

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
YREKA HELD IN SAID CITY ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2016

On the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 2016, 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, Joan Smith Freeman, John Mercier and David Simmen Absent - None.

Mayor Mercier announced that the Closed Session has been pulled from the agenda.

Consent Calendar: Mayor Mercier 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 August 5, 2016 through September 1, 2016.
- b. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held August 4, 2016.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Freeman 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, Freeman, Mercier and Simmen. Mayor Mercier thereupon declared the motion carried.

Approve Miner Street Façade Grant Program Application – Yreka Elks Lodge No. 1980 – Location 330 – 332 W. Miner Street - remove awning, remove and replace siding and paint to match existing historic color.

City Manager Steve Baker reported that the Elks Lodge submitted an initial grant application in August of 2012 for an estimated amount of \$10,000. After review of the project with Grant Coordinator Ben Matts, it was determined that the proposed repairs to the roof of the back porch, were ineligible for grant funds.

August 9, 2016, the Elks Lodge submitted a revised grant application in the amount of \$6,200 to remove the existing awning, remove and replace siding and re-paint the front to match existing historic color. City Staff has reviewed the application and is recommending approval.

John Knitter addressed the Council on behalf of the Elks Lodge to answer any questions regarding the application.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Simmen moved to approve the Elks Lodge Grant Application for 50% reimbursement in the amount of \$3,100.00 as submitted.

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

Mayor Mercier thereupon declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – Consideration of an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for taxicab operation pursuant to Yreka Municipal Code Chapter 5.08 Taxicabs.

City Manager Baker reported that Melissa E. Wright submitted an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for a taxicab operation, as required by Yreka Municipal Code Section 5.08.020.

The applicant is purchasing the existing taxi business from Shelly Craig, who has been operating the taxicab operation known as Road Runner Taxi in Yreka since August 2013. Ms. Wright is currently licensed with the City and has been driving for the Road Runner Taxi since November 18, 2015.

This being the time and date scheduled for the public hearing, Mayor Mercier opened the public hearing to the audience. Phil Porter asked for a clarification as to why this process was needed. City Manager Baker responded that it is part of the Business License process as outlined in the Yreka Municipal Code to ensure public health and safety. John Knitter stated that he has personally spoke with the previous owner of the taxicab company and she stated that there is a need and that the business was doing well in Yreka.

There being no statements or comments from the audience, Mayor Mercier closed the public hearing and opened discussion to the Council.

Adopt Resolution No. 2016-43 issuing a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Taxicab operation to Melissa E. Wright pursuant to Yreka Municipal Code Chapter 5.08.

Following Council discussion, Councilmember Freeman moved to adopt Resolution No. 2016-43 as submitted, and authorized the Business License Department and the Chief of Police to issue a Taxicab Drivers' Permit in accordance with all rules and regulations of the Yreka Municipal Code.

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

Mayor Mercier thereupon declared the motion carried.

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

Attest:

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John Mercier, Mayor  
Minutes approved by Council  
Motion September 15, 2016

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Elizabeth E. Casson, City Clerk