Regular Council Meeting of March 16, 2021

Pursuant to Proclamation 20-28 issued by Governor Inslee on March 24, 2020 and further amended, which prohibits in person meetings, this regular meeting was attended only by the Mayor, Councilmembers and staff, as social distancing requirements could be met; call in number was provided to the public.

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

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Neal. Pledge of Allegiance given. Copies of the March 2nd council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Planning Commission alternate appointment request update given by Clerk Denney. Denney reported that the Oroville Municipal Code states that two residents will be from within the City Limits, two shall be from outside the City Limits and one will be at large; the OMC does not specify a distance for outside the City Limits. Denney stated that it was her understanding that Rebecca Ann is currently looking for a residence within the immediate Oroville area. Motion by Marthaller, second by McElheran that Rebecca Ann be appointed to Alternate Position #2. Those in favor: Marthaller, McElheran, Naillon and Moser; Hart abstained. Motion carried.

Resolution 576 vacating utility easement at Veranda Beach explained by Clerk Denney. Denney stated that Council had approved the utility easement vacation request submitted by Veranda Beach during the February 16th meeting, however, a resolution needed to be passed. Motion by Naillon, second by Hart that Resolution #576 be approved; motion carried.

Industrial Park Lease Agreement update given by Clerk Denney. Denney stated that the agreement has been revised and updated by Attorney Howe, however, Jim Hammond had stated that he had business that affects the lease and he needs more time to deal with it; Hammond had also stated that he will likely request a revision. Denney asked that if any of the Council had any changes they would like to see, please let her know so they can be included in future discussions.

Resolution 577 supporting local water bank explained by Mayor Neal. Motion by Naillon, second by Marthaller that Resolution #577 be approved; motion carried. Councilman Moser had further questions on water rights transfers; brief discussion on how water rights are transferred.

WSLCB Renewal Applications notice received for Trino's and the Pastime Brewery Bar & Grill; no comments.

Karen Frisbie Planning Commission letter of interest received; Mayor Neal stated that the Planning Commission did not submit a request for appointment of Frisbie. Frisbie questioned criteria for serving on the Planning Commission; Mayor Neal stated that it is at the discretion of the Planning Commission on who they request be appointed and the City Council has not received a request that Frisbie be appointed. Frisbie further discussed appointments and criteria for serving on the Planning Commission and her displeasure of not being appointed.

Building Official Bryan Forbus submitted the building department report, which included office updates, permitting activity, inspections, enforcement and other activities. Council thanked Forbus for attending and providing the update.

Clerk Denney reported that the Association of Washington Cities released an article regarding the \$1.1 billion for Washington Cities in the American Rescue Plan Act; AWC compiled a list of projected allocations, however, they are estimates only. The City of Oroville's estimated share is \$364,773; the allocations will be distributed in two separate payments, one in 2021 and one in 2022. Denney stated the funds can be used to replace lost revenues and she encourages the Council to consider using the 2021 funds to replace lost revenues in the Park Fund.

carried.		
Minutes approved	Mayor	
	Clerk	

Motion by McElheran and second by Moser the vouchers \$51,078.15, #28668-28701, DOR-EFT, be paid, the March 15, 2021 payroll of \$43,279.96, #28655-28667, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202109-202110, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:17 pm. Motion