

**MINUTES OF THE ORLAND CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING HELD APRIL 4, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Chris Dobbs at 6:30 PM.

Meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present:	Councilmembers John McDermott, Jeffrey Tolley, Matt Romano (arrived at 7:14 pm), Vice Mayor Bruce Roundy, Mayor Chris Dobbs
Councilmembers absent:	None
Staff present:	City Manager Pete Carr; Assistant City Manager/Director of Administrative Services Rebecca Pendergrass; Police Chief Joe Vlach; City Clerk Jennifer Schmitke; Fire Chief Justin Chaney; City Attorney Greg Einhorn
Staff present online:	City Engineer Paul Rabo; Public Works Director Ed Vonasek

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Warrant List (payable obligations)
- B. Approve City Council Minutes for March 21, 2023
- C. 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report – City Projects
- D. Adoption of CEQA Document for Fuels Mitigation Project in Stony Creek
- E. Tentative Parcel Map No.2019-01: Quezada (South Street)
- F. Tentative Parcel Map No.2022-01: Royce (Papst Street)
- G. Tentative Parcel Map No.2021-01: Rios (Cortina Drive)

Mayor Dobbs acknowledged a correction on the City Council Minutes from March 21, 2023 showing he was present at the meeting.

Action: Councilmember Tolley moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Roundy to approve the consent calendar. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment (ZCA 2023-01) – Joint Tenant Pole Signs.**

City Manager Carr shared with Council that this item will be continued to the April 18, 2023 City Council Meeting.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

### **A. UPDATE/DISCUSSION WITH SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER LOWERY**

Officer Kat Lowery shared briefly about her 5-year history with Orland Police Department (OPD) and about the last year on the job as the newest School Resource Officer (SRO). Officer Lowery explained that when she accepted the position her goal was to bridge the gap between officers and youth.

Officer Lowery spoke about traveling around to the 7 campuses in Orland and gave Council a brief view on her day-to-day activities. Officer Lowery shared that her duties don't end when the school day is over, she likes to attend after school activities, sports, events in the evenings and on weekends to show her support to kids not only at school but in their everyday lives.

Officer Lowery shared some of her favorite photos of her on the job over the last five years in the department.

Councilmember Roundy asked questions about her daily routine and about some of the resources she provides to the youth.

Mayor Dobbs thanked Officer Lowery for being on campus, sharing he has peace of mind knowing she is visiting all schools. Mayor Dobbs shared he would like to see the SRO position turn into a permanent position.

### **B. FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET DISCUSSION#1: ASSUMPTIONS, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING, DIF, STAFFING, GENERAL FUND REVENUE FORECASTING**

Mr. Carr presented the first part of the draft proposed budget to Council for the next fiscal year 2023-2024 which starts July 1. Mr. Carr went over the assumptions for fiscal year 2023 sharing that the impacts of the pandemic and drought will subside; Orland's economic outlook continues to be somewhat robust; an increase in sales tax revenue attributable to the opening of Maverik and McDonalds during the fiscal year; four apartment complexes that are currently under construction will be completed, opened and filled this fiscal year; the Department of Water Resources (DWR) groundwater supply project will continue into this fiscal year.

Mr. Carr brought forward the capital projects and objectives list for Council to review sharing that the DWR and ARPA projects will dominate this fiscal year's list. Reconstruction of the entire City portion of M ½, roof and floor repairs to City Hall/Police Department and Library have been moved to the more urgent box due to the amount of water damage that these buildings received this last rainy season.

Mr. Carr shared that capital replacement and improvement projects this next fiscal year are all projects that will continue from FY 2022-2023. The Recreation trail should get completed with a recently awarded "per capita" parks grant. Capital Improvement project (CIP) planning will include engineering work toward the next well, the industrial wastewater ponds improvements, repairs to Shasta/Bryant Street, coordination of plans with Caltrans for SR32 and potentially on architectural and financing work for a public safety facility.

Mr. Carr presented the Development Impact fees (DIF) fund balances by categories.

Mr. Carr explained currently there are no proposed staffing changes in the upcoming budget. Mr. Carr shared there are currently open funded positions with Police and Public Works departments waiting to be filled.

Mr. Carr presented an estimate of anticipated revenue of \$6.2M, a slight increase for the General Funds revenue. Mr. Carr shared the City will be operating in the black and maintain reserves of over \$1.4M while maintaining services and completing CIP projects. Mr. Carr explained that the City is forecasting sales tax will grow 3% and property tax will increase 2.5%.

Mayor Dobbs asked about the possibility of looking into sharing a grant writer with the City of Willows. City Manager Carr stated the City is currently looking into many options when it comes to a grant writer and shared that this topic could be a future agenda item.

Vice Mayor Roundy stated he would support the Chief bringing research to the Council about adding an additional SRO to the department. Chief Vlach stated he appreciates the Council's support.

Mr. Carr stated he received the direction from Council he needed to proceed with the budget.

## **ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

## **CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS**

Councilmember McDermott:

- Thanked the community for their support on voting for the Fire Truck Face Off on the Golden State Fire Apparatus, Inc Facebook challenge, the City truck won and the department will get \$1,000 donated to the Glenn County K9 Association.

Councilmember Romano:

- Nothing to Report.

Councilmember Tolley:

- Nothing to Report.

Vice Mayor Roundy:

- Attended the Sacramento Valley Division Quarterly Meeting and asked the City Clerk to pass out the Cal Cities Annual report pamphlet to all Councilmembers.

Mayor Dobbs

- Will be attending the Fire Department meeting April 10, 2023.

## **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:31 PM**

Jennifer Schmitke, City Clerk

Chris Dobbs, Mayor