



**CITY OF CORNING
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
CLOSED SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2020
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
794 THRID STREET**

A. CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL:

Council:

**Robert Snow
Jose "Chuy" Valerio
Dave Demo
Karen Burnett**

Mayor:

Douglas Hatley Jr.

All members of the City Council were present except Councilor Valerio. Councilor Valerio entered the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

D. REGULAR AGENDA:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Existing Litigation pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code § 54956.9, two Cases:**
 1. Beggins vs. Carpenter, et al, Case No. 2:18 cv-01550-KJM-AC
 2. Case No. CV24394

E. ADJOURN TO REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION: 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Hatley announced that Council met in Closed Session and no reportable actions were taken on Item 1; direction was provided in relation to item 2, Case No. CV24394.



**AMENDED AGENDA
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B. ROLL CALL:

Council:

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Mayor:

Douglas Hatley Jr.

All members of the City Council were present.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by two members of Cub Scout Pack 5 and two members of Boy Scout Troop 5.

D. INVOCATION: Led by Councilwoman Burnett.

E. PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATIONS:

1. **Update on COVID-19 by City Manager Kristina Miller.**

City Manager Kristina Miller provided an update on recent COVID-19 actions announcing that the County has been placed on the State Monitoring List and it is not anticipated that Tehama County will be removed soon due to gatherings and the increased counts of positives. She stated that the Tehama County Public Health Services Department has been doing an outstanding job in contact tracing. She stated she is deeply saddened to announce that effective tonight at midnight there will be a number of businesses required to shut down. These businesses are: Gyms & Fitness Centers, Hair Salons/Barbershops, malls, Personal Care Services such as nail salons, massage parlors and tattoo shops, and churches/religious

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buildings. She stated that City Staff will prepare letters to be sent to affected businesses, and the County is working on a compliance Ordinance that could include fines. City Manager Miller also stated that Staff is receiving a number of calls from the public and businesses in compliance reporting those businesses not in compliance.

City Manager Miller stated that thus far, the City Council has previously allocated \$10,000 in funding to support local businesses remain open by providing tables, chairs, and awnings. Currently five (5) businesses are participating in the City's Lease at no cost Program to lease tables, chairs, and awnings.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: None.

G. CONSENT AGENDA: It is recommended that items listed on the Consent Agenda be acted on simultaneously unless a Councilmember or members of the audience request separate discussion and/or action.

2. **Waive reading, except by title, of any Ordinance under consideration at this meeting for either introduction or passage, per Government Code Section 36934.**
3. **Waive the reading and approve the Minutes with any necessary corrections of the August 11, 2020 Closed Session and Regular City Council Meeting.**
4. **August 19, 2020 Claim Warrant in the amount of \$306,749.83.**
5. **August 19, 2020 Business License Report.**

Councilor Valerio moved to approve Consent Items 2-5; Councilor Burnett seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Snow, Valerio, Burnett, and Demo. Absent/Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.**

H. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS: None.

J. REGULAR AGENDA:

6. **Adopt Resolution 08-25-2020-01 approving a Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Agreement in the amount of \$5,340 with CalFire and authorize the City Manager to sign all associated documents.**

Presented by Fire Chief Tom Tomlinson who stated that on May 24th the City Council approved submittal of the VFA Grant Application. The City was awarded the grant with a 50% City match of \$5,340 and now to receive the grant funds, the City needs to adopt the proposed Resolution and finalize the Agreement. He then listed the equipment to be funded by this grant.

Councilor Snow moved to adopt Resolution No. 08-25-2020-01 approving Agreement No. 7FG20019 between the City and the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection; authorize the City Manager to sign and execute the Agreement and any Amendments on behalf of the City; and approve the expenditure of the Budgeted \$5,340 from fund 001-6552-2300 for the grant matching fund criteria. Councilor Burnett seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Snow, Valerio, Burnett, and Demo. Absent/Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.**

7. **Approve Specifications and authorize the Fire Department to seek proposals for a new 2021 Ford F-350 Pickup**

Presented by Fire Chief Tom Tomlinson who stated that this item was included, approved, and funded in the Capital Improvement Program in the amount of \$80,000. He stated that if approved the Bid will go out tomorrow. He stated that the truck is estimated to cost around \$40,000 and will then be outfitted with medical equipment and a skid unit to hold about 200 gallons of water.

Councilor Demo moved to approve the Specifications and authorize the Fire Department to seek proposals for a new 2021 Ford F-350 Pickup. Councilor Snow seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Snow, Valerio, Burnett, and Demo. Absent/Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.**

8. Request to appropriate additional funds from General Fund Reserves to assist local businesses impacted by COVID-19.

City Manager Kristina Miller presented this item and apologized for not having a staff report attached. She stated that she had just been informed that the County would be placed on the State Monitoring List. As a result, she stated that she is requesting an additional \$10,000 from the City's General Fund Reserves to support our local businesses. City Manager Miller explained that thus far the City has spent approximately \$7,000 in items to support our local restaurants. She also asked for some discretion on what items to purchase, with the understanding that all items would be such that can be used to support future City events.

Secondly, she emphasized that the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funding assistance of \$77,000 currently being administered by the County through 3CORE with the stipulation that City businesses have first consideration, this funding comes with many strings. For this reason, she stated that she has been researching possibly utilizing CARES ACT funding in the amount of \$99,000 to additionally assist our local businesses.

Councilor Snow moved to put 100% of the CARES ACT funding towards assisting our businesses. Councilor Demo seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Snow, Valerio, Burnett, and Demo. Absent/Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.**

Councilor Burnett moved to allocate \$10,000 from General Fund Reserves to budget line item Community Events to assist City businesses. Councilor Demo seconded the motion. **Ayes: Hatley, Snow, Valerio, Burnett, and Demo. Absent/Abstain/Opposed: None. Motion was approved by a vote of 5-0.**

K. ITEMS PLACED ON THE AGENDA FROM THE FLOOR: None

L. COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE, AND INFORMATION: None.

M. REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS: City Councilmembers will report on attendance at conferences/meetings reimbursed at City expense (Requirement of Assembly Bill 1234).

Snow: Nothing

Valerio: Announced that on Saturday, October 10th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. the Olive Festival and Farmers Market sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce will take place.

Demo: Nothing

Burnett: Nothing

Hatley: Nothing

The Public Comments was reopened to allow the City Manager to provide information relating to the available Recreation Programs.

N. ADJOURNMENT!: 7:01 p.m.

Lisa M. Linnet, City Clerk