

# Blue Lake City Council Minutes

Tuesday, August 24, 2021 ~ 6:30 p.m. ~ <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86700945512?pwd=Z1I4S2VGS0L1WExMUmVOaFBaZDR2UT09>

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## 1. Establish a Quorum of the Council

### Council Members and Staff Present:

Adelene Jones, Mayor

Summer Daugherty, Mayor Pro-Tem

Chris Curran

Elaine Hogan

Benjamin McCreath

Amanda Mager, City Manager

April Sousa, MMC, Minute Taker

Russel Gans, Legal Counsel

Mike Forget, City Engineer

## 2. Approve Agenda

**Motion:** It was moved to approve the agenda as delivered.

**Motion by:** Councilmember Daugherty; **Second:** Councilmember Hogan

**There were no comments from the Council or public.**

**Vote: Ayes:** Curran, Daugherty, Hogan, McCreath, and Jones **Nays:** None **Absent:** None

**Motion Summary:** Motion Passed

## 3. Public Comment

Lin Glen asked if there was a general update about the Powers Creek District. It was noted that City Manager Mager would be giving an update during the items 5 and 12.

## 4. Local Road Safety Program Project

City Engineer Mike Forget gave a presentation regarding this project. He spoke of a survey to gather information regarding traffic accidents or near miss accidents in the City. Mayor Jones asked if there were other ways to get the information out to the community. Ways to spread the word was discussed. The deadline for the survey was set as August 31, 2021.

## 5. Appoint Real Property Negotiators (Gov. Code Section 54956.8.)

Property: Approximately 3 acres of a parcel located at APN Nos. 312-1 61-0 18, 312-161-0 15 and 025-201-023, Blue Lake, California.

City of Blue Lake negotiators: Amanda Mager (City Manager), Russell Gans (City Attorney), Adelene Jones (Mayor), and one additional Council Member to be appointed

Negotiating parties: The DANCO Group, Chris Dart, Hailey Del Grande

Under negotiation: Potential Ground Lease and/or Property Sale, Price/Terms of Payment

Mayor Jones states that a negotiating team was already voted upon, and that Councilmember had to leave and so a space was open. Councilmember Hogan volunteered her time.

**Motion:** It was moved to appoint Elaine Hogan to the negotiating team as Real Property Negotiators.

**Motion by:** Councilmember Daugherty; **Second:** Councilmember Curran

**Vote: Ayes:** Curran, Daugherty, Hogan, McCreath, and Jones **Nays:** None **Absent:** None  
**Motion Summary:** Motion Passed

6. **Exclusive Negotiating Agreement with DANCO Communities:**

Mayor Jones read the staff report and Russ Gans, Legal Counsel, gave a review of the item. It was noted that this agreement does not bind the City to lease or sell the property. It's a preliminary agreement to negotiate, not a binding obligation. He also noted that there is some information that needed to still be inserted into the negotiating agreement, which included a square footage of commercial development.

Council asked clarifying questions regarding the map of the area being looked at. Councilmember Daugherty asked how the square footage that needs to be added to the agreement would be determined. Mr. Gans gave information to Council for this. City Manager Mager clarified the estimates being developed for this. It was suggested to insert 20,000 sq. feet for the amount of commercial development. Mayor Jones also asked about the deadline for signing by DANCO, which was decided to be September 1, 2021.

Lisa Hoover, member of the public asked questions regarding the 20,000 sq. foot number and what that number would specifically reference. It was noted that this number would only refer to the commercial unit, and does not count the number of residential units, which was clarified at approximately 40 units.

Lin Glen asked about the Council's consideration regarding sale versus leasing the land. Mayor Jones clarified that the agreement kept things open to all options. Councilmember Daugherty reminded the public that the agreement does not commit the Council to any sell or lease. The remaining Councilmembers noted that they are in favor of leasing the property.

Lisa Hoover asked a question regarding the timeline between this agreement and when a more formal agreement is developed, and how will the public be involved. City Manager gave an outline of the timeline and how the public will be involved. Legal Counsel concurred with the City Manager.

Clarifying questions were asked about how grant funding would fit into this project, and City Manager Mager gave information to the public about this.

Julie Christie wanted to reiterate comments she has said at prior meetings about the importance of the open space in the area. Albert Christie, Julie's brother asked questions regarding the environmental report and when the public input would be. Mayor Jones gave some answers to this.

Councilmember Curran asked about a webpage for the Powers Creek District.

**Motion:** It was moved to direct staff to enter into an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement with DANCO and the City of Blue Lake.

**Motion by:** Councilmember Daugherty; **Second:** Councilmember Curran

**Vote: Ayes:** Curran, Daugherty, Hogan, McCreath, and Jones **Nays:** None **Absent:** None

**Motion Summary:** Motion Passed

7. **Blue Lake Garbage, LLC Contract:**

Mayor Jones read the Staff report. City Manager Mager gave a quick overview. Councilmember Daugherty thanked the new owners for working with the City Attorney on this contract terms. Lin Glen asked about the increase in garbage rates and how automation will affect the citizens. The owners gave information on automation.

**Motion:** It was moved to authorize the Mayor or City Manager to sign the final contract with Blue Lake Garbage, LLC for solid waste services in the City of Blue Lake.

**Motion by:** Councilmember Daugherty; **Second:** Councilmember Hogan

**Vote: Ayes:** Curran, Daugherty, Hogan, McCreath, and Jones **Nays:** None **Absent:** None

**Motion Summary:** Motion Passed

8. **Healthcare for All-California:**

Mayor Jones gave an overview of this item, which was originally brought forward in public comment at the July 27, 2021. Council Meeting. Kathryn Donohue was present to answer questions and gave more information on the resolution. Council asked clarifying questions about funding. Ms. Donohue gave information on where the funding will come from.

**Motion:** It was moved adopt a Resolution in Support of Single Payer Bills for Health Care Reform.

**Motion by:** Councilmember Hogan; **Second:** Councilmember Daugherty

**Vote: Ayes:** Curran, Daugherty, Hogan, McCreath, and Jones **Nays:** None **Absent:** None

**Motion Summary:** Motion Passed

9. **Parks and Recreation Hiring Committee Designation:**

Mayor Jones gave a short review of this item. It was clarified why only two members of the Council would be appointed to this subcommittee. Councilmember Daugherty, Councilmember McCreath, and Mayor Jones expressed interest in being on the committee.

**Motion:** It was moved to appoint Councilmembers McCreath and Daugherty to the interview committee for Parks and Recreation Director.

**Motion by:** Councilmember Curran; **Second:** Councilmember Hogan

**Vote: Ayes:** Curran, Daugherty, Hogan, McCreath, and Jones **Nays:** None **Absent:** None

**Motion Summary:** Motion Passed

10. **Council Correspondence**

a. Humboldt Deputy Sheriffs Organization

Mayor Jones noted that there was a letter from the Humboldt Deputy Sheriff's Organization regarding how Measure Z funds are being spent. City Manager Mager gave more information on this item. Councilmember Daugherty asks what more can the City do and what the real ask from the organization is. This is informational only. No action taken.

b. California League of Cities Resolution Packet

City Manager Mager noted that these are resolutions that would be discussed at the Annual Conference. Councilmember Hogan plans to attend but will let Mayor Jones know if she cannot attend. This is informational only. No action taken.

## 11. Consent Agenda:

### a. July 6, 2021 Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** It was moved to approve Consent Agenda 11a.

**Motion by:** Councilmember Curran; **Second:** Councilmember Hogan

**Vote: Ayes:** Curran, Daugherty, Hogan, McCreath, and Jones **Nays:** None **Absent:** None

**Motion Summary:** Motion Passed

### b. July 27, 2021 Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** It was moved to approve Consent Agenda 11b. with additions of the end of the closed session logistics and adjournment time.

**Motion by:** Councilmember Daugherty; **Second:** Councilmember McCreath

**Vote: Ayes:** Curran, Daugherty, Hogan, McCreath, and Jones **Nays:** None **Absent:** None

**Motion Summary:** Motion Passed

## 12. Reports of Council and Staff:

**Curran** – Nothing to report.

**Daugherty** – Reported on the Redwood Region Economic Development Commission meeting and the Public Safety Commission meeting.

**Hogan** – Nothing to report.

**Jones** – Reported on the League of California Cities meeting via zoom, Humboldt County Association of Governments, and the City-Wide Yard Sales.

**McCreath** – Nothing to report.

**City Manager** – Reported on an update on City projects, including the housing element, grants from USDA for commercial kitchen facilities to be rented out, the town square, the traffic project, a gas line replacement project with PG&E, and a general update for the Powers Creek District Project.

## 13. Future Agenda Items

- Mad River Restoration Project Presentation
- Council Appointments
- SB 1383
- Land Acknowledgment
- Antidiscrimination and Policy Development
- Parks use policy

## 14. Adjourn at 8:56 p.m.

**Motion by:** Councilmember Daugherty; **Second:** Councilmember McCreath

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**April Sousa, MMC**

**Minute Taker**