

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
YREKA HELD IN SAID CITY ON DECEMBER 4, 2014

On the 4TH day of December 2014, the City Council of the City of Yreka met in the City Council Chambers of said City in regular session, and upon roll call, the following were present: Robert Bicego, Bryan Foster, Rory McNeil, John Mercier and David Simmen. Absent – None.

Consent Calendar: Mayor Bicego 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 November 21, through December 4, 2014.
- b. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held November 20, 2014.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McNeil moved to approve the items on the consent calendar as submitted.

Councilmember Mercier seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Bicego, Foster, McNeil, Mercier and Simmen.

Mayor Bicego thereupon declared the motion carried.

Adopt Resolution approving execution of the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Yreka and the Yreka Police Officers Association.

City Manager Steve Baker reported that staff has been negotiating with the Yreka Police Officers Association to reach a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The two-year agreement addresses employee compensations for wages and health benefits. The salary schedules reflect a 3.5% increase for calendar year 2015 (which includes 1% pickup from prior year PERS Swap) and 2.5% increase for 2016.

The agreement also changes the cap on health care contributions by the city, increasing them \$20, \$40 and \$60 for employee only, employee and one dependent, employee and two or more dependents, respectively each year (2015 and again in 2016).

In addition, the MOU has updates to reflect current law and practices, particular to Affordable Care Act and has combined the Yreka Police Officers Association and the Yreka Police Sergeants Association into a single agreement.

The fiscal impact is estimated to be approximately \$64,953 in 2015 and \$104,813 in 2016 on an annual basis over the current adopted 2014-15, 2015-16 biannual budget, overtime impacts have not been estimated as that is a variable cost. All increase will be to the general operating fund.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Foster moved to adopt the Resolution as submitted.

Councilmember McNeil seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Bicego, Foster, McNeil, Mercier and Simmen.

Mayor Bicego thereupon declared the motion carried.

Adopt Resolution declaring results of the General Municipal Election held November 4, 2014.

City Manager Baker reported that on November 21, 2014, Siskiyou County Clerk, Colleen Setzer, Certified the Final Election Results for the City of Yreka.

<u>Yreka City Council:</u>	Total Votes
John Mercier	1,234
Deborah L. Baird	1,229
Joan Smith Freeman	1,148
Anthony Intiso	620

<u>Measure I – City of Yreka – Quality of Life</u>	
Yes	760
No	1,197

City Manager Baker stated that the Elections Code requires the governing body to adopt a Resolution declaring the election results and to install the newly elected officers no later than the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting following the certification of the election.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Mercier moved to adopt the Resolution as submitted.

Councilmember Foster seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Bicego, Foster, McNeil, Mercier and Simmen.

Mayor Bicego thereupon declared the motion carried. Retiring City Councilmembers Robert Bicego and Rory McNeil left the dais.

City Clerk, Elizabeth Casson administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Councilmembers John Mercier, Deborah Baird and Joan Smith Freeman, and the newly elected Councilmembers took their seats at the dais.

Election of Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tempore:

City Manager Steve Baker opened nominations for the office of Mayor; Councilmember Simmen nominated Councilmember Mercier, there being no further nominations, City Manager Baker closed the nominations and called for the vote: Ayes: Baird, Foster, Freeman, Mercier, &

Simmen. City Manager Baker declared the motion carried and Mayor Mercier assumed the Mayor's chair.

Mayor Mercier opened nominations for the office of Mayor Pro-Tempore. Councilmember Simmen nominated Councilmember Foster, there being no further nominations, Mayor Mercier closed the nominations and called for the vote: Ayes: Baird, Foster, Freeman, Mercier, & Simmen. Mayor Mercier declared the motion carried.

Adopt Resolution agreeing to collaborate with the Cities of Weed and Montague and Siskiyou County to apply for a Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant.

City Manager Baker reported that in 2013 the City, in cooperation with the Siskiyou County Economic Development Council completed a successful Brownfields Assessment project with funding from the US Environmental Protection Agency. The City was able to conduct an initial review at numerous potential sites, and in-depth Environmental Assessments at several locations, to assist with the reuse and industrial redevelopment of these properties.

Tonya Dowse, Executive Director, Siskiyou County Economic Development Council, addressed the Council stating that while the City of Yreka may not have sufficient specific site needs to be competitive on its own, a collaboration with the Cities of Montague and Weed, and the County of Siskiyou is likely to be a very competitive grant application. The City of Weed will serve as the lead-agency since they have several potential sites to be assessed. A collaborative approach will require participation on an Advisory Committee of participating agencies to oversee implementation of, and progress towards the grant objectives.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Foster moved to adopt the Resolution as submitted.

Councilmember Freeman seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Foster, Freeman, Mercier and Simmen.

Mayor Mercier thereupon declared the motion carried.

Annual Development Impact Fee Report:

Councilmember Simmen requested that this item be tabled.

Following Council discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to table this item and to continue the Public Hearing to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting to be held December 18, 2014 at 6:30 pm.

City Treasurer's Report: Acceptance of:

- a) Cash Balances Report – September 2014
- b) Quarterly Treasurer's Investment Report – 1st Quarter FY 2014/2015
- c) Budget of Revenue and Expenditures with Year to Date Actuals through September 2014
- d) Quarterly Fiscal Performance Report – 1st Quarter Fiscal Year to Date 2014/2015

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Baird moved to accept the Treasurer's reports as submitted.

Councilmember Freeman seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Foster, Freeman, Mercier and Simmen.

Mayor Mercier thereupon declared the motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION:

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator Government Code Section 54957.6 (a)
 Agency negotiator: Steven Baker
 Employee Organizations: Yreka Management Team Association, Confidential Unit, Yreka City Employees Association, and Yreka Police Administration Unit.
2. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
 Initiation of litigation pursuant to Subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code: (Number of cases to be discussed – 1 - The names of the parties are not disclosed as it is believed that that to do so would jeopardize the City's ability to serve process or to conclude existing settlement negotiations to the City's advantage).

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: Upon return to open session, City Manager Baker reported no reportable action was taken in close session.

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

Attest:

 John Mercier, Mayor
 Minutes approved by Council
 Motion December 18, 2014

 Elizabeth E. Casson, City Clerk