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Blue Lake City Council Minutes

Tuesday, July 25, 2020 ~ 6:30 p.m. ~ Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Held Via Zoom Video Conference

Minutes Prepared By: Amanda Mager

Meeting Called to Order: 6:31p.m.

Attendance: Mayor Pro Tem Bobbi Ricca, Mayor Adelene Jones, Councilmember Summer Daugherty, Councilmember Chris Curran, Councilmember Elaine Hogan

Staff Present: Amanda Mager (City Manager), Garry Rees (City Planner)

Quorum of the Council Established

Motion to Approve the Agenda as Delivered: Councilmembers Ricca/ Curran-The Motion Carried Unanimously

3. Public Input:

- David Seda: Questioned why the City placed boulders in the area adjacent to his father's property; understands that the City is trying to clean up the property and that his father continues to store items in this area and that the boulders will prevent items from being placed there

4. Public Hearing Continuation: Amendment of the General Plan Land Use Element and Title 17 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code to add an Opportunity (O) Zone that would allow a variety of commercial, manufacturing, and residential uses. The O Zone is proposed to be applied to several properties within the Powers Creek District (formerly Blue Lake Business Park) and adjacent areas that are currently zoned Industrial (M), Light Industry (ML), and Agriculture Exclusive (AE). The Land Use Element is also proposed to be comprehensively updated as part of these amendments.

Staff Presentation:

Garry Rees, City Planner, presented the changes to the Opportunity Zone, as requested by the City Council; changes include adoption of the National Dark Skies Standard (IDA) and lowering of light pole heights.

Building Height Discussion: City Manager Mager presented various building heights for Council's viewing; the heights represented various local development in order for Council to

have a better understanding of development. The number of stories is also a limiting factor and it is recommended that the building height be the limiting factor and not the number of stories. The Opportunity Zone has many checks and balances as identified by City Planner Garry Rees to prevent development that doesn't fit with the city's development plans. The proposed height restriction of 25 feet would be the most restrictive height limitation in the City.

Mayor Jones opened up the discussion for public input:

Public Comment: Alicia Rousseau-likes the flexibility with the additional height; this will allow them more creativity as they develop their property.

Public Comment Closed. Council recommends adopting a 45 foot height limit with the shadow analysis as a requirement for any development over 25 feet; Council directs staff to revise the language to reflect the proposed height limitation with the established set back of 25' from the trail; remove the limitation on the number of stories to allow additional architectural creativity. The Opportunity Zone will be brought

5. Resolution No. 1172: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake Recognizing Blue Lake Fire District Fire Chief Ray Stonebarger for his Many Years of Dedicated Service to the Blue Lake Fire District and the City of Blue Lake.

Motion by Councilmembers Daugherty/Ricca to Adopt Resolution No. 1172-A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake Recognizing Blue Lake Fire District Fire Chief Ray Stonebarger for his Many Years of Dedicated Service to the Blue Lake Fire District and the City of Blue Lake: The motion carried unanimously

6. Resolution Number 1173-A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake Approving the Application for Grant Funds from the Wildlife Conservation Board for the Development of Recreation Facilities and Access to the Mad River.

Motion by Councilmembers Ricca/Daugherty to Adopt Resolution Number 1173-A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake Approving the Application for Grant Funds from the Wildlife Conservation Board for the Development of Recreation Facilities and Access to the Mad River. The motion carried unanimously

7. Resolution Number 1174 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake Approving Loan Documents to Purchase Real Property Located at 411 Railroad Avenue, Blue Lake, CA 95525 (Portion of Humboldt County APN: 025-073-001)

Motion by Councilmembers Ricca/Daugherty to Adopt Resolution 1174 of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake Approving Loan Documents to Purchase Real Property Located at 411 Railroad Avenue, Blue Lake, CA 95525 (Portion of Humboldt County APN: 025-073-001). The motion carried unanimously

8. Professional Service Agreement for Landscape Design Services:

Motion by Councilmembers Ricca/Daugherty to Authorize the City Manager to Negotiate and Sign a Professional Service Agreement with Ponte Landscape Architecture for the Development of a Phase One (1) Landscape Design for the Development of the Town Square as Identified in the City's Grant Application to the Headwaters Fund. - The motion carried unanimously

9. Consent Agenda-Motion to Accept the Consent Agenda: Councilmembers Ricca/Curran- The motion carried unanimously

- a. Minutes-June 23, 2020-Regular City Council Meeting
- b. Minutes-June 30, 2020-Special City Council Meeting
- c. Warrants and Disbursements June 2020

10. Reports of Council and Staff

Councilmember Hogan: Nothing to report

Councilmember Daugherty: Reported at last meeting; nothing to report

Mayor Jones: July HCAOG Meeting was cancelled

Councilmember Ricca: Nothing to report

Councilmember Curran: RCEA Meeting update

Public Comment: Peter Jackson asked if the community had any complaints regarding truck traffic in town. The City Manager stated that the response from Green Diamond was very positive and she appreciated their quick response in changing the haul route.

Future Agenda Items:

- Opportunity Zone Discussion
- Adoption of an Official Flower for the City

Motion to Adjourn: Councilmembers Ricca/Daugherty-The motion carried unanimously