



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

Regular Meeting - 6:00 PM

City Hall – City Council Chambers

425 Webster Street, Colusa, CA 95932

MINUTES

ROLL CALL – Mayor Reische called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

PRESENT

Council Member Ponciano

Council Member Vaca

Council Member Conrado

Mayor Reische

ABSENT - excused by the Mayor: Council Member Hill

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

City Manager Cain requested Items 11, 12 and 13 be brought back to a future meeting. There was council consensus of agenda approval.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

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.*

1. **Approve** - Council May 3rd Draft Minutes
2. **Receive and File** - Police Department April Report
3. **Receive and File** - Finance Department April Report
4. **Receive and File** - Treasurer's February Report
5. **Receive and File** - Warrant List for April
6. **Appoint** - Suzanne Gallaty as Tenant Commissioner pursuant to the Bylaws and the Agreement Creating the Regional Housing Authority.
7. **Adopt** - Revised Resolution for CDBG CV-1 grant to the required format.

8. **Adopt** - Resolution approving the Use Agreement Between City of Colusa and County Office of Education for Storage of Records in Room 15 and 16 at City Hall.
9. **Adopt** - Resolution rejecting all bids and authorizing staff to notify the bidders for the Water Park Splash Pad.
10. **Adopt** - Resolution accepting the City Project Number 2020-001 for construction of the 2020 Wastewater Improvements Project and authorize the City Manager to make final payment and release the 5% retention to R & R Horn, Inc. will change the contract amount to \$1,907,518.48 from \$1,904,702.94.

ACTION: Council Member Ponciano requested Item 9 be pulled for discussion. Mayor Reische recused himself from Item 5 - Warrants List due to his financial interest as President with George L. Messick. Motion by Council Member Conrado, seconded by Council Member Vaca to approve Items 1-8 and Item 10. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 9: City Manager Cain clarified the bids were rejected on the installation, not the equipment. Motion by Council Member Ponciano, seconded by Council Member Conrado to approve Item 9. Motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL MEMBER AND CITY MANAGER REPORTS

Council Members Ponciano and Vaca didn't have anything to report.

Council Member Conrado provided updates on the meeting she attended.

Mayor Reische provided updates on meetings he attended.

City Manager Cain provided updates on meetings he attended.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ITEMS 11, 12 and 13 - PULLED

11. **Subject:** Public Hearing for a proposed Ordinance approving a development agreement, and a Resolution for a Cannabis Business Regulatory Permit and a Cannabis Business Special Use Permit in support of cannabis manufacturing uses at 2876 Niagara Avenue.
12. **Subject:** Public Hearing for a proposed Ordinance approving a development agreement, and a Resolution for a Cannabis Business Regulatory Permit and a Cannabis Business Special Use Permit in support of cannabis manufacturing uses at 2881 Niagara Avenue.
13. **Subject:** Public Hearing for a proposed Ordinance approving a development agreement, and a Resolution for a Cannabis Business Regulatory Permit and a Cannabis Business Special Use Permit in support of cannabis manufacturing uses at 2949 Niagara Avenue.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

14. Council to adopt the Resolution approving the 2022 Drought Response Plan

City Manager Cain distributed the Drought Response Plan. He explained the city would be at stage 2 which is voluntary. There will be educational materials sent out to citizens on water conservation.

ACTION: Motion by Conrado, seconded by Mayor Reische to adopt the **Resolution 22-21** approving the 2022 Drought Response Plan and move to stage 2, effective June 1, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

15. **Subject:** Ordinance to amend the City of Colusa City Code, including Appendix A (Zoning), to update cannabis regulations within the City

Recommendation: Conduct second reading of the amended draft Ordinance: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Colusa, California Amending Article 4, Article 21.5, and Article 33 of the City Zoning Code and repealing Section 32.11 of Article 32 of the City Zoning Code regarding Cannabis Business Uses and Regulatory Permits.

[This amended draft Ordinance reflects City Council's direction (following their May 3, 2022 Public Hearing) to allow cannabis dispensaries within the C-G General Commercial District in addition to the M-1 Light Industrial District.]

City Manager Cain explained the change that was made from the last meeting. Cain explained a lot of work would still have to be done, including Section 12f. City Attorney Jones explained the inconsistencies with State Law and the current Ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Nancy Newlin asked about M-1 and General Commercial areas and the recommendation from the Planning Commission.

John Rogers recommended council slow down and conduct an audit.

Brad, one of the owners of Green Leaf commented that the cannabis industry has slowed down.

Susan Meeker, Pioneer Review commented that Pirelli was not included in the motion from the last meeting and recommended council read back Ordinances and Resolutions in the future.

Francis Austin asked if an audit was forthcoming.

Julia Riggins requested public comments be read during the meeting. She cited Fair Political Practice Commission (FPPC) guidelines and stated Mayor Reische should recuse himself if he had any interest in the Colusa cannabis industry. City Attorney Jones explained FPPC's formal opinion process for final authority.

John Martin, Planning Commissioner confirmed the Planning Commission's recommendation to Council.

Council Members each provided their statements.

Joe Tauscher stated CIP doesn't own all the businesses, there were other individual businesses there.

ACTION: Motion by Mayor Reische, seconded by Council Member Conrado to adopt **Ordinance 551** - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Colusa, California amending Article 4, Article 21.5, and Article 33 of the City Zoning Code and repealing Section 32.11 of Article 32 of the City Zoning Code regarding Cannabis Business Uses and Regulatory Permits. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Vaca, Conrado and Reische.

NOES: Ponciano

ABSENT: Hill.

ABSTAIN: None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

16. County Fee Request from District 2 Supervisor Kalfsbeek Smith

Supervisors Kalfsbeek-Smith and Corona, who serve on the Ambulance Ad Hoc Committee provided information on emergency medical transport funding. The proposal consisted of the County contributing 50% and the City of Williams and Colusa, each 25% for four years for an Advanced Life Support unit.

17. Council to create an Ad Hoc Committee on Homelessness.

Council Members Ponciano and Vaca volunteered to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee.

18. Council to discuss if Staff Reports should be reinstated on the agendas.

Council Member Ponciano asked for staff reports to be back on the agenda. Mayor Reische stated item will be brought back at the next meeting when all council members were present.

19. Consideration of projects for the application of the 2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Grant Writer Veratta discussed CDBG opportunities that would fit for an application this year.

ACTION: The consensus of council were: Plan for a future Police Department/Public Works Facility. And, restoration/capital improvement projects to open and beautify shuttered businesses or blight areas in the city.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Further discussion on the Ambulance issue.

Discussion on staff reports.

Update on City Business Licenses

Audits on cannabis companies.

Discussion on current Development Agreements with the cannabis companies.

ADJOURNED at 7:22 pm

THOMAS REISCHE, MAYOR

Shelly Kittle, City Clerk