

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING, ORLAND CITY COUNCIL, Monday May 6, 2013 7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Gee.

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

Councilmembers absent: None

Staff present: Finance Director Daryl Brock, City Attorney Gina Gingery, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Angie Crook and City Manager Pete Carr

Citizen comments:

None

Meeting reconvened to Closed Session at 7:02 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation: Government Code Section: 54956.9(d) (4), one potential case.

Conference with Labor Negotiators; Government Code Section: 54957.6; Agency Negotiators: City Manager Pete Carr and City Attorney Greg Einhorn; Employee Organizations: United Public Employees of California Local #792 (Mid Management and General Units) and Unrepresented Employees (all others not in UPEC).

Meeting adjourned to open session at 7:29 p.m.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Direction was given to City Attorney.

Discussion will continue on Conference with Labor Negotiators.

Meeting reconvened to regular session at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Gee. Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

Councilmembers absent: None

Staff present: Recreation Director Joe Fenske, Public Works Director Jere Schmitke, Chief of Police J.C. Tolle, City Attorney Gina Gingery, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Angie Crook and City Manager Pete Carr

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Citizen Comments:

Byron Denton, 127 Tanner Way, stated he attended the National Day of Prayer held in front of Carnegie Center.

Casey Murray, County of Glenn Assistant Planner, stated the County now has a GIS map gallery link available on their website. The County welcomes any feedback.

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Councilmember Paschall requested more information regarding the approval process on large dollar items requested by the Arts Commission and to consider changes to the process.

Councilmember Edwards reported on the following:

- Attended the World Sikh celebration in Anderson; state dignitaries in attendance.
- Conferred with Trish Saint Evans and Arts Commission regarding placement of memorial bronze plaques in Library Park; suggested placing plaques in breezeway of new library addition or marble statue in the park.
- Conferred with Vice Mayor Hoffman regarding ideas for a community center and consideration for a town hall meeting.

Councilmember Roundy reported on the following:

- Participated in Resource Conservation District 5K walk/run at Black Butte Lake.
- Dr. Schmidt's retirement community picnic well attended;
- Attended the Joint Cities/County meeting;
- OHS student docents assisting at the Art Gallery;
- Friend of the Orland Free Library Book Sale gained over \$3000 in proceeds;
- Post office sponsoring National Food Drive beginning Saturday;
- Attended Food Pantry meeting;
- Toured sewer ponds with City Manager.

Vice Mayor Hoffman reported on the following:

- Attended Joint Cities/County meeting;
- Presented proclamation to retiring Dr. Schmidt at community picnic;
- Bronze sculpture dedication scheduled for May 11, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.;
- Attended Grocery Outlet ribbon cutting ceremony with the Orland Chamber of Commerce;

Mayor Gee reported on the following:

- Sent thank you letters to the groups which helped clean and paint the parks and swimming pool.

Mayor Gee requested Councilmember Edwards and Vice Mayor Hoffman, members from the Community Center committee, to contact John Linhart from Glenn County regarding possible uses of the Memorial Hall facility.

Mayor Gee advised the Blair storm drain area is a drainage easement and the City does not own the property.

Mayor Gee advised he spoke to the manager of Umpqua Bank who suggested additional parking on Third Street to assist Umpqua Bank and Senior Thrift store customers.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Warrant List (payable obligations).
- B. Approve City Council minutes for April 2, 2013
- C. Approve City Council minutes for April 15, 2013.
- D. Receive and file Arts Commission minutes for March 20, 2013.
- E. Receive and file Public Safety Commission minutes for March 11, 2013.
- F. Receive and file Planning Commission minutes for March 21, 2013.
- G. Receive and file correspondence from Orland Unified School District regarding Art teacher and the Orland Arts Center.
- H. Approve Resolution No. 2013-XX to correct discrepancies between Grant Agreement No.12-CDBG-8404 and its Funding Application.

Councilmember moved, seconded by Councilmember Edwards to approve the consent calendar as presented. Motion carried unanimously with no abstentions.

PUBLIC HEARING

Conduct a public hearing to receive public input regarding Unmet Transit Needs

Casey Murray, Assistant Planner of Glenn County, on behalf of the Glenn County Transportation Commission, gave an annual review of the Unmet Transit Needs process and requested public and council comments. The Public Hearing opened at 7:50 p.m. No comments were received. The Public Hearing closed at 7:51 p.m. Vice Mayor Hoffman asked if there were any surplus funds and why there is not a taxi service in Glenn County. Mr. Murray advised the Dial-a-Ride service is offered for personal transportation services to those meeting disability, income and age requirements. Mr. Murray could not give a reason why there is no regular taxi service in the Glenn County area. City Manager Carr asked why Dial-a-Ride ridership has gone down in both Orland and Willows. Mr. Murray stated possibly due to the circulator service that had been in effect. Councilmember Edwards questioned if the Dial-a-Ride services are publicized. Councilmember Roundy advised volunteers have helped offset the County's transportation services, since there had been reductions in funding which could not sustain the services.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS

Recreation Director:

Recreation Director Joe Fenske brought forward for consideration the Parks and Recreation Commission's recommendation to allow a Petanque course be set up in Vinsonhaler Park or another possible location. Mr. Jan Claire came to the Parks and Recreations Commission with a proposal to bring a Petanque club to the Orland area. Mr. Claire advised Vinsonhaler Park would be ideal for five Petanque courts located on the west side of the tennis courts, as the trees would provide much needed shade at this location. The Recreation Commission approved the following conditions:

- Start with 5 courts and see how long the growth of the sport goes until constructing further courts.
- Petanque Club is responsible for all cost of constructing the courts and purchasing materials, after City provides the dirt surface.
- Petanque Club is responsible for all recurring costs; City shall not be responsible for costs to address vandalism or maintenance to the courts.

Public Works Director Schmitke advised bare space behind the Recreation Center should be considered as it may be difficult to move sprinklers at Vinsonhaler Park. Recreation Director Fenske advised he supports the Petanque concept and is neutral to the location of the courts. Councilmember Edwards questioned the amount of assistance from the Public Works department when there is limited staff. Councilmember Edwards advised fast growing trees could be planted behind the Recreation Center to offer the shade that is desired. Mr. Claire stated the location in Vinsonhaler Park is perfect due to the visibility to attract new club members, established shade trees and dirt. Mr. Claire advised the Petanque Club would be covered by liability insurance. Councilmember Paschall did not like the idea of removing a lot of grass from Vinsonhaler Park. Councilmember Roundy advised there was a gym expansion that was being considered in the future behind the recreation center. Councilmember Roundy stated he liked the area in Vinsonhaler Park which was being proposed. Trish Saint –Even was opposed to Petanque courts in Vinsonhaler Park. Vice Mayor Hoffman advised he did not want to expend public monies to construct courts for a limited number of people.

Council suggested Mr. Claire look into the Orland Unit Water Users property and railroad property that may be available for a location of Petanque courts. Fenske said he would assist Mr. Claire in locating Petanque courts.

City Manager:

City Manager Carr introduced the draft five-year plan for the City to address many functions including finances and economic development. City Manager Carr requested Council to review the plan and anticipate updates every one to three years. The following areas highlighted in the plan include:

- Operate on a balanced budget with healthy reserves
- Fire Department remains volunteer and sustainably funded
- Police Department is stable, well-staffed and well equipped
- Maintain utility rates and services that are competitive and stable
- Position the city for robust but orderly growth
- Freeway gateways identify, announce and invite visitors to Orland

- Pedestrian friendly with planned bicycle path system
- Park and recreation departments provide exemplary facilities and services for residents and visitors
- We are improving the health, safety and welfare of the community
- City staff is effectively serving and developing professionally
- The city is engaged in meaningful ways with the community (outreach, social media, etc.)

Council reviewed and discussed the plan and requested staff to bring the 5-year plan back to Council in another month after more time for further review.

City Manager Carr brought forward for discussion the proposed draft enterprise budget for water, sewer and the building department for the upcoming fiscal year 2013-2014. City Manager Carr advised the water and sewer funds have been recovering from negative cash flow in past years. A 5.2% increase is set for next fiscal year which will help continue a positive cash flow. The Building Department has had a deficit in recent years from reduced revenue from fee-generating services. Staff has proposed the Building Fund sunset and be incorporated into the General Fund. Major projects related to enterprise funds include a CDBG grant-funded well capacity study and purchase and installation of a new sewer headworks. City Manager Carr requested Council to consider options given by staff to finance the headworks project. Council discussed options with staff.

Vice Mayor Hoffman moved, seconded by Councilmember Edwards to approve Option A. – direct and immediate purchase which exceeds the current capacity of the Sewer Fund but which recovers itself with twelve months. Motion carried unanimously with no abstentions.

Mayor Gee recognized a Boy Scout in the audience for earning his merit badge in citizenship.

Meeting adjourned to continue Closed Session regarding Conference with Labor Negotiators at 9:20 p.m.

Meeting reconvened to Open Session at 9:49 p.m.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Direction was given to the City Manager

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

_____Clerk

_____Mayor