

Gridley City Council – Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 4, 2023; 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

Councilmembers

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

Staff Present: Cliff Wagner, City Administrator
Rodney Harr, Police Chief
Tony Galyean, City Attorney
Ross Pippitt, Public Works Director
Jake Carter, Utility Director
Elisa Arteaga, Finance Director
Dave Harden, City Engineer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Sanchez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION – None

PROCLAMATION – None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OR PROMOTED EMPLOYEES – None

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

The forum was open, and seeing there was no one to speak, was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Minutes Dated November 20th, 2023
2. Finance Director Employment Agreement (Pineda)

3. Approval of Police Vehicle Pickup Packs

4. Resolution 2023-R-039: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Adopting the Local Road Safety Plan

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Councilmember Roberts, seconded by Vice Mayor Johnson.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Roberts, Johnson, Farr, Sanchez, Calderon

Motion passed, 5-0

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

5. Service Bucket Truck Purchase – Versalift VST-47-MHI

Utility Director Jake Carter requested Council approve the service bucket truck purchase to replace the current 2016 bucket truck. Carter explained the 2016 truck would be transferred to the Public Works Department for their use.

Motion to approve the purchase was made by Councilmember Calderon, seconded by Councilmember Sanchez.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Calderon, Sanchez, Farr, Roberts, Johnson

Motion passed, 5-0

6. Resolution 2023-R-040: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Authorizing the City Administrator to Represent the City for the Gridley Water Resiliency Project

City Engineer, Dave Harden, presented the resolution that would authorize the City Administrator to represent the City as grant applications are submitted for the Gridley Water Resiliency Project.

Motion to approve was made by Councilmember Roberts, seconded by Councilmember Sanchez.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Roberts, Farr, Calderon, Johnson, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Calderon informed Council that he was contacted by Chico State to set up an interview with him and the Mexican Consulate.

Councilmember Roberts reported on his attendance at the Chamber of Commerce meeting in preparation for the Winter Wonderland Parade on December 6th. He also mentioned that the Moose Lodge served 350-400 free Thanksgiving meals.

Mayor Farr expressed gratitude to our Electric Department for the Christmas lights displayed throughout Downtown Gridley. He also invited the public to the Pearl Harbor Day memorial taking place at the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery on December 7th at approximately 9:30 am.

Councilmember Sanchez reported on her attendance at the monthly NCPA meeting.

Utility Director Jake Carter informed Council he plans to have two items for consideration at the December 18th meeting agenda: a large bucket truck purchase and the purchase of electrical transformers.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

City Administrator Cliff Wagner informed Council that he recently completed department managers and administration employee evaluations and will share the results with Council upon request. Wagner reported that Fire Chief Sean Norman will be retiring December 18th and that he plans to attend the next regular meeting. Wagner also reminded Council of the December 19th City staff holiday party.

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

Proposal for Shared Fire Department Mechanic	12/18/2023
Finance Policies	12/18/2023
Water, Wastewater Rate Schedule Change	12/18/2023
Solid Waste Agreement Renewal	12/18/2023
Housing Element Review and Discussion	1/15/2024

CLOSED SESSION

7. Closed Session Discussion with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code 54957.8: Case Review/Planning, 1 Matter

Council went into closed session at 6:40 pm and came out with no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items left to discuss, Mayor Farr adjourned to the next regular Council meeting on December 18th, 2023.


Cliff Wagner, City Administrator

