



## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE**

### **City of Chico/County of Butte**

**Agenda of August 7, 2024**

**3:30 P.M.**

**421 Main Street - Chico – Council Conference Room 1**

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- 1. Approve Minutes**
  - May 1, 2024
- 2. 5-Mile Flood Control Update**  
Josh Pack, Butte County Public Works Director
- 3. City of Chico Homeless Update (Warming/Cooling Centers, Pallet Shelter, Eaton Road)**  
Mark Sorensen, City Manager
- 4. Park Fire Recovery Update**  
Meegan Jessee, Asst. CAO
- 5. Future Meeting Dates and Time – Consideration**
  - a. November 6, 2024 @ 3:30
  - b. February 5, 2025 @ 3:30
- 6. November 6, 2024 Potential Agenda Items**
- 7. Public Comment**
- 8. Adjournment**

#### **Distribution:**

Deborah Presson, City Clerk  
Mark Sorensen, City Manager  
Stina Cooley, Administrative Specialist  
Andy Pickett, Chief Administrative Officer  
Meegan Jessee, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer  
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Minutes of May 1, 2024

3:30 P.M.

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The meeting was called to order at 3:30 P.M. by Chair Morgan. Supervisor Durfee, Supervisor Ritter, Councilmember van Overbeek, and Chair Morgan were in attendance. Councilmember Tandon was absent.

### 1. Discussion and Election of Committee Chair/Vice Chair

*A motion by Chair Morgan was seconded by Supervisor Ritter to have Supervisor Durfee take over as Chair, in November when Chair Morgan will no longer be on the Committee. The motion passed (4-0-1, Tandon Absent).*

*A motion by Supervisor Ritter was seconded by Chair Morgan for Councilmember van Overbeek to become the Vice-Chair in November. The motion passed (4-0-1, Tandon Absent).*

### 2. Approve Minutes

- February 7, 2024

*A motion by Supervisor Durfee was seconded by Councilmember van Overbeek to approve the minutes of February 7, 2024. The motion passed (4-0-1, Tandon Absent).*

### 3. Discussion Regarding Bitcoin ATMs

Andy Pickett, CAO provided an update to the Committee stating each jurisdiction would need to pass their own ordinance to regulate the bitcoin machines and any ordinance would likely be challenged in court. He went on to report that on the state level, legislation has passed with new requirements such as limiting deposits to \$1,000/day, mandatory receipts, disclosure of operator names, and additional structure for the business operations which will hopefully limit the fraud cases. The bigger impact is a bill that will take effect in July 2025 which will regulate the use of Bitcoin ATMs treating them more like a bank. Special licensing, business transparency including publicly listing assets & liabilities, auditing, finger printing, public reporting of convictions or bankruptcy, and employment history will all be required of all operators and store owners that have the machines. Mr. Pickett stated that this should resolve the issue without local government taking action.

### 4. 5-Mile Flood Control Update

Mark Sorensen, City Manager provided an update to the Committee and stated that there is a funding mechanism for the project that was set up in 1965, CSA 24, which currently has a balance of approximately \$2,743,055. He said that the current structure of CSA 24 doesn't appear to be making enough to cover the project so there may need to be a revision or replacement of that CSA so that it is capable of providing enough money to do what needs to be done. The Public Works Departments from both agencies are coordinating efforts to select a consultant who will help better define the quantification of the problem, the project attributes and scope, and preliminary costs. Staff will then update the Board of Supervisors and the City Council to confirm direction on all of the steps moving forward. The estimated cost is approximately \$5,000,000.

### 5. Update on City and County Revenue Measures

Meegan Jessee, Assistant CAO provided an update. The County continues to look at the potential for a revenue measure, they will be doing some community meetings. City Manager Sorensen stated that the City is moving forward with their replacement for measure H with hopes that it will not have to be on the ballot.

**6. City of Chico Warming and Cooling Centers**

Supervisor Tami Ritter expressed her concerns regarding the issues that came up with Safe Space warming centers and stated that she wanted to address any potential issues prior to the cooling centers starting or the warming centers this winter. City Manager Sorensen stated that the Safe Space contract is ending this year, and the City will be putting out an RFP. He stated that the City will be taking that opportunity to add some additional structure to try to prevent some of the issues experienced this past winter.

Hilary Crosby, Executive Director for Safe Space addressed the Committee and stated that the cooling center is a “drop in” situation. Once they identify potential buildings they will contact city staff to verify the use is appropriate. She also confirmed that their contract will conclude on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**7. Future Meeting Dates and Time – Consideration**

*Meetings will only be held if there are items for discussion.*

- a. August 7, 2024 @ 3:30
- b. November 6, 2024 @ 3:30

**8. August 7, 2024, Potential Agenda Items**

*Supervisor Ritter requested that updates on the heating & cooling center and 5-mile projects be provided at the next meeting..*

**9. Public Comment - None**

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:53 P.M.