

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
YREKA HELD IN SAID CITY ON MARCH 2, 2021**

On the 2nd day of March 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. Absent - None.

1. 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 February 8, 2021 through February 21, 2021.
- b. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held February 16, 2021.
- c. Acknowledge receipt of 2020 General Plan Annual Housing Element Progress Report.
- d. 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 Baird seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the following voted YEA: Baird, Freeman, Kegg, McCoy and Middleton.

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

- a. Cash Balance – January 31, 2021
- b. Budget to Actual – January 31, 2021

City Treasurer Rhetta Hogan presented information to the Council.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Middleton moved to approve.

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

3. Discussion/ Possible Action to:

- a. Evaluate moderately aggressive approach to increasing development impact fees from 50% to 100% rate.
- b. Evaluate slower approach to increasing development impact fees from 50% to 100% rate.

City Treasurer Rhetta Hogan presented information to the Council.

At the recent workshop held February 9, 2021 staff presented the need to eliminate the development impact fee subsidy.

Since 2007 the impact fee has been discounted (initially by 25%), and since 2008 has remained at 50%. Many businesses (primarily national chains) have benefitted from that subsidy. The City has

experienced lost revenue from development that presently are affecting the City's ability to fund and finance projects, most recently its police station and now future fire station. Development consumes capacity of existing infrastructure systems like water and sewer, where growth will trigger expansion of system facilities. Failure to collect fees from those impacts spreads the cost of future improvements to the existing rate payers. For comparison, included are development fees from Redding, Shasta Lake City, City of Weed and City of Mt. Shasta. Development fees however are not derived from comparisons, but from the City's impacts from growth as identified from master plans and studies.

Option A: Staff is recommending that the Council take the 12-month moderately aggressive approach to increasing development impact fees six months from adoption of the ordinance from 50% to 75%, and within twelve months to 100%.

Option B: Another option would be to continue to subsidize development and increase fees over eighteen months from adoption of the ordinance increasing from 50% to 70% within six months, then to 85% within 12-months, with the final increase to 100% within 18-months.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McCoy moved to approve Option A.

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

4. Discussion/ Possible Action:

- a. Extend existing structure credit on development impact fees for the courthouse project.
- b. Assess the current 50% rate for the full courthouse project.

The Siskiyou County Courthouse project has connected its utilities. At commencement of the project the City had discussed with the Superior Court of California, extending credit for the development fees for structures (five total) previously on the site. Allowances for existing structure are normally given if the replacement structure is rebuilt within three years. The credit allowance was discussed with the courthouse project team.

Since 2012, eight years have passed, and staff is seeking direction and authority on the fees to impose on the project. As this project falls under the State Division of Architects, no site plans were required, as well as no inspections and certificate of occupant are required from the City - the normal check-in points for fee collection.

Option A: The City would continue to offer structure credit on the development impact fees for the courthouse project. Fees for the project \$111,938.98, less credit from existing structures \$28,956.85, or \$82,982.13

Option B: The City would assess the project at the existing 50% rate, without credit from existing structures as the replacement structure was not completed within three years of demolition. Fees for the project at 50% are \$111,938.98.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Baird moved to approve Option B.

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

5. Discussion/ Possible Action: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Yreka Approving the Destruction of Certain City Records of the Yreka Police Department

Police Chief Dave Gamache presented information to the Council.

The Yreka Police Department from time-to-time purges cases that have no investigative value and the law allows for their destruction. Reports written from January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009, numbered (09-0001 through 09-14754) have been reviewed and are ready for destruction.

Reports numbered 09-0782, 09-0970, 09-2219, 09-3672, 09-8262, 09-8785, 09-8946, 09- 10340, and 09-11344 are expressly excepted from this order and shall be retained as requested by the Chief of Police for evidentiary purposes.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Freeman moved to approve.

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

6. Discussion/Possible Action: Adopt a Resolution Approving Requests Associated with the Special Event Known as the Siskiyou Scenic Bicycle Tour to be held on the dates of April 30, 2021 and May 1, 2021.

Christal Duncan has submitted the attached request on behalf of the Rotary Club of Yreka to hold the Siskiyou Scenic Bicycle Tour (previously known as the Siskiyou Century) on the dates of Friday, April 30th for overnight camping and the bike ride itself on Saturday, May 1, 2021.

This event was cancelled in 2020 due to COVID-19.

It is a completely outdoor event, which starts at Upper Greenhorn Park. There are 2 starting times, for 6 different rides of 101.87.67.40.21 and 8 miles. This is not a race, but a tour, so people are not in close proximity with each other.

At registration people will be required to wear masks and social distance, and to use hand sanitizer. There are rest stops along the routes, and again people will follow the same rules.

At the end of the ride, as riders come in there will be a catered meal provided by the Siskiyou Meat Market Caterers which will be served to the riders between 11 am and 4 pm. It will not be buffet style. The riders come in over many hours, so there is no large congregation of people.

Per the State of California Health Department Guidelines for Covid, bicycle riding is considered a safe sporting event, even in the purple tier.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember McCoy moved to approve with a change to the Resolution on Page 2, Section 2b. The camping location has been moved from Lower Greenhorn Park to Upper Greenhorn Park.

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

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

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.

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:

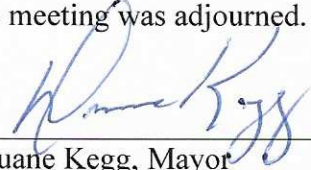
There were no items to discuss, and no closed session was held.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Attest:


Arthur Boyd, City Clerk


Duane Kegg, Mayor
Minutes approved by Council,
Motion March 16, 2021