

MINUTES OF THE ORLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Paschall at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present via teleconference:	Councilmembers Billy Irvin, Dennis Hoffman, Salina Edwards, and Vice Mayor Bruce Roundy
Councilmembers present at Carnegie Center:	Mayor Jim Paschall
Councilmembers absent:	None
Staff present via teleconference:	Chief of Police Joe Vlach, Public Works Director Ed Vonasek, City Attorney Greg Einhorn and City Manager Pete Carr
Staff present at Carnegie Center:	City Clerk/Administrative Services Manager Janet Wackerman

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Citizen Comments:

Byron Denton, 127 Tanner Way, stated he was ready for cool air and waiting to see what Council will do tonight.

Presentation:

Dr. Jared Garrison, Glenn County Public Health Officer, provided Council members and staff with an update on COVID-19 in the community. He offered that most virus-related cases stem from friends and family gathering. Additionally, he advised that if the community wants businesses to succeed and have children back in school, people need to wear a mask and stay six feet apart from others.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Warrant List (payable obligations).
- B. Approve City Council minutes for August 17, 2020.
- C. Receive and file Planning Commission minutes for June 18, 2020.

Action: Council member Edwards moved, seconded by Councilmember Hoffman to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion carried 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Edwards, Hoffman, Irvin, Vice-Mayor Roundy and Mayor Paschall

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARING

None

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Mayor Paschall stated Item 7.G. should be discussed first. Upon consensus of the City Council, the item was moved.

G. Verbal update on Covid-19's impact on the local economy and City operations – Pete Carr, City Manager

City Manager Carr stated there are a few signs, sanitizers, and face mask boxes remaining available at the Chamber of Commerce office. At present hair salons can conduct operations indoors but indoor dining is still not allowed until the city moves from purple to red tier. The first parklet has occurred in front of the Farwood Bar and Grill. Park reservations are still not being accepted and self-policing at the Lely basketball courts has not been consistent, even with signage installed. Library staff is providing limited but excellent service and is a cooling center during operating hours. The Friends of the Library are providing funding for a curbside book drop. A touch-less entry is contemplated if there is FEMA funding available. The pool season concluded Saturday with 40 people in attendance; the splash pad will continue for another month. The Recreation Department will not schedule any fall sports. City Hall will continue to have their lobby closed until the city reaches the red tier. As of September 3, it is fully staffed. The first responders continue vigilance with PPE. Dispatch advises responders if it is known whether a household has exposure to Covid-19.

City Manager Carr added there will be more discussion on funding opportunities in Items 7A and 7B.

Vice-Mayor Roundy stated he has observed a church holding services in Library Park on Sunday. City Manager Carr stated if the City wants to give authority to law enforcement to enforce the limits on gatherings, they will have to enact a city ordinance.

A. Utilization of CARES Act Funding, CDBG-CV1 – Pete Carr, City Manager

City Manager Carr reported that one of the economic relief mechanisms provided by the CARES Act is local economic impact relief and economic development funding allocated to cities and counties based on population through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. This funding is non-competitive, but jurisdictions need to apply for the funds (approximately \$77,000) including a plan of how it will be utilized. The city could self-administer the program, contract with a third-party consultant, waive receipt of the funds or partner with Glenn County.

Staff recommends that the city partner with Glenn County to administer the funds in parallel grant programs for local businesses impacted by Covid-19. Each grant would be \$2500 to \$7500. County staff would retain the administrative allocation (up to 17%)

Councilmember Irvin asked if the 17% came out of the \$77,000. City Manager Carr stated it would.

Vice-Mayor Roundy stated it is good to partner with the County.

Councilmember Hoffman stated if the County already has something established it would be good to partner with them and get the money out to small businesses.

Action: Councilmember Hoffman moved, seconded by Councilmember Irvin to direct staff to proceed with plans to partner with Glenn County to administer CDBG-CV1 funds as grants for local businesses, with the County performing grant underwriting and reporting and retaining up to the prescribed administrative allocation. The motion carried 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Councilmember Hoffman, Irvin, Edwards Vice-Mayor Roundy and Mayor Paschall
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

B. Utilization of Covid-19 Relief Funds (CRF) – Janet Wackerman, Administrative Services Manager

Administrative Services Manager Wackerman stated one of the economic relief mechanisms provided by the CARES Act is local economic relief funding allocated to cities based on population. CRF funds are non-competitive but a city needs to provide a plan for how they will be utilized. There is a long list of acceptable uses from business loans to construction of medical facilities to labor for local public safety. Staff recommends proceeding with the

application of CRF funds to offset public safety expenses. A total of \$102,000 is allocated and to date the city has received over \$35,000 from the Department of Finance.

Action: Vice-Mayor Roundy moved, seconded by Councilmember Edwards to direct staff to proceed with application of CRF funds to offset public safety expenses. The motion carried 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Vice-Mayor Roundy, Councilmember Edwards, Hoffman, Irvin, and Mayor Paschall
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

City Manager Carr stated is an example of the importance of population count for the Census since allocations are based on population. Mayor Paschall asked if they were still counting and City Manager Carr stated yes, they will until at least September 30.

C. South Street Traffic Signal Equipment Update — Ed Vonasek, Public Works Director

Public Works Director Vonasek stated the signal at South and Sixth Streets has been problematic over the years with embedded surface sensor issues and complaints about light malfunctions. At present, one sensor is inoperable and must be repaired. After review by the city's signal operations contractor, it was determined up to six of the loops need repair or maintenance at a cost of approximately \$15,000. An alternative recommendation to the problem would be to install a four-camera traffic detection system that would cue the appropriate route for signal controls at a cost of \$28,627.50. Future surfacing projects and other loop issues would be eliminated with the camera system.

Councilmember Edwards asked if traffic tickets could be issued based on what the camera records. Public Works Director Vonasek stated the cameras are meant to detect traffic for the signals to operate and do not record activity.

Councilmember Irvin questioned the life expectancy of the current loops. Public Works Director Vonasek stated at present the south bound loops are not operating but he would have to research how long loops are intended to last.

Action: Vice-Mayor Roundy moved, seconded by Councilmember Hoffman to direct staff to proceed with the purchase of a video detection system for an amount to not exceed \$28,627.50 for the Sixth and South Street traffic signal. The motion carried 3-2 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Vice-Mayor Roundy, Councilmember Hoffman and Mayor Paschall
NOES:	Council members Edwards and Irvin
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

D. Float Tractor/Skip Loader Purchase – Ed Vonasek, Public Works Director

Public Works Director Vonasek stated his department has done exhaustive work trying to get the best quality equipment at the lowest rate. By purchasing both items together, the city would get a sizable discount.

Action: Councilmember Hoffman moved, seconded by Councilmember Edwards to direct staff to proceed with the purchase of the float tractor and the skip loader from Water/Sewer enterprise and street funds. The motion carried 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Councilmember Hoffman, Edwards, Irvin, Vice-Mayor Roundy, and Mayor Paschall
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

E. Consider Council position for League of California Cities Resolution – Janet Wackerman Administrative Services Manager

- 1) Calling for an amendment of Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act of 1996 to require social media companies to remove materials which promote criminal activities.

Administrative Services Manager Wackerman asked Vice-Mayor Roundy to give a brief summary of the Resolution presented.

Action: Councilmember Edwards moved, seconded by Councilmember Hoffman to direct Vice-Mayor Roundy to support the amendment of Section 230 of the communications Decency Act of 1996 at the League of Cities Annual Meeting on behalf of the city. The motion carried 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Councilmember Edwards, Hoffman, Irvin, Vice-Mayor Roundy, and Mayor Paschall
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

F. Introduce first reading by title only and consider passage of Ordinance No. 2020-10 amending Chapter 2 to the Orland Municipal Code to align the code sections with city administration practices and procedures (City Clerk, City Treasurer, Fire Chief and Bidding Procedures) – Greg Einhorn, City Attorney

City Attorney Einhorn stated it would be timely to update certain administrative sections of the code to be consistent with State law, current issues, and established practices. A noticed public hearing is not needed in this instance.

Action: Council member Hoffman moved, seconded by Councilmember Edwards to approve the first reading of Ordinance No.2020-10. The motion carried 5-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers Hoffman, Edwards, Irvin, Vice Mayor Roundy, and Mayor Paschall
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Vice Mayor Roundy:

- Water Authority is going forward;
- Would like to hear from Chief Vlach, at his annual report, if we have enough police.

Councilmember Hoffman:

- Noted that the new mural installed on the Honeybee Discovery Center shows how friendly the city is.

Councilmember Edwards:

- Thanked Vice-Mayor Roundy for stepping in for her at the Glenn County Transportation Commission meeting.

Councilmember Irvin:

- Asked for a report on the Police/Fire shared employee.

Chief Vlach reported they have hired Mica Alva who works for the Fire Department in the morning and Police Department in the afternoon. Mayor Paschall asked what her duties were. Chief Vlach stated she is learning their systems (phone and filing) and is going thru old parking citations; helping them play “catch-up.”

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

Janet Wackerman, City Clerk

James Paschall, Sr., Mayor