

City of Blue Lake

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City Council Agenda

Tuesday, November 26, 2024 ~ 6:30 p.m. ~Regular Council Meeting Skinner Store-111 Greenwood Road, Blue Lake California

Unless Otherwise Noted, All Items on the Agenda are Subject to Action.

Public Input can be given to the Council by emailing <u>cityclerk@bluelake.ca.gov</u> until 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday November 26, 2024.

PLEASE NOTE that live meeting logistics will be prioritized. The quality of the Zoom teleconference meeting cannot be guaranteed. Technical challenges experienced by either the participant or the City will not interrupt or halt the progress of the meeting.

Public input may be facilitated by Zoom at the following meeting link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89151993544?pwd=WmOU1EtB80vadjVvha0Mbxi8oMsgql.1 Meeting ID: 891 5199 3544

Passcode: 502252

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Establish a Quorum of the Council-
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. **Public Comment** The Public is invited to present petitions, make announcements, or provide other information to the City Council that is relevant to the scope of authority of the City of Blue Lake that is not on the Agenda. The Council may provide up to 15 minutes for this public input session. To assure that each individual presentation is heard, the Council may uniformly impose time limitations of 3 minutes to each individual presentation. The public will be given the opportunity to address items that are on the agenda at the time the Council takes up each specific agenda item.
- 5. Humboldt County Association of Governments Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing
- 6. Presentation and Adoption of City of Blue Lake Fiscal Year 2023 Audit-Presentation/Action
- 7. Battery Storage Project Information Presentation by Redwood Coast Energy Authority-Presentation/Discussion
- 8. City of Blue Lake Housing Element Presentation-Discussion
- 9. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance Number 2024-544-Action
- 10. Consent Agenda:

- a. September 24, 2024 City Council Meeting Minutes
- b. Salary Scale Adjustment Fiscal Year 2024/2025
- c. October Warrants and Disbursements
- 10. Council Correspondence
- 11. Reports of Council and Staff
 - a. City Manager Report
 - i. Site Management at 200 Taylor Way
- 12. Future Agenda Items
- 13. Adjourn

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City Council Meeting Agenda Report

Item #: 5

Date: November 26, 2024

Item Subject: Humboldt County Association of Governments-Unmet Transit Needs

Presentation

Submitted By: Mandy Mager, City Manager

General Information:

The Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG) conducts yearly outreach to identify and quantify unmet transit needs in our community and the region. HCAOG staff will present the unmet transit needs process via Zoom, including providing information on how residents can participate in the process.

The City will hold a public hearing on December 10, 2024 to allow the public the opportunity to present their concerns and needs and a survey is available for those that wish to present their concerns online or via written survey.

Background Material Provided: HCAOG Report and Outreach Materials

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Recommended Action: Presentation

Review Information:			
City Manager Review: ⊠	Legal Review:	Planner Review: \Box	Engineer:
Comments:			

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Provide the public with the opportunity to give input on unmet needs. Consider unmet needs and direct staff to forward the unmet needs to Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG) worded as one of the three choices: (1) there are no unmet transit needs; (2) there are no unmet transit needs, which are reasonable to meet; (3) there are unmet transit needs, including those that are reasonable to meet.

BACKGROUND:

Please see the definitions of "Unmet Transit Needs" and "Reasonable to Meet" provided on the following pages from HCAOG.

State law requires the regional transportation agencies and their composite communities address unmet transit needs on a yearly basis. Locally this effort is led by HCAOG as the region's regional transportation agency. Each jurisdictional area within the county is encouraged to conduct its own public hearing. The initial public hearing process concludes on December 31st, and is followed by HCAOG staff compiling the public input received and consulting with transit service providers. Using all of this information, a draft Unmet Transit Needs Report of Findings is prepared. HCAOG's Social Services Technical Advisory Committee (SSTAC) will then consider all available information compiled pursuant to the Unmet Transit Needs public participation process and forward a recommendation to the HCAOG Board. In the spring the HCAOG Board will consider and adopt the Unmet Transit Needs Report of Findings.

This agenda item provides the public an opportunity to identify unmet needs and the City Council to forward such needs to the HCAOG for consideration. The decision of the public hearing must use specific terms during the decision to be able to receive the money from HCAOG. The three choices are:

- 1. There are no unmet transit needs.
- 2. There are no unmet transit needs, which are reasonable to meet.
- 3. There are unmet transit needs, including those that are reasonable to meet.

In the event of finding that there are no unmet transit needs or that there are no unmet transit needs which are reasonable to meet, entities may expend TDA resources for non-transit purposes if excess funds remain. Finding that there are unmet transit needs, including those that are reasonable to meet, delivers a mandate to the respective entity to set aside funds, given that they are available, to implement a program to meet those needs deemed "reasonable to meet."

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- 1. Open a public hearing to allow residents to comment on transit needs in Humboldt.
- 2. Close the public hearing and direct staff to forward a summary of the meeting to the Humboldt County Association of Governments.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Unknown.



Transit Needs Assessment Annual Process – Public Hearings

From Michelle Nielsen <michellen@planwestpartners.com>

Date Wed 10/16/2024 2:48 PM

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FY 25-26 UTN Synopsis.pdf;

To: City Managers/County Administrative Officer North Coast Tribal Transportation Commission McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee Humboldt Transit Authority

Good afternoon everyone. Every year, as established by the California Transportation Development Act (TDA), the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG) is required to conduct a citizen participation process to assist in identifying transit needs in the region. This process is required prior to allocations of TDA funding in the following fiscal year. All comments deemed to meet the definition of an unmet transit need will be analyzed and reviewed by HCAOG's Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) to determine if the need is "reasonable to meet." Comments that are operational in nature are forwarded to transit operators. The attached document includes a summary of the TDA rules, use of Local Transportation Funds, role of the citizen participation process, and adopted definitions and criteria used to determine if a need is reasonable to meet.

The HCAOG Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on Thursday, December 19, 2024. Though not required, we encourage your agency to also conduct a public hearing in November or December 2024. Please provide your meeting date to Amber Chung, Assistant Planner, at amberc@planwestpartners.com by Friday, October 25, 2024, to allow us to meet publishing and posting requirement deadlines. All public comments received by December 31, 2024 will be discussed by the SSTAC and a Report of Findings brought to the HCAOG Board in 2025.

New this year

HCAOG staff requests time prior to opening the hearing to provide a brief presentation on the state of our regional transit systems, exciting new developments that are making our transit systems more convenient, transit performance measures such as operating subsidy per passenger and passengers per hour, and potential modifications to the adopted reasonable to meet criteria. In addition, we ask that the agenda item be described as a "Transit Needs Assessment."

Please contact us with any questions. Thank you!

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HUMBOLDT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

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Citizen Participation Process for Transit Needs Assessment

Transportation Development Act

The Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG) is responsible for allocating <u>Transportation Development Act</u> (TDA) funds within the region. The TDA provides two major sources of funding, Local Transportation Funds (LTF) derived from a ¼ cent of the general sales tax and State Transportation Assistance Funds (STAF) derived from a tax on diesel fuel. Together, these TDA funds provide a significant revenue source for public transit in Humboldt County. The "Unmet Transit Needs" process is carried out annually to identify and evaluate the adequacy of existing public transportation services. HCAOG is required to assess transit needs prior to allocating LTF money for non-transit purposes, while STA is programmed to the Humboldt Transit Authority and Arcata and Mad River Transit.

Each jurisdiction has their own LTF account. Eureka and Arcata use the entirety of their LTF allocation for transit purposes. The County of Humboldt, Cities of Fortuna, Rio Dell, Blue Lake, and Trinidad have funds remaining after paying their share for eligible transit uses. In these cases, the TDA allows LTF to be applied to local streets and roads budgets, including pedestrian and bicycle projects. In Ferndale, there are no eligible public transit services and the LTF allocation is applied to non-transit purposes.

Public Process to Make a Finding

HCAOG's Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) leads the process. Although only one hearing is required, public meetings are held to ensure residents in each jurisdiction are heard. The SSTAC considers all public testimony and input, determines if the suggestions meet the adopted definition of an unmet transit need and applies adopted criteria to determine if the need is "reasonable to meet". Public comments are accepted throughout the year and close on December 31st.

The SSTAC will consider the draft Unmet Transit Needs report and forward one of the following findings to the HCAOG Board for consideration:

- (a) there are no unmet transit needs; or
- (b) there are no unmet transit needs which are "reasonable to meet"; or
- (c) there are unmet transit needs, including those that are "reasonable to meet"

Potential Impacts to Local Transportation Funding

If HCAOG adopts finding (c), then the unmet transit needs shall be funded before any allocation is made for non-transit purposes (i.e. streets and roads) within the jurisdiction. Funds for new or expanded transit services can be set-aside from sources other than TDA funds. For instance, in 2018 the HCAOG Board voted to set aside Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) funds for late-night weekday service on the Redwood Transit Service. The service was found based on ridership at that time to be an unmet transit need reasonable to meet, but could not be funded due to insufficient Local Transportation Funds available to all required entities. When COVID hit and ridership fell dramatically, these LCTOP funds were repurposed to support free fares.

Examples of Past Public Input and Findings

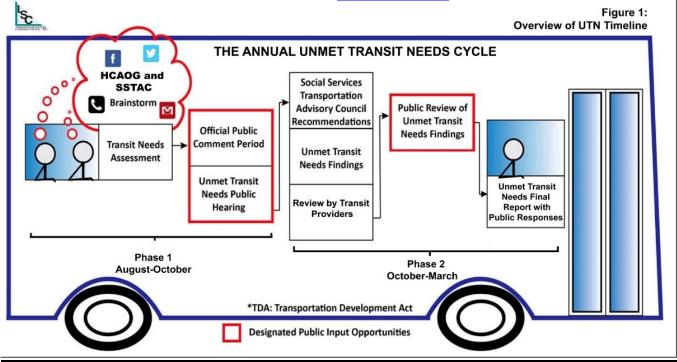
The FY 24-25 transit needs process resulted in a finding that Redwood Transit System (RTS) increased frequency to every 30 minutes during peak hours between McKinleyville Airport and Cal Poly Humboldt Library Circle is an unmet need that is reasonable to meet. HCAOG is working with HTA, the County and Cities to develop an operational and funding plan to meet this need. The unmet need must be funded prior to allocating any FY 24-25 Local Transportation Funds (LTF) to streets and roads.

Previous findings led to new transit services to Tish Non-Village (Bear River Rancheria) and Old Arcata Road. Both services were discontinued after two years because not enough people used them. In 2024, the SSTAC modified the "reasonable to meet" criteria to include an analysis of performance measures such as operating subsidy per passenger and riders per hour. These metrics provide other ways to consider the cost and projected performance of new transit service, with the intention to avoid starting new services that will not be viable. Other unmet needs including Sunday service on RTS and ETS, Saturday night service on RTS, and later evening service on ETS were not reasonable to meet based on projected farebox returns and very low estimated ridership that would result in a high operating subsidy.

Comments received through this annual process can provide valuable feedback to transit operators. Not all operational requests can be accommodated, but agencies make every effort to respond. In addition, public comments are beneficial as a record of community need and can help to secure competitive grant-funded opportunities such as first-last mile mobility solutions to expand access to transit.

Opportunities for Public Comment on Unmet Transit Needs

- Navigate to the project page at https://www.hcaog.net/programs-projects/publictransportation or see the attached information about the online survey.
- At one of the advertised public meetings;
- Written comments and/or feedback gathered from staff during direct outreach;
- Comment submittals by email or telephone: info@hcaog.net or 707-444-8208.



Take the online survey!

English -- bit.ly/UTNSurvey2025



Take the survey by December 31st



Realice la encuesta en línea!

Español -- https://bit.ly/Espanol2025UTN



¡Responda la encuesta antes del 31 de diciembre!

UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS DEFINITION & REASONABLE TO MEET CRITERIA

Unmet transit needs are, at a minimum:

- (1) Trips requested from residents who do not have access to public transportation, specialized transportation, or private transport services or resources for the purpose of traveling to medical care, shopping, social/recreational activities, education/training, and employment; or
- (2) Proposed public transportation, specialized transportation, or private transport services identified in the following, but not limited to: a Transportation Development Plan, Regional Transportation Plan, Coordinated Public Transit—Human Services Transportation Plan.
- (3) Sufficient broad-based community support exists, meaning that persons who will likely use the service on a routine basis demonstrate support with at a minimum two requests for general public service and for disabled service.

Additionally, unmet transit needs do not include:

- ❖ Improvements funded or scheduled for implementation in the next fiscal year. Two potential new services that will be reevaluated this year are:
 - Express bus service between McKinleyville and Eureka during peak hours
 - Late Night Weekday Service on the Regional Transit System
- ❖ Minor operational improvements or changes such as bus stops, schedules, and minor route changes. Minor operational improvements are changes to service which do not affect the operating cost of the transit service either by requiring additional staff and/or additional vehicle hours of service or miles of service.
- Trips for primary or secondary school transportation
- Sidewalk improvements or street and road needs

Reasonable to meet criteria:

- (1) To be considered "reasonable to meet", a service must be operationally feasible and financially sustainable, as defined below:
 - a) The service must have adequate roadways and must be safe to operate.
 - b) Enough money should be available from identified sources of funding to pay for the marginal operating costs of the service continuously for three years.
- (2) The service must be projected to meet a minimum "marginal farebox-return-ratio" of 10 percent within two years. Performance measures including estimated subsidy per passenger trip and passengers per vehicle hour of service will also be considered. For new service, ridership and farebox-return-ratio thresholds will be considered.
- (3) Pursuant to the requirements of TDA Statutes (Public Utilities Code Section 99401.5c, a determination of needs that are "reasonable to meet" shall not be made by comparing unmet transit needs with the need for streets and roads, for the allocation of TDA funds.
- (4) Once a service is determined to be "reasonable to meet" and is implemented, it can be expected that the ridership in the first 1-2 years of the new service will be less than the projected optimal ridership. Ridership should be evaluated at 6-month intervals to determine if service is meeting performance standards adopted by the transit provider, and specifically, whether the service meets a minimum 10 percent marginal farebox-return-ratio. If the service is being adequately promoted and fails to be within 60 percent of the identified standards after six months, 90 percent with the first year, or 100 percent within two years, the service may be cancelled and deemed "no longer reasonable to meet." An exception to this rule is when a community or group is willing to participate in sharing the ongoing cost of the new service.

City Council Meeting Agenda Report

Item #: 6

Date: November 26, 2024

Item Subject: Presentation and Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2023 Financial Audit

Submitted By: Mandy Mager, City Manager

General Information:

Brett Jones, auditor from JJACPA, will present the final draft audit for fiscal year 2023. Upon presentation, the Council may choose to accept the audit via motion.

Background Material Provided: Final Draft Audit

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Recommended Action: To accept the audit as presented.

Review Information:			
City Manager Review: ⊠	Legal Review: \square	Planner Review: \Box	Engineer: \square
Comments:			

CITY OF BLUE LAKE, CALIFORNIA ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Prepared by:

Amanda Mager City Manager

Jackson & Eklund Accounting
Contract Accountant



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List of Officials

CITY COUNCIL

- > Adelene Jones, Mayor
- > Angela Shull, Mayor Pro Tem
- > Chris Edgar
- > Elizabeth MacKay
- ➤ Elise Scafani

CITY OFFICIALS

- > Amanda Mager, City Manager
- > Jackson & Eklund Accounting, Contract Accountant

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Lake
Blue Lake, California

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and the budgetary comparison information of the City of Blue Lake (City), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and the budgetary comparison information of the City, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the City and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The City's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Lake Blue Lake, California

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control–related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4–14, the Schedule of Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios on page 72, the City's Schedules of Contributions on pages 73, and the Schedules of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability on pages 74 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Lake Blue Lake, California

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 22, 2024 on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

November 22, 2024

JJACPA, Inc. JJACPA, Inc. Dublin, CA

Management's Discussion and Analysis

This section provides a narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the City of Blue Lake (City) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. It should be read in conjunction with the basic financial statements.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

From the government-wide financial statement perspective, the following outlines the financial highlights for the year:

- Overall, at June 30, 2023, the City's net position (excess of assets and deferred outflows of resources over liabilities and deferred inflows of resources) was \$8,737,238, an increase of \$362,542 from the prior fiscal year. Of the total net position, \$4,526,285 was invested in capital assets (net of related debt) and \$2,497,148 had restrictions on its use leaving \$1,713,805 as unrestricted.
- Overall, City-wide revenues increased by \$614,814 or 27.9% compared to the prior fiscal year.
- Overall, City-wide expenses decreased by \$475,613 or 19.4% compared to the prior fiscal year.

From the fund financial statement perspective, the following outlines the financial highlights for the year:

- At June 30, 2023, the City's governmental funds fund balance decreased by \$24,317 or 1.6% in comparison to the prior fiscal year while the proprietary funds fund balance increased \$173,530 or 5.2%.
- In comparison to the prior fiscal year, the revenues of the governmental funds increased by \$314,823 or 23.8% while the proprietary funds increased \$274,742 or 29.7%. The governmental funds increase is primarily related to and increase in tax revenues, charges for services, and intergovernmental revenues while the proprietary funds increase is primarily related to an increase in user charges, intergovernmental revenues, and interest earnings.
- In comparison to the prior fiscal year, the expenditures of the governmental funds increased by \$380,563 or 29.7% while the expenses of the proprietary funds decreased by \$337,563 or 24.7%. The governmental funds increase is primarily related to parks and recreation and capital project expenditures while the proprietary funds decrease is primarily related to a decrease in personnel costs.

OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City's basic financial statements. The basic financial statements are comprised of the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. These two sets of financial statements provide two different views of the City's financial activities and financial position.

Management's Discussion and Analysis, Continued

The Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements provide a broad overview of the City's activities as a whole and are comprised of the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. The Statement of Net Position provides information on all the City's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources, with the residual amount reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities provides information showing changes in City's net position during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported when the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows (accrual basis of accounting). The focus is on both gross and net costs of City functions, which are supported by general revenues. This statement also distinguishes functions of the City as follows:

- ♦ Governmental activities all of the City's basic services are considered to be governmental activities, including general government, community development, public safety, animal control, public works, public improvements, planning and zoning, building inspections, public transportation, parks, and recreation. These services are primarily supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.
- ♦ Business-type activities all of the City's activities that are intended to cover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges are reported here. The business-type activities include the water and sewer utility activities of the City.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The City, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All funds of the City can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and proprietary funds. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the City's major funds are as follows:

Governmental Funds:

- General Fund
- Community Development Block Grant Fund
- Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund

Proprietary Funds:

- Water Utility Fund
- Sewer Utility Fund

Management's Discussion and Analysis, Continued

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of the governmental fund financial statements is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financial decisions. Both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The governmental fund financial statements provide detailed information about each of the City's most significant funds, called major funds. Data for the other governmental funds, called non-major funds, is combined and presented in a single column. Individual fund data for each non-major fund is provided in the supplemental schedules section of this report.

Proprietary Funds

The City maintains enterprise-type proprietary funds. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The City uses enterprise funds to account for water and sewer utility activities. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the basic financial statements begin on page 37 of this report.

Other Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report presents certain required supplementary which begins on page 71 of this report.

The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with non-major governmental funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information beginning on page 75 of this report.

Management's Discussion and Analysis, Continued

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Statement of Net Position

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the City, assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$8,737,238 as of June 30, 2023. To follow is a summary of the statement of net position as of June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	Summary of Net Position											
	2023						2022					
		Govern- mental Activities		Business- type Activities		Total		Govern- mental Activities		Business- type Activities		Total
Current assets	\$	3,269,888	\$	2,894,216	\$	6,164,104	\$	2,885,295	\$	2,959,247	\$	5,844,542
Noncurrent assets		3,443,448		1,323,483		4,766,931		3,317,679		1,373,064		4,690,743
Deferred outflows of resources		298,807		283,335		582,142		160,075		150,975		311,050
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources		7,012,143		4,501,034		11,513,177		6,363,049		4,483,286		10,846,335
Current liabilities		658,591		159,119		817,710		166,391		231,817		398,208
Long-term liabilities		998,152		624,044		1,622,196		800,670		505,763		1,306,433
Deferred inflows of resources		98,362		237,671		336,033		327,962		439,036		766,998
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources		1,755,105		1,020,834		2,775,939		1,295,023		1,176,616		2,471,639
Net position:												
Net invested in												
capital assets		3,227,967		1,298,318		4,526,285		3,098,238		1,337,248		4,435,486
Restricted		580,559		1,916,589		2,497,148		496,823		1,671,509		2,168,332
Unrestricted		1,448,512		265,293		1,713,805		1,472,965		297,913		1,770,878
Total net position	\$	5,257,038	\$	3,480,200	\$	8,737,238	\$	5,068,026	\$	3,306,670	\$	8,374,696

In comparison to the prior fiscal year:

- Total net position increased by \$362,542 or 4.3% as a result of ongoing operations. Governmental activities experienced an increase of \$189,012 or 3.7% while business-type activities experienced an increase of \$173,530 or 5.2% due to ongoing operations.
- Total assets and deferred outflows increased \$666,842 or 6.1% as a result of ongoing operations. Governmental activities experienced an increase of \$649,094 or 10.2% while business-type activities experienced an increase of \$17,748 or 0.4%.
- Total liabilities and deferred inflows increased \$304,300 or 12.3%. Governmental activities experienced an increase of \$460,082 or 35.5% while business-type activities experienced a decrease of \$155,782 or 13.2%.

Management's Discussion and Analysis, Continued

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS, Continued

Changes in Net Position

The change in net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023, and 2022 follows:

			Changes in	Net Position	et Position					
		2023		2022						
	Govern-	Business-		Govern-	Business-					
	mental	type		mental	type					
	Activities	Activities	Total	Activities	Activities	Total				
Revenues:										
Program revenues:										
Charges for services	\$ 310,286	\$ 943,609	\$ 1,253,895	\$ 202,440	\$ 820,262	\$ 1,022,702				
Grants and contributions:										
Operating	523,485	28,979	552,464	531,063	-	531,063				
Capital	249,705	172,893	422,598	177,934	118,890	296,824				
General revenues:										
Property taxes										
and assessments	168,610	-	168,610	139,247	-	139,247				
Franchise fees	42,498	-	42,498	38,810	-	38,810				
Sales and use tax	61,454	-	61,454	32,408	-	32,408				
Transient occupancy tax	284	-	284	249	-	249				
Motor vehicle in-lieu	196,983	-	196,983	126,893	-	126,893				
Intergovernmental revenues	30,642	-	30,642	20,097	-	20,097				
Investment earnings	30,770	51,551	82,321	146	(21,920)	(21,774)				
Other general revenues	817	3,015	3,832	6,175	8,073	14,248				
Total revenues	1,615,534	1,200,047	2,815,581	1,275,462	925,305	2,200,767				
Expenses: Governmental activities: General government	250,263	-	250,263	572,919	-	572,919				
Planning	141,851	-	141,851	127,395	-	127,395				
Building	31,343	-	31,343	26,356	-	26,356				
Public safety	154,902	-	154,902	196,965	-	196,965				
Animal control	8,602	-	8,602	8,484	-	8,484				
Facilities	10,763	-	10,763	18,809	-	18,809				
Street maintenance & lighting	248,112	-	248,112	200,230	-	200,230				
Parks and recreation	489,221	-	489,221	321,859	_	321,859				
Housing & economic development	23,021	-	23,021	48,992	_	48,992				
Public transit	32,375	-	32,375	31,875	_	31,875				
Recycling	25,189	-	25,189	10,688	_	10,688				
Interest	10,880	-	10,880	11,075	_					
Business-type activities:										
Water	_	546,735	546,735	-	719,864	719,864				
Sewer	_	479,782	479,782	-	644,216	644,216				
Total expenses	1,426,522	1,026,517	2,453,039	1,575,647	1,364,080	2,928,652				
Change in net position	189,012	173,530	362,542	(300,185)	(438,775)	(738,960)				
Net position:										
Beginning of year	5,068,026	3,306,670	8,374,696	5,368,211	3,745,445	9,113,656				
End of year	\$ 5,257,038	\$ 3,480,200	\$ 8,737,238	\$ 5,068,026	\$ 3,306,670	\$ 8,374,696				

Management's Discussion and Analysis, Continued

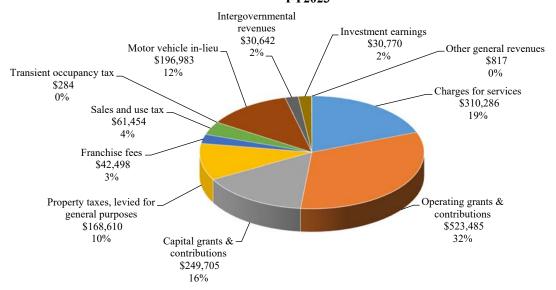
GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS, Continued

Changes in Net Position, Continued

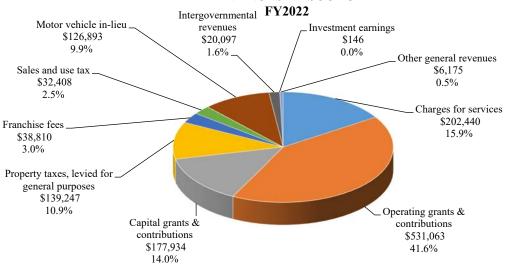
Revenues by source for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023, and 2022, are as follows:

Governmental Activities

REVENUES BY SOURCE FY2023



REVENUES BY SOURCE

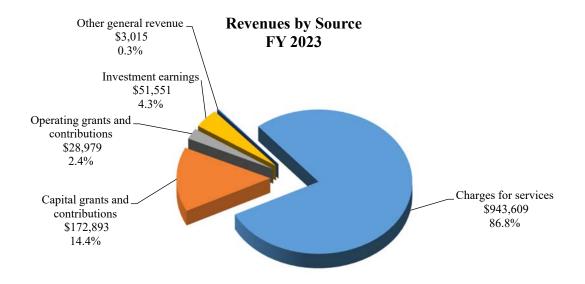


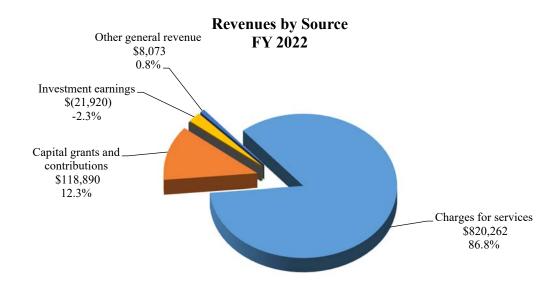
Management's Discussion and Analysis, Continued

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS, Continued

Changes in Net Position, Continued

Business-type Activities





Management's Discussion and Analysis, Continued

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS, Continued

Changes in Net Position, Continued

Revenues

The City's revenues for governmental and business-type activities totaled \$2,815,581, an increase of \$614,814 or 27.9% in comparison to the prior fiscal year. Governmental activity revenues totaled \$1,615,534, an increase of \$340,072 or 26.7% while business-type activity revenues totaled \$1,200,047, an increase of \$274,742 or 29.7%. The City's total revenues consisted of charges for services (44.5%), operating grants and contributions (19.6%), capital grants and contributions (15.0%), and general revenues (20.9%).

The following discusses variances in key revenues from the prior fiscal year:

- Charges for services increased \$231,193 or 22.6% as the result of operations;
- Operating grants and contributions increased \$21,401 or 4.0%;
- Capital grants and contributions increased \$125,774 or 42.4% primarily as a result of Parks & Recreation capital projects;
- **General revenues** increased \$236,446 or 67.5% primarily due to increases in tax revenues and investment earnings.

Expenses

The City's expenses for governmental and business-type activities totaled \$2,453,039, a decrease of \$475,613 or 19.4% in comparison to the prior fiscal year.

Governmental activity expenses totaled \$1,426,522 a decrease of \$149,125 or 41.1% primarily as a result of decreased spending on general government and public safety which was offset by increased spending on parks and recreation. Governmental activity expenses consisted of general government (17.5%) public safety (10.9%), parks and recreation (34.3%), facilities and streets (18.1%), and all other governmental activities (19.2%).

Business-type activity expenses totaled \$1,026,517, a decrease of \$337,563 or 24.7% as a result of water utility and sewer utility operations. Business-type activity expenses consisted of water utility (53.3%) and sewer utility (46.7%).

Management's Discussion and Analysis, Continued

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

The City uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The fund financial statements provide a narrower focus on the individual components of the City government and report the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements.

Governmental Funds

The City's governmental funds provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of resources that are available for spending. At June 30, 2023, the City's governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$1,503,214, a decrease of \$24,317 or 1.6% in comparison to the prior fiscal year (general fund \$5,747, CDBG fund \$-7,983, SLESF fund \$35,425, non-major funds \$-57,506).

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the City. At June 30, 2023, the total fund balance for the General Fund was \$1,130,040, an increase of \$5,747 or 0.5% in comparison to the prior fiscal year. Revenues and transfers-in increased \$377,227 or 50.8% a majority of which can be attributed to increases in of tax revenues, charges for services, and intergovernmental revenues. Expenditures and transfers-out increased \$284,900 or 34.4% in comparison to the prior fiscal year a majority of which can be attributed to increased spending on general government, street lighting and maintenance, parks and recreation, and capital outlay.

The CDBG Fund is a special revenue fund used to account for the activity related to the City's Community Development Block Grant Program. At June 30, 2023, the total fund balance for the CDBG Fund was \$392,223 a decrease of \$7,983 or 2.0% in comparison to the prior fiscal year. Revenues and transfers-in decreased \$26,740 or 46.6% while expenditures and transfers-out increased \$7,866 or 94.7% in comparison to the prior fiscal year.

The SLESF Fund is a special revenue fund used to account for State funds received for the purpose of providing law enforcement services. At June 30, 2023, the total fund balance for the SLESF Fund was \$0, an increase of 35,425 in comparison to the prior fiscal year. Revenues increased \$9,867 or 6.4% while expenditures decreased \$61,006 or 32.4% in comparison to the prior fiscal year.

Proprietary Funds

The City's proprietary fund statements provide the same type of information found in business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail. At June 30, 2023, the total net position for the Water Utility Fund was \$1,199,550, a decrease of \$16,557 or 1.4% in comparison to the prior fiscal year. Revenues increased \$69,845 or 15.2% while expenses decreased \$173,129 or 24.1% in comparison to the prior fiscal year.

Management's Discussion and Analysis, Continued

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS, Continued

Proprietary Funds, Continued

At June 30, 2023, the total net position for the Sewer Utility Fund was \$2,280,650, an increase of \$190,087 or 9.1% in comparison to the prior fiscal year. Revenues increased \$204,897 or 44.1% while expenses decreased \$164,434 or 25.5% in comparison to the prior fiscal year.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Actual revenues/transfers-in were under the final budget by \$185,649 or 15.6%. This was primarily due to lower than expected intergovernmental revenues related to City projects. Actual expenditures/transfers-out were under the final budget by \$200,113 or 15.2%. This was primarily due to lower than projected spending on general government, planning, and debt service and was partially offset by higher than projected spending on street lighting and maintenance, parks and recreation, and capital outlay.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2023, the City's investment in capital assets (net of depreciation) for its governmental activities totaled \$3,443,448 and for its business-type activities totaled \$1,323,483. This investment in capital assets includes land, construction in progress costs, buildings and improvements, infrastructure, furniture and equipment, and vehicles.

	Governmental Activities		Business-typ	pe Activities	Totals			
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022		
Land	\$ 480,284	\$ 480,284	\$ 74,877	\$ 74,877	\$ 555,161	\$ 555,161		
Construction in progress	236,265	40,101	34,377	46,016	270,642	86,117		
Land improvements	1,229,282	1,218,139	-		1,229,282	1,218,139		
Infrastructure	1,203,059	1,271,070	-	-	1,203,059	1,271,070		
Buildings and improvements	262,987	282,311	-	200	262,987	282,511		
Machinery and equipment	27,861	21,004	150,043	98,464	177,904	119,468		
Software	3,710	4,770	-	-	3,710	4,770		
Water system	-	-	322,059	341,830	322,059	341,830		
Sewer system			742,127	811,677	742,127	811,677		
Total	\$ 3,443,448	\$ 3,317,679	\$ 1,323,483	\$ 1,373,064	\$ 4,766,931	\$ 4,690,743		

Additional information about the City's capital assets can be found in Notes 1 and 5 to the basic financial statements.

Management's Discussion and Analysis, Continued

Long-Term Debt

At June 30, 2023, the City had total debt obligations of \$240,646. Additional information about the City's long-term debt can be found in Note 7 to the basic financial statements.

Notes payable - Governmental Activities
Notes payable - Water Funds
Total

Government	al A	ctivities	E	Business-ty	pe Ac	tivities	Totals			tals		
2023		2022		2023		2022		2023		2022		
\$ 215,481	\$	219,441	\$	-	\$	-	\$	215,481	\$	219,441		
 -		-		25,165		35,816		25,165		35,816		
\$ 215,481	\$	219,441	\$	25,165	\$	35,816	\$	240,646	\$	255,257		

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

The budget for fiscal year 2023-24 was adopted and provides for a short- and long-term economic outlook that is considered stable. This is a result of a continuing and reliable tax revenue stream, the implementation of a water and sewer rate increase, and the City's efforts to contain and control expenditures.

Just as important as the maintaining and growing the City's revenue base, moderating expenditure growth is also imperative and will continue be challenging to the City. Personnel cost is the largest expense category and addressing personnel expenditure growth will remain a priority. However, these costs are projected to continue to rise at a greater rate than most other costs.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This annual financial report is intended to provide citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances. Should the reader have any questions about this report or wish to request additional financial information, please contact the City of Blue Lake Finance Department, 111 Greenwood Avenue, Blue Lake, CA 95525-0458, or visit the City's web page at www.bluelake.ca.gov.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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City of Blue Lake, California Statement of Net Position June 30, 2023

	 vernmental Activities	siness-type Activities		Total	
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and investments	\$ 1,390,128	\$ 2,670,243	\$	4,060,371	
Receivables:					
Accounts receivable, net	10,979	124,961		135,940	
Interest receivable	229,920	19,953		249,873	
Intergovernmental receivables	790,041	55,251		845,292	
Loans receivable	816,354	-		816,354	
Inventories	-	23,808		23,808	
Prepaid expenses	32,466	-		32,466	
Total current assets	3,269,888	 2,894,216		6,164,104	
Noncurrent assets:	 		•		
Capital assets:					
Nondepreciable	716,549	109,254		825,803	
Depreciable	2,726,899	1,214,229		3,941,128	
Total noncurrent assets	 3,443,448	 1,323,483		4,766,931	
Total assets	 6,713,336	4,217,699		10,931,035	
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DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	0.572	15.405		24.060	
Other postemployment benefits (OPEB)	8,573	15,487		24,060	
Pension plan	 290,234	 267,848		558,082	
Total deferred outflows of resources	 298,807	283,335		582,142	
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ 7,012,143	\$ 4,501,034	\$	11,513,177	
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 95,419	\$ 39,107	\$	134,526	
Accrued payroll	13,543	4,952		18,495	
Compensated absenses	18,142	29,539		47,681	
Customer deposits	11,700	75,473		87,173	
Notes payable due within one year	3,808	10,048		13,856	
Unearned revenue	515,979	_		515,979	
Total current liabilities	658,591	 159,119		817,710	
Noncurrent liabilities:		 			
Notes payable due after one year	211,673	15,117		226,790	
Net pension liability	709,364	524,636		1,234,000	
Net OPEB liability	77,115	84,291		161,406	
Total noncurrent liabilities	 998,152	624,044		1,622,196	
Total liabilities	 1,656,743	783,163		2,439,906	
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	 				
Pension plan	60,005	177,183		237,188	
Other postemployment benefit (OPEB)	38,357	60,488		98,845	
Total deferred inflows of resources	 98,362	 237,671		336,033	
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets	3,227,967	1,298,318		4,526,285	
Restricted	580,559	1,916,589		2,497,148	
Unrestricted	1,448,512	265,293		1,713,805	
Total net position	5,257,038	3,480,200		8,737,238	
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Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and					

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these basic financial statements.

City of Blue Lake, California Statement of Activities For the year ended June 30, 2023

		Program Revenues								
Functions/Programs		Expenses		Charges for Services		perating rants and ntributions	Capital Grants and Contributions			
Primary government:										
Governmental activities:										
General government	\$	250,263	\$	26,213	\$	135,285	\$	-		
Planning		141,851		12,873		-		-		
Building		31,343		35,977		-		-		
Public safety		154,902		394		197,566		-		
Animal control		8,602		2,520		-		-		
Facilities		10,763		41,512		-		-		
Street maintenance and lighting		248,112		-		123,823		-		
Parks and recreation		489,221		183,353		8,130		249,705		
Housing and economic development		23,021		-		364		-		
Public transit		32,375		-		32,375		-		
Recycling		25,189		7,444		25,942		-		
Interest		10,880		_		=		-		
Total governmental activities		1,426,522		310,286		523,485		249,705		
Business-type activities:										
Water		546,735		507,700		_		-		
Sewer		479,782		435,909		28,979		172,893		
Total business-type activities		1,026,517		943,609		28,979		172,893		
Total primary government	\$	2,453,039	\$	1,253,895	\$	552,464	\$	422,598		

General revenues:

Taxes:

Property taxes, levied for general purposes

Franchise fees

Sales and use tax

Transient occupancy tax

Motor vehicle in-lieu

Intergovernmental revenues

Investment earnings

Other general revenues

Total general revenues

Change in net position

Net position:

Beginning of year

End of year

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these basic financial statements.

	Net (Expense) Changes in						
	overnmental Activities		siness-Type Activities	Totals			
\$	(88,765)	\$	_	\$	(88,765)		
Ψ	(128,978)	Ψ	_	Ψ	(128,978)		
	4,634		_		4,634		
	43,058		_		43,058		
	(6,082)		_		(6,082)		
	30,749		-		30,749		
	(124,289)		-		(124,289)		
	(48,033)		-		(48,033)		
	(22,657)		_		(22,657)		
	-		-		-		
	8,197		-		8,197		
	(10,880)		<u>-</u> _		(10,880)		
	(343,046)		-		(343,046)		
			(20,025)		(20.025)		
	-		(39,035)		(39,035)		
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	(2.12.0.15)						
\$	(343,046)	\$	118,964	\$	(224,082)		
\$	168,610	\$	-	\$	168,610		
	42,498		-		42,498		
	61,454		-		61,454		
	284		-		284		
	196,983		-		196,983		
	30,642		-		30,642		
	30,770		51,551		82,321		
	817		3,015		3,832		
	532,058		54,566		586,624		
	189,012		173,530		362,542		
	5,068,026		3,306,670		8,374,696		
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FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MAJOR FUNDS

The Fund Financial Statements present only individual major funds, while non-major funds are combined in a single column. Major funds are defined as having significant activities or balances in the current year.

Fund	Description
Governmental Funds:	
General Fund	This fund is the general operating fund of the City which accounts for all financial resources except those legally or administratively required to be accounted for in other funds.
CDBG Fund	This fund accounts for the operations of the City's Community Development Block Grant Program.
SLESF Fund	This fund accounts for the City's receipt and use of State revenues derived from the Citizens for Public Safety (COPS) Program for which the use is restricted to law enforcement/public safety activities.

City of Blue Lake, California Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2023

		N	Iajor Funds					
		Special Revenue Funds					lonmajor	
	General					Gov	vernmental	
A GOVERN	Fund	C	DBG Fund	SLES	F Fund		Funds	 Totals
ASSETS								
Cash and investments	\$ 826,104	\$	389,195	\$	-	\$	174,829	\$ 1,390,128
Receivables:								
Accounts receivable, net	10,979		-		-		-	10,979
Interest receivable	7,342		221,840		-		738	229,920
Intergovernmental receivables	530,227				-		259,814	790,041
Loans receivable	49,118		767,236		-		-	816,354
Due from other funds	238,910		-		-		-	238,910
Prepaid expenses	 32,466							 32,466
Total assets	\$ 1,695,146	\$	1,378,271	\$	-	\$	435,381	\$ 3,508,798
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES								
Liabilities:								
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 91,767	\$	-	\$	-	\$	3,652	\$ 95,419
Accrued payroll	13,213		-		-		330	13,543
Compensated absences	13,991		-		-		4,151	18,142
Deposits payable	11,700		-		-		-	11,700
Due to other funds	-		-		-		238,910	238,910
Unearned revenue	 434,435		986,048				207,387	 1,627,870
Total liabilities	 565,106		986,048		-		454,430	2,005,584
Fund balances:								
Nonspendable	32,466		=		-		-	32,466
Restricted	=		392,223		-		188,336	580,559
Committed	464,301		-		-		-	464,301
Unassigned (deficit)	 633,273				-		(207,385)	 425,888
Total fund balances	1,130,040		392,223				(19,049)	1,503,214
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 1,695,146	\$	1,378,271	\$	-	\$	435,381	\$ 3,508,798

City of Blue Lake, California Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet

to the Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2023

Total fund balances - governmental funds		\$ 1,503,214
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:		
Long-term receivables are not available to pay current period expenditures and, therefore, are unearned in the governmental funds.		1,111,891
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet.		3,443,448
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet.		
Note payable Net pension liability Net OPEB liability	(215,481) (709,364) (77,115)	(1,001,960)
Pension and OPEB obligations result in deferred outflows and inflows of resources associated with the actuarial value of contributions, assets, and liabilities.		
Deferred outflows - pension	290,234	
Deferred outflows - OPEB	8,573	
Deferred inflows - pension	(60,005)	
Deferred inflows - OPEB	(38,357)	200,445
Net position of governmental activities		\$ 5,257,038

City of Blue Lake, California

Reconciliation of Fund Basis Balance Sheet to Government-wide Statement of Net Position Governmental Activities

June 30, 2023

	Governmental			
	Funds	n 1 .~ .	Changes	Statement of
ACCETC	Balance Sheet	Reclassifications	in GAAP	Net Position
ASSETS Comment assets				
Current assets: Cash and investments	\$ 1,390,128	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,390,128
Receivables:	\$ 1,390,128	5 -	5 -	\$ 1,390,128
Accounts receivable, net	10,979			10,979
Interest receivable	229,920	-	-	229,920
Intergovernmental receivables	790,041	_	_	790,041
Loans receivable	816,354		_	816,354
Due from other funds	238,910	(238,910)	_	010,554
Prepaid expenses	32,466	(230,710)		32,466
		(220,010)		
Total current assets	3,508,798	(238,910)		3,269,888
Noncurrent assets:				
Capital assets, net			3,443,448	3,443,448
Total noncurrent assets			3,443,448	3,443,448
Total assets	3,508,798	(238,910)	3,443,448	6,713,336
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
OPEB	-	-	8,573	8,573
Pension plan	-	-	290,234	290,234
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ 3,508,798	\$ (238,910)	\$ 3,742,255	\$ 7,012,143
LIABILITIES				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 95,419	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95,419
Accrued payroll	13,543	· <u>-</u>	· -	13,543
Compensated absences	18,142	-	_	18,142
Deposits payable	11,700	-	_	11,700
Due to other funds	238,910	(238,910)	_	-
Unearned revenue	1,627,870	(1,111,891)	_	515,979
Notes payable due within one year	-	-	3,808	3,808
Total current liabilities	2,005,584	(1,350,801)	3,808	658,591
Noncurrent liabilities:				
Note payable	-	-	211,673	211,673
Net OPEB obligation	-	-	77,115	77,115
Net pension liability	-	-	709,364	709,364
Total noncurrent liabilities	-	-	998,152	998,152
Total liabilities	2,005,584	(1,350,801)	1,001,960	1,656,743
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
OPEB	-	-	38,357	38,357
Pension plan	-	-	60,005	60,005
Total deferred outflows of resources	-		98,362	98,362
FUND BALANCES/NET POSITION				
Fund balances:				
Nonspendable reported in:				
General fund	32,466	(32,466)	_	_
Restricted reported in:	, , , ,	(- ,)		
Special revenue funds	580,559	(580,559)	_	_
Committed reported in:	,	(,)		
General fund	464,301	(464,301)	_	_
Unassigned (deficit), reported in:	,501	(,)		
General fund	633,273	(633,273)	-	-
Special revenue funds	(207,385)			
Net position:	(207,303)			
Net investment in capital assets	_	-	3,227,967	3,227,967
Restricted	- -	- -	580,559	580,559
Unrestricted	_	2,615,105	(1,166,593)	1,448,512
Total fund balances/ net position	1,503,214		2,641,933	5,257,038
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 3,508,798	\$ (238,910)	\$ 3,742,255	\$ 7,012,143
	\$ 3,500,770	(230,710)	J, 112,233	7,012,170

City of Blue Lake, California Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds

For the year ended June 30, 2023

		Major Funds		<u>-</u>	
		Special Rev	enue Funds	Nonmajor	
	General Fund	CDBG Fund	SLESF Fund	Governmental Funds	Totals
REVENUES:	e 265 622	¢.	¢	¢.	e 265 622
Property taxes and assessments	\$ 365,632	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 365,632
Sales and use tax	61,454	-	-	-	61,454
Transient occupancy tax	284	-	-	-	284
Licenses and permits	37,160	-	-	-	37,160
Charges for services	209,716	-	-	-	209,716
Franchise fees	42,498	-	-	-	42,498
Grants and donations	32,277	-	1.62.000	-	32,277
Intergovernmental revenues	185,801	-	162,880	439,289	787,970
Investment earnings	21,576	9,565	13	1,822	32,976
Use of money and property	47,119	21,044	-	-	68,163
Fines and penalties	787	-	-	-	787
Other revenues	753				753
Total revenues	1,005,057	30,609	162,893	441,111	1,639,670
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
General government	252,957	-	-	86,709	339,666
Planning	141,851	=	=	=	141,851
Building	31,343	-	-	-	31,343
Public safety	27,434	-	127,468	-	154,902
Animal control	8,602	-	-	-	8,602
Facilities	10,763	-	-	-	10,763
Street maintenance and lighting	135,352	-	-	-	135,352
Parks and recreation	318,968	-	-	110,155	429,123
Housing and economic development	22,425	596	-	, <u>-</u>	23,021
Public transit	, <u>-</u>	-	-	32,375	32,375
Recycling	_	_	_	25,189	25,189
Capital outlay	149,440	15,580	_	151,940	316,960
Debt service:	,,	,			2 - 0,5 0 0
Principal	3,960	_	_	_	3,960
Interest	10,880				10,880
Total expenditures	1,113,975	16,176	127,468	406,368	1,663,987
REVENUES OVER (UNDER)					
EXPENDITURES	(108,918)	14,433	35,425	34,743	(24,317)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES	*				
Transfers in	114,665	-	-	-	114,665
Transfers out		(22,416)		(92,249)	(114,665)
Total other financing sources (uses)	114,665	(22,416)		(92,249)	
Net change in fund balances	5,747	(7,983)	35,425	(57,506)	(24,317)
FUND BALANCES:					
Beginning of year	1,124,293	400,206	(35,425)	38,457	1,527,531
End of year	\$ 1,130,040	\$ 392,223	\$ -	\$ (19,049)	\$ 1,503,214

City of Blue Lake, California Reconciliation of Fund Basis Statements to Government-wide Statement of Activities For the year ended June 30, 2023

Functions/Programs	Fund Based Totals	nearned evenue	Debt payment	Dej	preciation	(A	Capital Asset dditions), irements & ljustments	OPEB digation	Pension Plan	Ge	overnment- wide Totals
Governmental activities:											
General government	\$ 339,666	\$ 58,970	\$ -	\$	18,332	\$	-	\$ 6,981	\$(173,686)	\$	250,263
Planning	141,851	-	-		-		-	-	-		141,851
Building	31,343	-	-		-		-	-	-		31,343
Public safety	154,902	-	-		-		-	-	-		154,902
Animal control	8,602	-	-		-		-	-	-		8,602
Facilities	10,763	-	-		-		-	-	-		10,763
Street maintenance and lighting	135,352	-	-		112,760		-	-	-		248,112
Parks and recreation	429,123	-	-		60,098		-	-	-		489,221
Housing and economic development	23,021	-	-		-		-	-	-		23,021
Public transit	32,375	-	-		-		-	-	-		32,375
Recycling	25,189	-	-		-		-	-	-		25,189
Capital outlay	316,960	-	-		-		(316,960)	-	-		-
Debt service:											
Principal	3,960	-	(3,960)		-		-	-	-		-
Interest	10,880	-	 		-			-			10,880
Total governmental activities	\$1,663,987	\$ 58,970	\$ (3,960)	\$	191,190	\$	(316,960)	\$ 6,981	\$(173,686)	\$	1,426,522

City of Blue Lake, California

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the year ended June 30, 2023

Net change in fund balances - governmental funds	\$ (24,317)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets:	
Capital asset purchases capitalized \$ 316,9 Depreciation expense (191,1)	125,770
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds:	
Change in net pension liability Change in net OPEB liability (6,9)	166,705
This is the amount of revenue recognized under the accrual method which is more than the amount of revenue recognized under the modified accrual method in the current period.	(58,970)
Certain loan receivables are reported in the governmental funds as expenditures and then offset by an unearned revenue as they are not available to pay current expenditures. Likewise, when the loan is collected it is reflected in revenue. This is the net change between loan receivables collected and issued.	
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position.	 3,960
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 189,012

City of Blue Lake, California
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Budget to Actual - General Fund and Major Special Revenue Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2023

		Genera	al Fund	
				Variance w/Final
		Amounts		Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
REVENUES:				
Property taxes and assessments	\$ 267,590	345,703	\$ 365,632	\$ 19,929
Sales and use tax	29,607	29,607	61,454	31,847
Transient occupancy tax	250	250	284	34
Licenses and permits	34,345	34,345	37,160	2,815
Charges for services	122,755	163,355	209,716	46,361
Franchise fees	39,090	39,090	42,498	3,408
Grants and donations	5,417	10,917	32,277	21,360
Intergovernmental revenues	484,797	496,834	185,801	(311,033)
Investment earnings	3,534	3,534	21,576	18,042
Use of money and property	64,250	64,250	47,119	(17,131)
Fines and penalties	49	49	787	738
Other revenues	2,772	2,772	753	(2,019)
Total revenues	1,054,456	1,190,706	1,005,057	(185,649)
EXPENDITURES:				
Current:				
General government	273,268	280,759	252,957	27,802
Planning	251,797	220,222	141,851	78,371
Building	28,413	28,413	31,343	(2,930)
Public safety	8,278	27,386	27,434	(48)
Animal control	8,009	8,453	8,602	(149)
Facilities	15,175	15,175	10,763	4,412
Street maintenance and lighting	107,993	107,993	135,352	(27,359)
Parks and recreation	236,403	289,853	318,968	(29,115)
Housing and economic development	16,141	22,391	22,425	(34)
Capital outlay	4,333	114,838	149,440	(34,602)
Debt service:	.,555	11.,000	1.5,	(5 .,502)
Principal	193,605	187,755	3,960	183,795
Interest	5,000	10,850	10,880	(30)
Total expenditures	1,148,415	1,314,088	1,113,975	200,113
REVENUES OVER (UNDER)				
EXPENDITURES	(93,959)	(123,382)	(108,918)	14,464
Proceeds from sales of assets	-	-	-	_
Transfers in	131,378	131,378	114,665	(16,713)
Transfers out				
Total other financing sources (uses)	131,378	131,378	114,665	(16,713)
Net change in fund balances	37,419	7,996	5,747	(2,249)
FUND BALANCES:				
Beginning of year	1,124,293	1,124,293	1,124,293	
End of year	\$ 1,161,712	\$ 1,132,289	\$ 1,130,040	\$ (2,249)

	SLESF Special Revenue Fund								enue Fund	Rev	BG Special	CDI		
e w/Final							7							
sitive		A . 1			Budgeted				1			Amo	Budgeted	
(Negative)		Actual	Final		Original		legative)	<u>(N</u>	Actual		Final		Original	
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16,430		162,880 13	146,450 50		146,450 50		5,522		9,565		4,043		4,043	
(37)		13	30 -		30		1,387		21,044		19,657		15,600	
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16,393		162,893	146,500		146,500		6,909		30,609		23,700		19,643	
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19,055		127,468	146,523		146,523		-		-		-		-	
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-		-	-		-		169,420		15,580		185,000		185,000	
-		-	-		-		5,566		-		5,566		-	
19,055		127,468	146,523		146,523		176,599		16,176		192,775		187,209	
35,448		35,425	(23)		(23)		183,508		14,433		(169,075)		(167,566)	
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<u>-</u>		-	-		-		-		-		-		-	
		-					(5,482)		(22,416)		(16,934)		(16,934)	
_							(5,482)		(22,416)		(16,934)		(16,934)	
35,448		35,425	(23)		(23)		178,026		(7,983)		(186,009)		(184,500)	
<u>-</u>		(35,425)	(35,425)		(35,425)		<u> </u>		400,206		400,206		400,206	
35,448	\$	-	(35,448)	\$	(35,448)	\$	178,026	\$	392,223	\$	214,197	\$	215,706	\$

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Proprietary funds account for City's operations financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise. The intent of the City is that the cost of providing goods and services be financed primarily through user charges.

All of the City's Enterprise Funds have been identified as major proprietary funds.

Fund	Description
MAJOR FUNDS:	
Water Utility Fund	This fund accounts for the operations of the City's water utility, a self-supporting activity which renders services on a user-charge basis to its customers.
Sewer Utility Fund	This fund accounts for the operations of the City's wastewater utility, a self-supporting activity which renders services on a user-charge basis to its customers.

City of Blue Lake, California Statement of Net Position Enterprise Funds June 30, 2023

	W	ater Fund	Se	ewer Fund	Totals
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and investments	\$	1,047,262	\$	1,622,981	\$ 2,670,243
Receivables:					
Accounts receivable, net		55,107		69,854	124,961
Interest receivable		7,372		12,581	19,953
Intergovernmental receivables		-		55,251	55,251
Inventories		21,254		2,554	 23,808
Total current assets		1,130,995		1,763,221	 2,894,216
Noncurrent assets:					
Capital assets, net		464,980		858,503	 1,323,483
Total assets		1,595,975		2,621,724	4,217,699
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Pension plan		127,350		140,498	267,848
Other postemployment benefits (OPEB)		7,180		8,307	15,487
Total deferred outflows of resources		134,530		148,805	 283,335
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$	1,730,505	\$	2,770,529	\$ 4,501,034
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	25,736	\$	13,371	\$ 39,107
Accrued payroll	·	2,436		2,516	4,952
Compensated absences		13,262		16,277	29,539
Customer deposits		75,473		_	75,473
Notes payable, due within one year		10,048		_	10,048
Unearned revenues				_	
Total current liabilities		126,955		32,164	 159,119
Noncurrent liabilities:			-	,	 ,
Notes payable, due after one year		15,117		_	15,117
Net pension liability		228,404		296,232	524,636
Net OPEB liability		39,607		44,684	84,291
Total liabilities		410,083		373,080	783,163
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Pension plan		92,189		84,994	177,183
Other postemployment benefits (OPEB)		28,683		31,805	60,488
Total deferred inflows of resources		120,872		116,799	237,671
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets		439,815		858,503	1,298,318
Restricted for capital projects		194,926		1,721,663	1,916,589
Unrestricted		564,809		(299,516)	265,293
Total net position		1,199,550		2,280,650	3,480,200
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and					
net position	\$	1,730,505	\$	2,770,529	\$ 4,501,034

City of Blue Lake, California
Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position
Enterprise Funds

For the year ended June 30, 2023

	W	Water Fund		ewer Fund	Totals
OPERATING REVENUES:					
Charges for services	\$	493,141	\$	390,311	\$ 883,452
Other operating revenues		14,559		45,598	60,157
Total operating revenues		507,700		435,909	943,609
OPERATING EXPENSES:					
Salaries and benefits		145,780		152,152	297,932
Water purchases		184,886		-	184,886
Repairs, maintenance, and supplies		11,462		67,104	78,566
Professional services		57,573		32,697	90,270
Administration and other		79,801		67,829	147,630
Utilities		25,210		57,869	83,079
Depreciation		41,094		102,131	143,225
Total operating expenses		545,806		479,782	1,025,588
OPERATING INCOME(LOSS)		(38,106)		(43,873)	(81,979)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):					
Intergovernmental revenues		_		88,159	88,159
Interest revenue		21,248		30,303	51,551
Other nonoperating revenues		1,230		115,498	116,728
Interest expense		(929)		<u> </u>	 (929)
Total non-operating revenues, net		21,549		233,960	255,509
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		(16,557)		190,087	173,530
NET POSITION:					
Beginning of year		1,216,107		2,090,563	3,306,670
End of year	\$	1,199,550	\$	2,280,650	\$ 3,480,200

City of Blue Lake, California Statement of Cash Flows Enterprise Funds For the year ended June 30, 2023

	Water Fur	ıd	Sewer Fund		Totals
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:					
Cash received from customers and interfund charges	\$ 524,78		\$ 312,066	\$	836,849
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(359,61		(234,665)		(594,282)
Cash payments to employees for services	(247,07		(265,627)		(512,702)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	(81,90	9)	(188,226)		(270,135)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:					
Nonoperating amounts received	1,23	0	115,498		116,728
Grant received		-	88,159		88,159
Net cash provided (used) by noncapital financing activities	1,23	0	203,657	_	204,887
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:					
Payments of notes payable	(10,65	1)	-		(10,651)
Interest paid	(92	9)	-		(929)
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(10,69	6)	(82,948)		(93,644)
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	(22,27	<u> </u>	(82,948)		(105,224)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:					
Investment revenue received	15,80	1	20,607		36,408
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	15,80		20,607		36,408
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(87,15	4)	(46,910)		(134,064)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:					
Beginning of year	1,134,41	6	1,669,891		2,804,307
End of year	\$ 1,047,26	2	\$ 1,622,981	\$	2,670,243
Reconciliation of income (loss) from operations to net					
cash provided (used) by operating activities:					
Operating income (loss)	\$ (38,10	6)	\$ (43,873)	\$	(81,979)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss)					
to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:					
Depreciation	41,09		102,131		143,225
Pension expense	(101,36	,	(114,095)		(215,461)
OPEB expense	5,20	14	5,761		10,965
(Increase) decrease in current assets:	4.00	_	(40.750)		/= -=\
Accounts receivable	12,99	7	(13,562)		(565)
Intergovernmental receivables		-	(53,325)		(53,325)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:	(66	(F)	(0.166)		(0.051)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Accrued payroll	(68 (5,13		(9,166) (5,141)		(9,851) (10,274)
Compensated absences	1,18		2,225		3,407
Customer deposits	2,90		2,223		2,904
Unearned revenues	2,90	-	(59,181)		(59,181)
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Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ (81,90	19)	\$ (188,226)	\$	(270,135)

There were no noncash investing, capital, or financing activities affecting recognized assets and liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2023.

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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City of Blue Lake, California Basic Financial Statements For the year ended June 30, 2023

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The City of Blue Lake, California (the "City") was incorporated April 23, 1910, under the provisions of the State of California. On August 1, 1996, the City changed its form of government and currently operates under a Council/City Manager form of government and provides the following services: public safety (police, animal control and building official), water and sewer services, park facilities and recreation programs, streets and road maintenance, industrial park management, recycling, regional facilities for the County Library District, housing and business expansion and retention (CBDG) grants, and general municipal government administrative services.

The financial statements of the City have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting. On June 15, 1987, GASB issued a codification of the existing Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards which, along with subsequent GASB pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations), constitutes GAAP for governmental units. The City applies all GASB pronouncements to its activities.

In addition, the City applies all Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board (APB) Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins (ARB) issued after November 30, 1989, unless they conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant of these accounting policies are described below and, where appropriate, subsequent pronouncements will be referenced.

Financial Reporting Entity

The City operates as a self-governing local government unit within the State. It has limited authority to levy taxes and has the authority to determine user fees for the services that it provides. The City's main funding sources include property taxes, other intergovernmental revenue from state and federal sources, user fees, and sales taxes.

The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government, the City, (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the primary government is not accountable, but for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Financial accountability is defined as the appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board, and either (a) the City has the ability to impose its will on the organization, or (b) there is a potential for the organization to provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the City.

There are no component units of the City that meet the criteria for discrete presentation.

City of Blue Lake, California Notes to Basic Financial Statements, Continued For the year ended June 30, 2023

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and statement of activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange revenues.

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions restricted to the operating or capital requirements of a specific function or segment. All taxes and internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than program revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements of the reporting entity are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts, which constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. Funds are organized into three major categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the governmental and proprietary categories. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the City or meets the following criteria:

- a. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of that individual governmental fund are at least ten percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type; and,
- b. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental fund are at least five percent of the corresponding total for all governmental funds combined.

The City reports the following major funds:

- General Fund
- CDBG Special Revenue Fund
- SLESF Special Revenue Fund

Descriptions of these funds are included on the divider page preceding the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet.

The funds of the financial reporting entity are described below:

City of Blue Lake, California Notes to Basic Financial Statements, Continued For the year ended June 30, 2023

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

Governmental Funds

General Fund

The General Fund is used to account for resources traditionally associated with the City which are not required legally or by sound financial management to be accounted for in another fund. From this fund are paid the City's general operating expenditures, the fixed charges, and the capital costs that are not paid through other funds.

Special Revenue Funds

The Special Revenue Funds are used to account for specific revenues that are legally or otherwise restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

Capital Project Funds

The Capital Project Funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities and other capital assets (other than those financed by enterprise funds).

Proprietary Funds

Enterprise Funds

Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. Costs are financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

Measurement Focus

Measurement focus is a term used to describe which transactions are recorded within the various financial statements.

On the government-wide Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, governmental and business-type activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of net income, financial position, and cash flows. All assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activities are reported. Fund equity is classified as Net Position, which serves as an indicator of financial position.

In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus is used for governmental funds. Only current financial assets and liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements present sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.

Measurement Focus, Continued

The enterprise funds utilize an "economic resources" measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of net income, financial position, and cash flows. Enterprise fund equity is classified as net position.

Agency funds are not involved in the measurement of results of operations; therefore, measurement focus is not applicable to them.

Basis of Accounting

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, governmental and business-type activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

Property taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual (both measurable and available – collectable within the current period or within 60 days after year end) and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal year. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government. Expenditures (including capital outlay) are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred.

The enterprise funds and agency funds utilize the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used. Operating revenues in the fund are those revenues that are generated from the primary operations of the fund. All other revenues are reported as non-operating revenues. Operating expenses are those expenses that are essential to the primary operations of the fund. All other expenses are reported as non-operating expenses.

Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position/Fund Balance

Cash and Investments

The City pools idle cash from all funds for the purpose of increasing income through investment. Earnings from such investments are allocated to the respective funds based on the applicable cash balance of each fund.

In accordance with the City's investment policy, idle cash may be invested in the State of California Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF).

City of Blue Lake, California Notes to Basic Financial Statements, Continued For the year ended June 30, 2023

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

Cash and Investments, Continued

The City's cash and cash equivalents for the Statement of Cash Flows purposes include cash on hand, demand deposits, restricted cash, and investments held in the California State Treasurer's Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF).

The City's investments are carried at fair value.

The City's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Receivables

In the government-wide statements, receivables consist of all revenues earned at year-end and not yet received. Major receivable balances for the governmental activities include property taxes, sales and use taxes, intergovernmental subventions, interest earnings, and expense reimbursements.

In the fund financial statements, material receivables in governmental funds include revenue accruals such as property tax, sales tax, and intergovernmental subventions since they are usually both measurable and available. Non-exchange transactions collectible but not available, such as property tax, are deferred inflows in the fund financial statements in accordance with the modified accrual basis, but not deferred inflows in the government-wide financial statements in accordance with the accrual basis.

Interest and investment earnings are recorded when earned only if paid within 60 days since they would be considered both measurable and available. The City's experience is that all accounts receivable are collectible; therefore an allowance for doubtful accounts is unnecessary.

Interfund Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that is representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as due to/from other funds (the current portion of interfund loans) or advances to/from other funds (the noncurrent portion of interfund loans).

Inventory

All inventories are valued at cost using the first-in/first-out (FIFO) method. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when used or consumed. Inventory of the enterprise funds consists primarily of materials and supplies for utility operations.

Prepaid Items

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements. In the governmental fund financial statements, prepaid items are offset with a nonspendable fund balance for long-term assets to indicate they do not constitute current resources available for appropriation.

Capital Assets

The City's assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated historical cost, if actual is unavailable, except for donated capital assets which are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. Policy has set the capitalization threshold for reporting at \$5,000.

Government-Wide Statements

Public domain (infrastructure) capital assets include roads, bridges, streets, drainage systems, and pumps.

The accounting treatment of property, plant and equipment (capital assets) depends on whether the assets are used in governmental fund operations or proprietary fund operations and whether they are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

Prior to July 1, 2003, governmental funds' infrastructure assets were not capitalized. Since then these assets have been valued at estimated historical cost.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an allocated expense in the Statement of Activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the Statement of Net Position. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation.

The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Buildings	15-40 years
Water and sewer system	25 - 50 years
Machinery and equipment	3-15 years
Improvements	15-40 years
Other infrastructure	25 years

Fund Financial Statements

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition. Capital assets used in proprietary fund operations are accounted for the same way as in the government-wide statements.

Compensated Absences

Employees accrue personal leave, management leave, and compensatory time off benefits. City employees have vested interests in the amount of accrued time off and are paid on termination. All personal leave pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary financial statements. A liability for the entire amount is reported in the governmental funds. The general fund is typically used to liquidate compensated absences.

Unearned Revenues

Unearned revenues in governmental funds arise when potential revenue does not meet both the "measurable" and "available" criteria for recognition in the current period. Unearned revenues in enterprise funds and the statement of net position arise when resources are received by the City before it has legal claim to them, (i.e., when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenses).

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The City has one item reported as a deferred outflow of resources. The item is a deferred charge on pension plan contributions in the government-wide and proprietary fund statements of net position.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The City has one item reported as a deferred inflow of resources. The item is related to the City's net pension liability and is reported in the government-wide and proprietary fund statements of net position.

Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

For the purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows/inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, generally accepted accounting principles require that the reported results must pertain to asset and liability information within certain defined timeframes. For this report, the following timeframes are used:

Valuation Date June 30, 2021 Measurement Date June 30, 2022

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows/inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the City's California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS) Plan and additions to/deductions from the Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by CalPERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when currently due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Net Position/Fund Balance

Government-Wide Statements

Equity is classified as net position and is displayed in three components:

- a. *Net investment in capital assets* consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted net position consists of net position with constraints placed on the use by external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or by laws or regulations of other governments or law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net position all other net position that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, or unassigned. Proprietary fund equity is classified the same as in the government-wide statements. The classifications for governmental funds are defined as follows for the City:

Nonspendable Fund Balance –

- Assets that will never convert to cash (prepaid items, inventory).
- Assets that will not convert to cash soon enough to affect the current period (long-term notes or loans receivable).
- Resources that must be maintained intact pursuant to legal or contractual requirements (the principal of an endowment).

Restricted Fund Balance –

- Resources that are subject to externally enforceable legal restrictions imposed by parties altogether outside the government (creditors, grantors, contributors and other governments).
- Resources that are subject to limitations imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation (e.g., gas tax).

Committed Fund Balance -

- Self imposed limitations set in place prior to the end of the period (encumbrances, economic contingencies and uncertainties).
- Limitation at the highest level of decision-making (Council) that requires formal action at the same level to remove.
- Council Resolution is required to be taken to establish, modify, or rescind a fund balance commitment.

City of Blue Lake, California Notes to Basic Financial Statements, Continued For the year ended June 30, 2023

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

Net Position/Fund Balance, Continued

Assigned Fund Balance –

- Amounts in excess of nonspendable, restricted and committed fund balance in funds other than the general fund automatically are reported as assigned fund balance.
- The City Council delegates the authority to the City Manager to assign fund balance amounts to specific purposes when such purposes are enacted by the City Council.

Unassigned Fund Balance -

- Residual net resources.
- Total fund balance in the general fund in excess of nonspendable, restricted, committed and assigned fund balance (surplus).
- Excess of nonspendable, restricted, and committed fund balance over total fund balance (deficit).

Revenues, Expenditures, and Expenses

Property Tax

The County of Humboldt (County) is responsible for the collection and allocation of property taxes. Under California law, property taxes are assessed and collected by the County up to 1% of the full cash value of taxable property, plus other increases approved by the voters and distributed in accordance with statutory formulas. The City recognizes property taxes when the individual installments are due, provided they are collected within 60 days after year-end.

Secured property taxes are levied on or before the first day of March of each year. They become a lien on real property on March 1 preceding the fiscal year for which taxes are levied. These taxes are paid in two equal installments; the first is due November 1 and delinquent with penalties after December 10; the second is due February 1 and delinquent with penalties after April 10. Secured property taxes, which are delinquent and unpaid as of June 30, are declared to be tax defaulted and are subject to redemption penalties, cost, and interest when paid. If the delinquent taxes are not paid at the end of five years, the property is sold at public auction and the proceeds are used to pay the delinquent amounts due. Any excess is remitted, if claimed, to the taxpayer. Additional tax liens are created when there is a change in ownership of property or upon completion of new construction. Tax bills for these new tax liens are issued throughout the fiscal year and contain various payments and delinquent dates, but are generally due within one year. If the new tax liens are lower, the taxpayer receives a tax refund rather than a tax bill. Unsecured personal property taxes are not a lien against real property. These taxes are due on March 1, and become delinquent, if unpaid on August 31.

The City participates in an alternative method of distribution of property tax levies and assessments known as the "Teeter Plan." The State Revenue and Taxation Code allow counties to distribute secured real property, assessment, and supplemental property taxes on an accrual basis resulting in full payment to cities each fiscal year. Any subsequent delinquent payments and penalties and interest during a fiscal year will revert to Humboldt County.

Interfund Transfers

Resources are reallocated between funds by reporting them as interfund transfers. For the purposes of the Statement of Activities, all interfund transfers between individual governmental funds have been eliminated.

Budgetary Accounting

The City Council reviews and adopts annual budgets for the General, Special Revenue, and Capital Project Funds. Budgetary control is legally maintained at the fund level for these funds. The preliminary budget may or may not be amended by the City Council and is adopted by resolution by the City Council on or before June 30 in accordance with the municipal code.

The City Council may approve budget amendments by motion during the fiscal year. Only the City Council can authorize transfers between funds and approve interfund loans. The City Manager is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts within a fund without formal council action or approval.

Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the fund level, which is the legal level of control. Supplemental appropriations, which increase appropriations, may be made during the fiscal year. The City Council approved one supplemental appropriation during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. Budget information is presented for the General, Special Revenue and Capital Project Funds in the fund financial statements. The budget information is presented on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Appropriations, except open project appropriations, and unexpended grant appropriations, lapse at the end of each fiscal year.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Reclassifications

Certain amounts have been reclassified to provide for comparable results on a year to year basis.

2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

At June 30, 2023, the City's pooled cash and investments, classified by maturity, consisted of the following stated at fair value:

			Not rated		M	Fair arket Value
Cash equivalents and investments	poole	<u>d</u>				
Pooled cash, at fair value						
Cash in bank			\$	161,899	\$	161,899
Cash on hand				2,730		2,730
Total pooled items				164,629		164,629
Pooled investments, at fair value						
State of California Local Agend	y Inve	stment Fund		3,895,742		3,895,742
Total pooled investments				3,895,742		3,895,742
Total cash equivalents and in	vestme	nts pooled	\$	4,060,371	\$	4,060,371
Amounts reported in:						_
	Res	stricted (legally				
	or	contractually)	J	Inrestricted		Totals
Governmental funds						
General	\$	-	\$	826,104	\$	826,104
Special revenue		564,024				564,024
Total governmental funds	\$	564,024	\$	826,104	\$	1,390,128
Enterprise funds						
Water	\$	214,421	\$	832,841	\$	1,047,262
Sewer		1,708,556		(85,575)		1,622,981
Total enterprise funds	\$	1,922,977	\$	747,266	\$	2,670,243
Governmental activities	\$	564,024	\$	826,104	\$	1,390,128
Business-type activities		1,922,977		747,266		2,670,243
Total	\$	2,487,001	\$	1,573,370	\$	4,060,371
				Weighted Aver	rage	Average
Investment Type		Fair Value		Maturity (Yea	ırs)	Annual Yield
Local Agency Investment Fund		\$ 3,895,742		0.71		2.17%

California statutes authorize cities to invest idle or surplus funds in a variety of credit instruments as provided for in the California Government Code, Section 53600, Chapter 4 – Financial Affairs. The only authorized investment vehicles that address interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk, per the City's investment policy, are the State of California Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) and certificates of deposit in California financial institutions.

2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS, Continued

Concentration of credit risk – The City's investment policy does not allow for an investment in any one issuer that is in excess of five percent of the government's total investments. The investments made by the City Treasurer are limited to those allowable under State statutes as incorporated into the City's Investment Policy, which is accepted annually by the City Council. There were no concentrations in any one issuer for the year.

The City participates in an investment pool managed by the State of California known as the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) which has invested 2.78% of the pool funds in Structured Notes and Asset-Backed Securities. LAIF's investments are subject to credit risk with the full faith and credit of the State of California collateralizing these investments. In addition, these Structured Notes and Asset-Backed Securities are subject to market risk such as changes in interest rates.

Custodial credit risk – deposits. For deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the City's deposits may not be returned to it. The City's Investment Policy addresses custodial credit risk, which follows the Government Code.

Custodial credit risk – investments. For investments, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the City will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside counterparty. For the investments maintained by the City, no security was uninsured or unregistered or held by a brokerage firm which is also the counterparty for the security.

At June 30, 2023, the carrying amount of the City's deposits was \$164,629 and the balances in financial institutions were \$161,899. The total amount was covered by federal depository insurance.

Investment in LAIF: LAIF is stated at amortized cost, which approximates fair value. The LAIF is a special fund of the California State Treasury through which local governments may pool investments. As of June 30, 2023, the total fair value amount invested by all public agencies in LAIF is \$25.6 billion of which the City's fair value amount is \$3,895,742. Of the total invested, 2.78% was invested in Structured Notes and Asset-Backed securities. The Local Investment Advisory Board (Board) has oversight responsibility for LAIF. The Board consists of five members as designated by State Statute. The fair value of the City's investment in this pool is reported in the accompanying financial statements at amounts based upon the City's pro-rata share of the fair value provided by LAIF for the entire LAIF portfolio (in relation to the amortized cost of that portfolio). The balance available for withdrawal is based on the accounting records maintained by LAIF, which are recorded on an amortized cost basis.

3. RECEIVABLES

Receivables consisted of the following at June 30, 2023:

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total
Accounts	\$ 10,979	\$	124,961	\$	135,940
Interest	229,920		19,953		249,873
Intergovernmental	790,041		55,251		845,292
Loans	816,354				816,354
Total	\$ 1,847,294	\$	200,165	\$	2,047,459

These amounts resulted in the following concentrations in receivables:

Individuals / Businesses	57.2%
Other governments	41.3%
Financial	1.5%

Amounts do not indicate a significant concentration (greater than 25%) with any single individual, business, financial institution, or government agency.

4. LOANS RECEIVABLE

At June 30, 2023, notes receivable consist of the following:

	Beginning July 1, 2022		Additions		Deletions		Ending June 30, 2023	
Residential redevelopment Business development	\$	834,290 6,200	\$	-	\$	(21,536) (2,600)	\$	812,754 3,600
Total loans/notes receivable	\$	840,490	\$		\$	(24,136)	\$	816,354

The loans consist of deferred repayment and below market interest rate housing rehabilitation and business development loans. Substantially all of these loans are secured by deeds of trust and are repayable upon the sale or transfer of the underlying properties.

Substantially all the receivables are expected to be collected more than one year after the date of these financial statements.

5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2022		Additions/ Transfers		Deletions/ Transfers		Balance June 30, 2023	
Governmental activities:								
Nondepreciable assets:								
Land	\$	480,284	\$	-	\$	-	\$	480,284
Construction in progress		40,101		203,773		(7,609)		236,265
Total nondepreciable assets		520,385		203,773		(7,609)		716,549
Depreciable assets:								
Land improvements		1,486,507		68,995		7,609		1,563,111
Infrastructure		2,279,736		24,015		-		2,303,751
Buildings and improvements		1,232,056		10,687		-		1,242,743
Machinery and equipment		318,048		9,489		-		327,537
Software		5,300		-				5,300
Total depreciable assets		5,321,647		113,186		7,609		5,442,442
Total		5,842,032		316,959		-		6,158,991
Accumulated depreciation:								
Land improvements		(268,368)		(65,461)		-		(333,829)
Infrastructure		(1,008,666)		(92,026)		-		(1,100,692)
Buildings and improvements		(949,745)		(30,011)		-		(979,756)
Machinery and equipment		(297,044)		(2,632)		-		(299,676)
Software		(530)		(1,060)		-		(1,590)
Total accumulated depreciation		(2,524,353)		(191,190)		-		(2,715,543)
Net depreciable assets		2,797,294		(78,004)		7,609		2,726,899
Total net capital assets	\$	3,317,679	\$	125,769	\$	-	\$	3,443,448

Depreciation expense for capital assets was charged to categories as follows:

Governmental Activities

General government	\$ 18,332
Street maintenance and lighting	112,760
Parks and recreation	60,098
Total	\$ 191,190

5. CAPITAL ASSETS, Continued

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2022		Additions		Transfers/ Deletions		Balance June 30, 2023	
Business-type activities:								
Nondepreciable assets:								
Land	\$	74,877	\$	-	\$	-	\$	74,877
Construction in progress		46,016				(11,639)		34,377
Total nondepreciable assets		120,893		_		(11,639)		109,254
Depreciable assets:								
Buildings and improvements		15,916		-		-		15,916
Machinery and equipment		615,547		70,494	-			686,041
Water system		1,391,388		8,359		-		1,399,747
Sewer system		2,314,869		26,431		-		2,341,300
Total depreciable assets		4,337,720		105,284		-		4,443,004
Total		4,458,613		105,284		(11,639)		4,552,258
Accumulated depreciation:								
Buildings and improvements		(15,716)		(200)		-		(15,916)
Machinery and equipment		(517,083)		(18,915)		-		(535,998)
Water system		(1,049,559)		(28,129)		-		(1,077,688)
Sewer system		(1,503,192)		(95,981)		-		(1,599,173)
Total accumulated depreciation		(3,085,550)		(143,225)		-		(3,228,775)
Net depreciable assets		1,252,170		(37,941)		_		1,214,229
Total net capital assets	\$	1,373,063	\$	(37,941)	\$	(11,639)	\$	1,323,483

Depreciation expense for capital assets was charged to functions as follows:

Business-Type Activities

Water fund	\$ 41,094
Sewer fund	 102,131
Total	\$ 143,225

6. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities consisted of the following at June 30, 2023:

	Governmental Activities		iness-type ctivities	Total		
Accounts payable Accrued payroll and related liabilities	\$	99,256 13,370	\$ 39,107 4,952	\$	138,363 18,322	
Total	\$	112,626	\$ 44,059	\$	156,685	

Amounts do not indicate a significant concentration (greater than 25%) with any single vendor or individual.

7. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2023:

	Balance July 1, 2022		Additions		Retirements		Balance June 30, 2023		Due Within One Year	
Notes payable - Governmental Activities Notes payable - Water Fund	\$	219,441 35,816	\$	-	\$	(3,960) (10,651)	\$	215,481 25,165	\$	3,808 10,048
Total noncurrent liabilities	\$	255,257	\$	_	\$	(14,611)	\$	240,646	\$	13,856

Notes payable – Governmental Activities

In 2020, the City entered into a loan agreement with the Redwood Region Economic Development Commission for the purposes of purchasing real estate. The loan amount totaled \$225,000 and bears an interest rate of 5% per annum for 7 years. Payments are due in 84 equal monthly payments of \$1,237, beginning February 1, 2021 and ending January 1, 2028, after which a final balloon payment of all unpaid principal and interest is due. The loan is secured by the purchased real estate.

Notes payable – Water Fund

In 2015, the City entered into a loan agreement with the National Rural Water Association for the purposes of financing water system improvements. The loan amount totaled \$99,937 and bears an interest rate of 3% per annum for 10 years. Payments are due in 120 equal monthly payments of \$965, beginning November 1, 2015 and ending October 1, 2025. The loan is secured by Water Fund capital assets.

7. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES, Continued

The following is the debt service obligations of the City for the notes payable:

Year Ending	Notes Payable - Water Fund					Notes Payable - Governmental Activities				
June 30,	Principal		Interest		Principal		Interest			
2024	\$	10,048	\$	567	\$	3,808	\$	9,798		
2025		11,281		299		4,358		10,485		
2026		3,836		24		4,581		10,262		
2027		-		-		4,815		10,027		
2028						2,922		5,736		
2029						194,998		-		
Total	\$	25,165	\$	890	\$	215,481	\$	46,308		
Due within one year	\$	10,048	\$	567	\$	3,808	\$	9,798		
Due after one year		15,117		323		211,673		36,510		
Total	\$	25,165	\$	890	\$	215,481	\$	46,308		

8. NET POSITION/ FUND BALANCES

Net Position

	Activities	Business-type Activities		
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 3,227,967	\$ 1,298,318		
Restricted	580,559	1,916,589		
Unrestricted	 1,448,512	 265,293		
Total	\$ 5,257,038	\$ 3,480,200		

Restricted balances are for the same purposes as fund balance restrictions because external restriction requirements are the same. See descriptions of the restrictions below.

8. NET POSITION/ FUND BALANCES, Continued

Fund Balance

Fund balance consisted of the following at June 30, 2023:

Nonspendable: Major Funds:	
General Fund	\$ 32,466
Total Nonspendable	32,466
Restricted:	
Major Funds:	
CDBG Fund	392,223
Total Major Funds- Restricted	392,223
Nonmajor Funds:	
Highway Users Tax Fund	46,786
TDA Street Fund	9,524
TDA Purchased Transportation Fund	1,422
AB-939 Solid Waste Reduction/Recycling Fund	26,084
Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Fund	7,460
American Rescue Plan - COVID Relief Fund	97,060
Total Nonmajor Funds- Restricted	188,336
Total Restricted	580,559
Committed:	
Major Funds	
General Fund	464,301
Total Committed	464,301
Unassigned (deficit):	
Major Funds:	
General Fund	633,273
Total Major Funds- Unassigned	633,273
Nonmajor Funds:	
Recreation Economic Analysis Fund	(57,818)
State Park Per Capita Program Fund	(149,567)
Total Nonmajor Funds- Unassigned	(207,385)
Total Unassigned	425,888
Total Fund Balance	\$ 1,503,214

8. NET POSITION/ FUND BALANCES, Continued

The following describes the purpose of each nonspendable, restriction, and commitment account used by the City:

Restricted

- **CDBG** represents amounts restricted for the City's CDBG housing activities as these programs are supported by specific grants requiring the restriction.
- **Highway Users Tax Fund** accounts for the City's receipt and use of State gas tax funds for which use is restricted to street maintenance activities.
- **TDA Street Fund** accounts for the City's receipt and use of State Transportation Development Act funds for which the use is restricted to street maintenance activities. These funds are distributed by the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG).
- **TDA Purchased Transportation** represents amounts restricted by the Transportation Development Act for transportation, including streets and roads.
- **AB-939 Solid Waste Reduction/Recycling** represents amounts restricted by AB 939 for solid waste reduction activities.
- Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Fund represents amounts restricted by State Regional Surface Transportation Program funds for street maintenance activities.
- American Rescue Plan COVID Relief Fund accounts for the receipt and use of Federal COVID relief funds.

Excess of Expenditures and Transfers Over Appropriations: Expenditures and transfers exceeded appropriations for the year ended June 30, 2023, for the following funds:

				Total]	Excess
			Exp	enditures	Exp	enditures
	Fina	al Budget	and	Transfers	Over A	ppropriations
Governmental Activities						
Nonmajor Funds:						
AB-939 Solid Waste Reduction / Recycling Fund	\$	24,951	\$	28,654	\$	(3,703)
Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Fund	\$	22,308	\$	27,458	\$	(5,150)

9. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and (2) use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

Transfers consisted of the following at June 30, 2023:

	Transfers In		Transfers Out	
Governmental Activities				
Major Funds:				
General Fund	\$	114,665	\$	-
CDBG Fund		_		22,416
Total Major Funds		114,665		22,416
Non-major Funds:				
Special Revenue Funds:				
Highway Users Tax Fund		-		46,069
TDA Street Fund		-		18,722
Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Fund		-		27,458
Total Non-major Funds				92,249
Total Transfers	\$	114,665	\$	114,665

10. SELF-INSURED RETENTION FUNDS

The City's liability insurance carrier requires the City to maintain \$15,000 in reserve (SIR Reserve) for potential claims against the City. The City maintains \$20,000 in reserve.

11. RISK MANAGEMENT

As of July 1, 1986, the City entered into a joint powers agreement for insurance coverage. The City of Blue Lake is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damages to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the Member Entity obtains insurance coverage.

The City is a member of the Public Agency Risk Sharing Authority of California - PARSAC, a joint powers authority, which provides joint protection programs for public entities covering automobile, general liability, errors and omission losses, workers' compensation, and property claims. Under the program, the City has a \$5,000 retention limit similar to a deductible with the Authority being responsible for losses above that amount up to \$1 million. The Authority has additional coverage of \$34 million in excess of its \$1 million retention limit through affiliated risk management authorities. The Authority also provides one billion dollars aggregate per occurrence property coverage to its members with such coverage provided by purchased insurance.

11. RISK MANAGEMENT, Continued

Liabilities of the City are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Liabilities include an amount for claims that have been incurred but not reported (IBNRS). The result of the process to estimate the claims liability is not an exact amount as it depends on many complex factors, such as inflation, changes in legal doctrines, and damage awards. Accordingly, claims are reevaluated periodically to consider the effects of economic and social factors. The estimate of the claims liability also includes amounts for incremental claim adjustment expenses related to specific claims and other claim adjustment expenses regardless of whether allocated to specific claims. Estimated recoveries, for example, from salvage or subrogation, are another component of the claims liability estimate.

The Authority covers workers' compensation claims up to its self-insurance limit of \$500,000. The local Agency Workers Compensation excess Pool provides excess coverage to statutory limits. The City pays an annual premium to the Authority and may share in any surplus revenues or may be required to pay an additional assessments based upon the Authority's operating results. Financial statements of the PARSAC may be obtained from its administrative office located at 1525 Response Road, Suite One, Sacramento, CA 95815.

The City maintains no other commercial and risk pool coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past five years.

12. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

General Information about the Pension Plans

Plan Descriptions

All qualified employees are eligible to participate in the City's separate Miscellaneous and Safety Employee Pension Plans. Both plans are part of a separate cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS). CalPERS acts as a common investment and administrative agent for participating public entities within the state of California. Benefit provisions are established by State statute and City resolution. A full description of the pension plan benefit provisions, assumptions and membership information can be found on the CalPERS website.

Benefits Provided

CalPERS provides service retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members, who must be public employees and beneficiaries. Benefits are based on years of credited service, equal to one year of full-time employment. Members with five years of total service are eligible to retire at age 50 (age 52 for PEPRA employees) with statutorily reduced benefits based on earnings and service credits. All members are eligible for non-duty disability benefits after 10 years of credited service. The death benefit is one of the following: the Basic Death Benefit, the 1957 Survivor Benefit, or the Optional Settlement 2W Death Benefit. The cost of living adjustments for each plan are applied as specified by the Public Employees' Retirement Law.

The Plans' provisions and benefits in effect at June 30, 2023, are summarized as follows:

	Miscellaneous	Miscellaneous	
	(Classic)	(PEPRA)	Safety (Classic)
	Prior to	After	Prior to January 1,
Hire date	January 1, 2013	January 1, 2013	2013
Benefit formula	2% @ 55	2% @ 62	2% @ 50
Benefit vesting schedule	5 years service	5 years service	5 years
Benefit payments	Monthly for life	Monthly for life	Monthly for life
Retirement age	50	52	63
Monthly benefits, as a % of eligible compensation	2.0% - 2.5%	1.0 - 2.0%	1.0% - 2.5%
Required employee contribution rates	7.0%	6.25%	(1)
Required employer contribution rates	12.21%	7.47%	(1)

⁽¹⁾ Currently, the City has no active safety employees as it outsources its law enforcement services. As a result, there is no current required rate of contributions.

Contributions

Section 20814(c) of the California Public Employees' Retirement Law requires that the employer contribution rates for all public employers be determined on an annual basis by the actuary and shall be effective on the July 1 following notice of a change in the rate. Funding contributions for both Plans are determined annually on an actuarial basis as of June 30 by CaIPERS. The actuarially determined rate is the estimated amount necessary to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. The City is required to contribute the difference between the actuarially determined rate and the contribution rate of employees.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the contributions recognized as part of pension expense for each Plan were as follows:

	Miscellaneous	Safety		
Contributions - employer	\$ 129,005	\$	7,872	

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expenses and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

As of June 30, 2023, the City reported net pension liabilities for its proportionate shares of the net pension liability of each Plan as follows:

	Propo	Proportionate Share			
	of Net I	of Net Pension Liability			
Miscellaneous	\$	1,127,234			
Safety		106,766			
Total Net Pension Liability	\$	1,234,000			

The City's net pension liability for each Plan is measured as the proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability of each of the Plans is measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total pension liability for each Plan used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021 rolled forward to June 30, 2022 using standard update procedures. The City's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the City's long-term share of contributions to the pension plans relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined.

The City's proportionate share of the net pension liability for each Plan as of June 30, 2023 and 2022 was as follows:

	Miscellaneous	Safety		
Proportion - June 30, 2022	0.03980%	0.00190%		
Proportion - June 30, 2023	0.02409%	0.00155%		
Change - Increase/(Decrease)	-0.01571%	-0.00035%		

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the City recognized pension expense of \$(252,272). At June 30, 2023, the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Changes of Assumptions	\$	126,273	\$	-
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience		27,056		16,321
Differences between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings		223,339		-
Differences between Employer's Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions		43,169		6,864
Change in Employer's Proportion		1,368		214,003
Pension Contributions Made Subsequent to Measurement Date		136,877		_
	\$	558,082	\$	237,188

\$136,877 is reported as deferred outflows of resources related to contributions subsequent to the measurement date that will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized as pension expense as follows:

Year Ended	
30-Jun	
2024	\$ (28,478)
2025	(14,722)
2026	(4,242)
2027	(136,575)
2028	-
Thereafter	 -
	\$ (184,017)

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

The total pension liability was determined by actuarial valuations as of June 30, 2021, which were rolled forward to June 30, 2022, using the following actuarial methods and assumptions:

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions:	
Actuarial cost method	Entry-age normal cost method
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return	6.90%, net of pension plan expenses, including inflation
Payroll growth	2.75%
Discount rate	6.90%
Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases	Varies by entry age and service
Mortality rate table	Derived using CalPERS' membership data for all funds
Post-retirement benefit increase	Contract COLA up to 2.5% until purchasing power protection allowance floor on purchasing power applies

The underlying mortality table used was developed based on CalPERS' specific data. The table includes 15 years of mortality improvements using the Society of Actuaries 90 percent of scale MP 2016. For more details, please refer to the December 2017 experience study report.

All other actuarial assumptions were based on the results of the December 2017 actuarial experience study for the experience study periods 1997 to 2015. The experience study can be obtained at CalPERS' website under Forms and Publications.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.90 percent. To determine whether the municipal bond rate should be used in the calculation of the discount rate for each plan, CalPERS stress tested plans that would most likely result in a discount rate that would be different from the actuarially assumed discount rate. The tests revealed the assets would not run out. Therefore, the current 6.90 percent discount rate is appropriate and the use of the municipal bond rate calculation is not deemed necessary. The long-term expected discount rate of 6.90 percent is applied to all plans in the Public Employees' Retirement Fund (PERF).

Changes of Assumptions

The cash flows used in the testing were developed assuming that both members and employers will make their required contributions on time and as scheduled in all future years. The stress test results are presented in a detailed report called "GASB Crossover Testing Report" that can be obtained at CalPERS website under the GASB 68 section.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a buildingblock method in which expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class.

In determining the long-term expected rate of return, CalPERS took into account both short-term and long-term market return expectations as well as the expected pension fund cash flows. Using historical returns of all of the funds' asset classes, expected compound (geometric) returns were calculated over the short-term (first 10 years) and the long-term (11+ years) using a building-block approach. Using the expected nominal returns for both short-term and long-term, the present value of benefits was calculated for each fund. The expected rate of return was set by calculating the rounded single equivalent expected return that arrived at the same present value of benefits for cash flows as the one calculated using both short-term and long-term returns. The expected rate of return was then set equal to the single equivalent rate calculated above and adjusted to account for assumed administrative expenses.

The table below reflects the long-term expected real rates of return by asset class. The rates of return were calculated using the capital market assumptions applied to determine the discount rate and asset allocation.

Asset Class	Current Target Allocation	Real Return Years 1 - 10 ¹
Global equity - cap- weighted	30.0%	4.45%
Global equity non-cap-weighted	12.0%	3.84%
Private Equity	13.0%	7.28%
Treasury	5.0%	0.27%
Morgate-backed Securities	5.0%	0.50%
Investment Grade Corporates	10.0%	1.56%
High Yield	5.0%	2.27%
Emerging Market Debt	5.0%	2.48%
Private Bedt	5.0%	3.57%
Real Assets	15.0%	3.21%
Leverage	-5.0%	-0.59%
	100.0%	•

⁽¹⁾ An expected inflation of 2.3% used for this period.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability for each Plan, calculated using the discount rate for each Plan, as well as what the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

				Current		
	1% Decrease 5.90%		Discount Rate 6.90%		1%	% Increase 7.90%
Net Pension Liability as of						
June 30, 2023						
Miscellaneous	\$	1,569,636	\$	1,127,234	\$	763,246
Safety		147,865		106,766		73,177
Total	\$	1,717,501	\$	1,234,000	\$	836,423

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about each pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued CalPERS financial reports.

13. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Plan Description

The City administers a single-employer defined-benefit post-employment healthcare plan.

Benefits Provided

Retirees are eligible for medical benefits after 15 years of service. The City covers 50% of the retiree's health insurance premiums up to the age of 65. Benefits are not provided for retiree spouse or dependent health care coverage.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms

At June 30, 2023 (the measurement date), the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive Employees Receiving Benefits	0
Inactive Employees Entitled to But Not Receiving Benefits	0
Participating Active Employees	7
Total Number of participants	7

Contributions

The City pays benefits as they come due.

13. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, Continued

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

The City's net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation dated June 30, 2021 based on the following actuarial methods and assumptions:

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions:								
Actuarial cost method	Entry-age actuarial cost method							
Actuarial assumptions:								
Discount rate	3.54%, net of expenses							
Inflation	2.50%							
Salary increases	2.75% per annum							
Investment rate of return	3.54%, net of expenses							
Mortality rate (1)	2017 CalPERS Mortality for Miscellaneous and Schools Employees							
Retirement rates	Hired 2013 and later: 2017 CalPERS 2.0% @ 62 Rates for miscellaneous employees Hired 2012 and earlier: 2017 CalPERS 2.5% @ 55 Rates for miscellaneous employees							
Pre-retirement turnover (2)	2017 CalPERS turnover for miscellaneous employees							
Healthcare trend rate	4.00%							

⁽¹⁾ The mortality assumptions are based on the 2017 CalPERS Active Mortality for Miscellaneous Employees table created by CalPERS. CalPERS periodically studies mortality for participating agencies and establishes mortality tables that are modified versions of commonly used tables. This table incorporates mortality projection as deemed appropriate based on CalPERS analysis.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.54 percent. Since the City's OPEB Plan is an unfunded plan, the discount rate is based on an index of 20-year general obligation municipal bonds rate AA or higher.

⁽²⁾ The turnover assumptions are based on the 2017 CalPERS Turnover for Miscellaneous Employees table created by CalPERS. CalPERS periodically studies the experience for participating agencies and establishes tables that are appropriate for each pool.

13. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, Continued

Changes in the Net OPEB Liability

The changes in the net OPEB liability for the Plan are as follows:

	Total OPEB	Fiduciary	Net OPEB
	Liability	Net Position	Liability
Balance at 6/30/2021 Measurement Date	\$ 242,241	\$ -	\$ 242,241
Changes for the year			
Service Cost	22,599	-	22,599
Interest on TOL	5,438	-	5,438
Employer Contributions	-	3,523	(3,523)
Benefit Payments	(3,523)	(3,523)	-
Actual Investment Income	-	-	-
Administrative expenses	-	-	-
Changes in Assumptions	(36,636)	-	(36,636)
Experience (Gains)/Losses	(68,713)	-	(68,713)
Other	-	-	-
Net Changes	(80,835)	-	(80,835)
Balance at 6/30/2022 Measurement Date	\$ 161,406	\$ -	\$ 161,406

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net OPEB liability of the City if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

	1% I	Decrease	Disco	ount Rate	1% I	ncrease
	(2.54%)	(3.54%)	(4.54%)
Net OPEB Liability	\$	179,769	\$	161,406	\$	145,223

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates

The following presents the net OPEB liability of the City if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

13. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, Continued

Recognition of Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources

Gains and losses related to changes in total OPEB liability and fiduciary net position are recognized in OPEB expense systematically over time. Amounts are first recognized in OPEB expense for the year the gain or loss occurs. The remaining amounts are categorized as deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB and are to be recognized in future OPEB expense. The recognition period differs depending on the source of the gain or loss:

Net difference between projected and	5 years
actual earnings on OPEB plan	
investments	
	Expected average remaining service
All other amounts	lifetime (EARSL)

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the City recognized OPEB expense of \$21,469. As of fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the City reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	D	eferred	Γ	eferred
	Ou	tflows of	In	flows of
	Re	sources	Re	esources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	-	\$	(65,094)
Changes in assumptions		24,060		(33,751)
Total	\$	24,060	\$	(98,845)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized as expense as follows:

		Deferred
Fiscal Year Ended	Out	flow/(Inflows) of
June 30,		Resources
2024	\$	(6,568)
2025		(6,568)
2026		(6,568)
2027		(6,568)
2028		(6,568)
Thereafter		(41,945)
	\$	(74,785)

14. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

The City has been awarded various block grants by the State of California - Housing and Community Development. These grants fund housing rehabilitation, business development, and infrastructure improvements to City streets.

Revenues and expenditures for activities relating to the housing rehabilitation and the business development are accounted for in special revenue funds. Through this program, the City pays for housing rehabilitation, business expansion and retention, plus administrative program costs. At the completion of projects benefiting the private property owners, the City issues a note, secured by a deed of trust for the cost of the improvements.

These notes carry rates ranging from 1% to 10%. Most of the notes require repayment when the property is sold, but some require period amortized payments. As these notes are repaid, funds may be used for new improvements, program costs, and loans to private property owners.

CDBG Program Income (PI) Reuse Agreement

Effective November 18, 2014 the City entered into the Reuse Agreement which allows the City to receive repayments from CDBG and spend those PI funds in the absence of an active CDBG grant contract. The Agreement establishes policies and procedures for the administration and utilization of Program income received as a direct result of eligible activities funded under CDBG contracts with the City. The Agreement allows five ways to manage PI:

- 1. Expend monies on active grant contract activities
- 2. Expend monies on general administration activities
- 3. Expend monies through an approved revolving loan fund
- 4. Expend monies on approved waiver activity, when no active contract is in force
- 5. Return the monies annually to the Department (CDBG)

15. CONTINGENCIES

The City is a party to claims and lawsuits arising in the ordinary course of business. The City's management and legal counsel are of the opinion that the ultimate liability, if any, arising from these claims will not have material adverse impact on the financial position of the City. The City participates in a number of federal and state assisted grant programs. These programs are subject to program compliance audits by the grantors. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time although the City expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

16. COMMITMENTS

The City has contracted with the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District (HBMWD) for water purchases. The agreement expires June 30, 2037. The City has an option to extend the agreement for an additional ten years. The agreement will be automatically extended to correspond to the term of an agreement entered into between HBMWD and the State of California. The water rate paid by the City is based on numerous factors. Rates are determined by allocating HBMWD's operating costs, maintenance, repairs and replacement to all users connected to the HBMWD system.

16. COMMITMENTS, Continued

On June 27, 2019, the City entered into a contract with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department whereby the County agreed to provide law enforcement services to the City. The term of the current agreement was for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2023. The cost to the City under the agreement was \$319,671 annually, with the amount for future years subject to an annual recalculation. Either party may terminate this contract upon 60 days written notice.

17. NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

The GASB has issued statement No. 94, "Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements". The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving the comparability of financial statements among governments that enter into PPPs and APAs and by enhancing the understandability, reliability, relevance, and consistency of information about PPPs and APAs. The implementation of this statement did not have an effect on the financial statements.

The GASB has issued statement No. 96, "Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements". The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by (a) establishing uniform accounting and financial reporting requirements for SBITAs; (b) improving the comparability of financial statements among governments that have entered into SBITAs; and (c) enhancing the understandability, reliability, relevance, and consistency of information about SBITAs. The implementation of this statement did not have an effect on the financial statements.

The GASB has issued Statement No. 99, "Omnibus 2022." The objectives of this Statement are to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing (1) practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements and (2) accounting and financial reporting for financial guarantees. The requirements related to leases, PPPs, and SBITAs will take effect for financial statements starting with the fiscal year that ends June 30, 2023. The requirements related to financial guarantees and the classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement 53 will take effect for financial statements starting with the fiscal year that ends June 30, 2024.

The GASB has issued Statement No. 100, "Accounting Changes and Error Corrections—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 62." The primary objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The requirements of this Statement will take effect for financial statements starting with the fiscal year that ends June 30, 2024.

The GASB has issued Statement No. 101, "Compensated Absences." The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. The requirements of this Statement will take effect for financial statements starting with the fiscal year that ends December 31, 2024.

City of Blue Lake, California Notes to Basic Financial Statements, Continued For the year ended June 30, 2023

18. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Events occurring after June 30, 2023 but before the financial statements were available to be issued must be evaluated for possible adjustment to the financial statements or disclosure. The effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at June 30, 2023 are recognized in the accompanying financial statements. Subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions that existed after June 30, 2023 require disclosure in the accompanying notes. Management has evaluated the activity of the City through November 22, 2024, and concluded that no subsequent event(s) have occurred that would require recognition in the financial statements or disclosure in the notes to the financial statements.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

City of Blue Lake, California Required Supplementary Information -Schedule of Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios Last 10 Fiscal Years

	2023		2022		2	2021		2020		2019		2018
Total OPEB liability												
Service Cost	\$ 22,5	99	\$ 21,83	3	\$	13,738		\$ 12,669	\$	12,332	\$	12,331
Interest on the total OPEB liability	5,4	38	4,95	5		6,344		5,948		5,355		5,039
Differences between expected and actual experience			-			(2,206)		-		-		-
Benefit Payments	(3,5	23)	-			-		-		-		-
Changes of assumptions	(36,6	36)	1,14	4		22,031		6,836		-		-
Experience (Gains)/Losses	(68,7	13)										
Contributions - employer			-			-		(2,465)		(2,370)		(2,370)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(80,8	35)	27,93	2		39,907		22,988		15,317		15,000
Total OPEB liability - beginning	242,2	41	214,30	9		174,402		151,414		136,097		121,097
Total OPEB liability - ending (a)	\$ 161,4	06	\$ 242,24	1	\$	214,309		\$ 174,402	\$	151,414	\$	3 136,097
Plan fiduciary net position												
Contributions - employer	\$ 3,5	23	\$ -		\$	_		\$ 2,465	\$	2,370	9	2,370
Contributions - employee			-			-		-		-		-
Actual investment income			-			-		-		_		-
Administrative expense			-			-		-		_		-
Benefit payments	(3,5	23)	-			-		(2,465)		(2,370)		(2,370)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position			-			-		-		-		-
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning			-			-		-		-		-
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$		\$ -		\$	-		\$ -	\$	-	\$	· -
Net OPEB liability - ending (a) - (b)	\$ 161,4	06	\$ 242,24	1	\$	214,309	_	\$ 174,402	\$	151,414	\$	3 136,097
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 488,8	56 \$	382,81	1	\$	391,542	\$	434,670	\$	358,127	\$	344,357
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	33.02%		63.28%		54	.73%		40.12%	42	2.28%	3	9.52%

Notes to Schedule

¹⁾ GASB 75 was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. Additional years (10 years required by GASB 75) will be added as they become available.

²⁾ Covered payroll is the payroll paid to all employees who are eligible for and accruing OPEB benefits.

3) For each fiscal year presented, information regarding the City's OPEB plan, including the methods and assumptions used to calculate the net OPEB liability, can be found in the notes to the City's basic financial statements.

City of Blue Lake, California

Required Supplementary Information - Schedule of Contributions

Last 10 Fiscal Years

Miscellaneous Plan	 2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016	_	2015
Contractually required contribution (actuarially determined)	\$ 129,005	\$	137,437	\$	124,999	\$	115,836	\$	102,595	\$	87,054	\$	81,163	\$	76,737	\$	70,877
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contributions	\$ (129,005)		(137,437)		(124,999)		(115,836)	_	(102,595)		(87,054)		(81,163)		(76,737)	_	(70,877)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 	\$		\$		\$		\$	_	\$		\$		\$		\$	
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 488,856	\$	382,811	\$	391,542	\$	434,670	\$	358,127	\$	344,357	\$	352,370	\$	324,828	\$	351,126
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	26.39%		35.90%		31.92%		26.65%		28.65%		25.28%		23.03%		23.62%		20.19%
Safety Plan	2023	_	2022	_	2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016		2015
Safety Plan Contractually required contribution (actuarially determined)	\$ 2023 7,872	\$	2022 7,426	\$	2021 7,053	\$	2020 6,995	\$	2019 6,911	\$	2018 5,699	\$	2017 3,766	<u> </u>	2016 3,264	\$	2015 2,444
Contractually required contribution (actuarially	\$ 	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Contractually required contribution (actuarially determined) Contributions in relation to the actuarially	7,872	\$	7,426	\$	7,053	\$	6,995	\$	6,911	\$	5,699	\$	3,766	\$	3,264	\$	2,444
Contractually required contribution (actuarially determined) Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contributions	7,872	\$ \$	7,426		7,053	_	6,995	_	6,911	\$ \$	5,699	\$ \$	3,766	\$ \$	3,264	\$ \$ \$	2,444

Notes to Schedule

- 1) Covered payroll is the payroll on which contributions to a pension plan are based.
- 2) Additional years will be added as they become available in the future.
- 3) Actuarially determined contributions are calculated as of June 30, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported. More information on the methods and assumptions used to determine the contribution rates can be found on the CalPERS website.
- 4) During the fiscal years presented above, the City had no covered payroll for its public safety department as these services were outsourced.

City of Blue Lake, California

$Required\ Supplementary\ Information\ -\ Schedule\ of\ the\ City's\ Proportionate$

Share of the Net Pension Liability

Last 10 Fiscal Years

Miscellaneous Plan	2023	2022	 2021	_	2020	2	019		2018	2017	2016		2015
Plan's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability/(Asset)	0.02409%	0.03980%	0.02480%	(0.02494%	0.0	2511%	(0.02467%	0.02497%	0.02654%	(0.02382%
Plan's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability/(Asset)	\$ 1,127,234	\$ 755,762	\$ 1,045,933	\$	998,738	\$ 94	46,411	\$	972,414	\$ 867,270	\$ 728,014	\$	588,787
Plan's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 488,856	\$ 382,811	\$ 391,542	\$	434,670	\$ 35	58,127	\$	344,357	\$ 352,370	\$ 324,828	\$	351,126
Plan's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability/(Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered-Employee Payroll	230.59%	197.42%	267.13%		229.77%	20	64.27%		282.39%	246.12%	224.12%		167.69%
Plan's Proportionate Share of the Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Plan's Total Pension Liability	65.27%	75.03%	64.31%		67.95%	,	70.21%		68.75%	69.64%	74.03%		78.34%
Plan's Proportionate Share of Aggregate Employer Contribution	\$ 109,869	\$ 89,317	\$ 84,214	\$	87,758	\$ 8	84,974	\$	80,955	\$ 74,075	\$ 71,796	\$	57,581
Safety Plan	2023	2022	2021		2020	2	019		2018	2017	2016		2015
Plan's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability/(Asset)	0.00155%	0.00190%	0.00145%	(0.00148%	0.0	0154%	(0.00149%	0.00155%	0.00156%	(0.00131%
Plan's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability/(Asset)	\$ 106,766	\$ 66,547	\$ 96,736	\$	92,263	\$ 9	90,259	\$	88,897	\$ 80,260	\$ 64,436	\$	49,025
Plan's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
Plan's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability/(Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered-Employee Payroll	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N	J/A		N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A
Plan's Proportionate Share of the Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Plan's Total Pension Liability	64.13%	77.33%	66.92%		68.00%	(68.27%		67.91%	69.55%	75.29%		81.42%
Plan's Proportionate Share of Aggregate Employer Contribution	\$ 12,732	\$ 12,128	\$ 10,129	\$	8,599	\$	8,194	\$	6,491	\$ 6,334	\$ 6,678	\$	6,082

Notes to Schedule

1) Covered payroll is the payroll on which contributions to a pension plan are based.

²⁾ Additional years will be added as they become available in the future.

³⁾ For each fiscal year presented, information regarding the City's pension plan, including the methods and assumptions used to calculate the net pension liability, can be found in the notes to the City's

⁴⁾ During the fiscal years presented above, the City had no covered payroll for its public safety department as these services were outsourced.

COMBINING AND INDIVIDU	JAL FUND STATEME	NTS AND SCHEDULES

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NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Fund Type	Description
Special Revenue Funds:	
Highway Users Tax Fund	This fund accounts for the City's receipt and use of State gas tax funds for which use is restricted to street maintenance activities.
TDA Street Fund	This fund accounts for the City's receipt and use of State Transportation Development Act funds for which the use is restricted to street maintenance activities. These funds are distributed by the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG).
TDA Purchased Transportation Fund	This fund accounts for the City's receipt and use of State Transportation Development Act funds for which the use is restricted to public transit services. These funds are distributed by the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG).
AB-939 Solid Waste Reduction / Recycling Fund	This fund accounts for the City's receipt and use of State revenues derived from solid waste/recycling fees and the sale of recyclable materials. The use of these are restricted to solid waste reduction activities.
Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Fund	This fund accounts for the City's receipt and use of State Regional Surface Transportation Program funds for which the use is restricted to street maintenance activities. These funds are distributed by the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG).
Recreation Economic Analysis Fund	This fund accounts for the receipt and use of funds related to the City's Recreation Economic Analysis Project.
American Rescue Plan - COVID Relief Fund	This fund accounts for the receipt and use of Federal COVID relief funds.
State Park Per Capital Program Fund	This fund accounts for the receipt and use of State Per Capita Program funds.

City of Blue Lake, California Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds June 30, 2023

	Special Revenue Funds									
ASSETS	Highway Users Tax Fund		TDA Street Fund		TDA Purchased Transportation Fund		Sol Re	AB-939 lid Waste duction / voling Fund		
Cash and investments	\$	40,909	\$	9,387	\$	_	\$	24,535		
Receivables: Interest receivable Intergovernmental receivables	Ψ	371 5,506	Ψ	137	Ψ	32,375	Ψ	189 2,004		
Total assets	\$	46,786	\$	9,524	\$	32,375	\$	26,728		
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:	¢		¢		¢	2.750	¢			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Accrued payroll Compensated absences Due to other funds Unearned revenue	\$	- - - -	\$	- - - -	\$	2,750 - - 28,203	\$	157 487 -		
Total liabilities		-		_		30,953		644		
Fund balances: Restricted Unassigned (deficit)		46,786		9,524		1,422		26,084		
Total fund balances		46,786		9,524		1,422		26,084		
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	46,786	\$	9,524	\$	32,375	\$	26,728		

R	Regional									
5	Surface	R	ecreation	Amer	ican Rescue	S	tate Park		Total	
Tran	nsportation	E	conomic	Plan	- COVID	P	er Capita	Spec	cial Revenue	
Program	n (RSTP) Fund	Ana	alysis Fund	Re	lief Fund	Pro	gram Fund	Funds		
\$	-	\$	-	\$	99,998	\$	-	\$	174,829	
	41		_		_		_		738	
	12,540		57,820				149,569		259,814	
\$	12,581	\$	57,820	\$	99,998	\$	149,569	\$	435,381	
\$	-	\$	-	\$	902	\$	-	\$	3,652	
	-		-		173		-		330	
	-		-		1,863		1,801		4,151	
	5,121		57,819		-		147,767		238,910	
	-		57,819				149,568		207,387	
	5,121		115,638		2,938		299,136		454,430	
	- 450				0					
	7,460		- (55.010)		97,060		- (1.10.565)		188,336	
	7.460		(57,818)		- 07.060	-	(149,567)		(207,385)	
	7,460		(57,818)		97,060		(149,567)		(19,049)	
\$	12,581	\$	57,820	\$	99,998	\$	149,569	\$	435,381	

City of Blue Lake, California Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the year ended June 30, 2023

	Special Revenue Funds										
		ighway Tax Fund		A Street Fund	Tran	Purchased sportation Fund	AB-939 Solid Waste Reduction / Recycling Fun				
REVENUES:	Ф	(1.002	Φ.	20.000	d)	22.275	Φ	22.206			
Intergovernmental revenues Investment earnings	\$	61,002 926	\$	28,098 137	\$	32,375	\$	33,386 564			
•											
Total revenues		61,928		28,235		32,375		33,950			
EXPENDITURES:											
Current:											
General government		-		-		-		-			
Parks and recreation		-		-		-		-			
Public transit		-		-		32,375		-			
Recycling		-		-		-		25,189			
Capital outlay								3,465			
Total expenditures						32,375		28,654			
REVENUES OVER (UNDER)											
EXPENDITURES		61,928		28,235				5,296			
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) :										
Transfers in		-		-		-		-			
Transfers out		(46,069)		(18,722)		-		-			
Total other financing											
sources (uses)		(46,069)		(18,722)							
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		15,859		9,513		-		5,296			
FUND BALANCES:											
Beginning of year		30,927		11		1,422		20,788			
End of year	\$	46,786	\$	9,524	\$	1,422	\$	26,084			

		Special Reve	enue Funds		
Tra	Regional Surface unsportation n (RSTP) Fund	Recreation Economic Analysis Fund	American Rescue Plan - COVID Relief Fund	State Park Per Capita Program Fund	Total Special Revenue Funds
\$	34,723 195	\$ 100,790	\$ 148,915	\$ -	\$ 439,289 1,822
	34,918	100,790	148,915		191,406
	- - - -	110,155 - -	86,709 - - -	- - - -	86,709 110,155 32,375 25,189
		-	8,615	139,860	151,940
	-	110,155	95,324	139,860	406,368
	34,918	(9,365)	53,591	(139,860)	34,743
	(27,458)				(92,249)
1	(27,458)				(92,249)
	7,460	(9,365)	53,591	(139,860)	(57,506)
	<u>-</u>	(48,453)	43,469	(9,707)	38,457

7,460

(57,818)

97,060

(149,567)

\$

(19,049)

City of Blue Lake, California Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget to Actual Highway Users Tax Special Revenue Fund For the year ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts						Variance w/Final Positive		
		Original		Final		Actual		(Negative)	
REVENUES:									
Intergovernmental revenues	\$	68,931	\$	68,931	\$	61,002	\$	(7,929)	
Investment earnings		99		99		926		827	
Total revenues		69,030		69,030		61,928		(7,102)	
EXPENDITURES:									
Current:									
Street maintenance		-		-		-		-	
Total expenditures		-		-				-	
REVENUES OVER (UNDER)									
EXPENDITURES		69,030		69,030		61,928		(7,102)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):									
Transfers out		(69,030)		(69,030)		(46,069)		22,961	
Total other financing sources (uses)		(69,030)		(69,030)		(46,069)		22,961	
Net change in fund balances		-		-		15,859		15,859	
FUND BALANCES:									
Beginning of year		30,927		30,927		30,927		_	
End of year	\$	30,927	\$	30,927	\$	46,786	\$	15,859	

City of Blue Lake, California Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget to Actual TDA Street Special Revenue Fund For the year ended June 30, 2023

		Budgeted	Amo	unts			Variance w/Final Positive	
	Original			Final		Actual	(Negative)	
REVENUES:								
Intergovernmental revenues	\$	28,098	\$	28,098	\$	28,098	\$	-
Investment earnings		10		10		137		127
Total revenues		28,108		28,108		28,235		127
EXPENDITURES:								
Current:								
Street maintenance		-		-		-		-
Total expenditures								
REVENUES OVER (UNDER)								
EXPENDITURES	-	28,108		28,108		28,235		127
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):								
Transfers out		(28,108)		(28,108)		(18,722)		9,386
Total other financing sources (uses)		(28,108)		(28,108)		(18,722)		9,386
Net change in fund balances		-		-		9,513		9,513
FUND BALANCES:								
Beginning of year		11		11		11		_
End of year	\$	11	\$	11	\$	9,524	\$	9,513

City of Blue Lake, California Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget to Actual TDA Purchased Transportation Special Revenue Fund For the year ended June 30, 2023

	 Budgeted	Amo				Variance w/Fi	
	Original	Final		Actual		(Negative)	
REVENUES:							
Intergovernmental revenues	\$ 32,375	\$	32,375	\$	32,375	\$	-
Investment earnings					-		
Total revenues	32,375		32,375		32,375		
EXPENDITURES:							
Current:							
Public transit	32,375		32,375		32,375		_
Capital outlay	· -		- -		-		-
Total expenditures	32,375		32,375		32,375		_
REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	_		_		_		_
Em E			_				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):							
Transfers out	-		_		-		_
Total other financing sources (uses)	-		-		-		
Net change in fund balances	_				_		-
FUND BALANCES:							
Beginning of year	1,422		1,422		1,422		
	 						_
End of year	\$ 1,422	\$	1,422	\$	1,422	\$	

City of Blue Lake, California
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget to Actual
AB-939 Solid Waste Reduction/ Recycling Special Revenue Fund
For the year ended June 30, 2023

		Budgeted	Amou				Variance w/Final Positive	
DEVENIUEC		Original		Final		Actual	(N	egative)
REVENUES:	Φ.	22 7 40	Ф	22.740	Φ.	22.206		50 0
Intergovernmental revenues	\$	32,748	\$	32,748	\$	33,386	\$	638
Investment earnings		56		56		564		508
Total revenues		32,804		32,804		33,950		1,146
EXPENDITURES:								
Current:								
Recycling		24,951		24,951		25,189		238
Capital outlay						3,465		3,465
Total expenditures		24,951		24,951		28,654		3,703
REVENUES OVER (UNDER)								
EXPENDITURES		7,853		7,853		5,296		(2,557)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):								
Transfers in		-		-		-		-
Transfers out								
Total other financing sources (uses)								
Net change in fund balances		7,853		7,853		5,296		(2,557)
Residual equity transfer in		-		-		-		-
FUND BALANCES:								
Beginning of year		20,788		20,788		20,788		
End of year	\$	28,641	\$	28,641	\$	26,084	\$	(2,557)

City of Blue Lake, California Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget to Actual Regional Surface Transportation Program Special Revenue Fund For the year ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts Original Final					Actual	Variance w/Final Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES:								<u> </u>
Intergovernmental revenues Investment earnings	\$	10,954	\$	22,183 125	\$	34,723 195	\$	12,540 70
Total revenues		10,954		22,308		34,918		12,610
EXPENDITURES: Current:								
Street maintenance		_		_		_		_
Total expenditures				-		-		-
REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		10.054		22.209		24.019		12 (10
EAPENDITURES		10,954		22,308		34,918		12,610
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in		-		-		_		_
Transfers out	\$	(10,954)	\$	(22,308)		(27,458)		(5,150)
Total other financing sources (uses)		(10,954)		(22,308)		(27,458)		(5,150)
Net change in fund balances		-		-		7,460		7,460
FUND BALANCES:								
Beginning of year		_				-		
End of year	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,460	\$	7,460

City of Blue Lake, California Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget to Actual Recreation Econcomic Analysis Fund For the year ended June 30, 2023

		Budgeted	Amo	unts				ance w/Final Positive
	(Original		Final		Actual		Negative)
REVENUES:								
Intergovernmental revenues	\$	145,000	\$	145,000	\$	100,790	\$	(44,210)
Investment earnings		-		-		-		-
Total revenues		145,000		145,000		100,790		(44,210)
EXPENDITURES:								
Current:								
Parks and recreation		145,000		145,000		110,155		34,845
Total expenditures		145,000		145,000		110,155		34,845
REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES				<u>-</u>		(9,365)		(9,365)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in		_		_		_		_
Transfers out								-
Total other financing sources (uses)								
Net change in fund balances		-		-		(9,365)		(9,365)
FUND BALANCES:								
Beginning of year		(48,453)		(48,453)		(48,453)		
End of year	\$	(48,453)	\$	(48,453)	\$	(57,818)	\$	(9,365)

City of Blue Lake, California Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget to Actual American Rescue Plan - COVID Relief Fund For the year ended June 30, 2023

		Budgeted	l Amoi	unts				nnce w/Final Positive
	(Original	Final		Actual		(Negative)	
REVENUES:		_		_		_		_
Intergovernmental revenues	\$	168,915	\$	168,915	\$	148,915	\$	(20,000)
Investment earnings				_				
Total revenues		168,915		168,915		148,915		(20,000)
EXPENDITURES:								
Current:		160.015		170 017		06.700		92.206
General government		168,915		168,915		86,709		82,206
Capital outlay						8,615		(8,615)
Total expenditures		168,915		168,915		95,324		73,591
REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES						53,591		53,591
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				_				_
Transfers in		_		_		_		_
Transfers out								
Total other financing sources (uses)								
Net change in fund balances		-		-		53,591		53,591
FUND BALANCES:								
Beginning of year		43,469		43,469		43,469		
End of year	\$	43,469	\$	43,469	\$	97,060	\$	53,591

City of Blue Lake, California Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget to Actual State Park Per Capita Program Fund For the year ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts Original Final				Actual		Variance w/Final Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES:								8 /
Intergovernmental revenues Investment earnings	\$	168,178	\$	168,178	\$	-	\$	(168,178)
Total revenues		168,178		168,178				(168,178)
EXPENDITURES:								
Capital outlay		168,178		168,178		139,860		28,318
Total expenditures		168,178		168,178		139,860		28,318
REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES						(139,860)		(139,860)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in Transfers out		- -		- -		- -		- -
Total other financing sources (uses)				-		-		-
Net change in fund balances		-		-		(139,860)		(139,860)
FUND BALANCES:								
Beginning of year		(9,707)		(9,707)		(9,707)		
End of year	\$	(9,707)	\$	(9,707)	\$	(149,567)	\$	(139,860)

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Lake Blue Lake, California

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and the budgetary comparison information of the City of Blue Lake, California (City), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 22, 2024.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be significant deficiencies. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the separate Schedule of Findings and Responses as item 2022-1 that we consider to be a material weakness.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Lake Blue Lake, California

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

November 22, 2024

JJACPA, Inc. JJACPA, Inc. Dublin, CA

CITY OF BLUE LAKE

COMMUNICATION WITH THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE AND COMMUNICATION OF INTERNAL CONTROL RELATED MATTERS

JUNE 30, 2023



November 22, 2024

City Council City of Blue Lake Blue Lake, California

We have audited the basic financial statements of the City of Blue Lake (City) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023 and have issued our report thereon dated November 22, 2024. Professional standards require that we advise you of the following matters relating to our audit.

Our Responsibility in Relation to the Financial Statement Audit

As communicated in our engagement letter dated February 21, 2024, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to form and express opinions about whether the financial statements that have been prepared by management with your oversight are presented fairly, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your respective responsibilities.

Our responsibility, as prescribed by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit of financial statements includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, as part of our audit, we considered the internal control of the City solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

We are also responsible for communicating significant matters related to the audit that are, in our professional judgment, relevant to your responsibilities in overseeing the financial reporting process. However, we are not required to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to communicate to you.

Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We conducted our audit consistent with the planned scope and timing we previously communicated to you.

Compliance with All Ethics Requirements Regarding Independence

The engagement team, others in our firm, as appropriate, and our firm has complied with all relevant ethical requirements regarding independence.

Qualitative Aspects of the Entity's Significant Accounting Practices

Significant Accounting Policies

Management has the responsibility to select and use appropriate accounting policies. A summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the City is included in Note 1 to the financial statements. There have been no initial selection of accounting policies and no changes in significant accounting policies or their application during 2022-23. No matters have come to our attention that would require us, under professional standards, to inform you about (1) the methods used to account for significant unusual transactions and (2) the effect of significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

Significant Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's current judgments. Those judgments are normally based on knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly from management's current judgments

The most sensitive accounting estimates affecting the financial statements are useful lives of capital assets ("useful lives").

Management's estimate of the useful lives is based on experience with and observation of capital assets, by category (e.g. infrastructure) as well as industry standards, when applicable (i.e. buildings). We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the useful lives and determined that it is reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole and in relation to the applicable opinion units.

Financial Statement Disclosures

Certain financial statement disclosures involve significant judgment and are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the City's financial statements relate to commitments and contingencies.

Significant Difficulties Encountered during the Audit

Although we ultimately received full cooperation of management and believe that we were given direct and unrestricted access to the City's officials and senior management, we experienced significant difficulties in the performance of the audit owing to unreasonable delays by management in the overall audit process. These unreasonable delays, such as the delay of management's review of the financial statements, significantly added to the time and related cost of the audit.

Uncorrected and Corrected Misstatements

For purposes of this communication, professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that we believe are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Further, professional standards require us to also communicate the effect of uncorrected misstatements related to prior periods on the relevant classes of transactions, account balances or disclosures, and the financial statements as a whole and each applicable opinion unit. Management has corrected all identified misstatements

In addition, professional standards require us to communicate to you all material, corrected misstatements that were brought to the attention of management as a result of our audit procedures. None of the misstatements identified by us as a result of our audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole or applicable opinion units.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, which could be significant to the City's financial statements or the auditor's report. No such disagreements arose during the course of the audit.

Representations Requested from Management

We have requested certain written representations from management, which are included in an attached letter dated November 22, 2024.

Management's Consultations with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters. Management informed us that, and to our knowledge, there were no consultations with other accountants regarding auditing and accounting matters.

Other Significant Findings or Issues

In the normal course of our professional association with the City, we generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, operating and regulatory conditions affecting the City, and operational plans and strategies that may affect the risks of material misstatement. None of the matters discussed resulted in a condition to our retention as the City's auditors.

Communication of Internal Control Related Matters

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the City Council and management of the City and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH J ARCH, CPA President/CEO

Joseph J Hrch, CPH

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Section I – Financial Statement Findings

Finding 2023-001

Material Weakness of Noncompliance with California Government Code – Filing Deadline Expiration

Criteria: California Government Code, Section 26909, (a) (2), requires Cities to file an annual audit of the accounts and records with the California State Controller within 12 months of the end of the fiscal year.

Condition: For the year ended June 30, 2023 the City of Blue Lake (City) did not file an annual audit of the accounts and records with the California State Controller within 12 months of the end of the fiscal year.

Cause: Management of the City has not implemented procedures to meet the filing requirements outlined in the California Government Code.

Effect: By not filing the appropriate reports with the State Controller, the City is in violation of the California Government Code. The information reported to the public and other government agencies is not timely or relevant to current City operations.

Recommendation: Management should file the audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2023 immediately. Additionally, the City should implement procedures for meeting the filing requirements outlined in the California Government Code in order to provide timely reporting for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

Responsible Official's Response: Management agrees with this finding and will submit the audited financial statements to the State Controller once they are approved by the Council. Moreover, management will develop and implement procedures to ensure timely financial reporting in the future.

Section II – Status of Prior Year Audit Findings

Finding 2022-001

See current year finding 2023-001

City Council Meeting Agenda Report

Item #: 7

Date: November 26, 2024

Item Subject: Battery Storage Project Presentation

Submitted By: Mandy Mager, City Manager

General Information:

In April of 2024, the City reclaimed control of the former Blue Lake Power Plant site; this property had been leased to Blue Lake Power for over 30 years. The property was reclaimed through a legal court proceeding, which essentially served as a tenant eviction.

For the last several years, the City has been planning for the eventual reclamation of the property, as well as acknowledging that the City would most likely be left with a large-scale clean-up obligation. The City has been estimating the clean up of the site to cost approximately \$1 million and has been factoring this into ongoing development plans.

The City has undergone a large scale master planning exercise to identify development opportunities in the Powers Creek District, including the former plant site. The City received funding from EDA to conduct an economic analysis for the development of an RV park and campground, as well as other support economies.

Through this process, the City identified the opportunity to repurpose the existing transformer and substation on the power plant site for a battery storage project, and designed into the RV park and campground project the estimated footprint of this development.

The City has been working with Redwood Coast Energy Authority for several years to evaluate future options for the power plant infrastructure and has a signed MOU with RCEA to assist the City in attracting battery storage and other renewable projects to the site. The City has evaluated the installation of a large-scale solar project and it was deemed infeasible due to the cost of the installation and the fact that the installation would not be large enough to be economically feasible.

Recently, the City was approached by PowerTransitions regarding a battery storage project (BESS); the company is proposing to purchase six acres of the power plant property to install a two-phase BESS project. Phase 1 would include a 12MW BESS and the second phase would increase the project to a 100MW BESS. Under the proposal, PowerTransitions would appraise the City's

property and using the value of the land and infrastructure, would reduce the purchase price by the cost to fully clean up the property, including removal of the existing plant infrastructure, buildings and fuel pile. The City would be paid the residual value of the land.

Cleaning up the site will allow the City to move forward with recreation development in the district and will lift the current liability associated with the existing plant and the environmental impacts associated with the continued degradation of the site.

The battery storage project is consistent with the zoning for the property and issues related to noise can be mitigated to meet the noise standards established for the zone and the eventual rezoning of the site. Environmental issues related to BESS projects include the potential for fire; the proposed BESS project would meet all NFPA and building code standards, including container suppression systems. PowerTransitions is proposing a Lithium Iron-Phosphate project; this is a newer technology and to date this technology has recorded zero fires associated with the systems.

Options to address concerns related to the sale of City-owned property include deed restricting the property to limit future development, as well as granting the City the right of first refusal to purchase the property in the event that the Company decides to sell. Future rezoning of the property could further protect the development potential of the property to ensure future development meets the objectives of the City.

A BESS project will allow the City to repurpose the existing power infrastructure, will clean-up the property for additional development and will allow the City to participate in meeting renewable energy goals for our region and community.

In order to provide information to the community regarding the project proposal, along with information regarding battery storage systems and their place in our regional renewable energy portfolio, Richard Engle from Redwood Coast Energy Authority will be in attendance to answer questions about battery storage, current and future energy procurement through RCEA, as well as the future of grid stabilization and energy resiliency.

Background Material Provided: PowerTransitions Presentation

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Recommended Action: Presentation/Discussion

Review Information:			
City Manager Review: ⊠	Legal Review: \square	Planner Review: \Box	Engineer:
Comments:			



Presentation to the City of Blue Lake City Council Redevelopment of Blue Lake Power

NOVEMBER 12, 2024



Agenda



- I. About PowerTransitions
- II. Our Development Proposal
- **III. Community Benefits**
- IV. Understanding Battery Storage



PowerTransitions Restores Tax Basis for Communities by Investing its Capital to Transition Retired Facilities to its Next Best Use

Our Mission:

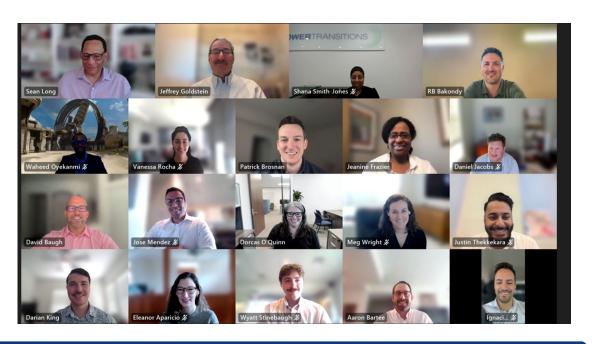
- Acquire and redevelop Retiring or Retired legacy power and industrial facilities in the U.S.
 - Restore local communities with
 - tax basis restoration,
 - site cleanup,
 - jobs
 - Clean these sites aesthetically and environmentally.
 We take the Costs, Risks, and Liabilities to ready legacy facilities for renewables
 - Invest our capital to create utility-scale renewable power solutions and, where appropriate, ready these facilities for other next-best use



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Who We Are - Select History of PowerTransitions





Deep Power, Environmental & Brownfield Redevelopment Expertise

- •\$100bn+ & 150+ Years of Energy Transaction Experience, including Global Infrastructure Development
- •100+ Global Utility-Scale Energy Projects
- •\$500m+ Environmental Liabilities Managed
- •30+ Large-Scale Brownfield Redevelopment Power & Industrial Projects

























Who We Are - EnCap Investments



- PowerTransitions is financially backed by EnCap Investments L.P.
- EnCap is a leading Energy & Energy Transition growth equity investment fund based in Houston, TX
- 1.9 Storage and Renewables in Operation and Construction
- Storage and Renewables in Late-Stage Development
- 350+ Active Investors
- 275+ Top-Tier Management Teams Backed
- \$40B LP Capital Commitments

Energy Transition

2 Active Funds \$1.7B of Capital Commitments

Upstream

5 Active Funds 17 Total Funds ~\$24.5B of Capital Commitments

Midstream

4 Active Funds ~\$8.7B of Capital Commitments

Active Energy Transition Investments

POWERTRANSITIONS









Realized Energy Transition Investments









Solar**Proponent**



EnCap Energy Transition Leadership



Jim Hughes *Managing Partner*

Relevant Experience:

- First Solar
- AEI Services
- Prisma Energy
- Enron



Tim Rebhorn *Managing Partner*

Relevant Experience:

- Prisma Energy
- First Solar
- Quail Nuclear
- Resolutions Mgmt.



Shawn Cumberland Managing Partner

Relevant Experience:

- Quinbrook Infrastructure
- Arctas Capital
- Enron



Kellie Metcalf Managing Partner

Relevant Experience:

- Pattern Energy
- Barclays Bank
 Fortio Bank
- Fortis Bank
- Florida P&L



Our Development Plan

Our goal is to work closely with the City and community stakeholders to clean up the biomass site, to build energy storage and enable community development

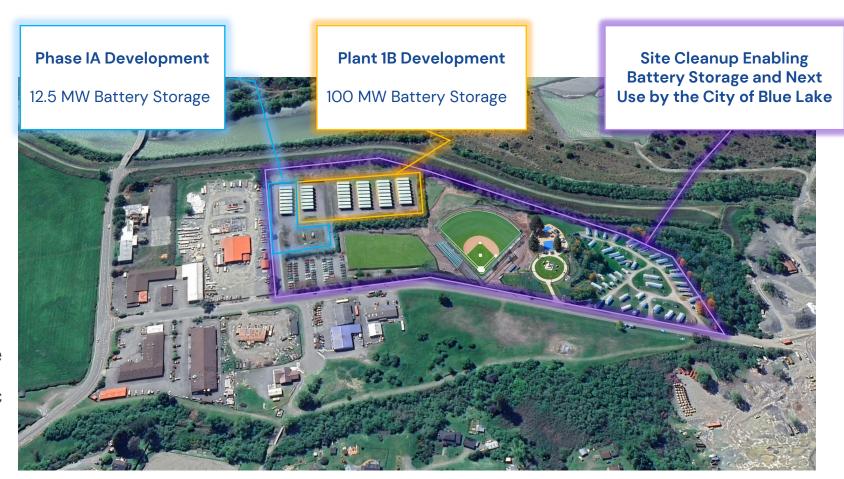
Our plan -

Phase IA Development

- Demo and remediate the existing biomass facility
- ✓ Develop 12.5MW battery storage

Phase IB Development

- Demo and remediate of the remainder of the site
- ✓ Develop ~100MW battery storage
- Support co-development of public projects



Community Benefits







Powering Progress Empowering Community

\$175m+

PowerTransitions Investment in the Community

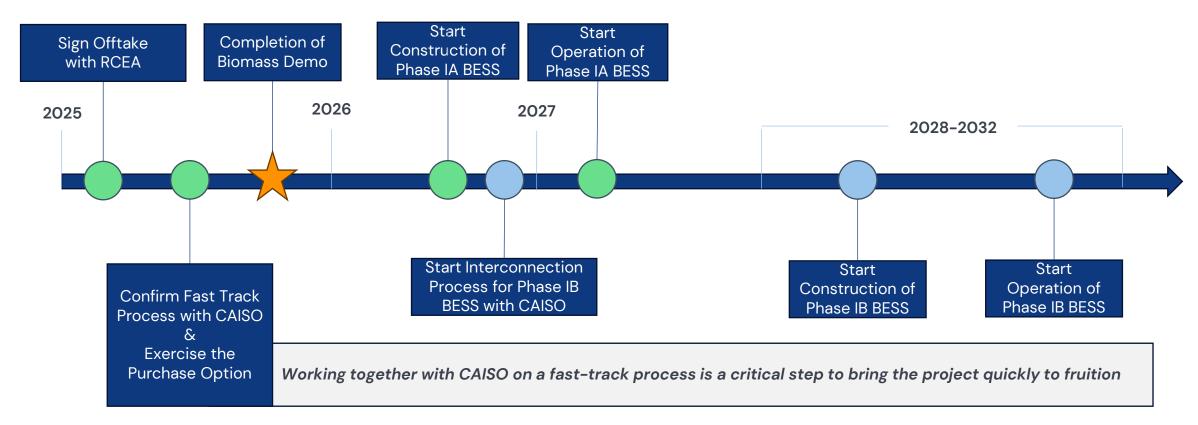
Redevelopment Benefits

- ✓ Property taxes for the community
- √ Safe environmental cleanup of the site
- √ Local employment
- √ Local goods and services
- Support local grid resiliency and stability
- Meetings with and support for local schools and community organizations
- √ Education for the local community on sustainable energy

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Our redevelopment team will work together with the City to implement the development projects for the benefit of all stakeholders



Not to scale. For illustrative purposes



What is Battery Storage

Think of Grid Storage as Your Phone Battery, But Bigger

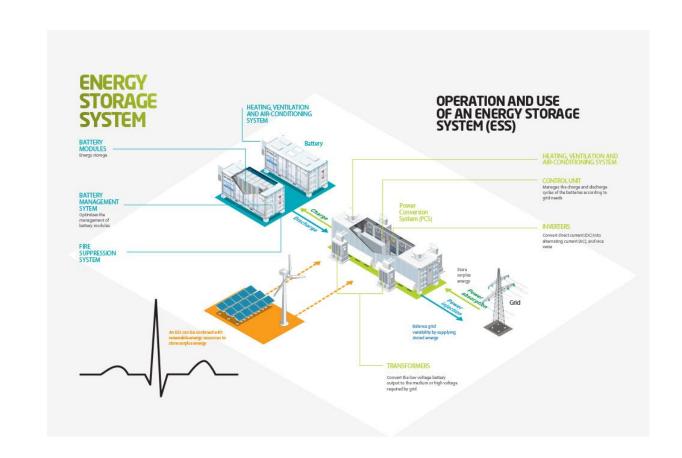
- Same basic technology as personal devices
- Captures electricity for use when needed
- Provides backup power and grid reliability

System Components

- Batteries and racks
- Inverters (DC to AC conversion)
- Monitoring equipment
- Safety systems
- Protective enclosures

Key Benefits

- Zero emissions
- No moving parts
- Enhances grid reliability
- Supports clean energy integration
- Reduces power outages





Battery Storage Lifecycle

Development Management:

Supplier Code of Conduct & Supply Chain Protocol

Human Rights and Labor Rights:

 Our company's Supplier Code of Conduct mandates respect for human rights and adherence to fundamental labor rights

Anti-Corruption

Suppliers must comply with all anti-corruption laws

Traceability and Sustainability

- Our Supply Chain Protocol requires traceability of raw materials to ensure:
 - Social, environmental, and quality standards are upheld
 - Compliance with U.S. laws
 - Customs clearance for all equipment and components

End-of-Life Management:

Reuse and Recycle Protocol

Repurposing for Second-Life Applications

 Batteries with residual capacity can be used for less demanding applications

Recycling

- Valuable metals like lithium, cobalt, nickel, and manganese are recovered by specialized facilities for recycling
- Recovered materials can be used to produce new batteries, reducing environmental impact

Safe Disposal of Non-Recyclable Components

 Prevents environmental contamination from toxic substances

Fire Protection and Safety

Ensuring safety of the community is our top priority

- This is why we're focused on lithium iron phosphate (LFP) technology
 - LFP is a significant evolution in energy storage relative to prior lithium-ion batteries in safety and performance
 - No fire incidents associated with LFP energy storage facilities
- Our team will work closely with the Blue Lake Volunteer Fire Department and other community stakeholders to:
 - design the safest layout
 - ensure superior equipment supply and operational excellence

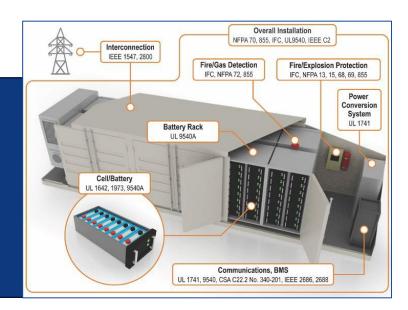
Underwriters Laboratories (UL) 9540/A "Standard for Safety of Energy Storage Systems and Equipment" **National Fire Protection Association 855**

UL 1973 (battery) and UL 1741 (inverter) standards

National Electric Code 705 has expanded and applies to power-production systems connected to the electrical grid.

California Building Standards Code contains a wide range of valuable information for connecting electrical equipment including batteries.

The California Fire Code and California Electrical Code are important for the installation and operation of energy storage technologies.



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Thank You



Reconnecting Energy Communities for a Sustainable Future

City Council Meeting Agenda Report

Item #: 8

Date: November 26, 2024

Item Subject: City of Blue Lake Draft Housing Element Presentation

Submitted By: Mandy Mager, City Manager

General Information:

The City Planner, Garry Rees, will present the final draft of the City of Blue Lake Housing Element, along with the accompanying CEQA analysis. On November 18, 2024, City staff presented the final draft housing element to the Planning Commission, including the draft CEQA analysis, at which time the Planning Commission made a formal recommendation for adoption to the City Council.

Staff is proposing to present the final drafts for the Council and community's review and will be seeking adoption of the document at the Council meeting on December 10, 2024. The process of updating the housing element has taken over three years and has included numerous community meetings, town hall presentations, as well as direct outreach to local resource agencies and individual meetings to address community member concerns.

The City has received State funding to complete the update and adoption process, and the final adoption will achieve compliance with State mandates.

Background Material Provided: City Planner Staff Report-The Draft Housing Element and the CEQA document is available at City Hall and on the City's website.

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Recommended Action: Receive the presentation and add the adoption of the Housing Element to the December 10, 2024 Council Meeting.

Review Information:			
City Manager Review: ⊠	Legal Review: \square	Planner Review: 🛛	Engineer:
Comments:			



CITY OF BLUE LAKE

Post Office Box 458 • 111 Greenwood Road • Blue Lake, CA 95525 Phone 707.668.5655 Fax 707.668.5916

November 26, 2024

TO: Blue Lake City Council

FROM: Garry Rees, City Planner

RE: Agenda Item 8 - Discussion: City of Blue Lake Housing Element Presentation

State law requires cities in Humboldt County to update their General Plan Housing Elements approximately every 8 years, which is referred to as a Housing Element planning cycle. The current cycle is for the 2019 - 2027 planning period (6th cycle). The City received funding from the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) through the Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) and Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) grant programs to update its Housing Element for the 6th cycle to achieve compliance with State housing law. Since receipt of the first grant funds in 2021, City staff has worked with the Planning Commission on updating the General Plan Housing Element, which has included discussions at numerous Commission meetings, several public hearings, interviews with community stakeholders, and presentations at two town hall meetings. The current draft of the Housing Element Update is available on the City's website at the following link:

https://bluelake.ca.gov/city-council/general-plan/

The Draft Housing Element Update includes an analysis required by State law related to: 1) a review of past accomplishments under the last Housing Element update adopted by the City; 2) existing demographics and housing characteristics; 3) land, financial, and administrative resources available to meet housing demand; and 4) market, government, and environmental constraints.

The Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCOAG), a regional planning agency, is responsible for allocating the Regional Housing Need Assessment (RHNA) to individual jurisdictions within the County. The RHNA is distributed by income category. The City of Blue Lake has been allocated a RHNA of 23 dwelling units (7 very low, 4 low, 5 moderate, and 7 above moderate income units) for the 2019-2017 planning period (6th cycle). The City also has a carryover of 11 dwelling units from the 2014-2019 planning period (5th cycle). Therefore, the City must plan for both its 5th and 6th cycle RHNA in the 6th cycle Housing Element. The Housing Element Update itself does not create physical residential growth in the City. The City must ensure the availability of residential sites at adequate

densities and appropriate development standards to accommodate the RHNA. The Draft Housing Element Update identifies available sites for residential development during the 2019 - 2027 planning period (6th cycle), which exceeds the City's RHNA allocation, including sites located within the Powers Creek District.

The Draft Housing Element Update also includes programs that propose amending the City's Zoning Code for the following reasons: 1) to ensure consistency with current State housing law; 2) to create a Multi-Family Combining Zone that would allow multi-family projects without discretionary review or by-right at a density of 16 units per acre; 3) to remove potential constraints to the development of multi-family housing; 4) to comply with the requirements for objective design standards in Government Code Section 65589.5, subdivision (f); and 5) to minimize the potential for confusion regarding the applicability of the City's design guidelines.

On September 20, 2023, the City received a determination letter from HCD reporting the results of their review of the City's 6th cycle Draft Housing Element Update (see **Attachment 1**). The letter concluded that the revised draft element meets the statutory requirements of State Housing Element law, with the following exception:

"Generally, pursuant to Government Code section 65584.09, if a city did not make available sites to accommodate the regional housing need allocation (RHNA), then the city shall, within the first year of the planning period of the new element, rezone adequate sites to accommodate the unaccommodated portion of the RHNA from the prior planning period. The City has an unaccommodated need from the prior planning period (Table 20). Since more than a year has lapsed from the beginning of the current planning period, the element cannot be found in compliance until the required rezoning is complete. Specifically, the element cannot be found in compliance until Program HI-14 (Rezoning and By Right Procedures) is implemented to meet the unaccommodated need from the 5th cycle RHNA. Once the rezoning has been completed, the City should submit documentation (e.g., resolution, ordinance) to HCD and HCD will review and approve the element in accordance with Government Code section 65585."

Additionally, pursuant to Government Code Section 65583.3, the HCD review letter stated that the City must submit an electronic sites inventory with its adopted Housing Element. This is similar to the sites inventory contained in the element update but must be provided in the electronic form required by HCD after the City has adopted its element.

After receiving the review letter from HCD instructing the City to move forward with adoption of its Draft Housing Element Update, City staff prepared a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Initial Study (IS) for the element update. As discussed in the Draft IS, the project description analyzed in the document is the updated policies and programs proposed by the Housing Element Update. As concluded in the Draft IS, it is found that the Housing Element Update would not have a significant effect on the environment. Therefore, it is recommended by City staff that a Negative Declaration is the appropriate CEQA determination for adoption of the Housing Element Update.

As required by CEQA Guidelines Sections 15073(d) and 15105(b), the CEQA document prepared for the project was sent to the State Clearinghouse (SCH#: 2024091022) for a 30-day circulation period. The circulation period began on 9/26/24 and ended on 10/27/24. As required by CEQA Guidelines Section 15072(a), a 'Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration' was submitted to the State Clearinghouse, posted in 3 public places in the city, and filed with the County Clerk-Recorder's Office prior to the beginning of the circulation period. The CEQA document was also posted on the City's website prior to the beginning of the circulation period. Comments that have been received on the Draft IS to date are included as **Attachment 2** to this staff report. Based on the comments received, minor revisions were made to the Draft IS. Additions made to the Draft IS are shown in underlined and bolded **text** and deletions are shown with **strikethroughs**. The revised Draft IS (dated November 2024) is available on the City's website at the link provided above for the Draft Housing Element Update.

With HCD determining that the Draft Housing Element Update is ready for adoption and the CEQA document being circulated for public comment, the next step in the process was for the Planning Commission to make a recommendation to the City Council regarding adoption of the element update. At their regularly scheduled meeting on November 18th, the Planning Commission held a public hearing and adopted Resolution No. 2-2024, which contains the Planning Commission's recommendation to adopt the element update and a CEQA Negative Declaration (see **Attachment 3**). Now that the Planning Commission has made a recommendation to the City Council, the next step is for a public hearing to be held by the City Council to review the recommendation from the Planning Commission and consider adoption of the CEQA Negative Declaration and Housing Element Update. The public hearing before the City Council is proposed to be scheduled for the special meeting on December 10, 2024.

This item has been included on the agenda for this meeting as a discussion item, to provide the City Council the opportunity to review the Draft Housing Element Update, receive public comment, and ask questions of staff prior to the public hearing on December 10th. For additional information about the Housing Element Update process, attached is a presentation given to the Planning Commission at their November 18th meeting that will also be given to the City Council at the November 26th meeting (see **Attachment 4**).

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) Receive a presentation from City staff on the City's Draft General Plan Housing Element Update and CEQA Negative Declaration.
- 2) Open the item for public testimony.
- 3) Close the item for public testimony.
- 4) Discuss the Draft General Plan Housing Element Update and ask questions of City staff.

Attachment 1

California Department of Housing and Community Development Review Letter for City of Blue Lake's 6th Cycle (2019-2027) Revised Draft Housing Element

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF HOUSING POLICY DEVELOPMENT

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September 20, 2023

Amanda Mager, City Manager City of Blue Lake PO Box 458 Blue Lake, CA 95525

Dear Amanda Mager:

RE: City of Blue Lake's 6th Cycle (2019-2027) Revised Draft Housing Element

Thank you for submitting the City of Blue Lake's (City) revised draft housing element received for review on August 28, 2023. Pursuant to Government Code section 65585, subdivision (b), the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is reporting the results of its review.

The revised draft element meets the statutory requirements of State Housing Element Law, including as described in HCD's August 29, 2022 review. However, the housing element cannot be found in substantial compliance until the City has completed necessary rezones as described below. The housing element will substantially comply with State Housing Element Law (Gov. Code, § 65580 et seq.) when the necessary rezoning is complete and the element is adopted, submitted to, and approved by HCD, in accordance with Government Code section 65585.

Generally, pursuant to Government Code section 65584.09, if a city did not make available sites to accommodate the regional housing need allocation (RHNA), then the city shall, within the first year of the planning period of the new element, rezone adequate sites to accommodate the unaccommodated portion of the RHNA from the prior planning period. The City has an unaccommodated need from the prior planning period (Table 20). Since more than a year has lapsed from the beginning of the current planning period, the element cannot be found in compliance until the required rezoning is complete. Specifically, the element cannot be found in compliance until Program HI-14 (Rezoning and By Right Procedures) is implemented to meet the unaccommodated need from the 5th cycle RHNA. Once the rezoning has been completed, the City should submit documentation (e.g., resolution, ordinance) to HCD and HCD will review and approve the element in accordance with Government Code section 65585.

As a reminder, pursuant to Government Code section 65583.3, the City must submit an electronic sites inventory with its adopted housing element. The City must utilize standards, forms, and definitions adopted by HCD. Please see HCD's housing element webpage at https://www.hcd.ca.gov/planning-and-community-development/housing-elements for a copy of the form and instructions. The City can reach out to HCD at sitesinventory@hcd.ca.gov for technical assistance.

Public participation in the development, adoption and implementation of the housing element is to effective housing planning. Throughout the housing element process, the City should continue to engage the community, including organizations that represent lower-income and special needs households, by making information regularly available and considering and incorporating comments where appropriate. Please be aware, any revisions to the element must be posted on the local government's website and to email a link to all individuals and organizations that have previously requested notices relating to the local government's housing element at least seven days before submitting to HCD.

For your information, some general plan element updates are triggered by housing element adoption. HCD reminds the City to consider timing provisions and welcomes the opportunity to provide assistance. For information, please see the Technical Advisories issued by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research at: https://www.opr.ca.gov/planning/general-plan/guidelines.html.

Several federal, state, and regional funding programs consider housing element compliance as an eligibility or ranking criteria. For example, the CalTrans Senate Bill (SB) 1 Sustainable Communities grant; the Strategic Growth Council and HCD's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities programs; and HCD's Permanent Local Housing Allocation consider housing element compliance and/or annual reporting requirements pursuant to Government Code section 65400. With a compliant housing element, the City will meet housing element requirements for these and other funding sources.

HCD appreciates the hard work, cooperation, and responsiveness the City's housing element team provided throughout the housing element review and update. If HCD can provide assistance in implementing the housing element, please contact Andrea Grant, of our staff, at Andrea.Grant@hcd.ca.gov.

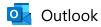
Sincerely,

Paul McDougall

Senior Program Manager

Attachment 2

Comments Received on the Draft CEQA Negative Declaration for the Blue Lake General Plan Housing Element Update



Re: NCRWQCB comment on Blue Lake Housing Element

From Garry Rees <grees@shn-engr.com>

Date Thu 10/17/2024 10:00 AM

To Bauer, Heidi M.@Waterboards < Heidi.M.Bauer@Waterboards.ca.gov>

Cc McLaughlin, Kelsey R.@Waterboards <Kelsey.McLaughlin@Waterboards.ca.gov>; citymanager@bluelake.ca.gov <citymanager@bluelake.ca.gov>; Leanna Brotherton <lbrotherton@shn-engr.com>

2 attachments (4 MB)

Figure 3_Vacant Parcels Map_HE Update Neg Dec.pdf; GeoTracker-BL LUST Cleanup Sites.pdf;

Heidi,

Thank you for your comments on the CEQA Negative Declaration for the Blue Lake Housing Element Update.

Attached is the vacant parcels map (Figure 3) included on page 6 of the Negative Declaration prepared for the Housing Element Update. This map shows the parcels that are included in the site inventory of the Housing Element Update and are projected to be likely developable for residential uses. Also attached is a map from the Geotracker website showing the leaking underground storage tank (LUST) cleanup sites in the City of Blue Lake. To clarify and as indicated on the attached maps, none of the vacant parcels shown on Figure 3 are sites that are listed as hazardous materials sites that are under the oversight of the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board.

Therefore, the City's Housing Element Update is not planning for residential development on the LUST cleanup sites in the City.

Thanks.

Garry Rees, AICP

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From: Bauer, Heidi M.@Waterboards < Heidi.M.Bauer@Waterboards.ca.gov>

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2024 2:29 PM

To: Garry Rees <grees@shn-engr.com>

Cc: McLaughlin, Kelsey R.@Waterboards < Kelsey. McLaughlin@Waterboards.ca.gov>

Subject: NCRWQCB comment on Blue Lake Housing Element

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Dear Garry Rees, we reviewed the City Of Blue Lake proposed housing element The City of Blue Lake 2019-2027 Housing Element Update (ca.gov) and as noted in the Initial Study on Pages 74 -78 there are nine sites listed as hazardous materials release sites, most of them being under the oversight of our agency, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board. While these sites are considered closed, most of them were closed using screening criteria intended for the current use which most often was commercial/industrial. Since these sites were closed using commercial screening criteria, they may contain contaminants above residential screening thresholds and thereby not be appropriate for residential development without further investigation and/or remediation. Furthermore, some of these sites already have soil management plans which require proper management and handling of any soils excavated at the site. This is because the remaining soils at the site are above screening levels, and while they pose no significant threat to human health or the environment as undisturbed soils in the current use setting, they could pose a threat if unearthed without proper mitigations.

We are supportive of the Housing Element for the City of Blue Lake, but please note that precautions and additional work may be necessary in order to develop these parcels into residential units so that there are no significant health risks to future occupants. Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further.

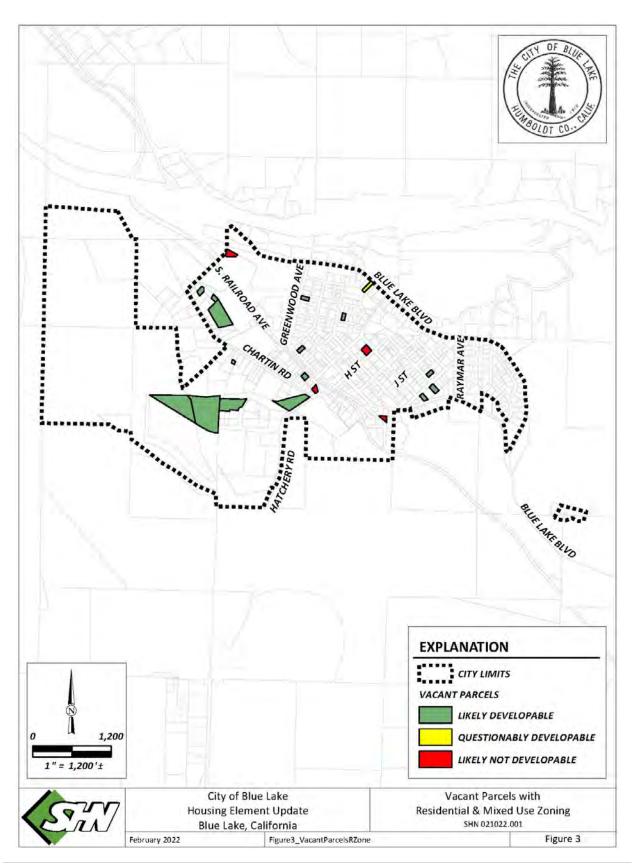
Best,

Heidi

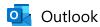
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Re: Notice of Intent for a Negative Declaration_Housing Element_follow-up

From Garry Rees <grees@shn-engr.com>

Date Thu 10/17/2024 3:09 PM

To Idiane < Idiane@sonic.net >

Cc Leanna Brotherton lbrotherton@shn-engr.com

Hi Lisa,

I am back in the office from vacation and am getting through my emails. Apologies for the delayed response.

The current draft of the Housing Element Update (dated Feb. 2024) is available on the City's website at the following link:

https://bluelake.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/02012024-BlueLake-6thCycle-HousingElementUpdate.pdf

Below is a response to the questions in your 10/13/24 email:

1. In the information letter it says that "The update identifies the potential for development of up to 89 new housing at full buildout of the City's existing vacant lot inventory." By "City's" existing lot inventory--does that apply to just the City-owned property on Taylor Way or empty lots throughout the town? I recall a map showing a lot inventory throughout the town--are those the lots available AND is that map current? The existing vacant lot inventory is listed in Table 21 (Inventory of Vacant Land Available for Residential Development) and shown on Figure 1 (Vacant Site Inventory) in the Housing Element Update (dated Feb. 2024). The existing vacant lot inventory includes both publicly and privately owned properties in the City.

2. Please elaborate on what "full build-out means". Number of stories/height...etc. When the term "full build-out" is used, it is referring to the number of residential units that are projected to occur on the vacant and likely developable sites identified in the City's Housing Element Update. In the Housing Element Update, it is projected that 89 units could occur on the vacant and likely developable sites in the City. The number of stories/height is dependent on the development standards for each zone that these sites are located in, which varies by zone. The maximum height allowed in the zones containing sites identified as vacant and likely developable typically ranges from 35-45 feet.

Thanks.

Garry Rees, AICP

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From: Idiane < Idiane@sonic.net>

Sent: Sunday, October 13, 2024 7:29 AM **To:** Garry Rees <grees@shn-engr.com>

Subject: Fwd: Notice of Intent for a Negative Declaration Housing Element follow-up

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Hello Garry,

Would appreciate hearing back on the questions below. When I return I could schedule a meeting if that would be better. Let me know.

Also Anali sent the link to the Housing Element yet it was dated some months ago--please let me know if what is online IS the most current version.

Thank you. Lisa Hoover

----- Original Message -----

Subject:Notice of Intent for a Negative Declaration_Housing Element

Date:2024-10-04 16:39

From:Idiane <Idiane@sonic.net> **To:**grees@shn-engr.com

Hello Garry,

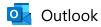
I saw this item on the Blue Lake Webpage. Is the environmental document associated with this posted on the web page? If not, would you please have the City post the document AND please let me know when this takes place. Questions:

- In the information letter it says that "The update identifies the potential for development of up to 89 new housing at full buildout of the City's existing vacant lot inventory." By "City's" existing lot inventory--does that apply to just the City-owned property on Taylor Way or empty lots throughout the town? I recall a map showing a lot inventory throughout the town--are those the lots available AND is that map current?
- Please elaborate on what "full build-out means". Number of stories/height....etc.

I would schedule a meeting with you but will not be in town for a couple of weeks so wanted to see if as a start, an email exchange might work.

Thank you.

Lisa Hoover



Re: City of Blue Lake Housing Element Negative Dec

From Garry Rees <grees@shn-engr.com>

Date Mon 10/28/2024 9:51 AM

To Kent Sawatzky < kentsawatzky@hotmail.com>

Cc Anali Gonzalez <adminasst@bluelake.ca.gov>

Kent,

Confirming receipt of your comments. They will be provided to the Planning Commission at their meeting tonight.

Garry Rees, AICP

Principal Planner



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From: Kent Sawatzky < kentsawatzky@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, October 28, 2024 8:18 AM **To:** Garry Rees <grees@shn-engr.com>

Subject: Fw: City of Blue Lake Housing Element Negative Dec

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Good morning Garry,

Please include this at tonight's Blue Lake PC meeting. Please confirm receipt of this request. Kent Sawatzky

From: Kent Sawatzky <kentsawatzky@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, October 28, 2024 8:16 AM

To: Anali Gonzalez <adminasst@bluelake.ca.gov>

Subject: Fw: City of Blue Lake Housing Element Negative Dec

Good morning, Anali

Please forward this to the planning commission as public comment. Please confirm receipt of this request. Thank you.

Kent Sawatzky

Subject: Fw: City of Blue Lake Housing Element Negative Dec

Dear planning commissioners,

These are my comments on items # 4, and #6 on tonight's agenda.

Item # 6;

After you reading, and understanding the approximately 341 pages of the Regional Climate Acton Plan. I shall attempt to give you an executive summary.

Blue Lake is the only participant who has not approved the plan in all of Humboldt County. County staff was on the Zoom meeting the whole Blue Lake City Council meeting last Tuesday to present to Blue Lake City Council.

It is more than embarrassing, that in speaking with Humboldt County Director John Ford, The other participants led by the County are moving forward without the City of Blue Lake participation. I guess "Better late than never" would apply under these sad circumstances. I guess that the City of Blue Lake may be perceived to think saving our planet is of minimal importance.

Item # 4;

After you reading, and understanding the approximately 142 pages of the City of Blue Lake General Housing Element Update. You should be asking the question "When are the promised Town Hall meetings to take place that have been justifiably promised, and expected by the Public to take place? We can agree or not, but as structured, the need for a Blue Lake Planning Commission, including planning and public participation is being all but replaced by staff that would make the decisions thru a consistency process.

One of the determinations would be as stated in multiple locations thru out the document such as the #1 objective on page 19 of the update. You may wish to pay special attention to Items HP 1.1 thru HP 1.7. It should be the PC's duty to determine if projects within the City are consistent with "Blue Lake 6th Cycle Housing Goals, Policies, and Implementation Programs" on a project-by-project basis. That is why we have you to do that job rather than an unelected, or even appointed City Staff member. An example would be on page 19 "Goal HG-1 Community Housing Policies"

HP-1.1, the first on the list, reads as follows;

"Review all new residential development to be consistent with the existing small-town character of the community and blend existing development, as well as to insure sustainability, and environmental protection"

The Planning Commission should determine the method, and make the consistency determination. The common sense basis for this should possibly be as follows; We do not have any three-story residential buildings in Blue Lake. Therefore, the maximum height should be two stories. We only have one residential building in Blue Lake in excess of 5 units (That is a ten plex). Therefore, the maximum residential developments should be somewhere in the five to Ten range.

I would read goals HP-1.1 thru HP-1.7. These are the things the people's representatives, "The Blue Lake Planning Commission" were appointed to implement. That is the reason we have a planning Commission.

The draft you received needs to have major updates. Many of the deliverables are required to be implemented by December 31st 2024. That is not possible. I assume you, and I know the public, would like to see an updated version prior to consider making a recommendation to the Blue Lake City Council. The public should have the opportunity to make comments on the updated draft prior to any recommendation to the Council. That is the required process.

The following are come comments sent to planner Rees;

Planner Rees,

The following are my comments on the City of Blue Lake Housing Element Negative Dec.

This Housing Element has the most effect on the City of Blue lake environmentally, and Socially in the History of Blue Lake Planning process. It deserves a full EIR at this time for the following reasons;

#1 as per this document, it states 4. "The project area is the entire City of Blue Lake"

#2 as per this document, it states 6. "General Plan Designation, City wide"

#3 as per this document, it states 7. "Zoning, City wide"

The only other Planning document that reaches this level of necessary review is a General Plan Update, which has been needed for many years, insofar as it is no where near internally consistent. And which many of the parts to this update are predicated upon. There is no legal foundation for this update. And this Housing Element should not move forward until the General plan Zoning and Land use are updated and approved. One EIR may suffice for both. And would likely be the best path. forward. Both the General Plan update and the Housing Element update to be approved at the same time.

This Housing Element. as proposed does not take into account the necessary CEQA analysis of Cumulative Effects. and violates one of the primary requirements of CEQA disallowing a piecemeal approach to land use determinations. It is designed to promise project by project CEQA evaluation, (Piecemealing). It goes one step further and does not give CEQA evaluation base on an exclusion for CEQA as "Infill". the effect is to eliminate any CEQA review at any phase, and therefore the only time to allow the Public, The Planning Commision, or the Blue Lake City Council can participate is now with a full EIR reflecting gigantic cumulative effects on the Environment

The truth be know a 12' by 12' shed within the setback require would get more public input and Environmental review than a 300-unit apartment housing project..

The only person to conduct a consistency determination would be the Director of Planning. At this time that would be Mr. Garry Rees. The people's participation would be all but eliminated along wit CEQA review. This would potential have untold negative effect on the Environment public participation, and therefore faith in the land use system.

#4 as per this document page 7 states "Any by-right project proposed on a property that the combining zone has been applied to would not be subject to CEQA"

#5 as per this document page 8 states "Objective standards are defined as those that involve no personal or subjective judgement by a public official"

#6 The City will amend all zones that reference the guidelines (for example MU, RC etc.) to make it clear that they are recommended and not enforceable standards of the Zoning code.

The question should be answered what is the "etc."? And why are the current regulations not required as the public expects and has been promised?

#7 as per the document page 43 falsely states that none of the 21 items listed in the checklist would be significantly affected.

There is no way to state this without a full EIR. We do not know the potential cumulative effect because there is no analysis of what the potential total additional housing units may potentially be added. What is that number?

The public can not make informed comment without that analysis. It appears that the population of Blue Lake under this Housing Element could increase by 50%. There is no rational that would justify that would have no significant effect on a majority of the 21 items listed in the checklist on page 43.

For the above and more similar items this Housing element update requires the City do its duty to the environment and to the public and Do a full EIR, rather than a negative dec.

Kent Sawatzky

Planning Commission Meeting/October 28, 2024

RE: Agenda Item 4. Discussion: General Plan Housing Element Update/Negative Declaration

From: Lisa D. Hoover

The summary table in the Housing Element Update 2024 document, webpage. 43 (see clips 1 and clip 2 below), that includes of the Environmental Factors (e.g. biological resources, geology/soils, hazardous materials, transportation/traffic) potentially affected indicates that <u>ALL impacts are "less than significant"</u>, thus the determination is that the "proposed project COULD NOT have a significant impact on the environment and a negative declaration will be prepared". A summary of the "Mandatory Findings of Significance" (webpage 129) reiterates "less than significant" perspective (see clip 3 below).

Yet, the evaluation of "less than significant" applied to all environmental factors is not in keeping with components of the housing element update or the Biological Resources Assessment of 2023 (the latter focused on the Taylor Way developments) that identifies mitigations that should be identified as a condition of approval. Following are clipped statements from the Housing Element:

Pg. 58 of the Housing Element Update states:

Future residential development may have the potential to result in significant impacts to special-status species and sensitive natural communities such as riparian habitat and federally protected wetlands. However,

compliance with existing federal and state laws and regulations, including but not limited to those listed above in the discussion of Regulatory Framework, would result in the avoidance and/or minimization of direct and indirect impacts to special-status species and sensitive habitats. These regulations require site-specific analysis where a project site contains potential habitat for special-status species including wetlands and riparian areas.

Based on the result of the site-specific analysis and where appropriate, federal and State agencies will require mitigation for project-level impacts. In compliance with existing laws and regulations, the Housing Element

In none of the tables of the Housing Element Update that summarize potential environmental effects was a determination made consistent with "the potential to result in significant impacts..." (statement above). Why wasn't the determination option, "Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated" applied to a particular action, when in fact, mitigations will be needed? Example, from Table 21 of the Housing Element update- "Inventory of Vacant Land Available for Residential Development" a multiple-family housing density is assigned to a lot that has the following site constraints documented in the table: Lot shape, creek corridor, creek setback, riparian habitat, flood zone. In spite of these site constraints identified in the document, the Housing Element Update does not even acknowledge that mitigations would be needed related to the "Hydrology and Water Quality" element (webpage 88).

The need for mitigations is also supported in the Biological Resources Assessment (February 2023) for Taylor Way developments as well. The document states that recommendations to reduce potential direct and indirect adverse affects be included as a "condition of approval of the project". Some examples:

- For direct and indirect impact to special-status bird species that could migrate into the study area or establish nest sites, species surveys should be done prior to any land disturbance, and appropriate mitigations applied.
- For potential indirect effects on water resources (streams and associated riparian habitats, riverine system) such as compromising surface water quality by sediment transport from disturbed soils or disturbed by release of hazardous materials as a result of construction.

These are examples of environmental effects that were assigned a "Less than Significant" determination in the Housing Element Update when they actually need mitigations incorporated to reduce negative impacts and should be documented as such.

Another environmental factor in the Housing Element Update relates to direct and indirect effects of the proposed housing element titled "Population and Housing" (see clip 4 below). This factor would apply to any future growth such as new homes and businesses, (including recreational development), specifically, cumulative effects of foreseeable future actions that may affect roads, traffic, and ingress/egress into and out of the town. The Housing Element states that this item is "Less Than Significant" but this is not substantiated nor has the Circulation Element of the General Plan been updated since 1986.

Related to the Housing Element's Truck/Industrial Policy (webpage 113) and residential lot density it states:

Circulation Element - Truck/Industrial Policy: Policy 23. As long as the City uses the existing truck route, the City should consider minimizing potential densities for residential lots within one local street or one block of Greenwood Avenue.

Currently there is a multi-family development under construction within "one block", west of Greenwood Avenue. This policy was not applied to this setting so that sheds doubt on whether other parcels on/proximal to Greenwood Avenue identified in the other vacant sites/underutilized sites Table 21 of the Draft Housing Element would be applied. Are these lots identified for multi-family developments?

I would ask that the Planning Commission and Planning Staff revisit these elements of the General Plan Housing Element and pause on the intent to adopt a negative declaration until the "less than significant" determinations (examples above) are better substantiated and/or changed to include text related to the need for mitigations ("mitigations incorporated"). I would also ask for a pause on adoption in light of residential, business... developments currently discussed by the City as such developments will have cumulative effects on the "Population and Housing" and the "Circulation" elements included in the document as well as other environmental elements (e.g. biological resources, hydrology, hazardous materials). Related is the need to update the Circulation Element of the General Plan to factor in an analysis that incorporates the proposed developments (residential etc) and zone changes.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa D. Hoover

1. From the Housing Element Update: webpage 43. Summary of Environmental Factors

that is "potentially Significant" checklist on the following page	Iffect the environmental factors checke or "less than Significant with Mitigation s.	
Aesthetics	Agricultural / Forestry Resources	☐ Air Quality
☐ Biological Resources	Cultural Resources	☐ Energy
Geology / Soils	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	☐ Hazards & Hazardous Materials
Hydrology / Water Quality	Land Use / Planning	Mineral Resources
Noise	Population / Housing	Public Services
Recreation	Transportation / Traffic	Tribal Cultural Resources
Utilities / Service Systems	Wildfire	Mandatory Findings of Significance
None None		
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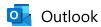
	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Biological Resources				
Would the project:				
a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?	0		⊠	
b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife services?			⊠	
c) Have a substantial adverse effect on state or federally protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?		0	⊠	
d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?			⊠	
e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				
f) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				

3. From the Housing Element Update: Webpage 129, summary of Mandatory Findings of Significance

Mandatory Findings of Signif	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	
a) Does the project have the potential to substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, substantially reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?	0				
b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.)			×		
c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly					Ì

4. From the Housing Element Update: Webpage 103, Summary of the Population and Housing Element

Population and Housing	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Would the project result in:				
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Re: Draft Housing Element_chance to meet or converse

From Idiane <Idiane@sonic.net>
Date Thu 11/14/2024 5:41 PM

To Garry Rees < grees@shn-engr.com>

1 attachment (462 KB)

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Hello Garry,

I just returned today having been out of the area since Monday.

Since I could not make your office hours on Wednesday I am wondering if you can respond to the following questions prior to Monday's Planning Commission Meeting on the 18th?

I've attached my written comment submitted for the last Planning Commission Meeting. I am assuming that you were also provided these comments. Below are questions from the submitted comments that I hope you can address:

Question 1. How can the determination of "less than significant" for all environmental factors (see Housing Element webpage 43) apply when both the Housing Element (pg. 58) and the Biological Resources Assessment of 2023 (for Taylor Way) address environmental concerns that need to be addressed?

From pg. 58 of the Housing Element: "Future residential development may have the potential to result in **significant impacts** to species-status species and sensitive natural communities such as riparian habitat and federally protected wetlands."

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Question 2. Given that there is a need to address environmental impacts and mitigations, <u>why did neither the Biological Resources table (webpage 63) or the Mandatory Findings of Significance table (webpage 129) apply the "Less than Significant with Mitigations Incorporated" determination?</u>

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Question 4: While the City must plan for RHNA's 5th and 6th cycle which equates to 34 units, why does the Housing Element update include 89 new units, 55 more than is needed to meet the 5th and 6th cycle?

Garry, I do not see the data to support that the Housing Element Update will not have a significant effect on some environmental factors without mitigations, in fact, as pointed out above, I see the opposite. Other items that are inconsistent or lacking documented support pertain to the Circulation Element and the RHNA housing unit assignment.

Your response, your clarifications as needed, would be appreciated.

Lisa Hoover

On 2024-10-30 15:35, Garry Rees wrote:

Hi Lisa,

My next office hours at the City are on Wednesday, Nov. 13th. My office hours happen on the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Wednesday of each month.

I don't believe there are any appointments scheduled yet for the 13th. If that day works for you, please call the front office at City Hall to get on the schedule.

Thanks.

Garry Rees, AICP

Principal Planner



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From: Idiane < Idiane@sonic.net>

Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2024 2:29 PM **To:** Garry Rees <grees@shn-engr.com>

Subject: Draft Housing Element_chance to meet or converse

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Hello Garry,

Relative to the Planning Commission Meeting, there were questions that came up and I would like to go over some elements of my public comment with you (e.g. the likely need for mitigations for some of environmental factors, addressing cumulative effects versus the isolation of respective developments, the Greenwood Avenue item about minimizing density proximal to this avenue...).

Are there options to meet next Wednesday when I believe you are in Blue Lake?

Lisa H.

Attachment 3

Planning Commission Resolution No. 2-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 2-2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BLUE LAKE RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF A DRAFT NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND AMENDMENT OF THE HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE BLUE LAKE GENERAL PLAN FOR THE 2019-2027 PLANNING CYCLE (6th Cycle)

WHEREAS, the Blue Lake Planning Commission has before it for consideration the project defined as amendment of the Housing Element of the Blue Lake General Plan by adoption of the Housing Element Update, February, 2024, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof, to supersede the September, 2009, Housing Element Update, as amended; and

WHEREAS a draft negative declaration has been prepared with respect to said project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and all notices have been given with respect to said negative declaration; and

WHEREAS, after due notice of hearing, a public hearing was held at the regular meeting of the Blue Lake Planning Commission on November 18, 2024, to consider the draft negative declaration and the said project; and

WHEREAS, at said public hearing, due consideration was given to the environmental effects of the said project and to all objections to said project, and the Planning Commission believes that the draft negative declaration should be approved, and the Housing Element of the Blue Lake General Plan should be amended as hereinafter set forth:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Planning Commission of the City of Blue Lake as follows:

- The Planning Commission finds on the basis of the draft negative declaration and any comments received by the Planning Commission that there is not substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment and recommends approval of the said negative declaration.
- Pursuant to Government Code Section 65354, the Blue Lake Planning
 Commission hereby recommends to the City Council the amendment of the Housing Element of the Blue Lake General Plan by adoption of the Housing Element Update, February, 2024 to supersede the September, 2009, Housing Element Update, as amended.
- 3. The reasons for this recommendation are set forth in the draft negative declaration, in the staff report, and in the minutes of the Planning Commission meetings of October 28, 2024 and November 18, 2024 (Public Hearing), copies of which shall be transmitted to the Blue Lake City Council.
- 4. The Secretary of the Planning Commission is authorized and directed to transmit this resolution to the City Council of the City of Blue Lake.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-2024

INTRODUCED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED this 18th day of November 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: Hogan, Cseh, 155AL NAYS: Ø ABSENT: Pryor, Schang

ABSTAIN: Ø

Chairman, Planning Commission, - Elaine Hogan

City of Blue Lake

ATTEST: Amanda Mage

Secretary, Planning Commission

Exhibit "A" to Resolution No. 2-2024

City of Blue Lake Draft General Plan Housing Element Update for the 2019-2027 Planning Period (6th Cycle)

https://bluelake.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/02012024-BlueLake-6thCycle-HousingElementUpdate.pdf

Attachment 4

Staff Presentation on the Blue Lake General Plan Housing Element Update Process

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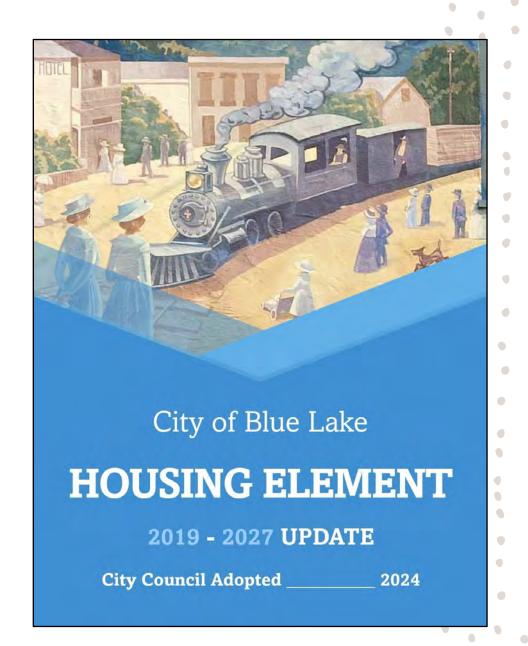
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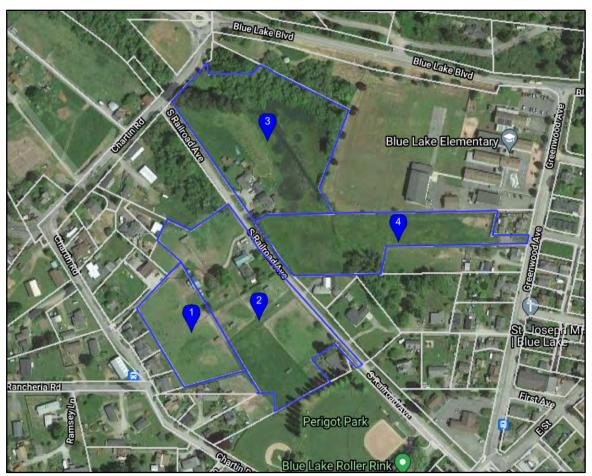
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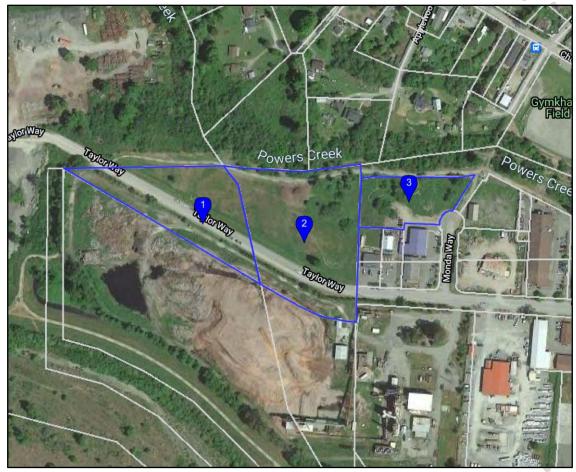
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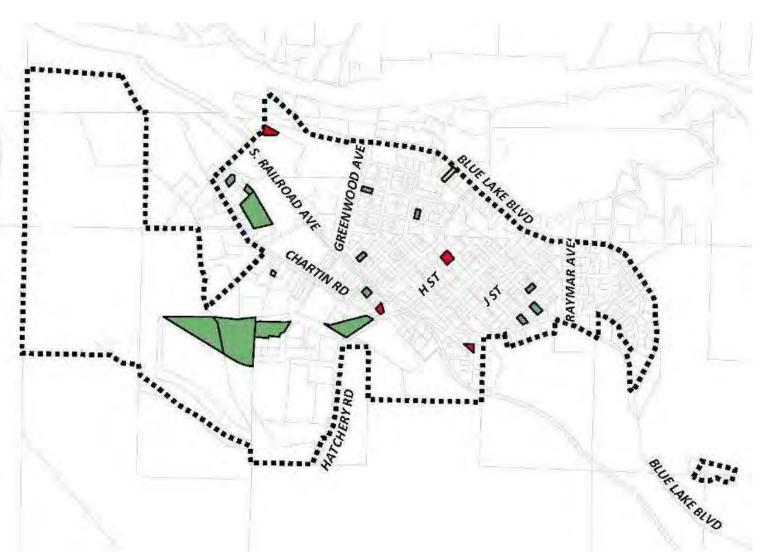
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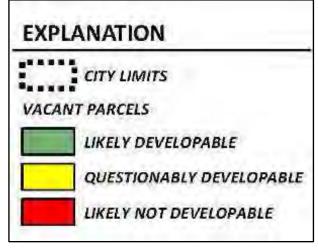


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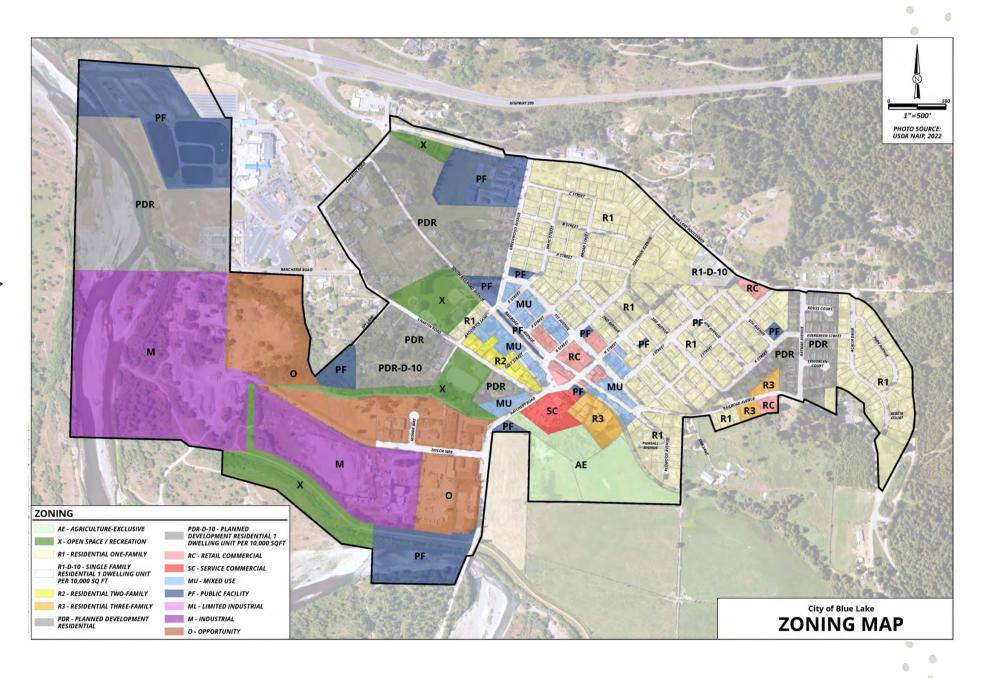








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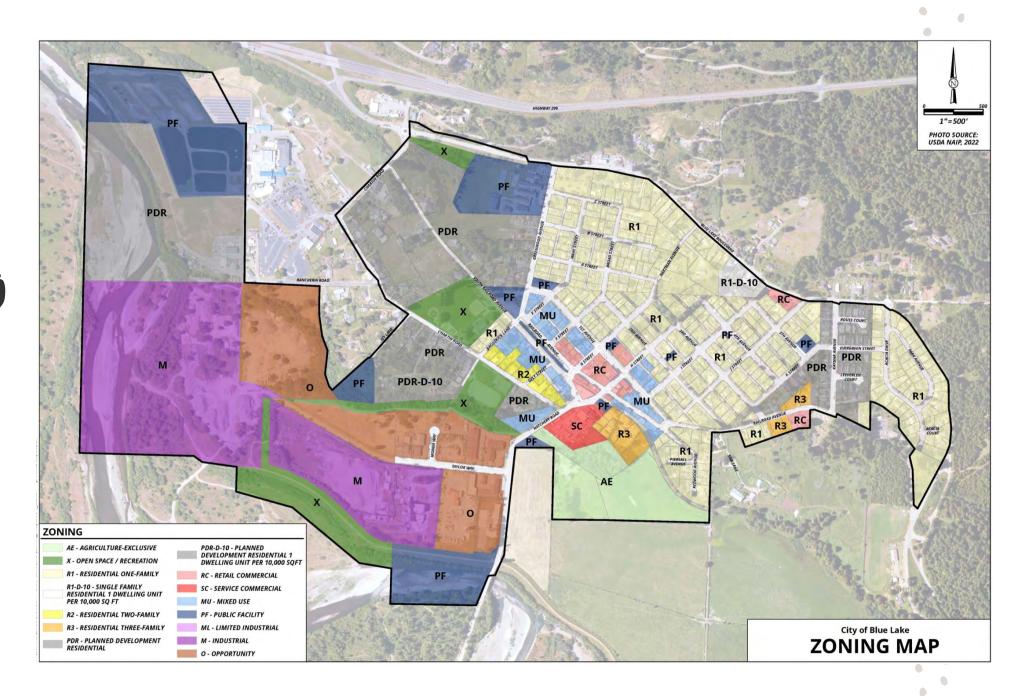


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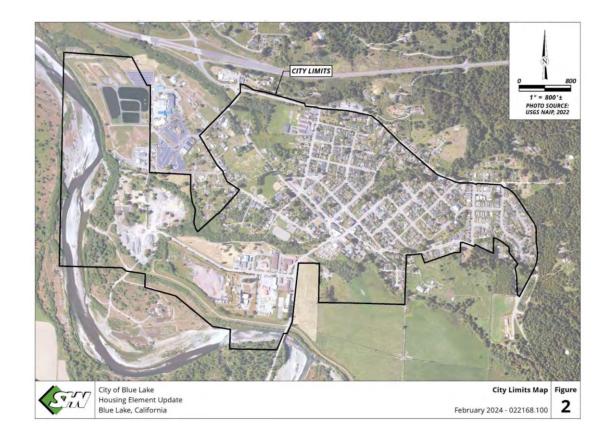






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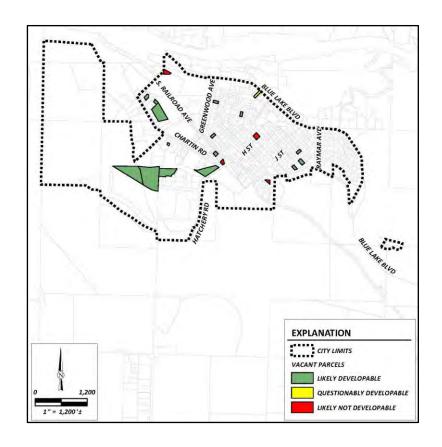
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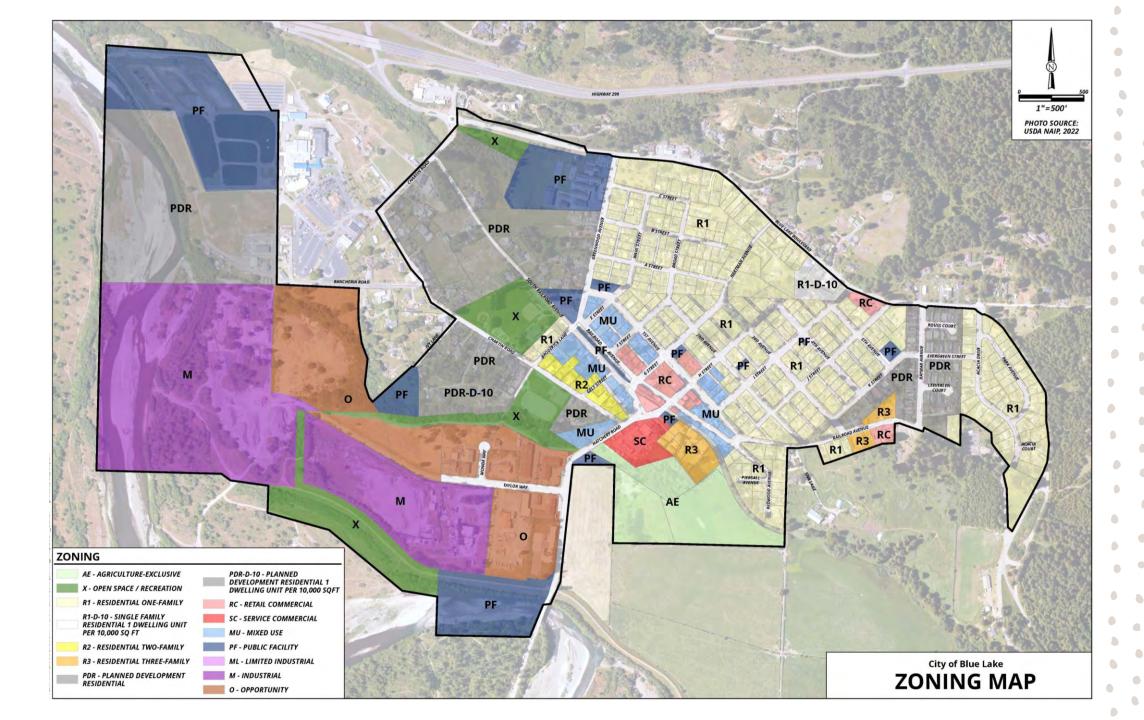


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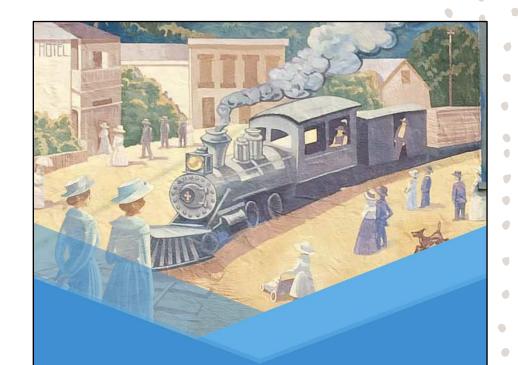
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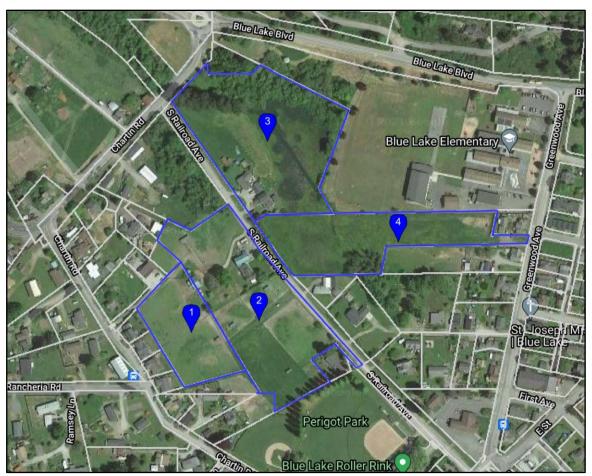
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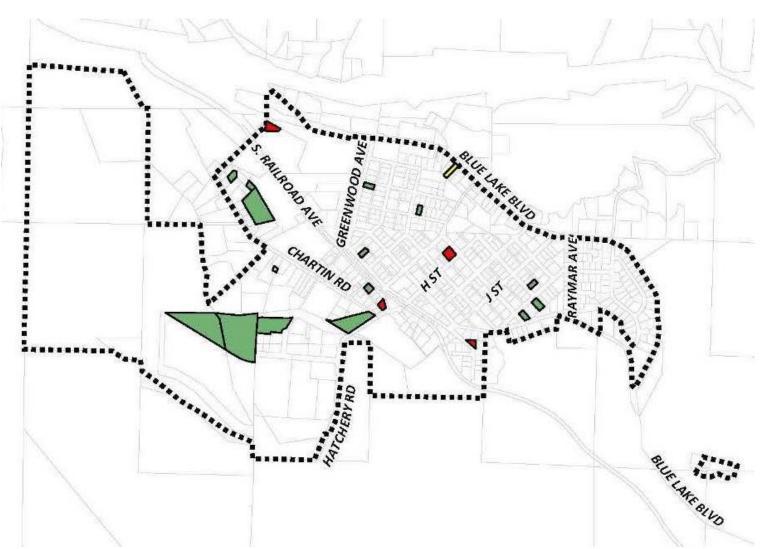
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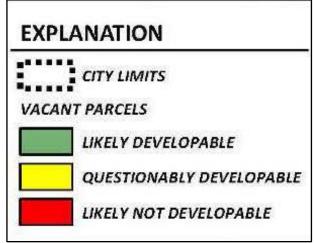


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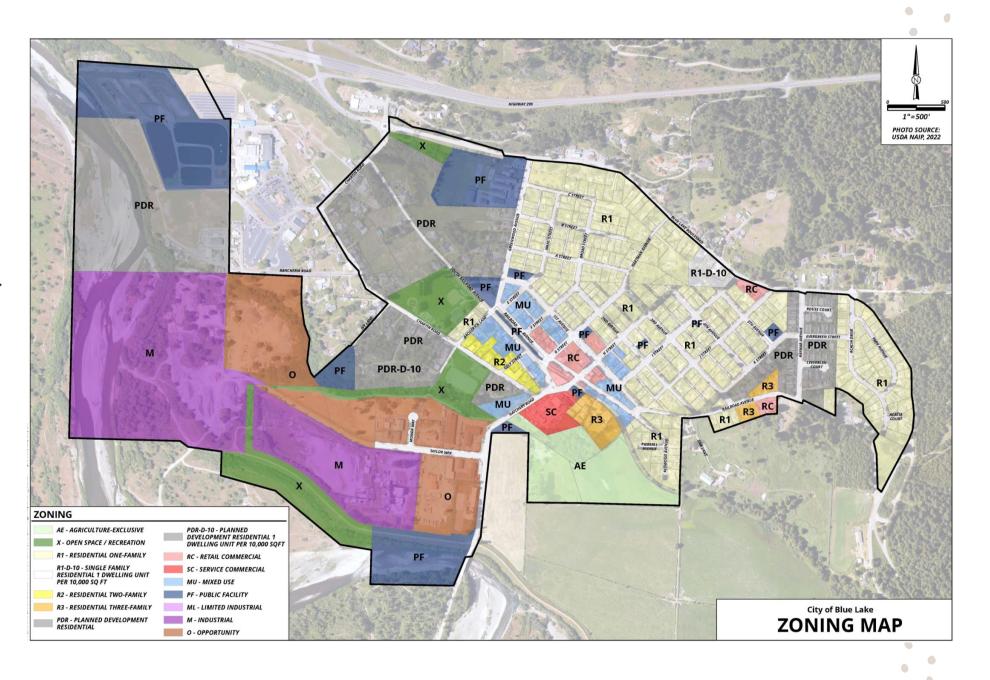








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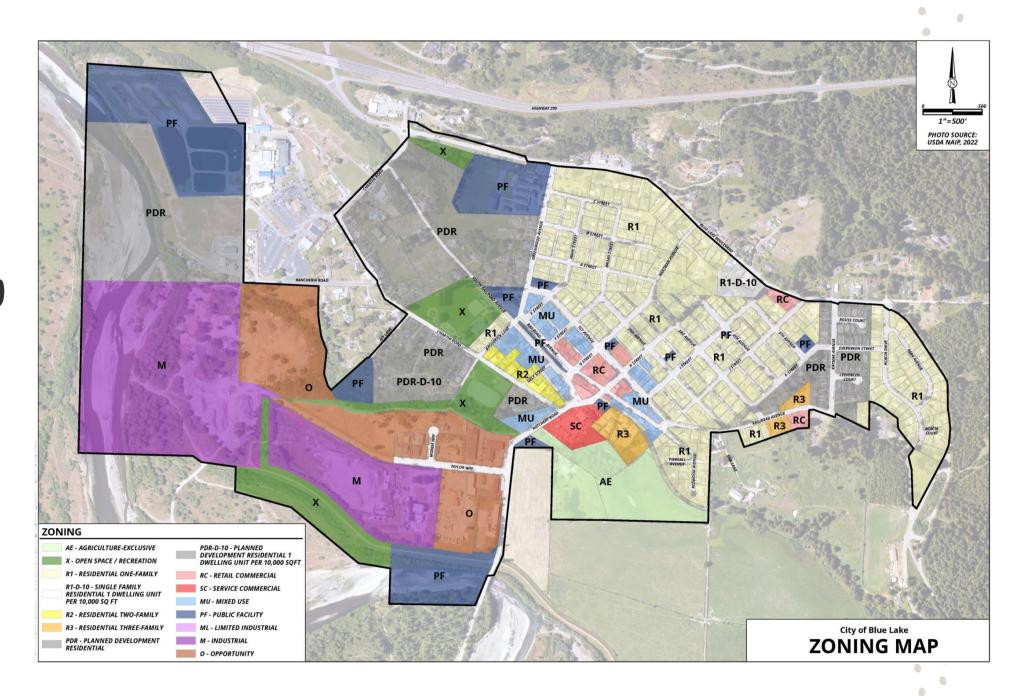


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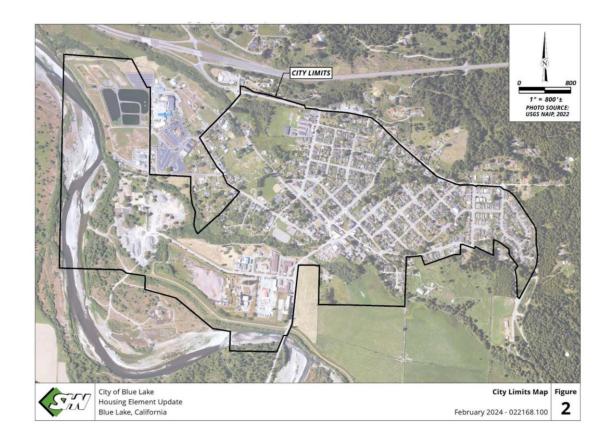






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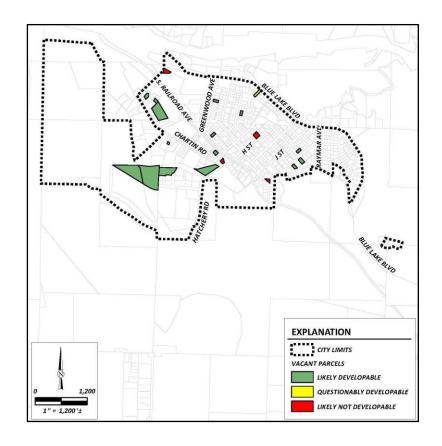
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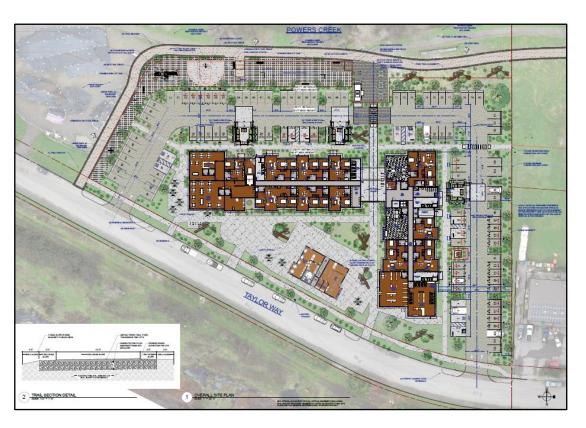
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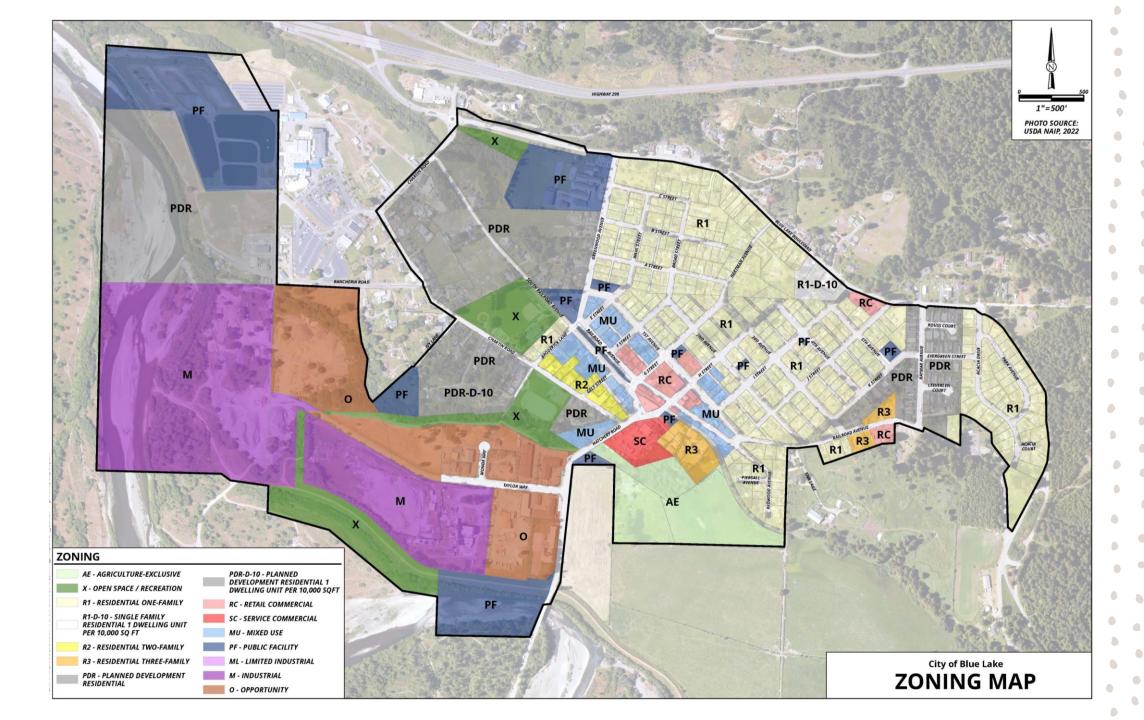


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AGENDA REPORT

Item #: 9

Date: November 26, 2024

Item Subject: Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of

Blue Lake Adding Section 17.24.260 of Title 17 (Zoning) to Amend Section 17.24.260 of the Blue Lake Municipal Code-Adding Metal Roofing to the

Design Standards

Submitted By: Mandy Mager, City Manager

General Information:

On September 16, 2024, the Blue Lake Planning Commission passed a resolution recommending the addition of metal roofing to the City's residential design standards. As metal roofing has become a regular and accepted roofing material, the Planning Commission and staff recommend this addition.

On October 22, 2024, the City Council introduced the item and conducted the first reading by title only.

Background Material Provided: Planning Resolution

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Recommended Action: Conduct the second reading and adopt by title only.

Review Information:			
City Manager Review: ⊠	Legal Review: 🛛	Planner Review: 🛛	Engineer: \square
Comments:			

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2024

RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BLUE LAKE RECOMMENDING AMENDMENT OF SECTION 17.24.260 OF TITLE 17 (ZONING) OF THE BLUE LAKE MUNICIPAL CODE

WHEREAS, the Blue Lake Planning Commission has before it for consideration the project defined as amendment of the following Section of Title 17 (Zoning) of the Blue Lake Municipal Code, to wit:

A. Amendment of Section 17.24.260, Development Standards, as set forth in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof; and,

WHEREAS, after due notice of public hearing, the matter came on for consideration before the Blue Lake Planning Commission at a regularly scheduled meeting on September 16, 2024; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Planning Commission of the City of Blue Lake as follows:

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- 2. The Planning Commission finds that the proposed Zoning Code amendment is consistent with the existing applicable general and specific plans.
- 3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 65855, the Planning Commission hereby recommends to the City Council that the following Section of Title 17 (Zoning) of the Blue Lake Municipal Code be amended as follows:
 - A. Section 17.24.260, Development Standards, be amended to read as set forth in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 4. The reasons for this recommendation are set forth in the minutes of December 18th, 2023 and September 16, 2024 (Public Hearing), copies of which shall be transmitted to the Blue Lake City Council.
- 5. The Secretary of the Planning Commission is authorized and directed to transmit this resolution to the City Council of the City of Blue Lake.

INTRODUCED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED this 16th day of September 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: Pryor, Hogan, Cseh

NAYS: Ø

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2024

ABSENT: Schang ABSTAIN: Ø

Chairman, Flanning Commission,

City of Blue Lake

ATTEST:

etary, Planning Comphission

EXHIBIT "A" To Resolution 1-2024

§ 17.24.260. Development Standards.

- A. Any single-family home (including a manufactured home) constructed or placed within the City of Blue Lake in accordance with these provisions shall:
 - 1. Have <u>a</u> minimum width of 20 feet.
 - 2. Have a roof with a pitch of not less than four-inch vertical rise for each 12 inches of horizontal run.
 - 3. Have a minimum six-inch roof overhang on all sides.
 - 4. Have an exterior siding composed of the following materials:
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 - b. Masonry or concrete.
 - c. Stucco.
 - d. Any wood products including shingles, shakes, horizontal overlapping board or pressboard siding in widths of 12 inches or less.
 - 5. Have a roof composed of the following materials:
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 - b. Composition shingles.
 - c. Wood.
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 - e. Metal roofing that is standing seam, concealed fastener, and has colors and/or textures that reduce glare/reflection.
- B. The Planning Commission is empowered to allow a single-family home (including a manufactured home) to be constructed or placed within the City of Blue Lake with alternative reasonable development standards substituted for those set forth in this section, or to exempt such a home from the strict application of such development standards, upon a showing of good cause. A principal criterion for determining whether good cause exists for such exemption or substitution shall be compatibility with the neighborhood in which the structure is proposed to be constructed or placed. Application for such substitution of, or exemption from, these development standards shall be made to the Planning Commission, and appeal to the City Council from a decision of the Planning Commission may be taken, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 17.24.250, Site Plan Approval.

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-544

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE LAKE AMENDING SECTION 17.24.260 OF TITLE 17 (ZONING) OF THE BLUE LAKE MUNICIPAL CODE AND DETERMINING THE ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE TO BE EXEMPT FROM CEQA

WHEREAS, the City of Blue Lake, California (City) is a municipal corporation, duly organized under the constitution and laws of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 65850 *et seq.* authorizes cities to regulate land use, and to adopt and amend zoning and building Ordinances for such purposes, and sets forth procedures governing the adoption and amendment of such Ordinances; and

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where with Section 17.28.010 of the Code; and said notices specify the availability of the Ordinance and the date, time, and location of the public hearing on this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the staff report, supporting documents, public testimony, the recommendation of the Planning Commission, and all appropriate information that has been submitted with this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this Ordinance is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3), the "General Rule", which states that a project is exempt from CEQA where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, all legal prerequisites to the adoption of the Ordinance have occurred.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE LAKE, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. Each fact set forth in the recitals above is true and correct, and incorporated herein by reference.

- **Section 2. CEQA.** Adoption of this Ordinance is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3), the "General Rule", which states that a project is exempt from CEQA where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment. The City Council hereby directs staff to prepare, execute, and file with the Humboldt County Clerk a notice of exemption within five (5) working days of the adoption of this Ordinance.
- **Section 3. General Plan.** Based on the entire record before the City Council, and all written and oral evidence presented, the City Council hereby finds that this Ordinance's amendments to the Blue Lake Municipal Code are consistent with the City's adopted General Plan.
- **Section 4. Zoning Ordinance Amendment**. The following section(s) of Title 17 of the Blue Lake Municipal Code are hereby amended by this Ordinance as set forth in *Exhibit A*, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference:
 - 17.24.260 Development Standards

Without modifying the substance, following approval of this Ordinance, the City Clerk shall cause the amendments to the above-listed sections to be consistent in form and style with the Title 17 of the Blue Lake Municipal Code.

- **Section 4. Effective Date**. The effective date of this Ordinance is thirty (30) days after its adoption of the City Council.
- **Section 5. Severability**. If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity has no effect on the other provisions or applications of the Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this extent, the provisions of this resolution are severable. The City Council declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance irrespective of the invalidity of any portion thereof.

INTRODUCED and FIRST READING CONDUCTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake, California, on this 22nd day of October, by the following ROLL CALL vote of the City Council:

AYES:		
NOES:		
ABSTAIN:		
ABSENT:		
	Adelene Jones, Mayor	
Attest:		
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Anali Gonzalez, City Clerk		

SECOND READING CONDUCTED, PASSED, a Council of the City of Blue Lake, California, on this 20 vote of the City Council:	
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	
Attest:	Adelene Jones, Mayor
Anali Gonzalez, City Clerk	

EXHIBIT "A"

Notes:

- 1. Proposed amendments are shown in <u>underlined-bold</u> text for additions and strikethrough text for deletions.
- 2. All sub-sections not included in the below referenced Sections shall continue in full force, unamended by this Ordinance.

End Notes

Title 17 Zoning

Chapter 17.24 General Provisions and Exceptions

17.24.260. Development Standards.

- A. Any single-family home (including a manufactured home) constructed or placed within the City of Blue Lake in accordance with these previsions shall:
 - 1. Have a minimum width of 20 feet.
 - 2. Have a roof with a pitch of not less than four-inch vertical rise for each 12 inches of horizontal run.
 - 3. Have a minimum six-inch roof overhang on all sides.
 - 4. Have an exterior siding composed of the following materials:
 - a. Plywood exterior paneling
 - b. Masonry or Concrete
 - c. Stucco
 - d. Any wood products including shingles, shakes, horizontal overlapping board or pressboard siding in widths of 12 inches or less.
 - 5. Have a roof composed of the following materials:
 - a. Interlocking roof tiles
 - b. Composition shingles
 - c. Wood
 - d. Wood, asbestos, cement or slate shingles.
 - e. <u>Metal roofing that is standing seam, concealed fastener, and has colors and/or textures that reduce glare/reflection.</u>
- B. The Planning Commission is empowered to allow a single-family home (including a manufactured home) to be constructed or placed within the City of Blue Lake with alternative reasonable development standards substituted for those set forth in this section, or to exempt such a home from the strict applications of such development standards, upon a showing of good cause. A principal criterion for determining whether good cause exists for such exemption or substitution shall be compatibility with the neighborhood in which the structure is proposed to be constructed or placed. Applications for such substitution of, or exemption from, these development standards shall be made to the Planning Commission, and appeal to the City Counsil from a decision of the Planning Commission may be taken, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 17.24.250, Site Plan Approval.

City of Blue Lake

November 26, 2024

Regular Council Meeting

Consent Agenda Items:

- a. Meeting Minutes: September 24, 2024
- b. Salary Scale Adjustment Fiscal Year 2024/2025
- c. October Warrants and Disbursements



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Blue Lake City Council Minutes

Tuesday, September 24, 2024~ 6:30 p.m. ~Regular City Council Meeting Skinner Store Building-111 Greenwood Road, Blue Lake-Behind City Hall

Unless Otherwise Noted, All Items on the Agenda are Subject to Action.

Meeting Called to Order at 6:30 PM

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Establish a Quorum of the Council

Council Members Present:

Adelene Jones, Mayor Angela Shull, Mayor Pro-tem Elise Scafani Christopher Edgar

Staff Present:

Amanda Mager, City Manager Anali Gonzalez, City Clerk Tonie Quigley, Office Assistant

Public Present:

Kat Napier, Erin McClure, Mardi Grainger, Melissa Lusso, John Sawatzky, Alex Ricca, Jean Lynch, Winona Verda Pitts, Lin Glenn, Julie Christie, Beckie Thornton, Martha Meade.

2. Approval of Agenda

Public comments no public comments.

Public comment closed.

Motion: To approve agenda as presented.

Motion by: Councilmember Edgar, Second: Councilmember Scafani

There were no comments from the Council

Vote: Ayes: Jones, Shull, Scafani, Edgar Nays: None Absent: None

Motion Summary: Motion Passed

3. **Public Comment** – The Public is invited to present petitions, make announcements, or provide other information to the City Council that is relevant to the scope of authority of the City of Blue Lake that is not on the Agenda. The Council may provide up to 15 minutes for this public input session. To assure that each individual presentation is heard, the Council may uniformly impose time limitations of 3 minutes to each individual presentation. The public will be given the opportunity to address items that are on the agenda at the time the Council takes up each specific agenda item.

Mayor Jones opens Public Comment:

Alex Ricca commented that he had applied for public safety commission opening and wanted the council to be able to put a face with a name.

Kat Napier: follow up to comments from last meeting regarding damage on the truck route. The city manager quickly facilitated a meeting with herself and a SHN representative and RAO owner, to walk the site together. Some of the damage was in areas that you expected were going to be demoed. I was not saying that damage happened end to end recklessly, that is not the case. I did see that there could have been more care regarding spatter of concrete. Came to an agreement that there will be greater precautions in the future. Overall continuing care.

Julie Christie: thanks to Alex for stepping up. Thank Kat for stepping up and giving her thoughts on the truck route progression. Hope that during the mayors report we can get a good thing on the climate action plan.

Linn Glen: commented on Safety Fair, what a great turn out. Mentioned that she has recent addition of Shakey Ground, a resource for earthquake and Tsunamis preparedness.

Mardi Grainger: commented that she had requested last month for an item to be put on the agenda, regrading getting Justin Goad compensated for his work recording the council and commission meetings. She read the request aloud.

Back to council. Mayor Jones inquiries about Justin Goad's compensation for his services to the city. City Manager Mager-Explains the city is currently working on an agreement with Justin Goad.

4. Proclamation of the City of the Blue Lake Recognizing September 30-October 6, 2024, as the Week Without Driving- Discussion/Action

The State of California has proclaimed the week of September 30, 2024-October 6, 2024, as the "Week without Driving." This proclamation is made with the intention of raising awareness to issues surrounding public transportation, and environmental impacts, while at the same time encouraging citizens to utilize alternative forms of transportation, such as biking, walking, and ridesharing. This proclamation is being adopted throughout the State as an educational campaign that invites local officials, decision makers and community members to experience their community without relying on a car and encourages consideration of improved public transportation and access options, such as trails and pedestrian walkways.

Motion: To Adopt the proclamation proclaiming the week of September 30, 2024-October 6, 2024, as the "Week without Driving."

Motion by: Councilmember Edgar Second by: Councilmember Shull

Mayor Jones opens public comment:

Jean Lynch: comments on language regarding roadways going thru persons of color neighborhoods, I think that should be deleted or excluded from the proclamation as not necessary. In honor of my grandfather as he was an honorable man and would be offended if thought that he would intentionally run over anyone of color.

Julie Christie: comments on verbiage of proclamation that it may not be understood as written. State and county wide proclamation that's going around, and the reasoning is that when the roadways were developed in a way to not be as accessible to minority groups, and that's outdated. I agree on that.

Public comment closed.

Back to council for the vote.

Vote: Ayes: Jones, Shull, Edgar, Scafani Nays: Absent: None

Motion Summary: Motion Passed

Mayor Jones reads proclamation of the City of Blue Lake recognizing September 30, 2024- October 6, 2024, as the "Week without Driving."

5. City of Blue Lake Branding Implementation- Discussion/Direction

The City has been in a years long process of developing marketing and branding materials to elevate the City's capacity to market community events, improve signage, create social media platforms and replace outdated materials. The Blue Lake Economic Development Commission was tasked with this process and over the years, the commission has worked to make progress on this initiative. As part of this process the City hired Visual Concepts to develop a branding campaign for the City. This included the development of a City logo that could be deployed across social media platforms, applied to signage and print materials and utilized as a base for further branding and marketing. Recommended Action: To support the use of the branding material and strategies as presented by Visual Concepts.

Council discussion.

Councilmember Scafani: Really likes the emblem with the bike but has concerns about the imagery on one of the city logos. Expresses she would like to view the different renditions of the logo.

Mayor Jones opens public comment:

Julie Christie: commented that she supports with Elise, that she concurs with her statement, yes give public participation. I like old symbol. We are losing our heritage. We don't need a facelift.

Mardi Grainger: Seems when offered to the public, it was overwhelming. Commissions and council should have a choice. More choices to public.

Alex Ricca: comments that he thinks BL needs to have a find the lake day. Have people come out and try to find the lake.

Winona: comments that she agrees with Julie, think that the traditional seal is timeless, professional looking, The new design is a fad, it's what is in right now. That in 5 to 10 years it will make a lot of sense to be changing that design. Appropriate design for park and rec as they are evolving and changing.

John Sawatzky: commented that what bugged him was the high contrast colors, color combinations, it is bold and over simplified, visually overstimulating. Some things that could be done to adjust the color scheme by softening of choosing a more harmonious palette, reduce the complexity by removing some of the outlines.

Becky Thornton: commented that she agrees with Elise. Took graphic design 35 years ago, colors are too dark, need to tone it down, need to find more neutral colors, too busy.

Public comment closed.

6. Memorandum of Agreement with Fieldbrook Glendale Community Service District-

Discussion/Action

Councilmember Edgar recuses himself from Memorandum of Agreement with Fieldbrook Glendale Community Service District.

The Fieldbrook Glendale Community Services District has proposed a service agreement with the City of Blue Lake for services relating to the daily monitoring of their wastewater metering system. The CSD had previously contracted for these services, but due to a recent retirement, the CSD no longer has a qualified operator to perform these duties.

The City's Public Works Director and Superintendent have reviewed the scope of work provided by the CSD and feel that the duties are manageable and within the capacity of the City's staffing capabilities. The City is proposing a monthly rate for services; this rate is based upon an assumption of providing ½ per day of services to the CSD and includes the cost of vehicle mileage and administration costs. The City's attorney has provided a draft Memorandum of Agreement and is recommending execution as presented.

Recommended Action: To authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with the Fieldbrook Glendale Community Service District Agreement and to amend the agreement as appropriate upon review and recommendation by the City Attorney.

Council Discussion:

City Manager Mager- I would like to have the council consider authorizing the City Manager and City Attorney to make any minor changes to the agreement if the scope of work or the amount of time or anything does change. Staff did a calculation based upon 30 minutes of time per day and overhead administrative costs of 15%.

The Mayor and City manager discuss budget amendments due to this potential new agreement. Mayor Pro Tem Shull inquires whether Fieldbrook Glendale Community Service District has a long-term solution and notes the MOA does not have an end date. City Manager thinks Fieldbrook Glendale Community Service District think of this MOA agreement as a long-term solution and the City will propose and end date. Normally what we do is an amendment that amendment can make changes to the body of the agreement, or it can just amend the end date but that is our opportunity, usually to know there's something that's not working or we want to add something. These low-level type agreements usually just run through me and through the attorney rather than coming back to the Council each time so that's why we are just asking for that clarification.

Councilmember Scafani: Suggests it might be a good idea for the MOA agreement between the City of Blue Lake and Fieldbrook Glendale Community Service District to come back to council next year for review. Mayor Jones notes item eight that says the agreement shall remain in effect until such time that either party shall by provision of at least 30 days prior notice notify in writing the other party to this agreement that said party desires to cancel and terminate this agreement.

Motion: made by Councilmember Scafani to authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with Fieldbrook Glendale Community Service District and amend the agreement as appropriate for the coming year with the understanding that a year from now it will be reviewed for future service. City Manager asks the Council for the ability to amend the agreement to reflect any type of cost structure negotiations

Motion: made by Mayor Pro Tem Shull to approve the recommended action as written for one year.

Second by: Councilmember Scafani.

Mayor Jones opens public comment:

Julie Christie: comments that she thanks Elise for bringing up comment. (after that, totally off topic). Public comment closed.

Vote: Ayes: Jones, Shull, Scafani Nays: None Absent: None Recused: Christopher Edgar

Motion Summary: Motion Passed

7. Council Correspondence

Mayor Jones reads council correspondence from Jean Lynch.

8. Consent Agenda

a. July 23, 2024, City Council Meeting Minutes

Councilmember Scafani notes on page three of July 23, 2024, meeting minutes she invited Garry Reese (City Planner) to work with her to update the City website and let him know the website has a General Plan page. Also, would like his input on populating the General Plan page. Mayor Jones states she would like Councilmember Angela Shull to be recognized as Mayor Pro Tem Shull in the meeting minutes.

Motion: To approve July 23rd, 2024, City Council Meeting Minutes with corrections and additions.

Motion by: Councilmember Edgar, Second: Councilmember Shull

Public Comment:

Julie Christie: commented public comments in minutes not being accurate.

Public comment closed.

Vote: Ayes: Jones, Shull, Edgar, Scafani Nays: Absent: None

Motion Summary: Motion Passed b. August Warrants & Disbursements

Councilmember Edgar recuses himself from August Warrants & Disbursements.

Councilmember Scafani- Inquires on check #12219, check #12233, and check # 12271 and why the city of Blue Lake is writing itself a check? Manager Mager states that the City of Blue Lake also pays for water and sewer for all the facilities. Councilmember Scafani asks about vendor named Nutter Production. City Manager Mager states Nutter Productions, Lynette Nutter, was contracted to do our affordable housing video for us. Mayor Jones states she would like the video out to the public. City Manager Mager states we need to add the video to our website and get it out to the public, as part of the REAP funding requirements is to analyze what barriers to housing are in the community. Lynette Nutter did a really good job; staff would like to add the video as a future agenda item. The REAP and LEAP funding has been mostly used to update our Housing Element. Councilmember Scafani asked about check #12271 looks like a mortgage payment. City Manager Mager states it is, and this will be brought back to Council. Previously we had brought back to you an action to pay the loan for the Town Square and unfortunately the payoff amount presented was misrepresented on the number of payments that were left of the loan. The City paid down against the balance but we still have a small balance and staff will be bringing that back to Council.

Motion: To approve August Warrants & Disbursements.

Motion by: Councilmember Scafani, Second: Councilmember Shull

Public Comment:

Julie Christie- thank you for taking my comment I do feel like it is very unclear on general fundage grant just stuff like that. If you want to view the video since the City hasn't shared it yet, if you go to the HCAOG web page you can access it there.

Vote: Ayes: Jones, Shull, Scafani, Nays: Absent: None Recused: Edgar

Motion Summary: Motion Passed **10. Reports of Council and Staff**

a. City Manager Report

b. Council reports on community events and meetings attended this month.

11. Future Agenda Items

• HCAOG Video

• Financial Audit FY 22/23

• CDBG CLOSEOUT

City Council applications will be delivered to councilmembers by October 1, 2024.

12. Adjourn

Motion: to adjourn 8:48 pm.

Motion by: Councilmember Scafani, Second: Councilmember Shull

There were no comments from the Council

Voted unanimously.

Motion Summary: Motion Passed

City Council Meeting Agenda Report

Item #: 10

Date: November 26, 2024

Item Subject: City of Blue Lake Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Salary Plan Adjustment

Submitted By: Mandy Mager, City Manager

General Information:

The City has contracted with Fieldbrook Community Services District to provide daily monitoring of their wastewater system. Due to the increase in duties, the amount of time allocated to our Public Works Department to conduct daily rounds has increased to 2.5 hours.

In order to adequately compensate for staff time, it is necessary to increase the pay associated with conducting the rounds from \$75.00 to \$125.00. This increase in costs is necessary in order to maintain equity with pay rates and compensation schedules.

The additional costs to conduct the rounds are covered under the Memorandum of Agreement with the Fieldbrook Community Services District.

Background Material Provided: Draft Salary Schedule

Fiscal Impact: Additional costs are covered by the MOA with Fieldbrook CSD

Recommended Action: Adopt the adjusted salary schedule for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Review Information:			
City Manager Review: ⊠	Legal Review:	Planner Review: \Box	Engineer:
Comments: Reviewed by the	Finance Manager		

City of Blue Lake

Salary Plan - Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (Revision to Account for Increased Time Associated with Conducting Weekend Rounds)

Position	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	Level 6	Level 7	Level 8	Level 9	Level 10	Level 11	Level 12	Level 13
Public Works Superintendent (H)	25.14	25.89	26.67	27.47	28.30	29.14	30.02	30.92	31.85	32.80	33.79	34.80	35.84
Longevity Pay	25.62	26.39	27.18	28.00	28.84	29.70	30.60	31.51	32.46	33.43	34.44	35.47	36.53
Public Works Supervising Operator (H)	23.84	24.56	25.29	26.05	26.83	27.64	28.47	29.32	30.20	31.11	32.04	33.00	33.99
Longevity Pay	24.30	25.03	25.78	26.55	27.35	28.17	29.01	29.88	30.78	31.70	32.66	33.63	34.64
Public Works Operator (H) Maintenance III (H)	18.44	18.99	19.56	20.15	20.75	21.38	22.02	22.68	23.36	24.06	24.78	25.53	26.29
Longevity Pay	18.79	19.36	19.94	20.54	21.15	21.79	22.44	23.12	23.81	24.52	25.26	26.02	26.80
Public Works Maint. Worker I & II (H)	16.56	17.06	17.57	18.10	18.64	19.20	19.77	20.37	20.98	21.61	22.26	22.92	23.61
Longevity Pay	16.88	17.38	17.91	18.44	19.00	19.57	20.15	20.76	21.38	22.02	22.68	23.36	24.06
Park & Rec Director / Recycling (H)	24.02	24.74	25.48	26.25	27.03	27.85	28.68	29.54	30.43	31.34	32.28	33.25	34.25
Longevity Pay	24.48	25.22	25.97	26.75	27.55	28.38	29.23	30.11	31.01	31.94	32.90	33.89	34.91
Rec Coordinator (H)	17.00	17.51	18.04	18.58	19.13	19.71	20.30	20.91	21.54	22.18	22.85	23.53	24.24
Longevity Pay	17.33	17.85	18.38	18.93	19.50	20.09	20.69	21.31	21.95	22.61	23.29	23.98	24.70
Office Assistant, Recreation Specialist I & II, Part Time and Temporary (H)	16.37	16.86	17.37	17.89	18.42	18.98	19.55	20.13	20.74	21.36	22.00	22.66	23.34
Longevity Pay	16.68	17.19	17.70	18.23	18.78	19.34	19.92	20.52	21.14	21.77	22.42	23.10	23.79
Accounting Specialist I & II (H)	18.12	18.66	19.22	19.80	20.39	21.01	21.64	22.29	22.95	23.64	24.35	25.08	25.83
Longevity Pay	18.47	19.02	19.59	20.18	20.79	21.41	22.05	22.71	23.40	24.10	24.82	25.56	26.33
Administrative Assistant/City Clerk (H)	19.77	20.36	20.97	21.60	22.25	22.92	23.61	24.31	25.04	25.80	26.57	27.37	28.19
Longevity Pay	20.15	20.75	21.38	22.02	22.68	23.36	24.06	24.78	25.53	26.29	27.08	27.89	28.73
Finance Manager (H), Economic Development Planner (H)	23.68	24.39	25.12	25.88	26.65	27.45	28.28	29.12	30.00	30.90	31.82	32.78	33.76
Longevity Pay	24.14	24.86	25.61	26.37	27.16	27.98	28.82	29.68	30.57	31.49	32.44	33.41	34.41
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Adopted by Resolution Number 1233-June 25, 2024
Effective Date: June 24, 2024

City Manager (Contract) = \$80,000. per year Building Official (Contract) = \$70.00 per hour

Public Works - Rounds/On-Call/Call-Outs
Weekend or Holiday Rounds = \$125/Day
Weekly On-Call = \$120.00
Holiday On-Call-\$120 & 8 hrs. CTE
Call Outs = \$120.00 per each Call Out

Contract Positions:

Check/Voucher Register - City Council Check Report From 10/1/2024 Through 10/31/2024

Check Number	Check Date	Payee	Check Description	Check Amount
2387	10/2/2024	Sharrone Lisa Blanck	Deposit Refund #40498001 Blanck	188.81
2388	10/2/2024	Debbie Murphy	Deposit Refund #40558001 Murphy	19.53
2389	10/2/2024	City of Blue Lake	Utilities paid from Deposits 10/1/24 Billing	399.66
12363	10/4/2024	Daniel L. Dimick	Employee: dimickd; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	819.29
12364	10/4/2024	Liesl A. Finkler	Employee: finklerl; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	258.92
12365	10/4/2024	Vicki L. Hutton	Employee: huttonv; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	1,471.44
12366	10/4/2024	Alves Inc.	9/11/24 Inv#53887	11,383.02
12367	10/4/2024	AT&T	2-9/20/24 Statements	63.14
12368	10/4/2024	Access Humboldt	9/30/24 Inv#2190	112.50
12369	10/4/2024	Coastal Business Systems Inc.	9/26/24 Inv#37537329	747.06
12370	10/4/2024	Christopher B. Edgar	WWT Seminar 9/15/24 Fuel Reimb-Edgar	69.10
12371	10/4/2024	Christopher B. Edgar	Aug & Sept 2024 council Stipend	100.00
12372	10/4/2024	Bradford Tucker	Dental Pmt 9/25/24 Edgar	208.80
12373	10/4/2024	Humb. Bay Municipal Water Dist	Billing Period: August 31-September 30, 2024	18,157.52
12374	10/4/2024	Intedata Systems	9/30/2024 Statement	315.00
12375	10/4/2024	Adelene Jones	Aug & Sept 2024 Counceil Stipend	100.00
12376	10/4/2024	Miller Farms Nursery, Inc.	9/30/24 Statement	219.76
12377	10/4/2024	The Mitchell Law Firm, LLP	8/31/24 #5204&5205 9/30/24 #5386	7,409.50
12378	10/4/2024	Professional Tree Services	9/25/24 Invoice Tree Trimming	2,600.00
12379	10/4/2024	Arcata Stationers	10/1/2024 Statement	182.03
12380	10/4/2024	Redwood Petroleum	9/6/24 Inv's #145 & 146	1,588.52
12381	10/4/2024	RREDC	Town Square Loan Pmt due 9/1/24	1,236.87
12382	10/4/2024	Elise G. Scafani	Aug & Sept 2024 Council Stipend	100.00
12383	10/4/2024	Angela Shull	Aug & Sept 2024 Council Stipend	100.00
12384	10/4/2024	Shred Aware	10/2/24 Inv# 61350	50.92
12385	10/4/2024	SHN Consulting	8/29/24 Inv# 122529 Planning	
12386	10/4/2024	SHN Consulting	9/27/24 Inv# 122907 Engineering	4,223.75
12387	10/4/2024	SHN Consulting	9/20/24 lnv# 122801 Greenwood	2,187.50
12388	10/4/2024	SHN Consulting SHN Consulting	9/20/204 liv# 122801 Greenwood 9/20/2024 liv# 122798 Town Square	547.50
12389	10/4/2024		9/20/2024 Inv# 122798 Town Square 9/20/2024 Inv# 122803 Truck Route	3,216.25
		SHN Consulting		34,965.71
12390	10/4/2024	SWRCB-DWOCP	T1 Water Treatment Operator Exam - Edgar	50.00
12391	10/4/2024	SWRCB-DWOCP	D1 Water Dist Operator Exam-Edgar	50.00
12392	10/4/2024	Verizon Wireless	Bill Summary Aug 22-Sep 21,2024	657.02
241004A01	10/4/2024	Christopher A. Ball	Employee: ballc; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	376.59
241004A02	10/4/2024	Glenn R. Bernald	Employee: bernaldg; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	1,831.55
241004A03	10/4/2024	Charis A. Bowman	Employee: bowmanc; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	279.30
241004A04	10/4/2024	Rosine S. Boyce-Derricott	Employee: boycer; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	640.94
241004A05	10/4/2024	Skyler A. Coke	Employee: cokes; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	870.49
241004A06	10/4/2024	Melissa M. Combs	Employee: combsm; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	728.01
241004A07	10/4/2024	Christopher B. Edgar	Employee: edgarc; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	1,839.55
241004A08	10/4/2024	Adeline L. Esh	Employee: esha; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	107.70
241004A09	10/4/2024	Anali E. Gonzalez	Employee: gonzaleza; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	1,167.22
241004A10	10/4/2024	Austin R. Jones	Employee: jonesa; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	1,266.53
241004A11	10/4/2024	Kanoa K. Jones	Employee: jonesk; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	383.63
241004A12	10/4/2024	Amanda L. Mager	Employee: magera; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	1,840.08
241004A13	10/4/2024	Aislin N. McKinney	Employee: mckinneya; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	352.66
241004A14	10/4/2024	Jacob P. Meng	Employee: mengj; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	1,109.41
241004A15	10/4/2024	Antoinette M. Quigley	Employee: quigleya; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	1,232.19
241004A16	10/4/2024	Quinn Sousa	Employee: sousaq; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	135.80
241004A17	10/4/2024	Emily P. Wood	Employee: woode; Pay Date: 10/4/2024	1,465.81
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241004EFT-02	10/4/2024	Employment Development Dept.	DE88 state tax pmt 10/4/24 PR	1,024.45
241004EFT-03	10/4/2024	Cal PERS	PERS retirement pmt 10/4/24 PR	4,398.58
241004EFT-04	10/4/2024	Freedom Voice	Freedom Voice 10/1/24 statement	120.83
241004EFT-05	10/4/2024	Square	Square subscription 10/1/24	29.00
241004EFT-06	10/4/2024	CA State Disbursement Unit	10/4/24 CS PR deductions-Coke	92.30
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241004EFT-07	10/4/2024	CA State Disbursement Unit	10/4/24 CS PR deductions-Edgar	104.30
12393	10/9/2024	D & R Janitorial Service	10/1/2024 Statement	425.00
12394	10/9/2024	Humboldt Co. Sheriff's Office	Oct 2024 Animal Shelter Service	748.00
12395	10/9/2024	Humboldt County Health Dept.	10/1/24 Annual HAZ MAT WWTP	468.70
12396	10/9/2024	Humboldt County Health Dept.	10/1/24 Annual HAZ MAT Corp Yard	511.70
12397	10/9/2024	Independent Business Forms Inc	9/20/2024 Inv#43433	156.28
12398	10/9/2024	Jacob Meng	10/1/24 Milage Reimb - Meng	43.75
12399	10/9/2024	Keenan Supply	9/25/3024 Statement	257.56
12400	10/9/2024	Microbac Laboratories, Inc.	9/11/2024 Statement	1,475.00
12401	10/9/2024	Optimum	10/1/24-10/31/24 Billing Period	467.87
12402	10/9/2024	Roberta Sidoti	9/17/24 Inv#00012	75.00
12403	10/9/2024	Restif Cleaning Service	9/20/24 Inv#140808	290.00
12404	10/10/2024	Sarah Finestone	Finestone Dep Refund & Inv#2024-023	1,828.12
12405	10/10/2024	City of Blue Lake	Water/Sewer Payments 10/1/202	3,488.10
12406	10/10/2024	Colantuono, Highsmith, Whatley	10/5/2024 Inv#62259	1,125.00
12407	10/10/2024	Dazey's Arcata	9/30/24 Statement	21.62
12408	10/10/2024	Hensel's Ace Hardware	9/30/2024 Statement	718.48
12409	10/10/2024	Industrial Electric Service Co	10/3/24 Inv#IN51745	2,795.24
12410	10/10/2024	The Mill Yard	9/30/24 Statement	14.52
12411	10/10/2024	Powell Landscape Materials	9/2/24 Inv#4132A	4,081.03
12412	10/10/2024	Marnin Robbins	refund dog license as duplicate M.Robbins	15.00
12413	10/10/2024	Local Mow Man	9/30/2024 Inv#14228	280.00
12414	10/14/2024	FRMS	Billing Periood: 95-11/01/24 to 11/30/24	15,284.13
12415	10/14/2024	Justin Goad	10/8/2024 Inv#1	400.00
12416	10/14/2024	Jackson & Eklund	10/8/24 Inv#442658	1,960.32
12417	10/14/2024	O'Reilly Auto Parts	9/248/24 Statement	VI 00 NOODO
12417	10/14/2024	Pape Machinery, Inc.	9/30/24 Statement	47.84
12419	10/14/2024	R. A. O. Construction Co., Inc	8/30/24 Pmt Rqst #2 Truck Route	748.05
12419	10/14/2024	Times Printing Company	10/7/2024 Inv#24-41412	297,666.83
12420	10/14/2024	US Bank Corp. Payment Systems	9/23/24 Statement	142.57
12422	10/18/2024	Daniel L. Dimick	Employee: dimickd; Pay Date: 10/18/2024	2,230.12
12422	10/18/2024	Michael D. Downard	Employee: diffickd, Fay Date: 10/18/2024 Employee: downardm; Pay Date: 10/18/2024	819.29
12424	10/18/2024	Liesl A. Finkler		790.41
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241018A09	10/18/2024	Anali E. Gonzalez	Employee: gonzaleza; Pay Date: 10/18/2024	1,167.23
241018A10	10/18/2024	Austin R. Jones	Employee: jonesa; Pay Date: 10/18/2024	1,151.31
241018A11	10/18/2024	Kanoa K. Jones	Employee: jonesk; Pay Date: 10/18/2024	416.29
241018A12	10/18/2024	Amanda L. Mager	Employee: magera; Pay Date: 10/18/2024	1,948.68
241018A13	10/18/2024	Aislin N. McKinney	Employee: mckinneya; Pay Date: 10/18/2024	178.32
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241018A17	10/18/2024	Emily P. Wood	Employee: woode; Pay Date: 10/18/2024	1,590.98
241018EFT-01	10/18/2024	U. S. Department of Treasury	EFTPS federal tax pmt 10/18/24 PR	6,361.04
241018EFT-02	10/18/2024	Employment Development Dept.	DE88 state tax pmt 10/18/24 PR	1,029.49
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12427	10/24/2024	CA Building Standards Comm.	CBSC Qtrly Rpt Fees Jul-Sept 2024	27.00
12428	10/24/2024	Microbac Laboratories, Inc.	10/11/2024 Statement	2,345.00
12429	10/24/2024	Redwood Petroleum	10/8/24 Inv#147	888.81
12430	10/24/2024	Redwood Curtain Design	10/1/24 Inv# 1659	366.50
12431	10/24/2024	National Rural Water Assoc.	SCADA loan pmt due 11/2/24	965.00
12432	10/24/2024	Terminix International	20- 10/15/24 Invoices	179.00
12433	10/31/2024	AT&T	4-10/4/24 Cal Net 3 Bills	340.11
12434	10/31/2024	Pacific Gas and Electric	10/2/24 Statement	9,903.89
12435	10/31/2024	RREDC	Town Square Loan Pmt due 10/1/2024	1,236.87
12436	10/31/2024	SHN Consulting	10/21/2024 Inv#123087 Truck Route	25,474.62
12437	10/31/2024	SHN Consulting	10/21/24 Inv#123093 Town Square	846.25
12438	10/31/2024	Roberta Sidoti	10/7/24 Inv#00013	90.00
12439	10/31/2024	U. S. Postal Service	UtilityW/S Trust Acct	1,200.00
12440	10/31/2024	RREDC	Town SquareLoan Pmt due 11/01/2024	1,236.87
12443	10/31/2024	Alliant Insurance Services	Special Event Insurance Jul-Sept 2024	87.00
12445	10/31/2024	State Water Resources Ctl Brd	WW Trmt Opr Cert Fee-Bernald	169.00
12446	10/31/2024	R. A. O. Construction Co., Inc	9/30/24 Pmt Rqst #3 Truck Route	132,532.60
Report Total				673,396.89

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City of Blue Lake

October 28, 2024

City of Blue Lake Councilmembers,

We are asking each of the City of Blue Lake Councilmembers, individually, to make a statement that rejects Project 2025. However, if there's consensus among the City of Blue Lake, a unified statement would be even more powerful.

Project 2025 is dangerous to our democracy, and we believe elected officials like you won't stand for it. If you agree, please use social media and email to let others know. And if you do, please tag us @FreethoughtDay and include the hashtag #StopProject2025.

California Freethought Day is a non-partisan and non-profit organization that represents the secular community within California. We celebrate social justice, scientific achievement, freedom of speech and thought, civic engagement, and the separation of church and state.

On July 4th of this year, we launched a petition on change.org to encourage our state's many elected officials to publicly denounce Project 2025. To our surprise, the petition received over 6,500 signatures, mostly from California residents. You can view it here:

change.org/DenounceProject2025

We're genuinely concerned about the implications of Project 2025, regardless of the results of the coming election. Those who have added their name to our petition agree that the policies in the document will be detrimental to many marginalized residents in our state. It's impact on programs that affect veterans, college students, the LGBT+ community, rank-and-file employees, and children are potentially disastrous – and we're concerned that few people



have given it much thought. For more information on how Project 2025 might affect you and your constituents, scan the QR code or visit 25 and .me.

Simply put, Project 2025 is full of extreme policies that do not reflect the values of Californians.

Regardless of where you land on the political spectrum, we hope you agree it's important to take a stand.

We've sent this letter to you and over 1600 other elected officials throughout our state, at every level of government. Together, we can increase awareness about this dangerous threat.

Please denounce Project 2025 today.

With regards,

David Diskin, President

chair@FreethoughtDay.org

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Fwd: Inappropriate council member behavior

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Amanda Mager <citymanager@bluelake.ca.gov>
To: Anali Gonzalez <cityclerk@bluelake.ca.gov>

Tue, Nov 5, 2024 at 2:46 PM

----- Forwarded message ------

From: Jason Crews <jcrews104@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue, Nov 5, 2024, 12:42 PM

Subject: Inappropriate council member behavior To: Amanda Mager <citymanager@bluelake.ca.gov>

Can you please forward this to the council for me as I don't have everyone's contact information

Hello, City Council. I am writing you to bring awareness of an ongoing issue to your attention. Please watch the video of the public safety commission meeting for November 4, 2004.

Here is the link

https://youtu.be/GdR0KO69eQI

We had just concluded agenda item 7, which was a discussion regarding law enforcement services and future partnership considerations with Ferndale police. We had just moved on to discuss agenda item number 8, the Humboldt County sheriff call log data review. We were discussing how the call logs are generated and why only 1/3 of the calls reported to be Blue Lake are actually in the city limits. After the discussion, I opened the floor to public comment. One of the commenters was councilmember Elise Scafani who showed up late to the meeting. She had commented that she was not notified that our regular liaison was not going to be in attendance and had decided on her own to show up after class as our liaison. Please note that at about 1:32 in the video, council member Scafani inappropriately directed the commission to side with the sheriff contract. This, in my opinion, is an abuse of power and an attempt to influence the commission. This is not the first time she has done this and has also come at the commission with false information regarding sheriff services. As the Chair of the Commission for the last 5 years, I will not allow this inappropriate behavior at commission meetings any more. I want to ask the Council to remove her as a backup liaison. If this can not happen you will see my resignation letter.

A rough transcript of her comments is listed below:

(Elise Scafani)

I personally don't think that there is any nefarious or manipulative reasons that they are producing a call log that looks like this and I think that it would be wise to have our public discussion and commission meetings reflect a cooperative demeanor just because we really want to work with the sheriff. I think they're doing their best for us, you know, my own personal experience with the deputies and all the information I have, and I just want to share that with you and I hope we can all work together in a positive way for Blue Lake and what bluelake needs.

Yahoo Mail: Search, Organize, Conquer



Fwd: Public Safety Commission

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Thu, Nov 7, 2024 at 3:06 PM

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From: **Phil Nava** <phil.nava@yahoo.com> Date: Thu, Nov 7, 2024, 11:28 AM

Subject: Public Safety Commission

To: Amanda Mager <citymanager@bluelake.ca.gov>, Kim Warvi <kimwarvi85@gmail.com>, Jason Crews

<jcrews104@yahoo.com>

Hello.

I'm hoping that this email can be disseminated to the Blue Lake City Council for their review.

My name is Phil Nava and I currently sit on the Blue Lake Public Safety Commission (full disclosure: I will be vacating my position when my term ends in January).

Recently, there has been a trend of a city council member, Elise Scalfani showing up to our meetings and assuming three different roles as she addresses our commission. One as a private citizen, one as a sitting council member and one as a substitute liaison to our commission. It is never clear to me which role she is assuming when she addresses us. This creates for me, at the bare minimum, an issue of undue influence on our commission.

The most recent example was our 4 November meeting. We were in the process of forming an Ad Hoc committee to take a look at law enforcement options for our city. Council member Scalfani addressed us from the podium and seemed to direct us to take a certain position prior to any gathering of information.

Our Ad Hoc committees are designed to get information independently and provide our findings to the full City Council for their review. This too was the case regarding the leash law Ad Hoc committee I served on several months back, which council member Scalfani also interfered with.

As I will no longer be on the commission I only have a passing interest in what happens from here, but I feel it's important moving forward that this can be addressed somehow for the benefit of all the city's volunteer commissions. Thank you.

Phillip Nava 108 Park Ave

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Resignation

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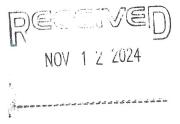
Ed Nickerson <ed_nickerson@hotmail.com>
To: "adminasst@bluelake.ca.gov" <adminasst@bluelake.ca.gov>

Sun, Nov 10, 2024 at 1:29 PM

I am resigning from the Blue Lake Safety Committee for personal reasons.

Sincerely, Ed Nickerson

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City Council Meeting Agenda Report

Item #: 11

Date: November 26, 2024

Item Subject: Site Management at 200 Taylor Way

Submitted By: Mandy Mager, City Manager

General Information:

In order to deter further illegal entry and vandalism at 200 Taylor Way, I have contacted our attorney, our City Planner and our risk managers regarding options for an on-site manager for the property.

Based upon these discussions, I am recommending that the City pursue the option of contracting with Justin Goad to locate his travel trailer on the site, to provide a higher level of site management and deterrence.

It is proposed that the City exchange this service for space cost and that Mr. Goad will be responsible for the cost of utilities. The City proposes to provide additional motion lighting, surveillance cameras and signage, and Mr. Goad will be responsible for reporting any intrusion, vandalism, or other illegal entry to the Sheriff Department and the City Manager.

Mr. Goad will not act as a security officer, nor will he be asked, encouraged or allowed to engage with anyone trespassing on the site. His presence will strictly be to deter entry and to report issues or concerns.

As the City has very limited monetary resources to allocate to security services, and the fact that private security patrols are limited, if not non-existent in our community, the proposed option makes the most sense and is the most cost-effective option.

Background Material Provided: N/A

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Recommended Action: Direct the City Manager to contract with Justin Goad to provide on-site management services for City owned property located at 200 Taylor Way.

Review Information:			
City Manager Review: ⊠	Legal Review: \square	Planner Review: 🛛	Engineer:
Comments:			