

# CITY OF CRESCENT CITY

MAYOR RAY ALTMAN MAYOR PRO
COUNCIL MEMBER DARAN DOOLEY
COUNCIL MEMBER CANDACE TINKLER

MAYOR PRO TEM ISAIAH WRIGHT COUNCIL MEMBER JASON GREENOUGH

# **MINUTES**

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRESCENT CITY WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

210 BATTERY STREET CRESCENT CITY, CA 95531

MONDAY

**JULY 28, 2025** 

5:00 P.M.

## **OPEN SESSION**

Call to order

Mayor Altman called the meeting to order at 5:14 p.m.

Roll call

Council Members present: Council Member Daran Dooley, Council

Member Jason Greenough, Council Member Candace Tinkler, and Mayor

Ray Altman

<u>Staff members present:</u> City Manager Eric Wier, City Attorney Martha Rice, City Clerk/Administrative Analyst Robin Altman, IT/GIS Technician Taylor Patch, Finance Director Linda Leaver, and Public Works Director Dave

Yeager

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Altman

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# 1. Beachfront Park Tolowa Cultural Trail Project Contract Award

- Recommendation: Hear staff report
- Technical questions from the Council
- Receive public comment
- Further Council discussion
- Approve Cultural Gateway and Beautification Project Path of Culture and Interpretive Node Plans, dated 7/7/25
- Approve Beachfront Park Tolowa Cultural Trail Project Specifications
- Approve and authorize the City Manager to sign a contract with Tidewater Contracting for the construction of the Beachfront Park Tolowa Cultural Trail project
- Authorize the City Manager to approve and sign change orders in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$60,000 or a single change order not to exceed \$25,000
- Reaffirm staff's CEQA determination that the project is categorically exempt per CEQA guidelines Class 1 § 15301(a) – Existing Facilities and Class 3 § 15303 – New Construction

Public Works Director Yeager gave a detailed PowerPoint Presentation that outlined the project in full as well as the funding sources and amounts. Council Member Greenough asked if this project was prep work ahead of time; Director Yeager stated this project will be rocked and concreted. Council Member Tinkler asked if the City had to pay for the project upfront and then get reimbursed, or would the Mellon grant provide up front funding; City Manager Wier stated that we just received a check in the amount of \$500,000 from the Mellon Foundation. Director Yeager

clarified that the work under this particular contract is being funded by the Clean California Grant. City Manager Wier detailed what items of this project will be funded by the Mellon grant.

There were no members of the public present to address the Council on this item.

On a motion by Council Member Greenough, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wright and carried unanimously on a 5-0 polled vote, the City Council of the City of Crescent City Approved the Cultural Gateway and Beautification Project Path of Culture and Interpretive Node Plans, dated 7/7/25; approved the Beachfront Park Tolowa Cultural Trail Project Specifications; approved and authorized the City Manager to sign a contract with Tidewater Contracting for the construction of the Beachfront Park Tolowa Cultural Trail project; authorized the City Manager to approve and sign change orders in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$60,000 or a single change order not to exceed \$25,000; and reaffirmed staff's CEQA determination that the project is categorically exempt per CEQA guidelines Class 1 § 15301(a) – Existing Facilities and Class 3 § 15303 – New Construction.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Altman adjourned to closed session at 5:40 p.m.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Call to order Mayor Altman called the closed session to order at 5:40 p.m.

Roll call

<u>Council Members present:</u> Council Member Daran Dooley, Council Member Jason Greenough, Council Member Candace Tinkler, Mayor Pro Tem Isaiah Wright, and Mayor Ray Altman

<u>Staff members present:</u> City Manager Eric Wier, City Attorney Martha Rice, and City Clerk/Administrative Analyst Robin Altman

- Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(1)): Walter Meder v. City Council of Crescent City (DNSC Case No. CVCV-25-1069)
- Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation (Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(4)): Application of Water Meder to submit a late government claim.
- Conference with Labor Negotiator (Gov. Code § 54957.6): Agency Representative: Eric Wier, Employee Association: Crescent City Employees Association, Crescent City Management Employees Association, Clerical Employees of Crescent City, Crescent City Police Officers Association, Crescent City Career Firefighters Association, and All Unrepresented Employees

City Attorney Rice recused herself from the closed session for discussion of the items concerning Walter Meder due to a conflict of interest due to the location of the project at issue. Special Legal Counsel Lauren Brown attended the closed session via Zoom.

There were no members of the public present to address the Council on closed session items.

### RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Mayor Altman reconvened the open session at 7:10 p.m.

## REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

City Manager Wier reported that the City Council took the following action:

On a motion by Council Member Greenough and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wright and carried unanimously, the City Council of the City of Crescent City voted to deny the application of Walter Meder to submit a late claim.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Altman adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m. to the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Crescent City on Monday, August 4, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the Flynn Center, 981 H Street, Crescent City, CA 95531.

## **ATTEST:**

Robin Altman, City Clerk/Administrative Analyst