

Gridley City Council – Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 7, 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.”

Notice of Temporary City Council Meeting Procedures

This meeting is being held in accordance with the Brown Act as currently in effect under the State Emergency Act, Governor Gavin Newsom’s Emergency Declaration related to COVID-19, and Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-29-20 issued March 17, 2020 that allows attendance by City Council, City staff and the public to participate and conduct the meeting by teleconference and to participate in the meeting to the same extent as if they were present. Comments from the public on agenda items will be accepted until 2 pm on December 7, 2020, via email to jmolinari@gridley.ca.us or via the payment/document drop box at Gridley City Hall and will be conveyed to the Council for consideration. The Mayor and Council appreciate the public’s adaptation and patience during this crisis.

You may attend via teleconference:

- Dial 1-888-204-5987
- Enter the Access Code 5767603#

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL

Council Members

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

Staff present: Rodney Harr, Police Chief/Interim City Administrator
Tony Galyean, City Attorney
Ross Pippitt, Public Works Director
Danny Howard, Electric Utility Director

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council member Torres led the Pledge of Allegiance

INVOCATION - None

PROCLAMATIONS - None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OR PROMOTED EMPLOYEES - None

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

The Mayor opened the forum and seeing no one present wishing to speak, the forum was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Council minutes dated October 21, November 2 and November 5, 2020
2. Council acceptance of 2021 City Council Meeting Schedule
3. Appointment of Rodney Harr, Chief of Police as Acting City Administrator effective December 7, 2020

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

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Johnson, Torres, Williams, Borges

Motion passed, 4-0

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

4. Council review and approval of Resolution No. 2020-R-025: A Resolution of The City Council of The City of Gridley Reciting the Fact of The General Municipal Election Held on November 3, 2020, Declaring the Results and Such Other Matters as Provided by Law

Motion to approve item #4 by Council member Torres, seconded by Vice Mayor Williams.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Johnson, Torres, Borges, Williams

Motion passed, 4-0

5. Swearing in and Seating of Newly Elected Council; Vote for Mayor and Vice Mayor

Attorney Tony Galyean swore in the newly elected Council members Farr, Calderon and Sanchez. Outgoing Council members Borges and Williams stepped down, and the new members took their seats.

Council members Calderon and Sanchez spoke briefly thanking their friends, family, and community for their support.

Lynne Spencer of the Gridley Area Chamber of Commerce presented a plaque to the Mayor and outgoing Council thanking them for their support and partnership.

Motion to elect Bruce Johnson as Mayor by Council member Farr, seconded by Council member Torres. There was a motion by Council member Sanchez to elect Farr as Mayor, however Farr declined and there was no second.

ROLL CALL VOTE (for Johnson as Mayor)

Ayes: Johnson, Farr, Torres, Calderon

Abstain: Sanchez

Motion passed, 4 to 1 abstention

Motion to elect Council member Farr as Vice Mayor by Mayor Johnson, seconded by Council member Torres. There was a motion by Council member Sanchez to elect Council member Torres as Vice Mayor that was seconded by Council member Calderon. Mayor Johnson called for a roll call vote on the first seconded motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE (for Farr as Vice Mayor)

Ayes: Torres, Johnson, Farr

Abstain: Calderon, Sanchez

Motion passed, 3 to 2 abstentions

- 6. Resolution 2020-R-026: A Resolution of The City Council of The City of Gridley Adopting the Amended Housing Rehabilitation Program Guidelines and The First Time Homebuyer Program Guidelines

Interim Administrator Harr reviewed the staff report. There was no discussion among Council.

Motion to approve item #6 by Council member Torres, seconded by Vice Mayor Farr.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Calderon, Torres, Sanchez, Johnson

Motion passed, 5-0

CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

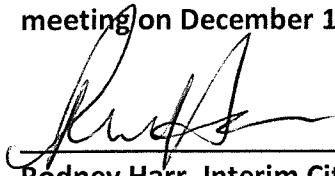
POTENTIAL FUTURE CITY COUNCIL ITEMS - (Appearing on the Agenda within 30-90 days):

Prop 68 Parks Grant Application	1/19/2021
Edler Estates Pre-Application	1/19/2021
Bernard Rezone	1/19/2021
Sphere of Influence Update	2/15/2021
Introduction General Plan/Prezone/Annexation for north 400 ac.	3/1/2021
Approval of Mid-Year Budget Adjustments	3/1/2021

CLOSED SESSION – None

ADJOURNMENT

With no items for further discussion, the Council adjourned at 6:24 pm to a Special City Council meeting on December 17, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rodney Harr', written over a horizontal line.

Rodney Harr, Interim City Clerk