

Gridley City Council – Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 15, 2025; 6:00 pm

Gridley City Hall, 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley, CA 95948

“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 Farr called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Johnson, Roberts, Farr, Calderon, Sanchez
Absent: None
Arriving after roll call: None

Staff Present: Elisa Arteaga, City Administrator
Landon Little, Deputy City Attorney
Martin Pineda, Finance Director
Dave Harden, City Engineer
Jerry Cox, Public Works Director
Todd Farr, Police Chief
Christopher Smith, Principal Planner
Carmen Santana, Deputy City Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATION – None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OR PROMOTED EMPLOYEES - None

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

Jose Santana, 982 Fairview Dr., Gridley, read his letter that addressed the Council regarding concerns shared by himself and neighboring residents about high school students parking along nearby streets and leaving trash behind, among other issues. He presented the Council with signatures from neighbors who share these concerns, as well as correspondence from the Gridley High School principal.

Dave Garner, 375 Hazel St., Gridley, addressed the Council to express his concerns regarding the upcoming PG&E power shutoffs and the Caltrans highway improvement project.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Minutes

City Council to review and approve regular City Council minutes

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Approve regular City Council meeting minutes dated December 1st, 2025
- b. Approve special City Council meeting minutes dated December 2nd, 2025
- c. Approve emergency City Council meeting minutes dated December 2nd, 2025

2. Expenditure Reports

City Council to review and approve the expenditure reports for September, October and November 2025

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Approve expenditure reports for September, October and November 2025

3. Power Content Label

City Council to review and approve the 2024 Power Content Label

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Approve Resolution 2025-R-032: a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Approving the Attestation of Veracity of the 2024 Power Source Disclosure Report, the 2024 Power Content Label and Submission of The Report to The California Energy Commission the attached 2024 Power Content Label as required by NCPA

ROLL CALL

Motion: Roberts

Second: Johnson

Action: approve consent agenda as presented

Ayes: Roberts, Farr, Johnson, Sanchez

Noes: None

Absent: Calderon

Abstain: None

Motion passed, 4-0

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION –

4. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

City Council to review to award contract for the ADA Self Evaluation and Transition Plan to Disability Access Consultants, LLC (DAC) in the amount of \$89,960

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Award the ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan to DAC, LLC in the amount of \$89,960
- b. Authorize City Administrator to execute any necessary agreements
- c. Approve Resolution 2025-R-033: a resolution approving the supplemental appropriation for the ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

City Engineer Dave Harden presented the item and recommended that the City award the contract for the development of an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan to Disability Access Consultants, LLC (DAC), in the amount of \$89,960. Harden explained that the ADA requires public agencies to evaluate their programs, services, and facilities to ensure compliance with federal accessibility standards. Under Title II of the ADA, cities are required to prepare and maintain an ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan to identify physical and programmatic barriers and to establish a prioritized schedule for their removal.

ROLL CALL

Motion: Johnson

Second: Roberts

Action: Motion to award the contract for the ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan to Disability Access Consultants, LLC (DAC) in the amount of \$89,960; authorize the City Administrator to execute all necessary agreements; and approve the supplemental appropriation through Resolution No. 2025-R-033.

Ayes: Roberts, Farr, Johnson, Sanchez

Noes: None

Absent: Calderon

Abstain: None

Motion passed, 4-0

5. Gridley Feather River Sewer Crossing – Contract Amendment

City Council to authorize the City Administrator to execute a no cost amendment to task order 16-607-206 with Bennett Engineering Services (BENEN) to adjust budget allocation to tasks within the contract and submission of an amendment for grant extension and scope reallocation to California Water Boards Department of Financial Assistance.

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Authorize City Administrator to execute the no cost amendment task order 16-607-206 with BENEN

City Engineer Dave Harden presented a PowerPoint highlighting the item and requested that the City Council authorize the City Administrator to execute a no-cost amendment to Task Order No. 16-607-206 with Bennett Engineering. The amendment would adjust the allocation of the budget among tasks within the contract and authorize the submittal of an amendment to the California Water Boards Department of Financial Assistance for a grant extension and scope reallocation.

Harden explained that recent geotechnical borings yielded unfavorable results, requiring Bennett Engineering to explore alternative options for the proposed sewer crossing replacement. Approval of the amendment would reallocate grant-funded dollars back to the planning and design phase in order to further evaluate feasible alternatives.

Councilmember Sanchez expressed concern regarding the amount of funding that has already been expended on the project.

ROLL CALL

Motion: Johnson

Second: Roberts

Action: Authorize City Administrator to execute the no cost amendment task order 16-607-206 with BENEN

Ayes: Roberts, Farr, Johnson, Sanchez

Noes: None

Absent: Calderon

Abstain: None

Motion passed, 4-0

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Roberts reported that the recent Winter Wonderland Parade was a success.

Mayor Farr reported on his attendance at the NCPA Commission Meeting.

Vice Mayor Johnson reported on his attendance at the Flood Control Agency and Mosquito and Vector Control District meetings.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

City Administrator Elisa Arteaga reported that the Code Enforcement Department hosted a booth at the Winter Wonderland Parade, coordinated by Pamela Roberts, and she thanked Roberts for her efforts. Arteaga also reported on recent meetings with the City's auditors, representatives from PG&E and IBEW, as well as her participation in an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) training workshop conducted by Fire Chief Chip Fowler.

DEPARTMENT UPDATE REPORTS

Police Chief Todd Farr stated that, in preparation for the upcoming PG&E scheduled shutoff, the Police Department will be double-staffed during that period.

Fire Chief Chip Fowler provided an update on the most recent Emergency Operations Center (EOC) training, which was conducted by himself and Battalion Chief Mike Conaty.

Finance Director Martin Pineda shared highlights from a meeting he attended with the City's auditors and City Administrator Elisa Arteaga. Pineda also provided an overview of the Recreation Department's activities for the month of December.

Public Works Director Jerry Cox advised the Council that the Public Works Department has ensured all department infrastructure is prepared for the upcoming PG&E shutoff.

Electric Director Ryan Carlson discussed preparations for the scheduled PG&E shutoff and noted that the City's contracted electrical engineer will be on site to perform testing that can only be completed while power is off.

Principal Planner Christopher Smith updated Council about the Housing Element review.

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

Energy Efficiency Contract Review	1/20/2025
Randolph Lot Use Agreement - GUSD	1/20/2025
Public Works – Sewer Grinder Repair	1/20/2025
Engineering – City Standards	1/20/2025

CLOSED SESSION –

6. Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiator, Elisa Arteaga, City Administrator, for discussion of progress of collective bargaining discussions with City Employee represented classes – IBEW

Council went into closed session at 7:18 pm.

Closed Session Roll Call:

Present: Sanchez, Johnson

Recused: Farr, Roberts

Absent: Calderon

Although a quorum was not present for voting in Closed Session, the City Administrator provided an informational update to those in attendance. No reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items left to discuss, the meeting was adjourned to the next regular meeting on January 20, 2026.

Approve: 
Elisa Arteaga, City Clerk