

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
YREKA HELD IN SAID CITY ON MAY 21, 2020

On the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May 2020, the City Council of the City of Yreka met in regular session, and upon roll call, the following were present: Deborah Baird, Joan Smith Freeman, Duane Kegg, Paul McCoy, and Norman Shaskey. Absent - None.

Consent Calendar: Mayor Freeman announced that all matters listed under the consent calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion unless any member of the Council wishes to remove an item for discussion or a member of the audience wishes to comment on an item:

- a. Approval/ratification of payments issued from May 7 through May 21, 2020.
- b. Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting held May 7, 2020 and the special meeting held May 7, 2020.
- c. Direct the City Manager to review the conflict of interest code as required by California Government Code Section 87306.5.
- d. Acceptance of Treasurer's Report and Budget to Actual for the month of April 2020.

Councilmember Shaskey requested that item 1d Treasurer's Reports be pulled for discussion.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Kegg moved to approve items a, b & c on the consent calendar as submitted.

Councilmember Shaskey seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Freeman, Kegg, McCoy and Shaskey.

Mayor Freeman thereupon declared the motion carried.

Acceptance of Treasurer's Report and Budget to Actual for the month of April 2020.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Shaskey moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and Budget to Actual for the month of April 2020 as submitted.

Councilmember Baird seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Freeman, Kegg, McCoy and Shaskey.

Mayor Freeman thereupon declared the motion carried.

Adopt Resolution # 2020-13 accepting a Drinking Water State Revolving Funds (DWSRF) Grant in the amount of \$3,135,000 and authorizing the Finance Director to Allocate these funds for the E. Lennox Street Water Line Replacement and Water Treatment Plant Filter Improvements Project.

Municipal Projects Manager Cynthia Lynch provided the Council with a memorandum reporting that In October 2019 the Council approved Resolution # 2019-35 authorizing the City to apply for Drinking Water State Revolving Grant program Construction Funds from the California State

Water Resources Control Board for the E. Lennox Street project and to enter into a funding agreement. PACE Engineering estimate the full project, including prior work, to cost approximately \$3,135,000. The City's application was approved, and as a result the City is eligible to receive grant funds in the amount of \$3,135,000 to use for the construction project. Since the funds are dispersed on a reimbursement basis, the amount of the grant agreement needs to be allocated to the Water Capital Projects Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McCoy moved to adopt Resolution # 2020-13 as submitted.

Councilmember Kegg seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Freeman, Kegg, McCoy and Shaskey.

Mayor Freeman thereupon declared the motion carried

Approve the Amended Transportation Claim for the FY 2019/2020 Local Transportation Fund and Authorize the Mayor to sign the Claim on behalf of the City.

Cynthia Lunch, Municipal Projects Manager provided the Council with a memorandum reporting that on February 20, 2020, the Council approved the Local Transportation Funds Claim as submitted by the Local Transportation Commission. Due to staffing challenges the Commission inadvertently used outdated population estimates for the claim. As a result, the Commission needed to rework the claim amounts. The City Council is required to approve the Transportation Claim and return it to the Local Transportation Commission before the State Controller's Office can allocate funds.

Local Transportation funds are distributed to cities and counties in California because of the Transportation Development Act that was passed in the late 1970's to subsidize public transit. The County received \$.25 of each \$7.25 of the sales tax collected. The major use of the funds is for public transit. However, counties with a population of less than 200,000 are allocated a portion of the funds for streets and roads after the County transit needs are met and a public hearing on Unmet Needs is held. Siskiyou County distributes any remaining funds to the County and the Cities in Siskiyou based on population.

The estimated allocation of streets revenue for the City of Yreka is \$266,493 in fiscal year 2019/2020. The County estimated that it will use \$192,920 of the City's allocation for public transit this year, leaving approximately \$73,573 for the City.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McCoy moved to approve the amended Transportation Claim as submitted.

Councilmember Shaskey seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Freeman, Kegg, McCoy and Shaskey.

Mayor Freeman thereupon declared the motion carried

Coronavirus Update : Discussion/Possible Action: Review and Continuation of Urgency Ordinance # 855 adopted 4-2-2020, Declaring a Local Emergency, and Authorizing the Participation in State and Federal Assistance Programs and the Temporary Waiver of: Equipment and Supplies Procurement Requirements, Utility Billing Practices, Human Resources Related Practices Which Are Each Deemed to be Arising From the Incidence of the Pandemic Relating to the Novel Coronavirus (Covid-19), and Setting Forth the Facts Constituting Such Urgency and Finding the Ordinance Exempt From CEQA Review.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McCoy moved continue the Ordinance as adopted.

Councilmember Kegg seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Freeman, Kegg, McCoy and Shaskey.

Mayor Freeman thereupon declared the motion carried

Review and Continuation of Urgency Ordinance # 856 temporarily suspending Sections 3.12.080 and 3.12.090 of the Yreka Municipal Code concerning payment of Transient Occupancy Tax, and Declaring the Urgency thereof.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McCoy moved to continue the Ordinance as adopted.

Councilmember Baird seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Freeman, Kegg, McCoy and Shaskey.

Mayor Freeman thereupon declared the motion carried

Mayor Freeman announced the Closed Session has been pulled from the agenda.

**ADJOURNMENT** There being no further business before the Council the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

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Joan Smith Freeman, Mayor  
Minutes approved by Council  
Motion June 4, 2020

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Elizabeth E. Casson, City Clerk