

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Gee. Meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

Councilmembers absent: None

Staff present: Chief of Police J.C. Tolle, Grant Administrator Janet Wackerman, Public Works  
Director Ed Vonasek, City Engineer Ken Skillman, City Planner Scott Friend,  
City Attorney Greg Einhorn, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Angie Crook and  
City Manager Pete Carr

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Citizen Comments:

Marjorie & Jerry Palmer, 716 Shasta Street, thanked Council and staff for responding to their request to installing speed bumps in the 300-400 block of Eighth Street. Ms. Palmer advised it is making traffic on Eighth Street much safer.

Bob Pasero, 409 Eighth Street, also thanked Council for installing the speed bumps on Eighth Street. Mr. Pasero invited the community to the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Motor-Icicle Run and pancake breakfast on Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at the Orland Fire Department. Proceeds will be donated to the veteran's memorial which will be breaking ground this spring.

Joe Hipsher, 1305 Gracelyn Street, brought forward concerns of the nuisance the water fowl bring to their neighborhood. Mr. Hipsher stated with no water in Lely pond the water fowl are using their neighborhood as a dumping ground.

Commission Appointment:

Mayor Gee brought forward the request to fill a vacancy on the Economic Development Commission. The new term expires on December 31, 2019. One applicant, Brien Hamilton, has submitted an application.

Mayor Gee stated Mr. Hamilton has some other matters with the City and suggested tabling the appointment to the next scheduled Council meeting, as others from the financial community have also shown an interest.

Presentations:

Public Works Director Vonasek gave an overview of the Public Works and Engineering Departments. Mr. Vonasek reported drought conservation efforts brought a 34% decrease in water usage (equals 174 million gallon reduction) from June through November. Mr. Vonasek stated accomplishments this past year include: a new fleet program, new well, increased awareness regarding Fats, Oils and Grease (F.O.G.) campaign, new park structures in Lely Park, pool picnic area, power installed at the ponds, prep work for Fire Department generator, PG&E street lighting LED program, Rule 20 projects and new stop signs at I-5 interchange. Mr. Vonasek stated upcoming goals next year include: covered picnic and basketball court areas, replace sewer main on Road MM, lift station priority program and hope to repave Tehama Street. City Engineer Skillman stated he will review whether water/sewer rates will need to be increased in the coming year. Council thanked the Public Works Department for their efforts.

City Planner Friend gave an annual review of the Planning Department. Mr. Friend advised the Penbrook subdivision map was approved this past year, as well as twenty-three (23) Administrative Use Permits, three (3) Site Plan Reviews and four (4) Conditional Use Permits. He noted the adoption of the Streetscapes Master Plan for Walker Street/State Route 32 which will improve the existing infrastructure, provide more outdoor dining and pedestrian spaces and enhanced pedestrian crossings. Mr. Friend stated he is looking ahead with the following residential developments: Arbuckle Parcel Map, Benson Estates, Linwood Phase 2 and Penbrook subdivision. He noted new commercial development include: Wild Wings and a new truck wash/repair uses. Mr. Friend advised there are currently pending annexations under consideration-south of Ide Street, north of County Road 14 and a potential annexation south of County Road 15, north of County Road 16. Mr. Friend advised there were 208 building permits issued in 2017 and twenty-nine (29) new dwelling units. Mr. Friend noted the proposed hotel project has yet to act on the City's offered incentive.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Warrant List (payable obligations).
- B. Approve City Council minutes for December 18, 2017.
- C. Update on Fiscal Year City Projects and Objectives.
- D. Approve contract amendment between City of Orland Arts Commission and Tamara Bonet.

Action: Councilmember Hoffman moved, seconded by Councilmember Paschall to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

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

PUBLIC HEARING

None

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

City Manager Carr brought forward to Council for consideration to allow gated access at the north end of Fourth Street. Brien Hamilton, owner of the property north of the planned Fourth Street fence site, had initially requested the City to install a gate at his expense, for use in accessing his property across the irrigation canal from Fourth Street. Mr. Hamilton provided Council and staff with a presentation of the area being discussed, the logistical concerns of activating an electronic gate at this location and his concerns on the City's draft Installation and Maintenance agreement. Mr. Hamilton stated he feels he meets the conditions for a prescriptive access to the property, since it has been in continuous use for over a 100 years and the City has known about the use. Mr. Hamilton requested Council to consider Fourth Street exempt from being fenced. A resident from 106 Fourth Street stated all access areas near the canal should be fenced off, not just portions of it. Council agreed undergrounding the canal is the best option, but is not feasible at this time. David Nelson, attorney for Mr. Hamilton, stated blocking access to Mr. Hamilton's property would cause a burden on him. Council directed the City Attorney to come back with a workable solution at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting on January 22, 2018.

Grant Administrator Wackerman brought forward a request to adopt Resolution No. 2018-01 regarding an application for State financing of a water tank. Ms. Wackerman advised she has submitted an application to the State Water Resources Control Board seeking funds from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for environmental and designs costs of the proposed Suisun Water Tank. The resolution will designate an authorized representative to sign the documents for the application.

Action: Councilmember Paschall moved, seconded by Councilmember Edwards to adopt Resolution No. 2018-01 authorizing the City Manager as the authorized representative or his designee to sign and file the above mentioned application. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

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

City Manager Carr brought forward the Economic Development Commission's recommendation to paint or wrap the existing elevated water tower with the Bee City logo or Queen Bee Capital artwork. Staff advised repainting the entire water tower often exceeds \$100k; adding artwork by paint or wrap, should be expected to be much less. No bids have been requested at this time. Council discussed the need for cost estimates or whether the structure would be allowed to stand as a landmark once its use is obsolete. Council also had concerns of spending monies on an old landmark that is not earthquake proof and instead saving monies for street repairs. Council directed staff for more information on costs.

City Planner Friend gave an update on housing law. Mr. Friend stated fifteen (15) new bills were signed into law related to housing. The new laws highlight accountability and enforcement, streamlining and preservation of affordable housing. Mr. Friend stated the State of California has made it substantially more difficult for cities and counties to get compliant Housing Elements and most importantly, Council needs to be sure the Housing Element is updated and an annual report completed each year, as non-compliance

could risk land use authority being taken away. Mr. Friend advised the City has done a great job in meeting its Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA) numbers in the past, but still stressed the importance of maintaining a thorough analysis of the City's Housing Element. Trish Saint-Evens requested Council be mindful in keeping the RHNA numbers in balance.

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Councilmember Hoffman reported on the following:

- Suggested possible updating City logo to include Queen Bee Capital and new lapel pins.

Councilmember Edwards reported on the following:

- Attended LAFCO meeting.

Councilmember Paschall had no reports at this time.

Vice Mayor Roundy reported on the following:

- Reminder –no exparte communication with people seeking action from the Council;
- Attended ribbon cutting ceremony for new playground structure at Lely Park; nice new family destination;
- Attended piano recital at the Art Gallery;
- Attended LAFCO meeting, appointed as Chair;
- Will complete online ALICE training (Active Shooter training);
- Will be attending League of California Cities Policy Committee meeting on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Gee reported on the following:

- Attended City Selection Committee meeting;
- Will be attending EDC meeting Tuesday at 6 PM;
- Audit report in good shape;
- Met with Tax Share Committee; tentative agreement shared.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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