

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
YREKA HELD IN SAID CITY ON APRIL 20, 2021**

On the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021, 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 Corey Middleton.

**1. Information Item: Siskiyou Economic Development Council – Annual Report.**

Siskiyou Economic Development Council (SEDC) presented their annual report to the Council. Quintin Gaddy presented information on Program Research and Development. Kory Hayden presented information on Community Initiatives and Investment.

**2. Information Item: Jay Perkins Fuels reduction program**

Jay Perkins, Wildfire Behavior Analyst, presented information to the Council on behalf of the Yreka Area Fire Safe Council. He detailed a Community Wildfire Protection Plan with the goal of protecting people and homes, including landscape treatments and hazardous fuels reduction.

**3. Discussion/Possible Action - Consent Calendar:**

Mayor Kegg 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:

The City Manager recommended approval of the following consent calendar items:

- a. Approval/ratification of payments issued from March 29, 2021 through April 11, 2021.**
- b. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held April 6, 2021.**
- c. Waive Full Text Reading of All Ordinances on the Agenda. Ordinances shall be introduced and adopted by title only.**

Councilmember McCoy moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

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

Mayor Kegg thereupon declared the motion carried.

**4. Discussion/Possible Action: Adopt a Resolution Approving an Application for the CDBG FY 2021 NOFA Dated January 29, 2021 and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Grant Agreements and Other Related Documents for the Following Project:**

**Planning Grant – New Fire Station for the Yreka Volunteer Fire Department**

On April 6, 2021, the City Council held a public hearing to solicit citizen input regarding the City's potential application for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Notice of Funding Availability (NOF A) for 2021. The application is for a planning study for a new fire

station for the Yreka Volunteer Fire Department. Relocating the fire department is a high priority for the City and it requires a careful, multi-phase plan for the work and the necessary funding. Applying for a planning grant now is the first step in a very long process and doing the planning work would place the City in a good position to find construction funding later.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Freeman moved to approve.

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

Mayor Kegg thereupon declared the motion carried.

**5. Discussion/Possible Action:**

- a. Approval of the Summer 2021 Yreka Swim and Activity Program at the Montague Community Park and Pool for Yreka's youth, and the**
- b. Approval of a Supplemental Appropriation of \$6,860 to be allocated between FY20-21 and FY21-20**

Last year the City of Yreka, the Siskiyou Family YMCA, STAGE, the City of Montague, and various donors and volunteers, the community operated a successful free recreational swim program for Yreka's youth. The various agencies and nonprofits are looking forward to hosting this year's recreational eight-week swim program for Yreka's youth.

The City's proposal includes:

- Reimbursing the Siskiyou Family YMCA for the cost of their recreation leadership staff to chaperone the swimmers to and from the YMCA bus stop on the STAGE bus, and remain onsite while at the Montague Community Park during the recreational swim hours,
- providing free and or reduced rate bus passes to the youth,
- providing daily swim passes for Yreka youth,
- providing recreational activities at the YMCA as needed

Assuming good participation, program cost would most likely be \$4,980 (20 kids two days a week) and would less likely reach \$6,860 (20 kids, three days a week). STAGE Bus passes are expected to be free this year, (in the past averaged STAGES Bus passes were \$20 per swimmer or \$400 for an estimated enrollment of twenty kids.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Freeman moved to approve.

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

Mayor Kegg thereupon declared the motion carried.

- 6. Discussion/Possible Action Reopening of City Recreational and Community Services, that include;**
- a. Park Reservations,**
  - b. Community Center Reservations,**

### **c. Community Theater Reservations**

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McCoy suggested splitting items 6a, 6b, and 6c into three separate motions. With unanimous consent of the Councilmembers, no motion was necessary

Councilmember McCoy moved to approve item #6a, authorizing City Staff to begin accepting Park Reservations.

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

Councilmember Baird moved to approve item #6b, authorizing City Staff to begin accepting Community Center.

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

Councilmember McCoy moved to bring item #6c back on the Agenda during the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in June.

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

Mayor Kegg thereupon declared the motion carried.

### **7. Discussion/Possible Action – Continuation of Urgency Ordinance #855.**

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McCoy moved to continue Ordinance #855.

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

Mayor Kegg thereupon declared the motion carried.

### **City Manager/Staff Reports**

The City Manager and City Staff made brief announcements and reports.

### **Council Statements and Requests:**

Councilmembers reported on various community events and meetings attended.

### **CLOSED SESSION:**

#### **1. 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).

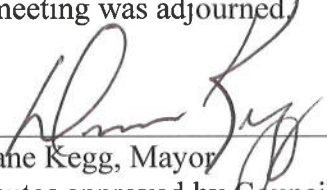
**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:** Upon return to open session, City Manager Baker reported that no reportable action was taken in closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

Attest:

  
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Arthur Boyd, City Clerk

  
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Duane Kegg, Mayor  
Minutes approved by Council,  
Motion May 4, 2021