

CITY OF WEED CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 10, 2025

The City Council of the City of Weed held a regular meeting on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Darrell Parham called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Mayor Parham, were Council Members Mark Mazzoni via zoom, Ken Palfini, and Melissa Whetstine. Also present were Acting City Manager and Police Chief Justin Mayberry, City Attorney David Ruderman, Finance Director Jill Porterfield, Public Works Director Chris Davis, Assistant Fire Chief Brian Carter, and City Clerk Sandra Duchi

Council Member Palfini moved to excuse Council Member Virasonh. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:

AYES: Council Member Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine

NONES: None

ABSCENT: Council Member Virasonh

III. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA/URGENCY ITEMS

Council Member Palfini moved to accept the agenda as posted. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

IV. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

James Striegel spoke in support of a 4/20 festival.

V. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Council Member Palfini moved to adjourn to closed session. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

VI. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Public Employee Appointment (\$54957)
City Manager

VII. ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION

Council Member Palfini moved to return to open session. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

Mayor Parham announced there was no reportable action.

VIII. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Council Member Mazzoni thanked staff for accommodating his attendance via zoom. Council Member Palfini attended an RCAC meeting at the Community Center, and announced the Family Fun Day is April 19, 2025, at Bel Air Park and is free to all. Council Member Parham attended the Loa New Years celebration, stated it was very well attended and encouraged citizens to support the Chinese Auction Saturday April 12, 2025.

IX. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- A. Kory Hayden from the Siskiyou County Economic Development Council reported on projects and services offered by the SCEDC.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Parham read the consent agenda, asked for public comment, and asked if any member would like to pull any items from the consent agenda. There were none.

- A. By Motion, considered adopting Resolution No. 08-2025 Awarding the Boles and Mill Street Rehabilitation Project to J.F. Shea and authorizing the Mayor or City Manager to enter into the contract.
- B. By Motion, considered approving contract amendments for City Attorney.
- C. By Motion, considered approving minutes from March 13, 2025, Regular Meeting, and March 24, 2025,

Special Meeting.

D. By Motion, considered approving payment warrants dated 03/25/25 including any voided warrants totaling \$464,448.99.

E. By Motion, considered approving and filing the month end report for March 2025.

Council Member Palfini moved to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

XI. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. **Finance** – By Motion, Council considered adopting Resolution No. 09-2025 approving Mid-Year Budget Adjustments for Fiscal Year 24-25. Finance Director Porterfield presented the staff report. Council Members questions were asked and answered. Council Member Palfini moved to adopt Resolution No. 09-2025. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

B. **Fire** – By Motion, Council considered approving the Weed Volunteer Fire Department apply for the Volunteer Fire Capacity Grant due May 5, 2025; 50/50 Match up to \$10,000.00. Assistant Fire Chief presented the staff report. Council Members questions were asked and answered. Mayor Parham moved to approve the Fire Department applying for the Volunteer Fire Capacity Grant. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

Mayor Parham recused himself from Items C, D, and E.

C. **Public Safety – Special Event Encroachment Permit** - by Motion, Council considered approval of special event encroachment permit, pending receipt of insurance, for the closure of Main Street from 0800 May 17, 2025 until 1800 May 18, 2025, (34 consecutive hours), and waivers of WMC 9.16.010 and 9.16.030 for outside sale and consumption of alcohol within the event boundaries for the Weed Chamber of Commerce Steampunk Festival, and approve a “No Parking” on Clay street along the west curb during the event closure times. (*Insurance is due to the City 15 days before the event). Police Chief Mayberry presented the staff report. Council Members questions were asked and answered. Council Member Whetstine moved to approve the encroachment permit. Council Member seconded the motion but made a friendly amendment to include conditions required and requested the approval to be a conditional approval. Council Member Whetstine accepted the friendly amendment, and the roll call vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

D. **Public Safety – Special Event Encroachment Permit** - by Motion, Council considered approval of special event encroachment permit to close a portion of the City parking lot at the North corner of E. Inez Street and Clay Street from 0900 April 15, 2025, until 2100 April 20, 2025, for the One Year Anniversary of Goldenhour Collective. (The city did not receive a request to waive WMC 9.16.010 and 9.16.030, so outdoor sales and consumption of alcohol are prohibited. Outdoor consumption of cannabis is prohibited.) Police Chief Mayberry presented the staff report. Council Members questions were asked and answered. Council Member Palfini moved to deny approval of the encroachment permit. Council Member Mazzoni seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

E. **Public Safety – Special Event Encroachment Permit** – By Motion, Council reviewed and considered possible revocation of the Encroachment Permit conditionally approved March 13, 2024 based on stipulation set by the council, and consider new Encroachment Permit for La Florista at 242 Main Street for the closure of a 150 feet of Main Street at 242, and 218 Main Street for an outdoor and interior event between the hours of 0700 to 2100* on 4/20/25. (*times taken from map) The city did not receive a request to waive WMC 9.16.010 and 9.16.030, so outdoor sales and consumption of alcohol are prohibited. Outdoor consumption of cannabis is prohibited. Police Chief Mayberry presented the staff report. Elizabeth Tabor, owner of La Florista commented in support of her event and on the modifications

made to the original plan. Council Member Whetstine moved to revoke the conditionally approved encroachment permit. Council Member Mazzoni substituted with a timeline extension that died due to lack of a second. Council Member Palfini seconded the first motion to revoke, and the roll call vote was:
AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, and Whetstine.
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

- F. **Public Safety – Road Closure**, Council will considered request by staff for temporary “No Parking” along the west curb of Clay Street on 4/20/2025. Council Member Palfini moved to table the item. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:
AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine.
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

XII. STAFF REPORTS

Fire reported the department received 55 calls for service last month, has interviewed two applicants for the Weed Fire Department, and has attended training at College of the Siskiyous. Public Works thanked citizens in the College Ave. area for being patient during the construction and reported one applicant is in background for the Building Inspector position. Police reported 1954 incidents in March, 44 cases, and 21 arrests, and recommended review of our encroachment permit process, Family Fun Day is April 19, 2025, at Bel Air Park. The City Clerk reported an encroachment permit ordinance has been submitted to the City Counsel for review and recommendation and there will be a Planning Commission meeting April 10, 2025.

Council Member Palfini moved to adjourn to closed session at 7:45pm. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:
AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine.
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Public Employee Appointment (§54957)
City Manager

XIV. ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION

Announcement of action taken, if any, by the City Council in Closed Session required by the Ralph. M. Brown Act (Gov. Code, §§ 54950 et seq.)

Mayor Parham moved to adjourn to open session at 8:35pmm. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:
AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine.
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

There was no reportable action.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Palfini moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was:
AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, and Whetstine.
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Virasonh

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Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk