

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
YREKA HELD IN SAID CITY ON FEBRUARY 5, 2015

On the 5th day of February 2015, 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: Deborah Baird, Bryan Foster, Joan Smith Freeman, and David Simmen. Absent – John Mercier.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Foster announced that the closed session has been pulled from the agenda.

Consent Calendar: Mayor Pro-Tempore Foster 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 January 23, through February 5, 2015.
- b. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held January 22, 2015.

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

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

Mayor Pro-Tempore Foster thereupon declared the motion carried.

Adopt Resolution #2015-3 adopting the 2015 Economic Stimulus Program and Suspending Development Impact Fees for up to five Single-Family Building Permits within a 12-month period.

Councilmember Simmen announced his recusal due to a conflict of interest by reason of a foreseeable material financial effect relating to his business as a Contractor with property in Yreka listed for sale advertising developable lots for single-family homes. Councilmember Simmen left his seat at the Council Dias and left the room.

City Manager Steve Baker reported that at the January 6, 2015 meeting, the City Council directed staff to prepare an action item to exempt up to five single-family dwelling permits from development impact fees. The Development Impact Fees (“fees”) were established in 2007. These fees are designed to mitigate the impacts of growth on various City infrastructure and systems. The fees were initially implemented at 25% for a phase in, and then held at 50% as a result of the economic conditions.

Single-family residential fees are approximately \$6,505 per house, assuming a 3/4” water meter. The fees per house, as of January 1, 2015 (rounded), are broken out as follows:

Impact Type	Full fees	50% discounted Fees
1. Public Facilities	\$1,855	\$927
2. Streets	662	331

3. Parks	2,238	1,119
4. Storm Drain	122	61
5. Water	6,306	3,153
6. Wastewater	1,826	913
Total	\$13,009	\$6,505

The proposed Resolution would waive the Development Impact Fees for up to five new Single Family Dwellings that are issued a new building permit in the next 12 months. Building permits under this program would be issued for six months, with a renewal for six months, but not beyond that time period since the purpose is an immediate stimulus.

The overall cost, allocated among various Development Impact Fee funds would be approximately \$32,525 (note that the fees go up annually each January based on Engineering News Record's San Francisco area Construction Cost Index).

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Freeman moved to adopt Resolution No. 2015-3 as amended authorizing the City Manager to amend the Guidelines listed on Exhibit "A" to include the limitation of the 12-month period.

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

Mayor Pro-Tempore Foster thereupon declared the motion carried.

Councilmember Simmen returned to his seat at the Council Dias.

Gather input and create a landscape plan for 116 S. West Street – Councilmember Simmen.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Simmen moved to direct the City Manager to schedule a date and time for a Special Meeting to hold a workshop with the public.

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

Mayor Pro-Tempore Foster thereupon declared the motion carried

Adopt Resolution #2015-4 making necessary findings pursuant to Government Code Section 7522.56 for Post-Retirement Employment of Darrell Hook and directing the City Manager to execute an agreement regarding such employment, together with any and all other necessary documents.

City Manager Baker reported that Darrell Hook, the City's Project Engineer, retired January 30, 2015. Staff has been considering various options for providing engineering and project management services in the interim, including contracting with other entities, contracting with a firm, and utilizing existing staff.

The City is currently in construction or design of several multimillion-dollar capital projects that Mr. Hook has worked on, including the North Yreka Creek Trail project, the Foothill Drive Project, the Oberlin Road Trail Project and the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade. Having Mr. Hook working as a retired CalPERS annuitant would give continuity to these large projects and could help avoid costly delays or mistakes from having his continuing administrative project oversight. The nature of these construction agreements as well as the lending and granting agencies agreements, do not allow for the luxury of project delays due to staffing transition.

The City has considered various options to insure that engineering and construction project management oversight continues on these projects without disruption to meet the City's needs. The most expedient and cost effective way to meet those urgent needs is to allow Mr. Hook to return to work as a retired annuitant immediately for the City. Government Code 7522.56(f) provides that a retiree is eligible for post-retirement employment without the 180-day wait period, if it is urgent. A resolution of the City Council must certify the nature of the employment and that the appointment is necessary to fill a critically needed position before the 180 days has passed.

The Project Engineer, part time salary schedule is currently \$76.38 per hour. It is anticipated that the design and construction phase of these projects will be completed in the spring or summer of 2015.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Simmen moved to adopt Resolution No. 2015-4 as amended, directing staff to delete the last line in paragraph 3a of the Agreement for Temporary Employment relating to travel time.

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

Mayor Pro-Tempore Foster thereupon declared the motion carried

City Treasurer's Report: Discussion/Possible Action – Approval of:

- a) Cash Balances Report – December 2014
- b) Quarterly Treasurer's Investment Report – 2nd Quarter Fiscal Year 2014/2015
- c) Budget of Revenue and Expenditures with Year to Date Actuals through December 2014.
- d) Quarterly Fiscal Performance Report – 2nd Quarter Fiscal Year 2014/2015

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Baird moved to approve the Treasurers' Reports as submitted.

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

Mayor Pro-Tempore Foster thereupon declared the motion carried.

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

Attest:

John Mercier, Mayor
Minutes approved by Council
Motion February 19, 2015

Elizabeth E. Casson, City Clerk