

Gridley City Council – Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 21, 2020; 6:00 pm
Gridley City Hall, 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley, CA 95948

Approved as Submitted

“Our purpose is to continuously enhance our community’s vitality and overall quality of life. We are committed to providing high quality, cost-effective municipal services and forming productive partnerships with our residents and regional organizations. We collectively develop, share, and are guided by a clear vision, values, and meaningful objectives.”

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members

Present: Crye, Johnson, Williams, Borges
Absent: Torres
Arriving after roll call: None

Staff present: Paul Eckert, City Administrator
Tony Galyean, City Attorney
Al Byers, Police Chief
Daryl Dye, Utilities Director
Danny Howard, Electric Supervisor
Ross Pippitt, Public Works Supervisor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance

INVOCATION

The invocation was provided by Bishop Terry Hamblin, Church of Jesus Christ, Latter-Day Saints

PROCLAMATIONS – None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OR PROMOTED EMPLOYEES - None

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

Recreation Coordinator Trina Leishman updated Council on the progress on the Vierra Park Playground Equipment project.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council minutes dated December 16, 2019

2. A Resolution of The City Council of The City of Gridley Adopting a Name Change to The Final CEQA Plus Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration and Notice of Determination (Sch#2019079100) To the Little Avenue Force Main and Lift Station Improvements
3. A Resolution of The City Council of The City of Gridley Authorizing the Finance Director to Write Off Delinquent Utility Accounts from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Vice Mayor Williams, seconded by Council member Borges.

Motion passed, all in favor.

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

4. Approval of a revision to the City's Master Fee Schedule by adding a new DG Rate for Electric Service with Distributed Generation

Utilities Director Daryl Dye gave a PowerPoint slide presentation that reviewed the proposed changes and the need for a new DG rate.

Phillip Burgess, Roy Sheppard and Patrick Coghlan spoke against the proposed changes. Damien Mrakuzic spoke in favor of the changes.

After Council discussion, motion to approve item #4 by Vice Mayor Williams, seconded by Council member Borges.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Johnson, Crye, Williams, Borges

Motion passed, 4-0

5. Revised Contract Award for Construction of the Electric Department Building Addition to Uniq Building Inc.

Utilities Director Daryl Dye presented the revised contract to Council.

Motion to approve the revised contract with the addition of a not to exceed amount of \$30,000 to enclose the third bay and install a roll-up door.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Borges, Williams, Crye, Johnson

Motion passed, 4-0

CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Johnson reported on the meeting he attended with Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District. The Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency meeting was canceled.

POTENTIAL FUTURE CITY COUNCIL ITEMS - (Appearing on the Agenda within 30-90 days):

Police Department Digital Radio System	2/3/2020
Fluoride Elimination	2/3/2020
IT Contract with Oroville	2/3/2020
Grant Writer	2/3/2020
Police Service Agreement	2/3/2020
Garbage Services RFP Approval	3/16/2020
Audit Approval	3/16/2020
Annual Budget FY 20-21 Introduction	4/20/2020
Budget Review	5/4/2020
Budget Review	5/18/2020
Budget Adoption	6/15/2020

CLOSED SESSION - Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Title: Utilities Director

Council went into Closed Session at 7:10 p.m. Council came out of Closed Session at 7:53 p.m. and the Mayor announced the hiring of Ross Pippitt as Public Works Director and Daniel Howard as Electric Utility Director effective February 23, 2020. The Council authorized the Mayor to sign the employment offer letters and directed the City Administrator to develop updated employment agreements, using already approved salary and benefit levels for all Department Directors, for the Mayor's signature.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items for discussion, Council adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, February 3, 2020.



Paul Eckert, City Clerk

