## MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF OAKLEY

September 11, 2025

Mayor: Buffy CooperCity Attorney:Peter WellsCouncil Members:Public Works Director:Jared MittonRalph BarnardCity Clerk:Dannika ColsonAl LoweCassia County Deputy:Ethan JusticeTyann Corbett (absent)City Engineer:Dave Waldron

## Visitors:

**Public Comment** 

Sheriff Review: Dep. Justice gave report

<u>First Item of Business:</u> Jared asked the city council if they would be willing to let Mary Jo Gibson rent out the old city office to house her ceramics business. Council discussed the idea and discussed price. They decided on a monthly price of \$550/month + heating. Al moved to extend the offer of \$550/month plus heating Brett seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

<u>Second Item of Business:</u> Chantry Whittle came back to discuss his variance application. He would like the city to approve a 34 ft frontage instead of the normal 100ft frontage that is required. Council had approved these kinds of variances in the past. Heather Clarke (an adjoining property owner) joined the meeting via zoom to ask questions and voice her concerns about the variance. Jared and Chantry were both able to answer questions. Her concern was that the passage would be too narrow for emergency vehicles in and out of that property should it be developed in the future. Council continued to discuss the proposed variance, ultimately deciding to approve. Al moved to approve the plans for a flag pole lot with the desired variance, Brett seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Third Item of Business: There has been some more correspondence on the 1900 south matter. It appears the companies IMC and Kleopfer would like the City's participation to fix 1900 south. Jared offered to the council the idea that the city offer up money to contribute to its solution. Also, a payment option was discussed, as well. Seeing if the companies would allow the city to pay their portion over time. No less than 5 years but no more than 10. Council asked Jared to present this idea to the companies involved and report back.

<u>Fourth Item of Business:</u> Jared wanted to make sure the council was ok to continue with the city flower project, and asked if they would be ok if he changed up the color scheme to red whit and blue to celebrate the nation's 250th anniversary

<u>City Mangers Report:</u> Construction on the well house has begun, main line valves have been pressure tested, and the foundation will be poured, continuing to screen gravel for site. Beginning to winterize and doing more hot patch and grading if we get enough moisture

<u>Fifth Item of Business:</u> Brett moved that the council move into Executive session 74-206F Al seconded and vote was unanimous. Al moved to exit executive session, Ralph seconded, and the vote was unanimous

<u>Sixth Item of Business:</u> Al moved to approve August meeting minutes, Ralph seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

**Seventh Item of Business:** Al moved to approve the bills, Ralph seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

<u>Eighth Item of Business:</u> Al moved to adjourn the meeting, Ralph seconded, and the vote was unanimous

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