

Special Council Meeting of March 26, 2020

Pursuant to Proclamation 20-28 issued by Governor Inslee on March 24, 2020, which prohibits in person meetings, attendance to this special meeting is only allowed via speakerphone; call in number was provided to the Mayor, Councilmembers and the public.

Present were: Mayor Neal, Councilmembers Naillon, Marthaller, McElheran, Hart and Moser.
Absent: None.

Meeting called to order at 4:35 pm by Mayor Neal.

Purpose of the special meeting is to discuss:

- Declaring an Emergency in the City of Oroville; and
- Operations at Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park

Draft Ordinance #889, declaring an Emergency in the City of Oroville due to COVID-19, was emailed to the Mayor and Councilmembers for their review. Councilman Naillon requested language clarification on one paragraph to specify that the City would take reasonable actions to mitigate the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on their utility customers **during the term of this emergency**. Motion by Hart, second by Naillon that Ordinance #889 be adopted with the language added for clarification as discussed; motion carried.

Discussion on camping at OLVMP. Council felt that the park should be closed to camping at this time, however, the park should remain open for day use; Council felt that all City Parks should remain open for day use. Motion by Naillon, second by McElheran that OLVMP should be closed to camping at this time, however, all City Parks will remain open for day use as long as the Social Distancing requirements are met; motion carried.

Clerk Denney requested permission to refund reservation fees and cancellation fees due to the camping closure. Discussion on term for refunds. Council felt that refunds should be issued for the month of April only. Motion by McElheran, second by Hart that refunds be issued for reservation fees and cancellation fees for the month of April due to the camping closure caused by COVID-19; motion carried.

Motion by McElheran and second by Naillon the meeting be adjourned at 4:43 pm; motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk