons, Glenn County Community Development Director, thanked staff for their assistance with the submission of the Fairgrounds sustainability and economic development proposal that went to the USDA. Ms. Samons invited Council to attend the Economic Development meeting August 24th, at 2:00 p.m. in the Glenn County Board of Supervisors chamber. Ms. Samons also noted that the City of Willows grant for cold storage feasibility was in Glenn County completely obligated and funded today.

Presentation:

Trish Saint-Evens, President of Orland Area Chamber of Commerce, requested the Mayor to postpone the presentation to the volunteers who helped with Glenn County Fair Bee City booth until they were able to attend.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Warrant List (payable obligations).
- B. Approve City Council minutes for July 17, 2017.
- C. Receive and file Arts Commission minutes for May 17, 2017.

Action: Councilmember Edwards moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Roundy to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

AYES: Charles Gee, Salina Edwards, Jim Paschall, Bruce Roundy and Mayor Dennis Hoffman
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARING

None

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

City Manager Carr brought forward discussion and direction concerning vacant and dilapidated buildings. Mr. Carr advised the City does have an inventory of commercial and industrial buildings left over from previous business enterprises years ago; however, City code enforcement has continued to only actively enforce abatement of dangerous buildings, "vacant and dilapidated" can tend to be very cost prohibitive when forced to abate. Mr. Carr stated the Facade Improvement Program provides up to \$1,000 reimbursement to property and business owners to encourage improvements to their building exteriors.

Council considered the pros and cons, costs and benefits in abating vacant and dilapidated buildings. Council also discussed whether façade improvement funds may not be sufficient for larger businesses. Vice Mayor Roundy stated the City may need to think about acquiring more funds to reinvest into the City that can justify costs for more code enforcement opportunities in the future. Mayor Hoffman suggested any unused facade improvement funds be used to build a reserve for abatement issues. Councilmember Paschall stated facade improvement funds may be underfunded. Councilmember Paschall thanked Councilmember Edwards for her efforts on code enforcement issues, as a lot of properties have been cleaned up. Trish Saint-Evens asked if the City had any obligation towards historical buildings. City Planner Friend advised the City does not have any such obligations. Mayor Hoffman questioned how often the Facade program can be used by each business or property owner. Council asked if the Economic Development Commission would have any recommendations and/or improvements to the Façade Improvement Program.

Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Crook requested Council to designate a voting delegate for League of California Cities Annual Conference to be held September 13-15, in Sacramento.

Councilmember Edwards nominated Vice Mayor Roundy, Councilmember Paschall seconded the nomination. No other nominations were received. Motion carried 5-0 to designate Bruce Roundy as voting delegate for League of California Cities Conference.

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Councilmember Paschall had no reports at this time.

Vice Mayor Roundy reported on the following:

- Distributed League Board Activity Report

Councilmember Edwards reported on the following:

- Attended Hambright Creek property owners meeting; Glenn County Board Supervisor Viegas and other agencies were in attendance.

Councilmember Gee reported on the following:

- Public meeting tour of new Eva well and sewer ponds on August 11, 2017.

Mayor Hoffman reported on the following:

- Attended Art Gallery, congratulations on local talent;
- New fire truck delivered;
- Attended National Night Out; thanked VIPs for successful event.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

_____ Clerk

_____ Mayor