

CITY OF UKIAH
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
CIVIC CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBERS
300 Seminary Avenue, Ukiah, CA 95482
Virtual Meeting Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81282548717>
March 5, 2025
5:15 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Ukiah City Council met at a Regular Meeting on March 5, 2025, having been legally noticed on February 28, 2025. The meeting was held in person and virtually at the following link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81282548717>. Mayor Crane called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m. Roll was taken with the following **Councilmembers Present:** Mari Rodin, Heather Criss, Juan V. Orozco, Susan Sher, and Douglas, F. Crane. **Staff Present:** Sage Sangiacomo, City Manager; David Rapport, City Attorney; and Araceli Sandoval, Deputy City Clerk.

MAYOR CRANE PRESIDING.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Crane.

3. AB 2449 NOTIFICATIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

4. PROCLAMATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

a. Community Partnership Update and Introduction of PG&E Government Liaison.

Presenters: Traci Boyl, Sr. Management Analyst to the City Manager's Office and Alison Talbott, PG&E Government Liaison.

No public comment was received.

Presentation was received.

5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Deputy City Clerk, Araceli Sandoval, stated that all communications had been distributed.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Approval of the Minutes for the February 19, 2025, Special Joint Meeting.

b. Approval of the Minutes for the February 19, 2025, Regular Meeting.

Motion/Second: Rodin/Sher to approve Special Joint and Regular meeting minutes of February 19, 2025, as submitted. Motion **carried** by the following roll call votes: AYES: Rodin, Criss, Orozco, Sher, and Crane. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

7. RIGHT TO APPEAL DECISION

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Authorize the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Purchase Order Change Order in the Amount of \$153,500 with Milsoft for Utility Billing for Ukiah Valley Water Authority Members – Finance.
- b. Adopt Resolution (2025-09) Amending Resolution 2025-07, "Ratifying the Proclamation of a Local Emergency Due to Ongoing Atmospheric Rivers Causing Damaging to Public Infrastructure," and Affirming that the Local Emergency Remains in Effect – City Manager.

- c. Adoption of an Ordinance Modifying Ukiah City Code to Preserve and Strengthen Agricultural Uses In and Around Ukiah Consistent with the Ukiah 2040 General Plan – *Community Development*.

ORDINANCE NO. 1253

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UKIAH AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF DIVISIONS 7 AND 9 OF THE CITY CODE TO REGULATE AGRICULTURAL USES AND CERTAIN CANNABIS BUSINESS STANDARDS.

- d. ~~Adoption of Resolution Reappointing Eric Crane and Randal S. Beckler to the Airport Commission – City Clerk – Pulled by Staff and placed as agenda item 14b.~~
- e. Assignment and Assumption Agreement (COU No. 2425-194) – Ukiah Valley Sanitation District and Willow County Water District – *Finance*.
- f. Approve the Purchase (PO No. 48781) of a Pierce-International 2100 Gallon Water Tender from Golden State Fire Apparatus for the amount of \$574,948.03, and Approval of Corresponding Budget Amendment – *Fire*.
- g. Notification of Change Order to Ghilotti Construction Inc. for Work Related to the Urban Core Project and Approval of Corresponding Budget Amendments – *Public Works*.
- h. Report of Contract with Placer Labs Inc. for an up to 3-Year Agreement for the Purpose of Demographic Data for Use by Multiple Departments – *City Manager*.

Motion/Second: Sher/Criss to approve Consent Calendar Items 8a-8c and 8e-8h, as submitted. Motion **carried** by the following roll call votes: AYES: Rodin, Criss, Orozco, Sher, and Crane. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

9. **AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Public Comment: Elise Cox – mic etiquette; and Maureen (surname inaudible) – crosswalk and intersection safety.

10. **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Presenters: Councilmembers Criss and Sher.

11. **CITY MANAGER/CITY CLERK REPORTS**

Presenters: Sage Sangiacomo, City Manager; and

- **Construction Update** – Tim Eriksen, Public Works Director / City Engineer.
- **Fire Hazard Severity Zones Update** – Craig Schlatter, Community Development Director.

12. **PUBLIC HEARINGS (5:30 PM)**

13. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. **Annual Military Equipment Report from Ukiah Police Department, in Compliance with California Assembly Bill No. 481.**

Presenter: Tom Corning, Police Captain.

No public comment was received.

Motion/Second: Orozco/Criss to receive and approve annual military equipment report. Motion **carried** by the following roll call votes: AYES: Rodin, Criss, Orozco, Sher, and Crane. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

b. Discussion with Possible Direction to Staff Regarding Alternatives for Completion of an Updated Historic Resources Survey and a City of Ukiah Historic Preservation Code.

Presenter: Craig Schlatter, Community Development Director.

Public Comment: Pinky Kushner.

RECESS: 6:53 - 7:03 P.M.

Public Comment: Holly Rodgers.

Motion/Second: Rodin/Orozco to create a Historic Preservation Code Ad Hoc consisting of Councilmembers Sher and Criss. Motion **carried** by the following roll call votes: AYES: Rodin, Criss, Orozco, Sher, and Crane. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

c. Presentation of City's Audited Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and Audit Reports for the Year Ended June 30, 2024.

Presenter: Dan Buffalo, Finance Director.

No public comment was received.

Report was received.

d. Second Quarter Financial Report and Mid-Year Budget Review.

Presenter: Dan Buffalo, Finance Director.

No public comment was received.

Report was received.

e. Status Report on Emergency Contract with Diamond D Construction, LLC for the Emergency Repair of the Western Hills Mudslide at the City Water Tank (Pressure Zone 1-North, or PZ1-N) and Request for Authorization to Continue Work Under This Emergency Contract.

Presenter: Sage Sangiacomo, City Manager.

No public comment was received.

Motion/Second: Rodin/Criss to receive report and approve the continued work on the emergency contract with Diamond D Construction for the emergency repair of the Western Hills mudslide at the City water tank PZI-N. Motion **carried** by the following roll call votes: AYES: Rodin, Criss, Orozco, Sher, and Crane. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

14. NEW BUSINESS

a. Receive Updates on City Council Committee and Ad Hoc Assignments and, if Necessary, Consider Modifications to Assignments and/or the Creation/Elimination of Ad hoc(s).

Presenter: Sage Sangiacomo, City Manager.

Motion/Second: Sher/Criss to create a Fire Severity Ad Hoc consisting of Councilmembers Rodin and Orozco. Motion **carried** by the following roll call votes: AYES: Rodin, Criss, Orozco, Sher, and Crane. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

Note: Special Assignments list with new modifications is attached.

b. Adoption of Resolution Reappointing Eric Crane and Randal S. Beckler to the Airport Commission – from Consent Calendar Item 8d.

Presenter: Araceli Sandoval, Deputy City Clerk.

RECESS: 8:49 – 8:52 P.M.

No public comment was received.

Motion/Second: Sher/Rodin to adopt Resolution (2025-10) reappointing Eric Crane and Randal S. Beckler to the Airport Commission. Motion **carried** by the following roll call votes: AYES: Rodin, Criss, Orozco, Sher, and Crane. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:58 P.M.

15. CLOSED SESSION

a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4))

Initiation of litigation (4 cases)

b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))

Name of case: Vichy Springs Resort v. City of Ukiah, Et Al; Case No. SCUk-CVPT-2018-70200

c. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))

Name of case: Vichy Springs Resort, Inc v. City of Ukiah, et al.; Case No. 24-cv-07106-JSC

d. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))

Name of case: Russian River Keepers et al. v. City of Ukiah, Case No. SCUk-CVPT-20-74612

e. Conference Involving a Joint Powers Agency (Inland Water and Power Commission)

City representative on IWPC Board (Mari Rodin)

Discussion will concern: (Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov't Code §54956.8)

Property: PG&E Potter Valley Project;

Agency Negotiators: Scott Shapiro, Janet Pauli.

Negotiating Parties: IWPC and PG&E

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms)

f. Conference with Labor Negotiator (54957.6)

Agency Designated Representative: Sage Sangiacomo, City Manager

Employee Organizations: All bargaining units

Unrepresented Employee: Police Chief

No action reported; direction provided to Staff.

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.



Araceli Sandoval, Deputy City Clerk