

AGENDA
CITY OF FERNDALE – HUMBOLDT COUNTY CALIFORNIA – U.S.A.
DRAINAGE COMMITTEE MEETING

Location:	City Hall	Date:	May 6, 2021
	834 Main Street	Time:	2:30 pm
	Ferndale CA 95536	Posted:	May 3, 2021

This meeting is being held in accordance with the Brown Act as currently in effect under the State Emergency Services Act, the Governor’s Emergency Declaration related to COVID-19, and the Governor’s Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020 that allows attendance by members of the City Council, City staff, and the public by teleconference, videoconference, or both.

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1. CALL TO ORDER - CHAIRMAN
2. ROLL CALL – LEONARD LUND, TOM STEPHENS, JAMES BASS, JEFF FARLEY, BILL BECKER WAYNE AMBROSINI, AND MICHAEL SWEENEY
3. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Approval of the April 1, 2021 Drainage Committee Meeting Minutes.
5. PUBLIC COMMENT. *(This time is for persons who wish to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda and over which the Committee has jurisdiction - Drainage. Items requiring action not listed on this agenda will be placed on the next regular agenda for consideration, unless a finding is made by at least 2/3rds of the Committee that the item came up after the agenda was posted and is of an urgent nature requiring immediate action.*
6. BUSINESS
 - A. Update on Schley Ave & Grant Ave Flooding
 - B. Update on Fern Avenue
 - C. Update on East Side Drainage/Land Use Element Study Session
 - D. Update on Drainage Master Plan
7. CORRESPONDENCE
8. COMMENTS
8. ADJOURN

The next regular meeting of the Ferndale Drainage Committee will be on
June 3, 2021

MINUTES
CITY OF FERNDALE - HUMBOLDT COUNTY U.S.A.
DRAINAGE COMMITTEE MEETING

April 1, 2021

Chair Tom Stephens opened the meeting at 2:35 pm. Those present were Leonard Lund, Jeff Farley, Wayne Ambrosini, Bill Becker, and Jim Bass along with City Staff: City Manager Jay Parrish, City Engineer Brian Ontiveros, and City Clerk Kristene Hall. There were no modifications to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION to approve the March 4, 2021 Drainage Meeting Minutes. **(Becker/Lund) Unanimous**

PUBLIC COMMENT: No Comment

BUSINESS

Update on Fern Ave/Francis Creek Bank Stabilization: Chair Stephens stated he and Jay were still had not been able to meet with the grant writer on the Fern Ave Bank stabilization. Stephens also explained that the committee had previously discussed obtaining drainage easements, but after discussions, easements should only be obtained when needed for grants. City Manager Parrish stated they had discussed the need for easements for the assistance to receive grants but after discussions with the City Attorney, the city would not want to take on the possible liability of projects on private properties. Stephens stated that there are grants available that for property owners not just the city. Committee Member Sweeney commented that it was his understanding that it is property owner's responsibility to stabilize the bank as well as the cost of conceptual engineering, grant proposals and any permitting. The committee discussed different properties and property owners that had performed some kind of stabilization.

Schley Ave & Grant Ave Flooding Update: City Manager Parrish stated he and the city Engineer had met with a property owner in that area to discuss the issue. Parrish added this is a neighborhood issue, not just an individual problem. The committee spoke on some grading that was done on a property in the area and the possible effects if had on this increased flooding. City Engineer Ontiveros stated it was difficult to say where the water is coming from and why the flooding has increased. Ontiveros stated a ground survey would be helpful to see the best course of action to help with the problem. The committee talked about possible remediations and who would be responsible for the cost. Ontiveros stated he would be looking at the hydrology and reports that were done by a property owner who did a recent subdivision done in the area to see if there is any information in there that will assist in gathering information. Parrish asked City Engineer Ontiveros if it would be possible to get together with the five or six effected property owners and start finding remedies to the flooding problem. Ontiveros stated they would need to get property owner permission to use survey equipment

and obtain grades, but that should not be a problem. Parrish stated that the city had received a grant for \$65,000 that will help with the Drainage Master Plan update.

Update on Drainage Master Plan: Chair Stephens questioned Ontiveros on if he had estimates on any of the projects. Ontiveros stated that they had not gotten some data needed due to the weather, but once they were able to get the data then they should be able to get started on the estimates. Committee members discussed timeline on projects.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

COMMENTS: Chair Stephens stated it was previously discussed having a study session on the 5th St developments and East Side Drainage. Parrish stated this would be done by Planwest in regards to the Land Use element update. Parrish added that the study session may involve Council, Planning Commission and Drainage Committee.

Chair Tom Stephens adjourned the meeting at 3:20pm.

Respectfully submitted

Kristene Hall
City Clerk