

## MINUTES

PLACERVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025**

NO CLOSED SESSION SCHEDULED

**OPEN SESSION: 5:00 PM**

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

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

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

*The Mayor opened the meeting at 5:01 p.m. and, following heartfelt remarks, called for a moment of silence for Fire Marshal/Division Chief Lucas Shepard, in light of his sudden passing.*

*The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.*

#### 2. **ROLL CALL: Present:** Carter, Clerici, Gotberg, Neau, Yarbrough

#### 3. **CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

##### 3.1 **A Proclamation of the City Council Recognizing the Period of April – October, 2025, as Wildfire Awareness Season (Mayor Clerici)**

*The Mayor read the proclamation and presented it to Tanya Harlow of the El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience. Public comment was received from Sue Rodman, Wendy Thomas, and Marian Washburn.*

##### 3.2 **A Proclamation of the City Council Declaring April 25th, 2025, as Natural Connections Day 2025 (Mayor Clerici)**

*The Mayor read the proclamation and presented it to student representatives from El Dorado High School's Natural Resources Program. Public comment was received from Ruth Michelson.*

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

*No report, no Closed Session scheduled.*

**5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

*It was moved by Councilmember Neau and seconded by Councilmember Yarbrough that the City Council adopt the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.*

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

**6.1 Brief Comments by the City Council**

*No comments were made.*

**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 Approve the Minutes of the Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting of March 11, 2025 (Ms. O’Connell)**

*Approved the Minutes of the regularly scheduled City Council meeting of March 11, 2025.*

**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.*

*No public comment was received on the Consent Calendar. It was moved by Councilmember Carter and seconded by Vice-Mayor Gotberg that the City Council approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion was passed by the following roll-call vote:*

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

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

## **8.1 Oral Communication**

*Oral communication was received from Ruth Michelson and Elena Tucker.*

## **8.2 Written Communication**

*No written communication was received.*

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

*No items were pulled from the Consent Calendar.*

## **10. ORDINANCES**

### **10.1 Continuation of Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Text of the City of Placerville City Ordinance, Adding Chapter 30 (Tobacco Retailers) to Title 5 (Business Regulations) to Regulate Retail of Tobacco Products and to Establish a Tobacco Retail Licensing Program; and Find the Action is Not a “Project” within the Meaning of Public Resources Code Section 21065 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 and Not Subject to Environmental Review (Mr. Cahill)**

*The Interim Director of Development Services summarized the substantive changes to the ordinance. Public comment was received from Marc Strauch, Matt Strauch, Parmjit Khaira, Eldon Price, Jasvir Singh, Kirk Smith, Mohair Zaatar, and (name not given).*

*Following Council discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Carter that the City Council refrain from approving the ordinance at this time. The motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Gotberg. After further discussion, Councilmember Carter amended his motion to include direction to staff to bring back a licensing component allowing for enforcement action. Vice-Mayor Gotberg agreed and amended her second. Councilmember Carter stated that he did not want the ordinance to come back to the City Council. The City Attorney explained that if staff brought back a licensing component, the ordinance would require another reading. Councilmember Carter revoked his amended motion. The motion to not approve the ordinance stood and the following roll-call vote was taken:*

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

*The motion passed.*

*Mayor Clerici called for a brief recess.*

## **11. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **11.1 Consideration of an Appeal Filed by Ryan Nutting of a Fine (6th Administrative Fine) Levied on 50 Main Street for Failure to Respond to Notice to Correct (File: C#24-031) (Mr. Cahill)**

*The Interim Director of Development Services explained that the appellant, due to medical reasons, has requested a final extension of the hearing to April 8, 2025. No public comment was received. It was moved by Councilmember Carter that the City Council approve the appellant's request. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Yarbrough and passed by the following roll-call vote:*

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

## **12. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### **12.1 Acknowledge and File the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Mid-Year Budget Report as Presented (Mr. Warren)**

*The Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance led the presentation. No public comment was received. The report was received and filed.*

### **12.2 Consider a Letter of Support for a Grant Application to Support New Gallery, Art on Center (Mr. Morris)**

*The City Manager summarized the item and noted a correction to the staff report. No public comment was received. It was moved by Vice-Mayor Gotberg that the City Council approve sending a Letter of Support to T-Mobile Hometown Grant for a grant application to support the new gallery, Art on Center. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Neau and passed by the following roll-call vote:*

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

### **12.3 Consider Approving Downtown Street Closures, from Sacramento Street to Bedford Avenue, for Permitted 2025 Special Events (Mr. Nishihara)**

#### **Resolution No. 9407**

*The Director of Community Services presented the report, noting corrections to the events list. Public comment was received from Alan Ming, Gregory*

*Rezak, Ruth Michelson, Sue Rodman, Leo Bennett-Cauchon, Loretta Rezak, and Mike Ocenosak. Following Council discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Carter that the City Council approve the downtown street closures, from Sacramento Street to Bedford Avenue, for permitted 2025 special events. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Yarbrough and passed by the following roll-call vote:*

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

**12.4 Consider Adopting a Resolution Establishing Requirements for a Private Sewer Lateral (PSL) Compliance Real Estate Transfer Disclosure Statement and Approving the Standardized Disclosure form Pursuant to Chapter 7-17 of the Placerville City Code (Mr. Cahill)**

**Resolution No. 9408**

*The Interim Director of Development Services summarized the item and responded to Council questions. Public comment was received from Kimberly Beal (El Dorado County Association of Realtors), Greg Horsfall, and Sue Rodman. It was moved by Vice-Mayor Gotberg that the City Council adopt a resolution establishing requirements for a Private Sewer Lateral (PSL) Compliance Real Estate Transfer Disclosure Statement and approving the Standardized Disclosure form with the addition of a checkbox under item 3 marked, "Other". The motion was seconded by Councilmember Yarbrough and passed by the following roll-call vote:*

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

**12.5 Consider Advertising Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents for Bidding for Phase 1 of the Construction of the Thompson Way Repaving Project (CIP #42206) and the Sherman Street Repaving Project (CIP #42208) (Ms. Savage)**

**Resolution No. 9409**

*The City Engineer presented the report. Public comment was received from Sue Rodman. It was moved by Councilmember Neau that the City Council authorize advertisement for the construction of Phase 1 of the Thompson Way and Sherman Street Repaving Projects for public bidding. The motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Gotberg and passed by the following roll-call vote:*

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

**12.6 Consider Ratifying Construction Contract Change Orders No. 22 through No. 28 in the total aggregate amount of -\$385,855.30 with Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. for the Broadway Maintenance Project- from Mosquito Road to Schnell School Road (CIP #42003), Approving Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Engineering Services in the amount of \$173,096.52 With Dewberry Engineers Inc. and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Same, Authorizing the City Engineer to Execute a Notice of Completion, and Authorizing the Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance to Release Remaining Retention for the Said Project (Ms. Savage)**

**Resolution No. 9410**

*The City Engineer summarized the item. Public comment was received from Sue Rodman. It was moved by Councilmember Neau that the City Council adopt a resolution ratifying Construction Contract Change Orders No. 22 through 28 with Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. in the total combined amount of -\$385,855.30 for the Broadway Maintenance Project- from Mosquito Road to Schnell School Road (CIP #42003), approving Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Engineering Services with Dewberry Engineers in the amount of \$173,096.52 and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same, authorizing the City Engineer to execute a Notice of Completion, and authorizing the Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance to release all retention being held for construction security for the said project.*

*The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carter and passed by the following roll-call vote:*

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

**12.7 Consider Ratifying Construction Contract Change Order Nos. 20 through 24 with Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. in the Total Combined Amount of -\$111,588.74 for the Broadway Sidewalks Project (CIP #41606), Approving Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Engineering Services in an Amount Not to Exceed \$39,184.72 with Dewberry Engineers Inc. and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Same, Authorizing the City Engineer to Execute a Notice of Completion, and Authorizing the Assistant City**

**Manager/Director of Finance to Release Remaining Retention for the Said Project (Ms. Savage)**

**Resolution No. 9411**

*The City Engineer presented the report. Public comment was received from Sue Rodman. It was moved by Councilmember Neau that the City Council adopt a resolution ratifying Construction Contract Change Order Nos. 20 through 24 with Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc. in the total combined amount of -\$111,588.74 for the Broadway Sidewalks Project (CIP #41606), approving Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Engineering Services in an amount not to exceed \$39,184.72 with Dewberry Engineers Inc. and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same, authorizing the City Engineer to execute a Notice of Completion, and authorizing the Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance to release remaining retention for the said project.*

*The motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Gotberg and passed by the following roll-call vote:*

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

**12.8 Consider Retroactively Approving and Affirming a Salary Schedule Effective January 4, 2025 with the International Union of Operating Engineers and Regular Non-Sworn Positions within the Confidential Employee Unit, Executive Management Employee Unit, and the Supervisory Employee Unit (Mr. Warren)**

**Resolution No. 9412**

*The Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance explained the report. No public comment was received. It was moved by Councilmember Neau that the City Council adopt a resolution retroactively approving and affirming a salary schedule effective January 4, 2025, with the International Union of Operating Engineers and regular non-sworn positions within the Confidential Employee Unit, Executive Management Employee Unit, and the Supervisory Employee Unit.*

*The motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Gotberg and passed by the following roll-call vote:*

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

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

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

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

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

*With concurrence from the City Council, Councilmember Neau requested staff to bring back recommendations regarding the evaluation of the Center Street Parking Garage for potential public parking on the third floor.*

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

#### **15.1 Receive and File February 2025 Police Report – Stats (Chief Wren)**

*The report was received and filed.*

#### **15.2 Receive and File February 2025 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 2025 (Mr. Cahill)**

*The report was received and filed.*



*No public comments were received.*

*The City Engineer announced that the City of Placerville 2025 ADA Transition Plan is available for public review as of March 25, 2025, which can be located on the City website. She also mentioned there is an online survey available and comments will be collected until April 23, 2025. Following this date, a final document will be brought back to the City Council for approval.*

**16. UPCOMING ITEMS**

*Items tentatively scheduled for the next City Council meeting include: Proclamation for Child Abuse Prevention Month, Proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, Reservation Agreement for Mitigation Credits – Western Placerville Interchange Phase 2 and Upper Broadway Bike Lanes, Adoption of the Active Transportation Plan from El Dorado County Transportation Commission, Placerville Drive Pedestrian Connectivity – Request for Proposals for Construction Management Services and Authorize Bidding, Measure J Report, Investment Report, Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District Intent to Levy, CAD Formation Services Agreement (Broadband) with NBS, Broadband Construction Work Order, Water Reclamation Facility Janitorial Services, and Unrepresented Employee - Salary and Benefit Provision Resolutions*

**17. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:05 p.m.**

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting will be held on April 8, 2025, 4:30 P.M. Closed Session, 5:00 P.M. Regular Meeting.

Regina O'Connell, CPMC, City Clerk