

## MINUTES

### PLACERVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024

NO CLOSED SESSION

**OPEN SESSION: 5:00 PM**

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – TOWN HALL  
549 MAIN STREET, PLACERVILLE, CA 95667

#### NO CLOSED SESSION SCHEDULED

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#### 5:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION

1. **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

*The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.*

2. **ROLL CALL:** **Present:** Clerici, Gotberg, Neau, Saragosa  
**Absent:** Yarbrough

3. **CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

*No ceremonial matters were scheduled.*

4. **CLOSED SESSION REPORT – City Attorney Ebrahimi**

*No report, no Closed Session was scheduled.*

5. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

*It was moved by Vice-Mayor Clerici and seconded by Councilmember Gotberg that the City Council move Item 12.3 to follow Item 12.5 and to include a brief recess between the items to allow for the setup of teleconferencing for Item 12.3.*

*The motion passed by the following vote:*

AYES: Clerici, Gotberg, Neau, Saragosa  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Yarbrough  
ABSTAIN: None

6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS TO THE PUBLIC**

**6.1 Brief Comments by the City Council**

*The City Council made brief comments.*

**6.2 Receive an Update on the Placerville Wildfire Safety Day Event (Mr. Morris)**

*Mark Acuna from the Placerville Fire Safe Council provided an update on the third annual Wildfire Safety Day Event, highlighting the various activities of the day and encouraging attendance on March 23, 2024.*

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**NOTE:** All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion by roll call vote unless any member of the Council wishes to remove an item for discussion. The reading of the full text of all Resolutions will be waived unless a Councilmember requests otherwise.

**7.1 A. Approve the Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of February 22, 2024 (Ms. O'Connell)**

*Approved the Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of February 22, 2024.*

**B. Approve the Minutes of the Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting of February 27, 2024 (Ms. O'Connell)**

*Approved the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of February 27, 2024.*

**7.2 Approve the Accounts Payable Register (Mr. Warren)**

*Approved the Accounts Payable Register.*

**7.3 Approve the Payroll Register (Mr. Warren)**

*Approved the Payroll Register.*

**7.4 Receive and File Public Records Requests (Ms. O'Connell)**

*Received and filed Public Records Requests.*

**7.5 Consider Increasing the Youth (6-17 years) Self-Guided Tour Rate by \$2.00 from \$6.00 to \$8.00 Effective April 1, 2024 (Mr. Youel)**

**Resolution No. 9287**

*This item was pulled for discussion.*

*The Interim Director of Community Services presented the item. No public comment was received. It was moved by Councilmember Saragosa and*

*seconded by Vice-Mayor Clerici that the City Council adopt a resolution approving the Gold Bug Park Youth (6-17 Years) Self-Guided Tour Program participant fee of \$8.00 per person effective April 1, 2024.*

*The motion passed by the following roll-call vote:*

AYES: Clerici, Gotberg, Neau, Saragosa  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Yarbrough  
ABSTAIN: None

**7.6 Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance Amendment for Reserve Police Officers “Designated Level 1” Authority in Accordance with California Penal Code 830.6(a)(2) (Chief Wren)**

**Ordinance No. 1717**

*Adopted an ordinance amending Municipal Code Title 6, Chapter 13 ("Reserve Police Officers"), regarding compliance with State Law and recruitment and training of peace officers.*

**7.7 Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance Amending the City’s Current Municipal Code Relating to Purchasing to Allow the Use of Cooperative Purchasing Agreements (Mr. Morris)**

**Ordinance No. 1718**

*Adopted an ordinance adding Section 10 to Title 1, Chapter 6, of the Placerville Municipal Code Purchasing System.*

**7.8 Consider Authorizing the Chief of Police to Purchase Emergency Lighting Equipment and Upfitting for the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Truck from NextGen Alpha Upfitting in the Amount of \$6,387.31 and Approving a \$6,387 Budget Appropriation in Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Revenues for the Said Purchase (Chief Wren)**

**Resolution No. 9288**

*Adopted a resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to purchase vehicle emergency lighting equipment and upfitting to be used for the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program from Nextgen Alpha Upfitting in the amount of \$6,387.31 and approving a \$6,387 budget appropriation in abandoned vehicle abatement revenues for the said purchase.*

*No public comment was received. It was moved by Councilmember Saragosa and seconded by Vice-Mayor Clerici that the City Council pull Item 7.5 and approve the balance of the Consent Calendar. The motion was passed by the following roll-call vote:*

AYES: Clerici, Gotberg, Neau, Saragosa  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Yarbrough  
ABSTAIN: None

## **8. PUBLIC COMMENT – NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

### **8.1 Oral Communication**

*Oral communication was received from Diane Rabinowitz (NAMI), unnamed (NAMI), Yan Bennis (Clubhouse El Dorado), unnamed, and Sue Rodman.*

### **8.2 Written Communication**

*No written communication was received.*

## **9. ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

*Item 7.5 was pulled for discussion.*

## **10. ORDINANCES**

### **10.1 Consideration of an Urgency Ordinance Prohibiting the Establishment of any New Tobacco and Electronic Smoking Device Retailers within the City of Placerville (Mr. Rivas)**

#### **Ordinance No. 1716**

*The Director of Development Services presented the staff report and suggested a minor revision to the ordinance, adding the word, “new” to page 5, Section 4 (Moratorium), subsection A to read, “The City, and any other City official or employee, shall not issue any new City permit, registration, business license, or approval of any type to a Tobacco Retailer within the incorporated areas of the City of Placerville.” Public comment was received from Kristin Becker (EDC), Curtis Wilson, District 3 Supervisor Wendy Thomas, and Sue Rodman. Following Council discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Saragosa and seconded by Vice-Mayor Clerici that the City Council adopt an urgency ordinance adopting an interim moratorium on new tobacco retailer applications for all purposes within the City of Placerville pending the development and adoption of tobacco product retail regulations; and revise page 5 as suggested by the Director.*

*The urgency ordinance required a four-fifths vote to pass. The motion passed by the following roll-call vote:*

AYES: Clerici, Gotberg, Neau, Saragosa  
NOES: None

ABSENT: Yarbrough  
ABSTAIN: None

**11. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*No public hearings were scheduled.*

**12. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**12.1 Acknowledge and File the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Mid-Year Budget Report as Presented (Mr. Warren)**

*The Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance presented the mid-year budget report. No public comments were received. Following discussion, the item was received and filed.*

**12.2 Consider Use of a Professional Recruitment Firm to Recruit for the Position of Community Services Director (Mr. Morris)**

*The City Manager summarized the item and responded to Council questions. Public comment was received from Sue Rodman. Following Council discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Gotberg and seconded by Councilmember Saragosa that the City Council deny the approval of a contract at this time and direct Staff to perform the recruitment in-house.*

*The motion passed by the following roll-call vote:*

AYES: Clerici, Gotberg, Neau, Saragosa  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Yarbrough  
ABSTAIN: None

**12.3 Consider a Contract for Retail Market Analysis and Business Recruitment Services and an Associated Budget Appropriation (Mr. Morris)**

*This item was moved to follow Item 12.5*

*The City Manager presented the item. One representative from each of the two firms (HDL Companies and The Retail Coach) joined the meeting via teleconference to individually answer questions posed by the public and the City Council. Public comment was received from Ruth Michelson, Sue Rodman, Tony Windell. Following Council discussion, it was moved by Vice-Mayor Clerici and seconded by Mayor Neau that the City Council take no action at this time.*

*The motion passed by the following vote:*

AYES: Clerici, Gotberg, Neau, Saragosa  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Yarbrough  
ABSTAIN: None

**12.4 Consider Approving a \$4.65 per Game Increase in the Adult Softball Team Registration Fee for a 10-week Season for a Total Fee of \$734.00 per Team Effective April 1, 2024, Approving an Agreement with Folsom Official Association (FOA) to Provide Officials for Adult Softball Games and Authorize the Director of Community Services to Execute the Same (Mr. Youel)**

**Resolution No. 9289**

*The Interim Director of Community Services summarized the report. Public comment was received from Sue Rodman. It was moved by Councilmember Saragosa and seconded by Vice-Mayor Clerici that the City Council adopt a resolution approving an agreement with the Folsom Officials Association for officiating services for the Adult Softball leagues, authorizing the Director of Community Services to execute the same, and approving an Adult Softball Program Team Participant Fee for a 10-week season in the amount of \$734.00 effective April 1, 2024.*

*The motion passed by the following roll-call vote:*

AYES: Clerici, Gotberg, Neau, Saragosa  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Yarbrough  
ABSTAIN: None

**12.5 Consider Approving One or More Councilmembers and/or Staff to Attend the El Dorado County Chamber Study Mission 2024, to Columbus, Ohio (Mr. Morris)**

*The City Manager presented the item and responded to Council questions. Public comment was received from Ruth Michelson and Sue Rodman. Following Council discussion, it was moved by Vice-Mayor Clerici and seconded by Councilmember Saragosa that the City Council deny the attendance of a Councilmember or Staff member on the EDC Chamber Study Mission 2024.*

*The motion passed by the following vote:*

AYES: Clerici, Gotberg, Neau, Saragosa  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Yarbrough  
ABSTAIN: None

*The Mayor called for a brief recess before proceeding with Item 12.3.*

### **13. COUNCIL REPORTS FROM OTHER AGENCY MEETINGS**

*The City Council reported on recent and upcoming meetings of various external bodies. No public comment was received.*

- **El Dorado County Transit Authority**  
(Mayor Neau, Councilmember Yarbrough)
- **El Dorado County Transportation Commission**  
(Mayor Neau, Vice-Mayor Clerici, Councilmember Yarbrough)
- **LAFCO (El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission)**  
(Councilmember Gotberg)
- **SACOG (Sacramento Area Council of Governments)**  
(Councilmember Saragosa)
- **Pioneer Community Energy Board of Directors**  
(Councilmember Yarbrough)
- **Placerville Fire Safe Council**  
(Mayor Neau)
- **Opportunity Knocks/Continuum of Care**  
(Councilmember Gotberg)

### **14. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – (Requests for Future Agenda Items Requires a Majority Concurrence of the Council)**

*No requests for future agenda items were made.*

### **15. CITY MANAGER AND STAFF REPORTS**

#### **15.1 Receive and File February 2024 Police Report - Stats (Chief Wren)**

*The report was received and filed.*

#### **15.2 Receive and File February Fire Station 25 Run Report (Chief Cordero)**

*The report was received and filed.*

#### **15.3 Development Services Department's Development/Permitting Statistics for the Month of February 2024 (Mr. Rivas)**

*The report was received and filed.*

### **16. UPCOMING ITEMS**

*Items tentatively scheduled for the next City Council meeting include: Placerville Police Officer's Association Memorandum of Understanding, Natural Connections Day Proclamation, Water and Wastewater Cost of Service Study Update, NBS Agreement for Cottonwood CFD Administration, Syringe Program Urgency Ordinance Extension, Cultural Art Plan Presentation/Adoption, Middletown Apartments Grading and Improvement Agreement, Giovanni Sewer Contract, Road Closure for Events, Draft Tobacco Retail Ordinance, and New Privacy Slats for Parking Garage.*

**17. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:04 p.m.**

The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on March 26, 2024, 4:30 P.M. Closed Session, 5:00 P.M. Regular Meeting.

Regina O'Connell, CPMC, City Clerk