



MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FLYNN CENTER
981 H STREET
CRESCENT CITY, CA 95531

Tuesday January 19, 2010 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order Mayor Schellong convened the open session at 6:02 p.m.

Roll Call Council Members present: Burns, Westfall, Slert, and Mayor Schellong
Council Members absent: Murray
Others present: City Manager Rod Butler, Deputy City Clerk Robin Patch, Deputy City Attorney Martha Rice, Public Works Director Jim Barnts, Police Chief Doug Plack, City Planner/Economic Development Specialist Michele Rambo, and Pool Manager Matt Hildebrant

Pledge of Allegiance Council Member Burns

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

1. CLOSED SESSION

- Existing Litigation (Gov't Code § 54956.9 subdivision (a)) (Five cases: Sanches vs. City of Crescent City, USDC CV08-1395; Barber vs. City of Crescent City, USDC Northern District of California, Case #08-CV-04883-WDB; Misti Cardenas vs. City of Crescent City, et. al., USDC CV08-4053; Brian Strom vs. City of Crescent City, USDC Case #CV08-4708; Sanches vs. City of Crescent City, USDC CV08-5663)
- Potential Litigation (Gov't Code § 54956.9 subdivision (b)) (Two cases)

Mayor Schellong opened the closed session at 4:59 p.m. All Council Members were present with the exception of Council Member Murray, who was absent due to an illness. There was no public comment on closed session items. At 5:30 p.m., Council Member Westfall excused herself from the Closed Session due to a conflict of interest. The Closed Session was adjourned at 5:47 p.m. Deputy Attorney Martha Rice reported on one final action from the Closed Session the Council voted 4-0, to refund the sewer fees paid by Shirley O'Neil for the years 2007/2008.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS – none

Mayor Schellong expressed her appreciation for Sylvia Bos' service to Crescent City as a part of the Planning Commission.

CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Approval of the regular minutes of the January 4, 2010 Crescent City Council meeting.

3. Approval of warrant claims list for the period January 5, through January 19, 2010.
4. Approval of biweekly payroll reports for the period ending January 2, 2010, paid January 8, 2010.

Council Member Slert pointed out that on page 7, second paragraph, second sentence stated “he” instead of “she”, and that he felt a paragraph on page 8 seemed out of context, however, Mayor Schellong clarified that it was in reference to the Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Board’s interest in having a tour of the facility. Finally – it was indicated that “Council Member Burns” took the tour of the Plant, however it was Council Member Slert.

On a motion by Council Member Slert, seconded by Council Member Burns and unanimously carried 3-1, with Council Member Westfall voting no, the City Council of the City of Crescent City approved and adopted the consent calendar, consisting of items 2-4, with changes noted.

ADJOURN TO HOUSING AUTHORITY – all members in attendance, except Murray

5. See attached agenda. (Susie Mendez) – Housing Director Mendez was out due to illness.

The regular session was recessed and immediately convened as the Housing Authority at 6:07 p.m. All four Council members were still present.

There were no public comments.

On a motion by Council Member Slert, seconded by Council Member Burns and unanimously carried 4-0, the City Council of the City of Crescent City approved and adopted the consent calendar, consisting of items 1-2.

ADJOURN TO CRESCENT CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

6. See attached agenda. (Rod Butler)

The Housing Authority session was recessed and immediately convened as the Redevelopment Agency at 6:07 p.m. All four Council members were still present.

On a motion by Council Member Slert, seconded by Council Member Burns and unanimously carried 4-0, the City Council of the City of Crescent City approved and adopted the consent calendar, consisting of items 1-2.

There were no public comments.

City Manager Rod Butler had nothing to report on behalf of the RDA, however, states that exciting news is to come.

The meeting reconvened at 6:08 p.m. as the City of Crescent City City Council.

PUBLIC HEARING(S) – none

NOTE: If you challenge the decision of the City Council in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing. (Gov't Code § 65009)

7. REPORTS

Reports relative to the City of Crescent City programs and projects, from staff or outside agencies.

- Gina Zottola, Executive Director of City of Crescent City/Del Norte County Chamber of Commerce – Quarterly report

Ms. Zottola, advised that they will have their annual dinner on January 30, 2010, starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Cultural Center. Their Economic Summit will be held on Saturday, March 27, 2010, from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. It is still in the works; therefore the Council will hear more details in the coming months. She advised that Dennis Mullins, from the EDD, will be speaking at the event and will be providing good information in regards to our County and how we fare with the rest of the state. She reports that in the month of October, there was an 8.5% increase in visitors to our community who stopped in at the Visitors' Bureau. In November, the Visitors' Bureau saw a 10% increase in visitors and in December there was a 8.62% increase. Ms. Zottola stated that 293 visitor packets were mailed out in the month of October, which was approximately a 230% increase. In November, there was a 468% increase, and in December an increase of 108%. She stated that these numbers are attributed to the Visitors' Bureau and their marketing mainly through Sunset magazine. Mayor Schellong asked if any of the Visitors' Bureau information was downloadable to save money on postage – it is not. They charge \$6 for a larger packet of information for people. Relocation packets were down across the board however, this could be due to our current weather. She thanked the Council for their continued support of the Chamber of Commerce.

COMMUNICATIONS

- **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** - Any member of the audience is invited to address the City Council on any matter that is within the jurisdiction of the City of Crescent City. Comments of public interest or on matters appearing on the agenda are accepted. Note, however, that the Council is not able to undertake extended discussion or act on non-agendized items. Such items can be referred to staff for appropriate action, which may include placement on a future agenda. **After receiving recognition from the Mayor, please state your name and city or county residency for the record. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes.**

The following citizen made a comment: Erik Apperson, County resident, stated that he has served the Police Department for nine years, as well as being the Crescent City Police Officers Association President. He stated that he has been involved in the three past labor contract negotiations on behalf of the CCPD. He comes on behalf of the Crescent City Police Officers stated that both City Manager Rod Butler and Laura Haban were a pleasure to work with and communicated both efficiently and professionally. They relayed to the bargaining unit that the Crescent City Police Officers are appreciated and are important employees to the Crescent City workforce. He wanted to thank the Mayor,

the Council, the City Manager, and all that were involved in the process. Mayor Schellong stated her appreciation for the Police Department and that it has been her priority since she took office and that this Council 'echoes her sentiments'. She felt that the old salary rates were not in line with the service the Police Officers provide to our community, therefore, were pleased to give them a better standard of living. Mayor Schellong made a motion to put an emergency agenda item on tonight's agenda. The City of Crescent City's Fred Endert Municipal Pool will be having its renovation anniversary on February 7th. She would like a new item of business under "New Business" for this Council to consider a "free swim day" in honor and celebration its one year anniversary. This would also be a thank-you to our community, City staff, and local Promote Our Pool (POP) foundation for their extreme efforts to move the renovation forward. Council Member Burns seconded the motion.

On a motion by Mayor Schellong, seconded by Council Member Burns, the City of Crescent City City Council approved to put an emergency item on the agenda for a free swim day in celebration of the one year anniversary of the renovation of Fred Endert Municipal Pool.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

8. Consider and discuss second reading of Ordinance No. 751, entitled AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING ZONING CODE AMENDMENT 09-03, CREATING ZONING CODE CHAPTER 17.41 (LANDSCAPING) TO INCLUDE A WATER-EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE ORDINANCE AS MANDATED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. (Michele Rambo)

There were no public comments.

On a motion by Council Member Slert, seconded by Council Member Burns, and carried on a 4-0 polled vote, the City of Crescent City Council adopted Ordinance No. 751, entitled AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING ZONING CODE AMENDMENT 09-03, CREATING ZONING CODE CHAPTER 17.41 (LANDSCAPING) TO INCLUDE A WATER-EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE ORDINANCE AS MANDATED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Both Council Members Burns and Slert stated that this Ordinance is inappropriate for our area.

9. Consider and introduce for first reading, waive full reading and introduce by title only, Ordinance No. 752, entitled, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRESCENT CITY, DEL NORTE COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, FINDING THE APPROVAL OF ZONING CODE AMENDMENT 09-01 EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15308 OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT GUIDELINES, AND ADOPTING ZONING CODE AMENDMENT 09-01 TO AMEND THE CITY'S ZONING CODE TO 1) REVISE CHAPTER 17.04 (DEFINITIONS) OF THE ZONING CODE ADDING DEFINITIONS RELATIVE TO SMALL WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEMS, AND 2) REPLACE EXPIRED CHAPTER 17.48.040 (SMALL WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS) WITH CHAPTER 17.48.040 (SMALL WIND ENERGY

CONVERSION SYSTEMS) Waive the full reading and read by title only and take other action as necessary and appropriate. (Michele Rambo)

City Planner Michele Rambo stated that this Ordinance is the same one that had been brought before them previously as the Planning Commission sent the Ordinance back to the Council with no changes. Planning Commissioner Kirk Roberts stated that the Planning Commission is following the guidelines set by the Coastal Commission. Mayor Schellong stated that if the Coastal Commission is in agreement that they do not have jurisdiction over our view shed, then why couldn't we take that out of this Ordinance? Mr. Roberts stated that it was a staff comment, not from the Coastal Commission itself. Discussion was held regarding the steps that would have to be taken in order to change the Ordinance. Mr. Roberts stated that the Planning Commission had worked very hard on this Ordinance and any request for these wind systems would be thoroughly evaluated by the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission tried very hard to strike a balance and understand that not everyone can be pleased with their decision. Planning Commissioner Richard Enea stated that he agreed with Mr. Roberts comments. He reminded the Council of the manufacturer's recommendations and they would handle these issues case by case. Mayor Schellong is concerned with the jurisdiction outside of the Coastal Zone and felt it should be removed from the Ordinance. Discussion followed regarding the segment in the Ordinance that dealt with the Coastal Zone. Kirk Roberts stated that it is the intention of the Coastal Commission to have more control over the wind farms, not necessarily what is being discussed for Crescent City. Council Member Slert stated that his concerns are serious and he felt that there are loopholes that haven't been clarified. He does, however, appreciate the work that the Planning Commission has done. It is dynamic and is about "striking a balance". Since we were recently recognized as one of the 20 prettiest cities by Forbes Magazine, he is concerned about the density within the city and the potential visual pollution. He is interested in the City and County working together and what it that might achieve. Mayor Schellong asked Council Member Slert how he would like to move forward, and he stated that he would like to deny the Small Wind Energy Systems at this time. Council Member Westfall would like to see a wind farm in Crescent City. Mayor Schellong stated that a wind farm could never be in place in Crescent City limits, however, could be a possibility for the County and that is something that the City and County can discuss in the future. Council Member Burns stated that he doesn't want to separate ourselves from the County and it wouldn't make sense for the City to create one standard and another one for the County. His concern is "adjacent lands" and he would like to have a meeting with the County and see what their ideas are for the wind towers, etc. He is in disagreement to send it back to the Planning Commission since they have worked so hard on it, however, does not want to pass it right now. Mayor Schellong stated that it is a work in progress and asked if City Planner has been in discussion with the County – Ms. Rambo stated that she has been in discussion with the County, but due to recent job changes within the County's Planning Department, it has not been a high priority for them.

The following citizens made comments: Bill Lonsdale referenced an email that he had sent to the Council this past weekend. He hopes that the Council takes serious consideration his proposal. Kirk Roberts, wants to know when the Planning Commission gets their first application for the wind towers – do they decline the application and turn it over to the Council for an appeal? He would like the Council to

come back to the Planning Commission with suggestions on what to change on the Ordinance and feels there should be no problem for the Council approving this Ordinance tonight. Council Member Slert asks for the Council to table this Ordinance until every issue is clarified. Council Member Burns stated that the direction he would give would be to look at prohibited regions and coastal scenic resource areas and that nothing should be seen from those areas. He would also like to see fewer restrictions on whether someone could have a wind system in their front yard when their back yard may be too small for one. Mayor Schellong stated that she does not want to tie the Planning Commission's hands and leave them with nothing, but at the same time she has very rarely seen anything to be sent back to the Planning Commission while she's been in office. Council Member Burns stated that he would like to have the part outlining the Coastal Commission's jurisdiction removed from the Ordinance and have it amended as seen fit in the future.

On a motion by Council Member Burns, seconded by Council Member Westfall, and carried on a 3-1 polled vote, with Council Member Slert voting no, the City of Crescent City Council adopted Ordinance No. 752, entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRESCENT CITY, DEL NORTE COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, FINDING THE APPROVAL OF ZONING CODE AMENDMENT 09-01 EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15308 OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT GUIDELINES, AND ADOPTING ZONING CODE AMENDMENT 09-01 TO AMEND THE CITY'S ZONING CODE TO 1) REVISE CHAPTER 17.04 (DEFINITIONS) OF THE ZONING CODE ADDING DEFINITIONS RELATIVE TO SMALL WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEMS, AND 2) REPLACE EXPIRED CHAPTER 17.48.040 (SMALL WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS) WITH CHAPTER 17.48.040 (SMALL WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEMS) WITH THE OMISSION OF D3.

NEW BUSINESS

10a. *Emergency item for the agenda* –Discuss and give direction to staff regarding a free swim day in celebration of the one year anniversary of the renovation of Fred Endert Municipal Pool, or take other action as necessary.

Mayor Schellong stated that February 7th will be the one year anniversary of the renovation of the pool, and the Promote Our Pool (POP) Organization has done a great job moving the project forward. The Mayor would like the Council to approve to open the pool on a Sunday and it would be an open swim session for the community that included bottled water and fruit. Pool Supervisor Matt Hildebrandt stated that due to the Super Bowl, POP would like to have this celebration on February 21st. He would like the Council to decide on having tickets or first come first serve basis. Mayor Schellong stated that tickets would be more appropriate so children aren't turned away at the door. Mr. Hildebrandt stated that accommodations for children have been made in the past and it is a workable situation. This event will be advertised several weeks in advance. Mr. Hildebrandt will not be available that day, however, is certain he will have staffing available to cover the event.

Council Member Westfall left the dais at 6:56 p.m.

The following citizens made comments: Connie McDonald stated that POP wanted to sponsor a live-remote with Bicoastal Media to promote this.

On a motion by Council Member Slert, seconded by Council Member Burns, and carried unanimously 3-0, the City of Crescent City Council approved a free swim day on February 21, 2010, from 1-3 p.m. and 3-5 p.m.

10. Consider and appoint Blake Inscore, Sr., to fill a vacant seat on the City's Planning Commission for a term ending May 2013. (Michele Rambo)

Mayor Schellong stated that she was able to meet Mr. Inscore at City Hall and was pleased with his experience and disposition. Council Member Westfall returned to the dais at 6:59. City Planner Michele Rambo stated that she is sure that the Council would be pleased with Mr. Inscore's placement on the Planning Commission.

On a motion by Council Member Slert, seconded by Council Member Burns, and carried unanimously 4-0, the City of Crescent City Council appointed Blake Inscore, Sr., to fill a vacant seat on the City's Planning Commission for a term ending May 2013.

11. Receive the 2009 Tri-Agency Economic Development Authority report from the Executive Director. (Bill Renfroe)

Mr. Renfroe showed the Council a power-point presentation to outline the Tri-Agency's annual report. The Harbor received a considerable amount of money from the CDBG, \$26-28 million for the harbor. The completion of the airport fencing, and runway safety areas project will attract more carriers to our area, he is pleased about its rapid completion. He is also pleased with the matter of addressing the curves on Hwy 199 that will allow larger trucks to enter our community. In regards .com matter, the project is moving right along and will allow for high tech industry into our community. The new micro enterprise loan program was established and to date they have funded 3 new businesses. Additionally, the Tri-Agency finally has its own office at 501 H St. Collier Suite as well as a website of www.tri-agency.com. Currently in the planning stage is a small business and career fair, shop & dine Del Norte. Mr. Renfroe would also like to bring back the "CC Crab Wine and Cheese Festival 2010" and had an official request to the City to sponsor the event. City Manager Rod Butler stated that they are working on sponsorships as well as expenses that may be incurred by the City. Discussion was held in regards to the many facets of the festival. Mr. Renfroe also discussed the progress towards the Elk Valley Rancheria's Destination Resort and the positive benefit it will have to our community. Council Member Westfall asked if Alber Seafood would be having their waste go through the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and if so, would this create a problem with clogging our system? Mr. Renfroe answered that no agreement has been made yet, but it is in the works, and that 'no' there would not be an issue with their food waste clogging our system. Council Member Slert applauds Mr. Renfroe's report and is in support of the Crab Wine and Cheese Festival and felt it was "a celebration of local Crescent City at our best". Mayor Schellong advised the public of the Tri-Agency's position in this community and how it's governed. She outlined Director Renfroe's

position as a part of the Tri-Agency and that she is in support of the economic development of Crescent City as it'll bring us progress and create jobs.

The following citizens made comments: Jodi Mangum expressed her concern over Alber Seafood's food waste being processed by the Wastewater Treatment Plant and asked if the City has been fined for it yet? Mayor Schellong stated that Alber Seafood has not been a customer of the City, therefore, the City has not been fined. Public Works Director Jim Barnts clarified that the Harbor has their own permit, they do use our outfall, however, no fines have been charged to the City – if there would be fines, it would be charged to the Harbor, not to the City.

12. Consider and approve the proposed MOA to establish North Coast Local Agency Coastal Coordination Committee. (Rod Butler)

City Manager Rod Butler advised the Council that the MOA that is before them tonight is one that has been before them before. This Committee would include Del Norte County, City of Crescent City, Humboldt County, and Mendocino County, as well as several cities and agencies within those counties. The focus is to create a forum where agencies from all three of the aforementioned counties can work cooperatively on issues that affect primarily coastal resource issues – i.e.: the Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) initiative, Regional Coastal Sentiment Management, ocean energy, etc. Currently there is no tri-county cooperative agency like this that will allow such cooperation. The Council supported it at the time, 4-0 with Council Member Murray voting no, however, Mr. Butler stated that the issues she had previously with this matter have been resolved. Mayor Schellong stated that she and Council Member Murray had attended the local MLPA meeting and was pleased with the outcome of the meeting. She stated that people from outside of our area told her that Del Norte County was what the whole MPA process was looking at as we have been successful in working together as a joint front.

There were no public comments.

On a motion by Council Member Burns, seconded by Council Member Slert, and carried unanimously 4-0, the City of Crescent City Council approved the proposed MOA to join the North Coast Local Agency Coastal Coordination Committee, and authorize City Manager Rod Butler to complete and execute the MOA, as well as the Mayor designating a Council Member to serve with City Manager Rod Butler as representatives for the City of Crescent City.

13. Consider and approve an amended Agreement for Legal Services between the City of Crescent City and McDonough Holland & Allen PC (Rod Butler)

City Manager Butler stated that in the fall of 2007, Bob Black was selected to be the City's primary legal representative. However, a supplemental firm was selected, McDonough Holland & Allen PC, and they are currently our Redevelopment Law experts. Mr. Butler explained the importance of having a back-up firm – being that a small community such as ours does not have specialists in certain areas of the law. He stated that there will be times that City Attorney Black will need to excuse himself from matters that are a conflict of interest, therefore the need for outside Counsel.

Council Member Slert asked if we could ask for estimates for proposed services? Mayor Schellong stated that Mr. Butler has been given an allowance for these services and if any proposals go over that amount it is brought before the Council. Council Member Westfall asked if this contract would keep us from going to other lawfirms? No – we can go to another firm in regards to the expertise. Council Member Burns is pleased with the firm.

There were no public comments.

On a motion by Council Member Slert, seconded by Council Member Burns, and carried on a 4-0 polled vote, the City of Crescent City Council approved an amended Agreement for Legal Services between the City of Crescent City and McDonough Holland & Allen PC.

14. Receive update regarding the lighting of the two Hwy 101 welcome signs. (Jim Barnts)

Public Works Director Jim Barnts reported on the lighting on the welcome signs. He stated that the north sign is not as attractive as the south side. He asked the Council for direction on which sign needs to be focused on, lighting, landscaping, etc. Currently, Public Works is considering pedestal signs. Mayor Schellong gave credit to Council Member Westfall and her decision to have the signs to be painted. She further stated that having something that represents our community would be nice, such as river rocks, an outline of the lighthouse, for example. Council Member Westfall would like to see more improvements to the signs and areas surrounding it. Council Member Burns stated that he would like to see it budgeted. Mayor Schellong appointed Council Member Slert to work along with Public Works to create an attractive sign for our community, create a budget, and bring it before the Council at the upcoming Budget Session.

There were no public comments.

15. Receive update and approve appropriations for improvements to the spa at the Fred Endert Municipal Pool. (Eric Wier)

Public Works Director Jim Barnts went into detail about keeping the Ph stable in the spa. The recommendation is to get bigger containers for the CO2 and different controllers. These larger containers will last one month instead of a few days. The cost of these controllers and tanks is \$16,000 and Promote Our Pool (POP) will contribute a bit over \$7,000 towards the cost. Mr. Barnts felt this will continue to keep the spa running effectively. Council Member Westfall asked how much the contractor was paid for the design? It was clarified by both Mayor Schellong and Jim Barnts that this was not a design, it was a remodel. Mayor Schellong stated her appreciation for POP. Council Member Slert asked what type of usage we get from the Therapy Pool, Pool Manager Matt Hildebrant stated that it is closed often, but he estimated 15-20 people a day would like to use the facility.

The following citizens made comments: Dr. Sankus, stated that he uses the pool often and appreciates it. He stated that the Council should look into the design as he felt it is faulty. Jodi Mangum asked how much the spa cost. Rich Enea, a member of the

POP committee, stated that he was on the Council when the pool was approved. The Council's intent was to stay within budget with grant money the City had received as well as the fundraising money POP provided. Mayor Schellong stated that the architect stated that he designed it so long ago it was a moot point to remodel it now. Council Member Slert feels it is appropriate to fund these improvements so every aspect of the facility can be utilized.

On a motion by Council Member Slert, seconded by Council Member Burns, and carried on a 4-0 polled vote, the City of Crescent City Council approved appropriations for improvements to the spa at the Fred Endert Municipal Pool.

16. Review and adopt a Revised Travel and Expense Policy and Resolution.
RESOLUTION NO. 2010-01 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRESCENT CITY, CALIFORNIA ADOPTING AN EXPENSE AND USE OF PUBLIC RESOURCES POLICY STATEMENT. (Ken McDonald)

Finance Director Ken McDonald stated that the IRS had changed the travel policy and funds allowed for mileage for 2010. It has been reduced to 50 cent a mile and medical moving rate to 16 cents a mile. The purpose is to encourage employees to use cars from the municipal pool instead of their own personal vehicles. This Resolution is an attempt to blend the rules for City employees and City Council Members. Discussion followed in regards to travelling for City business for an extended period of time and the ability to have family accompany City employees. City Manager Rod Butler stated that he will review travel claims carefully and when necessary, encourage employees to use pool vehicles.

There were no public comments.

On a motion by Council Member Slert, seconded by Council Member Burns, and carried on a 3-1 polled vote, with Mayor Schellong voting no, the City of Crescent City Council adopted RESOLUTION NO. 2010-01 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRESCENT CITY, CALIFORNIA ADOPTING AN EXPENSE AND USE OF PUBLIC RESOURCES POLICY STATEMENT.

17. Select dates and times for the 2010 Town Hall meeting and the FY 2009/2010 mid-year budget review. (Rod Butler)

City Manager Rod Butler stated that Mayor Schellong would like to have a Town Hall meeting the first quarter of 2010. Mr. Butler wanted to update the Council on a few projects that started as a result of the 2009 Town Hall meeting. Council Member Slert and Public Works Director Jim Barnts have been in discussions about Beachfront Park master planning, Front Street design, and the downtown area as a whole. The Council decided that March 20th at 9am, the location will be at the Washington Street Fire Hall. Mayor Schellong gave kudos to Council Member Slert for his designs in regards to the future look of Front Street. She also stated that she wanted the community to know that Council Member Slert does these designs free of charge as he sincerely loves our community. Mayor Schellong went into detail about last year's Town Hall meeting. She stated that Chief Plack will be bringing forward a Panhandling Ordinance at our next meeting that will help our community. Council Member Slert stated that he is appreciative of the outcome of last year's Town Hall

meeting and expresses his feelings on how important it is to stay connected to the members of our community. His hope for the future Town Hall meeting is to not have too many items on our “to do list” and to commit to things that can be completed. Mayor Schellong stated a commitment that was made to those in attendance at last year’s meeting, was that a report be created summarizing the meeting. Mr. Butler mailed this report to every person that attended the 2009 Town Hall meeting as well as putting it on the City’s website. Mr. Butler stated that Finance Director Ken McDonald is working on the mid-year Budget review. This will be held as a Special Budget Study Session. Mayor Schellong stated that having a meeting separate from a Council meeting would be more beneficial. The Council decided to hold the Workshop Feb. 8th at 5:00 p.m. to be held at the I St. Fire Hall.

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

- **Legislative Matters** – Consider miscellaneous legislative matters pertinent to the City of Crescent City. Authorize the Mayor to sign the appropriate letters and/or positions with respect to such matters
- **Reports, Concerns, Referrals, Council travel and training reports** – In accordance with Gov’t Code § 54954.2(a), City Council Members may make brief announcements or brief reports on their own activities. They may ask questions for clarification, make a referral to staff or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda
- Pursuant to Crescent City Municipal Code § 2.08.200, the City Council may instruct the city manager on matters of importance to the administrative services of the city, and provide direction with respect to subordinates of the city manager. (Directives from individual Council Members that are not objected to by any member present shall be considered an order of the City Council.)

Mayor Schellong stated that tomorrow is the Coastal Cities meeting in Sacramento. An agenda item for that meeting is the Crescent City LCP, Local Coastal Permit. They find it interesting that the Coastal Commission was focusing on Crescent City to kick off their sea level rise initiative. City Planner Michele Rambo, Associate City Planner Eric Taylor, and City Manager Rod Butler will participate in this via conference call. Council Member Burns stated that the Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority (DNSWMA) meeting was held and they expect to have a contract by this June to award a contract for the next 7 years, with the option to renew. Council Member Burns reminded everyone that the joint City/County meeting will be on January 25th. Council Member Slert reported that he would like a follow up on the courthouse trees. Mr. Butler stated that he has been in contact with Mr. Unterkoefer and he had submitted a list of trees for the City. However, due to the earthquake in Eureka and it’s affects on the community, Mr. Unterkoefer has been focused on that. Council Member Slert would like an update on the costs of the recall and sewer rate initiative; Mr. Butler stated that the City has not received an invoice for the service yet as it is still ongoing. It was estimated to cost \$4,000. Council Member Slert stated that they had a very successful “Art Walk”. He further stated that there have been many suggestions on the whale bones and how to have them displayed. Council Member Slert addressed the matter of the recent failure of the recall of himself and Council Member Murray, which was defeated by a wide margin. He felt it was baseless, fact less, as well as retaliatory political move. The citizens have spoken by not signing the recall. He wanted to remind the City that we have faced five recalls in the first year by Ms. Westfall. He felt it is a gross misuse of the taxpayers’ money and that further costs are anticipated in legal fees. He felt that there is no benefit

to the City and it is time for the City to move forward to serve the citizens. Mayor Schellong congratulated Council Member Slert for his continued service to the City. Mayor Schellong a City/County/Rancheria 2x2 meeting was held to talk about the Rancheria project. It was exciting to hear that their plans are moving forward and they would like to have a ground breaking soon. This project will create 400 jobs for our community and Mayor Schellong is very encouraged. Mayor Schellong stated that Mr. LaMalfa and Mr. Keane had visited our area several times within the last six to nine months. They are currently running for Senate for our District. Mayor Schellong would like the community to get involved in the process. She is very encouraged that follow-throughs from the Town Hall meetings and she encouraged community to attend these Council meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn the meeting to the next regular scheduled meeting on February 1, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Schellong adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled meeting on February 1, 2010.

ATTEST:

By: Robin Patch, Deputy City Clerk
for Rod B. Butler City Clerk