



**MINUTES OF THE YREKA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON JANUARY 3, 2023
Yreka City Council Chamber, 701 Fourth Street, Yreka, CA**

On January 3, 2023, the City Council of Yreka, met for a Regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. and upon roll call, the following Councilmembers were present: Colleen Baker, Drake Davis, Paul McCoy, and Corey Middleton. Councilmember Duane Kegg was absent.

1. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

2. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND/OR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This time slot is for informational presentations, appointments, or awards to be presented by the City Council or to the City Council.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Public participation is welcomed and invited at all City Council meetings. This time is set aside for residents to address the City Council on matters listed on the Consent Agenda as well as other items not included on the Regular Agenda. If your comments concern an item noted on the Regular Agenda, please address the Council when that item is open for public comment.

The City requests that persons addressing the City Council refrain from making personal, slanderous, profane, or disruptive remarks.

Councilmembers, when recognized by the Mayor, may ask questions of presenter but no action may be taken by the City Council during the public comment section of the meeting. Under the Brown Act, the City Council is prohibited from discussing or taking action on any item not listed on the posted agenda.

This time is set aside for citizens to address the City Council on matters listed on the Consent Agenda as well as other items not included on the Regular Agenda. If your comments concern an item noted on the Regular Agenda, please address the Council when that item is open for public comment.

- Please speak into the microphone from the podium. The podium electronically adjusts up and down to accommodate speaker. *(Should you need an additional special accommodation, e.g., remote microphone, please notice the City Clerk prior to the start of meeting for arrangements).*
- Please state your name for the record prior to providing your comments.
- Please address the Council as a whole.
- If you have documents to present, please provide a minimum of seven (7) copies.
- Please limit your remarks to five (5) minutes.

Public comments period is **not** intended to be a “Question and Answer” period or conversations with the Council or City staff.

Public comment was received from Jan Osborn, Louise Gliatto, Jerry Stacher and Dawnmarie Autrey

4. PUBLIC COMMENT FOLLOW-UP:

This is the time for City Council or the City Manager to respond to public comments and may direct staff to prepare a report or place an item on a future agenda.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and non-controversial and will be enacted by one motion unless any member of the Council wishes to remove an item for discussion,

- a. Approval/ratification of payments issued from December 12, 2022, through December 26, 2022.
- b. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 20, 2022.
- c. Cash Balances, Investment and Fiscal Performance Reports for September 2022
- d. Adopting a Corrected Appropriations Limit, Resolution 2023-01, for Fiscal Year 2022-23.
- e. Resolution 2023-02 Recognizing the City of Yreka's 2023 Contribution to Employees Healthcare Costs through the IRS Section 125 Cafeteria Plan.
- f. Continuation of Urgency Resolution #2021-51: Remote Public Meetings.
- g. Continuation of Urgency Ordinance #864: Fireworks.
- h. Waive Full Text Reading of All Ordinances on the Agenda. Ordinances shall be introduced and adopted by title only.

Recommended City Council Action: Motion to Adopt the Consent Agenda of the City Council of the City of Yreka as presented.

Staff requested to remove item 5.e. Resolution 2023-02 Recognizing the City of Yreka's 2023 Contribution to Employees Healthcare Costs through the IRS Section 125 Cafeteria Plan due to missing documentation.

Motion to Adopt the Consent Agenda of the City Council of the City of Yreka as presented with the exclusion of item 5.e. as noted.

No public comment.

MOTIONED: Councilmember Baker

SECONDED: Councilmember McCoy

AYES: Councilmembers Baker, McCoy, and Middleton

NOES: Davis

ABSENT: Kegg

6. OLD BUSINESS

Planning Director

- a. **Agenda Title:** California Housing and Community Development, Prohousing Designation Program

Note: *This resolution was deferred to the Jan. 3, 2023, City Council meeting from Dec. 20, 2022.*

City Staff has developed an application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for a "Prohousing Designation". The Prohousing Housing Designation identifies local policies that jurisdictions are adopting to address housing needs and affordability and identifies State programs and grants for which Prohousing designated jurisdictions should receive preference or additional points. City Staff are requesting City Council review of the proposed activities to achieve a Pro Housing Designation and authorize the submittal of the application to HCD.

Recommended City Council Action: Motion to approve Resolution CCR-2022-59 A Resolution of the City of Yreka City Council Authorizing Application to and Participation in the Prohousing Designation Program.

Public Comment received from Jan Osborn, Louise Gliatto, Deborah Baird.

Motion to approve Resolution CCR-2022-59 A Resolution of the City of Yreka City Council Authorizing Application to and Participation in the Prohousing Designation Program.

MOTIONED: Councilmember McCoy
SECONDED: Councilmember Middleton
AYES: Councilmembers McCoy and Middleton
NOES: Councilmembers Baker and Davis
ABSENT: Kegg

Motion failed. After the split vote Mayor Middleton ask for reconsideration of the item and to bring it back at a future City Council meeting.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

Public Works Director and City Manager

- a. **Agenda Title:** Request to Hire Two additional Parks Maintenance Workers and Authorize a Supplemental Budgetary Appropriation for the positions

Public Works is requesting the additional hire of two parks maintenance workers to assist with the upkeep and maintenance of Yreka's over 600 acres of parks and greenways. The employees would be paid for from the Greenhorn Reservoir Water and General Fund accounts.

Recommended City Council Action: Motion that the City Council Approve the Request to Hire two additional Parks Maintenance Workers and Authorize a Supplemental Budgetary Appropriation for the positions.

Public Comment received from Deborah Baird and Dawnmarie Autry.

Motion that the City Council Approve the Request to Hire two additional Parks Maintenance Workers and Authorize a Supplemental Budgetary Appropriation for the positions.

MOTIONED: Councilmember Davis
SECONDED: Councilmember Baker
AYES: Councilmembers Baker, Davis, McCoy, and Middleton
NOES: None
ABSENT: Kegg

- b. **Agenda Title:** Resolution Designating Reserves from Gain on Sale of Real Property to fund a 95% Completion Study for Preliminary Design and Engineering of the Ringe Park and Pool Complex, an estimated cost of \$500,000 to \$750,000 and Authorizing the City Manager to issue a Request for Proposal/Qualifications for engineering and architectural design services.

The City has since 2021 realized one time money, gains recognized on the sale (and potential sale) of City owned properties. The City Manager and Public Works Director are requesting the designation of those reserves realized from sale of real property to be dedicated to the Ringe Park and Pool Complex to obtain engineering and architectural plans, that are "shovel ready" for construction bid and available grant opportunities where the City and project may be eligible applicant. Additionally, the resolution authorizes the City Manager or his designee to issue a request for proposal or qualifications for engineering and architectural services. The budget for these services is estimated to be somewhere between the range of \$500,000 and \$750,000 for a 95% completion study.

Recommended City Council Action: Motion to Adopt a Resolution 2023-03 Designating Reserves from Gain on Sale of Real Property to fund a 95% Completion Study for Preliminary Design and Engineering of the Ringe Park and Pool Complex, an estimated cost of \$500,000 to \$750,000, and Authorizing the City Manager to issue a Request for Proposal/Qualifications for engineering and architectural design services.

Public comment was received from Louise Gliatto, Jerry Stacher, Dawnmarie Autrey and Jan Osborn.

Motion to Adopt a Resolution 2023-03 Designating Reserves from Gain on Sale of Real Property to fund a 95% Completion Study for Preliminary Design and Engineering of the Ringe Park and Pool Complex, an estimated cost of \$500,000 to \$750,000, and Authorizing the City Manager to issue a Request for Proposal/Qualifications for engineering and architectural design services.

MOTIONED: Councilmember McCoy

SECONDED: Councilmember Baker

AYES: Councilmembers Baker, Davis, McCoy, and Middleton

NOES: None

ABSENT: Kegg

Police Chief

- c. **Agenda Title:** Restructuring the Response to Animal Control Calls for Services to ensure 24/7 coverage, expand training and provide more versatile resources at Yreka Police Department – by hiring a sworn Patrol Officer in lieu of an Animal Control Officer (currently a vacant position).

Police Chief Gilman is requesting to transition the vacant Animal Control Officer position into a sworn Police Officer position. The reason for this is call volume statistics. In evaluating options to perform effective patrol, including ACO functions, I feel can more effectively utilize a more versatile sworn Police Officer (through all shifts), instead of dedicating a M-F 8AM-5PM full-time position for an Animal Control Officer.

Recommended City Council Action: Motion to Approve Restructuring the Response to Animal Control Calls for Services to ensure 24/7 coverage, expand training and provide more versatile resources at Yreka Police Department – by hiring a sworn Patrol Officer in lieu of an Animal Control Officer (currently a vacant position).

Public comment was received from Dawnmarie Autrey, Jan Osborn and Jerry Stacher.

Motion to Approve Restructuring the Response to Animal Control Calls for Services to ensure 24/7 coverage, expand training and provide more versatile resources at Yreka Police Department – by hiring a sworn Patrol Officer in lieu of an Animal Control Officer (currently a vacant position).

MOTIONED: Councilmember Baker

SECONDED: Councilmember Middleton

AYES: Councilmembers Baker, Davis, McCoy, and Middleton

NOES: None

ABSENT: Kegg

8. MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS

AB 1234 Conference and Meeting Report (verbal, if any)*

**(In accordance with AB.1234, Councilmembers shall make a brief report or file a written report on any meeting/event/conference attended at City expense.)*

9. CITY MANAGER/STAFF REPORTS:

City Manager and Staff may make brief announcements or reports at this time.

Mark Gilman and Jason Ledbetter will give an update on shopping cart retrieval code enforcement efforts.

City Manager Ledbetter's report reminded Councilmembers of the League of Local Agencies (LOLA) Meeting scheduled on January 11, 2023, at Black Barts in Yreka.

City Manager Ledbetter is attending a City Managers Conference in Carlsbad, CA, that begins the week of February 6.

The Fire Ad Hoc Committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday January 19,2023 at 7:30AM at the Yreka Community Center, agenda will cover medical call response.

The Finance Committee met on December 21, 2022 and discussed many of the items on this evening's agenda, for which City Manager Ledbetter wanted to commend the City Council's consideration of the Ringe Park and Pool, Park Employees and ACO to Sworn Officer restructure decisions this evening as he believes these items will improve the community. The Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Foothill DTSC Cleanup and City Hall ADA remodel project have posted and are the City's website.

Chief Gilman gave the City Council an update on the shopping cart retrieval and citation program.

10. COUNCILMEMBER STATEMENTS AND REQUESTS:

Members of the Council may make brief announcements, reports, or request staff to report to Council on any matter at a subsequent meeting.

*Councilmember Baker inquired about the Park Host volunteer stipend position and City Manager Jason Ledbetter will respond to some of the evaluation questions raised.

Councilmember McCoy spoke to the upcoming events of LOLA on January 11, 2023 and Fire Advisory Committee on January 19, 2023.

*Councilmember McCoy wanted to continue to discuss the warming shelter discussions with the County. City Manager Jason Ledbetter discussed the upcoming Continuum of Care (CoC) on January 4, 2023.


*Councilmember Middleton asked that the Public Health Sharps Program opportunity to install Kiosks on City property proposal be brought back to City Council for consideration.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no more business the City Council meeting adjourned at 09:38 p.m.



Corey Middleton, Mayor
Minutes approved by City Council,
Motion January 17, 2023


Rhetta Hogan, City Clerk