

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 20, 2018**

The Winnemucca City Council met in regular session on Tuesday November 20, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in the City Hall meeting room. Present: Mayor Di An Putnam; Mayor-elect Richard Stone; Council members Mike Owens, Theresa Mavity, Vince Mendiola, Jim Billingsley and Paige Brooks; and, City Attorney Kent Maher and City Clerk Lorrie Haaglund. Absent: City Manager/Engineer Alicia Heiser.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Putnam called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT - PERSONAL COMMUNICATION - CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no public comment, personal communication or correspondence.

MINUTES:

The November 6, 2018 regular City Council meeting minutes were reviewed and Council member Owens moved for approval as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

WARRANTS-EXPENSES:

The payments for warrants and the expense reports were reviewed and Council member Mendiola moved for approval as submitted. Motion carried unanimously with Council member Billingsley abstaining from voting on the Jim Dandy Productions warrants as he is the owner of the business.

PROCLAMATION-AWARDS:

Mayor Putnam performed the swearing-in for: (i) re-elected Council Seat 2 member Theresa Mavity for a four-year term; (ii) re-elected Council Seat 4 member Jim Billingsley for a four-year term; and, (iii) newly elected Mayor Richard Stone for a four-year term.

Mayor Putnam commented that the past 12 years in office could not have been better. Putnam advised Mayor Stone that he has the support of the community and the council. Putnam thanked all the councils she worked with, noting they made her job easy and together much good was accomplished.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

BUSINESS IMPACT DETERMINATION

After review and consideration of the effect each item could potentially have on a "business," as the term is defined by statute, the Council agreed, and Council member Owens moved to make a finding that no item on the agenda appears to impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business or appears to directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a business. Motion carried unanimously.

2018 CHRISTMAS PARADE OF LIGHTS / BRIDGE STREET / CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Debbie Stone, Humboldt County Chamber of Commerce representative, requested ban of on-street parking and closure of Bridge Street between Railroad Street and Giroux Street for the

annual Christmas Parade of Lights on Saturday, December 8, 2018 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., noting the parade will last approximately one hour. Stone invited the Mayor and Council to take part in the event. Council member Brooks moved to approve the Humboldt County Chamber of Commerce request to close Bridge Street between Railroad Street and Giroux Street and to ban on-street parking for the annual Christmas Parade of Lights on Saturday, December 8, 2018 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

VARIANCE VW-19-09 / REDUCE SOUTH SIDE SETBACK / REDUCE THE REQUIRED PARKING SPACES / NEVADA RESTAURANT SERVICES (DOTTY'S)

Betty Lawrence, Planning Department, presented a variance request from Nevada Restaurant Services to reduce the south side yard setback from the required 20 feet to 6'9", and to reduce the parking spaces from the required 86 spaces to 67 spaces, to facilitate construction of an addition to the existing Dotty's located at 3405 Construction Way, Humboldt County APN 15-0331-15. Lawrence commented she received correspondence from Taco Bell, the property owner to the south of Dotty's, expressing concern that the setback will be too close to the Taco Bell drive-through. Lawrence noted that according to Dotty's records their parking is never at capacity. Council member Brooks moved to approve the variance request as presented based on staff findings and recommendations. Motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO ABANDON PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT BETWEEN PARCELS LOCATED AT 863 EAST WINNEMUCCA BLVD (APN 16-0272-37) AND 610 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD (APN 16-072-35) / MAVERICK, INC.

City Attorney Maher explained the request and the abandonment procedure.

Council member Owens moved to authorize staff to begin the abandonment procedure. Motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR SEWER AND WATER SERVICE OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS FOR PROPOSED NEW STRUCTURE / FEES DETERMINATION FOR SEWER-WATER CONNECTIONS AND USE / CONDITIONS OF AGREEMENT FOR PROVIDING SEWER-WATER SERVICES / 5750 US HIGHWAY 95 APN 10-0201-09 / MOHAMAD

City Attorney Maher explained that property owner Hilmi Mohamad is requesting City sewer and water service for a new building he plans to construct at his apartment complex, and to pay the in-City sewer and water connection fee amount, the same as was allowed for other new construction on the property. The proposed new unit is not to live in, it will be used in conjunction with the apartment units. Sewer connection fees outside the City are two times the in-City fee amount; water connection fees are the same inside and outside the City. The water and sewer use fees will be paid at the outside the City rate. Maher commented that in the past reduced sewer connection fees were only allowed for single family residences, they have not been allowed with commercial uses. A proposed agreement between the City and property owner with the terms presented is included in the meeting materials. Council member Billingsley moved to approve the request and agreement as presented for the sewer connection fee to be charged at the City rate per staff recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR GRANT OF EASEMENT / SIERRA PACIFIC POWER COMPANY

City Attorney Maher explained that this request (detailed in the Grant of Easement document in the meeting packet) is for an easement across a portion of City-owned property near the Sports

Complex to provide utility access for a County communication tower. Council member Owens moved to authorize the grant of easement to Sierra Pacific Power Company to construct, operate, add to, modify, maintain and remove above ground and/or underground communication facilities and electric line systems for the distribution and transmission of electricity, consisting of poles, other structures, wires, cables, bollards, pole-mounted transformers, anchors, guys and other equipment, fixtures, apparatus, and improvements, and service boxes/meter panels, cabinets, bollards, and other equipment, fixtures, apparatus, and improvements for the communications site facility located near the Winnemucca Sports Complex and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Grant of Easement document as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATIVE AUDIT OF FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL REPORT

This agenda item was withdrawn prior to the meeting. No action was taken.

STAFF-COUNCIL REPORTS

Council member Mendiola reported on the Humboldt River Water Basin Authority, the Paradise Valley Conservation District, and the Humboldt Foundation meetings he attended.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Police Chief Dalley presented a photo of the Police Department to be displayed at City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Haaglund
City Clerk

PASSED AND ADOPTED: December 11, 2018

VOTE OF COUNCIL:

AYES: Owens, Mavity, Mendiola, Billingsley
NAYS: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: Brooks

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Richard Stone
Mayor

Lorrie Haaglund
City Clerk