

**MINUTES OF THE ORLAND CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING HELD OCTOBER 18, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Hoffman at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Dennis Hoffman.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present:	Councilmembers Bruce Roundy, Chris Dobbs, Billy Irvin, Vice Mayor Jeffrey Tolley and Mayor Dennis Hoffman
Councilmembers absent:	None
Staff present:	City Manager Pete Carr; Assistant City Manager/Director of Administrative Services Rebecca Pendergrass; City Clerk Jennifer Schmitke; City Planner, Scott Friend; Police Chief Vlach
Staff via Zoom:	Fire Chief Justin Chaney

**ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Warrant List (payable obligations)
- B. Approve City Council Minutes for October 4, 2022
- C. Receive and file Arts Commission minutes of September 28, 2022
- D. Accept Glenn Educational Center Utility Easement
- E. CV2/3 Realignment of Allocations

Councilmember Bruce Roundy pulled Item B and Vice Mayor Jeffrey Tolley pulled Item D from the consent calendar.

Action: Vice Mayor Tolley moved, Councilmember Roundy seconded, to approve items A, C, and E on the consent calendar. The motion carried by a voice vote 5-0.

Councilmember Roundy requested that the minutes from the October 4, 2022 meeting be amended to reflect his statement regarding the reduction of development impact fees for the Habitat for Humanity project. Councilmember Roundy suggested the 29% reduction spread equally across all categories (so all departments would share the cost), which was later approved by majority vote.

Action: Councilmember Roundy moved, Councilmember Dobbs seconded, to approve item B as amended. The motion carried by a voice vote 5-0.

Vice Mayor Tolley wanted to make note that the packet was missing the attached plat that was mentioned in the staff report for item 5.D., he stated he did receive the attachment at the meeting.

Action: Councilmember Tolley moved, Councilmember Dobbs seconded, to approve item D on the consent calendar. The motion carried by a voice vote 5-0.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

### **A. CHANGES IN HOUSING DEVELOPMENT LEGISLATION**

City Planner Scott Friend briefly updated Council on new legislation that has passed recently that could someday affect Orland. Mr. Friend spoke about Senate Bill 9 (SB9) Housing Development: Approvals; AB 2011: Affordable Housing and High Road Jobs Act; SB897: Junior Accessory Dwelling Units; AB2344: Wildlife Connectivity and Transportation Projects; AB 2449, AB2647 and SB 932. Mr. Friend shared that Legislature did not pass anything of substantial significance related to the environment and applicable to Orland.

Mayor Hoffman wanted on record that these are state laws and nothing that the City can change.

### **B. CITY-SPONSORED COMMUNITY E-GIFT CARDS**

City Manager Pete Carr shared an update on the City-sponsored community e-Gift Card program to Council. Mr. Carr briefly went over the e-Gift card programs including branding, eligibility, marketing, incentives, and accountability. Mr. Carr shared that this week notifications have been sent out to all qualifying merchants. Qualifying merchants were sent an invitation to a virtual webinar to learn how to participate and how the Orland Queen Bee Bucks e-Gift Card Program will work on Wednesday October 19, 2022 at 3:00 PM, this was also posted on the City's Facebook page.

Mayor Hoffman asked if the merchants that will be participating will have a sign or sticker in their windows to let patrons know they accept Queen Bee Bucks. Mr. Carr shared that Yiftee will produce marketing materials to all qualifying merchants to allow patrons to know they are part of the gift card program.

Mr. Carr shared what the Queen Bee Bucks digital e-Gift card webpage could look like and explained that the site would be run completely by Yiftee.

Barry Foster, HdL consultant shared that his company's goal is to launch the site by November 1, 2022 as long as there are at least 12 merchants signed up for the program.

Two Councilmembers stated concerns and asked questions regarding the exclusion of businesses that are mobile or home based. Mr. Carr shared that the parameters of the program can always be modified by the majority of Council.

Councilmember Roundy asked for clarification of how to use the Queen Bee Bucks website and how he would get the bonus. Mr. Foster explained how purchases will get their card and bonus card through their email and explained they can save the image on their phone or print out a piece of paper. Assistant City Manager Rebecca Pendergrass pulled up an example of YUBA BUCKS e-Gift card program that is also currently working with HdL and walked Council through the steps of purchasing a gift card.

Councilmember Irvin asked if there was an age limit on who you can send an e-Gift card to, and Mr. Foster clarified that anyone with an email address can receive an e-Gift card.

### **C. VERBAL UPDATE ON DROUGHT CONDITIONS AND WATER SUPPLY PROJECT**

City Manager Pete Carr provided an update on reported dry wells, stating there have been 4 additional well reported since the last City Council meeting. Currently the total of dry or at-risk wells being reported this year is 120. The total number of wells affected for this drought is now listed at 417.

Mr. Carr shared with Council that connections within City Limits are in progress (phase 1) and about 15% complete. Public Works Department is working on the project in between other weekly projects, today 60 feet of main line was installed. Mr. Carr shared the Public Works Director, Ed Vonasek is hopeful that phase 1 will be complete by January.

Mr. Carr stated that phase 2 (the yellow line that goes out into the County showing where the main lines are going to be) is about 90% completed between engineers and environmental considerations. Mr. Carr shared that he is hopeful phase 2 will be at 100% complete this fall and bids will be able to go out then.

Mr. Carr shared that the well that the Department of Water Resources (DWR) is building at west Walker Street is almost at 100% design ready, just waiting on a few engineering reviews that are needing to be addressed.

Mr. Carr stated that the City's municipal wells remain stable. Mr. Carr shared a 10-year review graph of the municipal well water level from October and March reads from 2013-2022.

### **CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS**

Councilmember Roundy:

- Attended the LAFCO meeting October 10, 2022.
- Will be attending the Glenn Groundwater Authority meeting October 21, 2022.
- Will be attending the Golden State Risk Management Authority (GSRMA) training session October 21, 2022.
- Will be attending an investment meeting at City Hall October 21, 2022.
- Thanked Councilmember Irvin for his kind words in a recent newspaper article.
- There is a monthly meeting with the Superintendent of Orland schools; Councilmember Roundy felt a Councilmember should be present to represent the City and show partnership between the two groups.

Councilmember Dobbs:

- Shared that the new fire truck is almost complete and should be in Orland by mid-November. Councilmember Dobbs thanked Assistant Chief McDermott and City staff for all the help on the grant, that helped make it possible to get the new fire truck.

Councilmember Irvin:

- Shared he has been interviewed a few times for newspapers for the upcoming elections.
- Will be attending the Golden State Risk Management Authority (GSRMA) training session October 21, 2022.

Vice Mayor Tolley:

- Nothing to report.

Mayor Hoffman:

- Will be attending the Chamber of Commerce meeting October 19, 2022.
- Will be attending the Planning Commission meeting October 20, 2022.
- Will be attending the Golden State Risk Management Authority (GSRMA) training session October 21, 2022.
- Will be attending the Chamber of Commerce Rib Cook-Off October 22, 2022.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:39 P.M.**

Jennifer Schmitke, City Clerk

Dennis G. Hoffman, Mayor