



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, October 04, 2022

Regular Meeting - 6:00 PM

City Hall – City Council Chambers

425 Webster Street, Colusa, CA 95932

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Reische called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL – Council Members Hill, Ponciano, Vaca, Conrado and Mayor Reische were all present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA There was council consensus on the approval of the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Jennifer requested a Walnut Ranch project update. City Manager Cain provided an update received from the State. John Rogers requested a discussion item on cannabis facilities within the city limits.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Reische read the Proclamation honoring October as Domestic Violence Awareness month

CONSENT CALENDAR - *All items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered by the Council to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion unless an audience member or Council member requests otherwise, in which case, the item will be removed for separate consideration.*

2. **Approve** - Council Draft Minutes of August 16 and September 6
3. **Receive and File** - Fire Department August and September Report
4. **Receive and File** - Police Department August Report
5. **Receive and File** - Finance Department August Report
6. **Receive and File** - August Warrants List
7. **Receive and File** - Recology Rate Increase effective January 1, 2023
8. **Receive and File** - CEBRT Packet and Actuarial Report
9. **Adopt** - Resolution amending the City of Colusa's Conflict of Interest Code
10. **Adopt** - Resolution to enter into a contract with SF Metalworks for the construction of a stainless-steel insert for the UV Channel

- 11. Adopt** - Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with California Engineering Company Inc. to perform the Water Master Plan Update as described in the RFP.
- 12. Adopt** - Ordinance 556 approving a Development Agreement between the City of Colusa and Joel Gonzalez Extracts relative to the establishment and operation of a cannabis manufacturing/business facility located at 2876 Niagara Avenue in Colusa
- 13. Adopt**- Ordinance 557 approving a Development Agreement between the City of Colusa and 5D1S relative to the operation of cannabis manufacturing facility located at 2857 Niagara Avenue in Colusa
- 14. Adopt** - Ordinance 558 approving a Development Agreement between the City of Colusa and XO Cannabis / Organic Crop Solutions LLC relative to the operation of a cannabis manufacturing facility located at 2959 Davison Court in Colusa
- 15. Approve** - Application for Jameson's on 5th Ribbon-cutting/grand opening/costume party on Oct. 28, 3 pm - Oct. 29, 1 am at 138 5th Street

ACTION: Council Member Ponciano requested Items 7, 12,13 and 14 be pulled. Mayor Reische recused himself from Item 6 due to his financial interest with George L. Messick as President. Motion by Hill, seconded by Conrado to approve the remainder of the consent calendar. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 7: City Manager Cain explained details about the contract, the 7.25% rate increase effective January 1, 2023. With no public comments, motion by Ponciano, seconded by Vaca to approve Item 7. Motion passed unanimously.

Items 12, 13, and 14: With no discussion or public comments, motion by Vaca seconded by Conrado to approve Items 12, 13, and 14. Motion passed 4-1 by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Hill, Vaca, Conrado and Reische.

NOES: Ponciano.

COUNCIL MEMBER /CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND STAFF COMMENTS

Council Member Conrado provided a positive list of city accomplishments, improvements, changes and staff.

Council Member Vaca provided updates on the event he attended.

Council Member Ponciano provided an update on the Ad Hoc Meeting for the Homeless and the annual 2nd grade Government Day at City Hall.

Council Member Hill provided updates on meetings and events he attended.

Mayor Reische didn't have anything to report.

City Attorney Jones provided information on AB-2449 in regard to teleconferencing for council members.

City Manager Cain provided updates on meetings and events he attended.

Finance Director Khan-Aziz provided an update on August smell complaints.

Grant Writer Vanetta provided updates on past and upcoming events.

Police Chief Fitch provided updates at the Police Department.

Fire Chief Conley pointed out a correction on his monthly report and provided updates at the Fire Department.

City Engineer Swartz provided an update on engineering projects.

City Treasurer Kelley reported finalizing the July report. She commented about the fire truck line item on the Warrants List. Mayor Reische requested Warrants List comments be made during the Public Comment period. Council Member Ponciano mentioned the public comment period was not for dialog. Mayor Reische agreed and asked if she wanted to continue. Treasurer Kelley declined.

PUBLIC HEARING

16. Hold first reading, read by title only, and set for second reading an Ordinance to amend Sections 3-17 and 3-18 of the Colusa Municipal Code to allow the sale of alcohol at cardrooms.

City Manager Cain reported the Tap Room inquired about a card room at their location. Cain explained Chapter 3, Article 3 allows for cardrooms but not with alcohol so a modification to the Ordinance would be required. Council Member Conrado stated pronouns needed to be updated within that Ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Owner of the Tap Room explained her vision for a card room at the Tap Room. Sean Amsden recommended stating a limit on card rooms in the Ordinance.

ACTION: Council Member Vaca and Police Chief Fitch will research further and bring back any additional information. Council directed staff to bring back the Ordinance adding a limit to the number of card rooms within the city.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

17. Consideration to add a police officer's position to the city's budget.

City Manager Cain explained the police officer's position would be added to the current budget.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: John Vaca and Janice Bell both commented that they were proponents of hiring another officer.

ACTION: Motion by Ponciano, seconded by Vaca to approve the addition of a police officer from the city's budget. Motion passed 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Hill, Ponciano, Vaca, Conrado and Reische.

NOES: None.

18. Consideration to waive or reduce the City's current impact fees for the Rancho Colusa affordable housing project consisting of 49 units targeting low-income families.

Gus Bucerra, Executive Director of Regional Housing Authority provided details on the 49-unit project – Rancho Colus. He stated the city was short 148 units in the very-low income to low-income market. He commented on the city's commitment outlined in the Housing Element and the General Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: John Vaca and John Rogers expressed opposition to the fee reductions. JP Cativella mentioned city's commitment.

ACTION: There was council consensus to form an Ad Hoc Committee. Council Members Ponciano and Conrado volunteered to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee. This item will be brought back to the November 15, 2022 council meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

19. Save America's Treasures Grant and Possible Application to Restore Auditorium for the Historical Grammar School Building

Grant Writer Vanetta provided information about the grant, match funding, scope of work, and future meetings for fundraising.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Janice Bell will email information on cost-match on hazardous mitigation. John Stuck inquired about using the city's engineer. City Engineer Swartz confirmed, a specialized engineering firm would be needed.

JP Cativella mentioned the City of Auburn City Hall renovations.

ACTION: There was council consensus to allow up to \$15,000 from city hall impact fees for engineering services.

20. Grant Update

Grant Writer Vanetta stated the City did not receive the Safe Routes to Schools grant. She provided status on other grants.

21. Smell Complaint Update

City Manager Cain and Finance Director Aziz-Khan confirmed 35 complaints in September. There were 12 cannabis-related and the rest were from the mushroom plant and one unspecified.

22. Colusa Field of Dreams

Council discussed the Conceptual Plan that was handed out. Council will come back with better plans and request public input.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Pirelli Update

Discussion Item on Cannabis Facility fees

Discussion Item on Coffee and/or Cocktails with Council Members

ADJOURNED at 7:47 pm.

DANIEL VACA, MAYOR PRO-TEM

Shelly Kittle, City Clerk