

Gridley City Council – Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 1, 2021; 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 4 pm on February 1, 2021, 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 pm

ROLL CALL

Council Members

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

Staff present:

Rodney Harr, Police Chief/Acting City Administrator
Tony Galyean, City Attorney
Ross Pippitt, Public Works Director
Elisa Arteaga, Finance Director
Danny Howard, Electric Utility Director
Ruben Quihuiz, Lieutenant
Donna Decker, City Planner
Dave Harden, City Engineer
Trina Leishman, Recreation Coordinator

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by Council member Calderon

INVOCATION - None

PROCLAMATIONS - None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OR PROMOTED EMPLOYEES - None

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

William Bynum, 1537 Lonetree Road, addressed Council stating he'd like to see the Council meetings held on Zoom. Grace Mahannah of 1605 Sycamore Street stated her agreement with the idea brought up at the previous Council meeting that there be a COVID-19 Ad Hoc Committee established. Jessica Ramos-McElroy, 1070 Ohio Street, commented on her desire to see a COVID-19 Committee established, the Council meetings to be held by Zoom or some other means of virtual meeting, and the members of Council to wear masks as they are out and about.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Minutes dated January 19, 2021

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Council member Torres, seconded by Vice Mayor Farr.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Calderon, Johnson, Torres, Farr, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

2. Adoption of Resolution No. 2021-R-001: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Authorizing and Designating City Representatives to Vote the City's Interests in Governance Agreements Associated with City's Participation in Programs, Projects, and Services as a Member of the Northern California Power Agency

Acting Administrator Harr reviewed the staff report and there was no discussion among Council.

Motion to approve item #2 by Vice Mayor Farr, seconded by Council member Calderon.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Johnson, Torres, Calderon, Sanchez, Farr

Motion passed, 5-0

3. Adoption of Resolution No. 2021-R-002: A Resolution of The City Council of The City of Gridley Approving Application for Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program Grant Funds

City Engineer Dave Harden, assisted by Recreation Coordinator Trina Leishman, reviewed the staff report and provided a power point explaining how the grant funding would be utilized to upgrade and improve Vierra Park, making it safer, more accessible and inclusive.

Motion to approve item #3 by Council member Torres, seconded by Vice Mayor Farr.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Johnson, Farr, Torres, Sanchez, Calderon

Motion passed, 5-0

4. Verbal Update on Current and Upcoming Projects by City Engineer, Dave Harden

This was a verbal update along with a power point presentation to Council. As an informational item, no action was taken.

5. Resolution No. 2021-R-003: A Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Administrator to Execute Agreements and Contracts on Behalf of the City Council of the City of Gridley Related to the Appraisal and Offer to Purchase Real Estate for the Purpose of Expanding the City of Gridley Public Works Corporation Yard Located at 235 Virginia Street (010-123-010)

Donna Decker reviewed the staff report explaining to Council that this item is not to approve the purchase of the property but to approve moving forward with the appraisal. The appraisal will be brought back to Council for review.

Ross Pippitt explained that with expected future growth, the convenient location, and no immediate improvements needed to be utilized, this is a perfect opportunity for the City to expand its Public Works Corporation Yard.

Motion to approve item #5 by Vice Mayor Farr, seconded by Council member Sanchez.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Calderon, Torres, Sanchez, Johnson

Motion passed, 5-0

6. Approval of Resolution No. 2021-R-004: A Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Administrator to Execute A Subdivision Improvement Agreement Between Gridley 17 LLC and the City of Gridley for "The Villages at Eagle Meadows, TSM 2-19" APN 010-270-120

Planner Donna Decker reviewed the staff report with Council. The Subdivision Improvement Agreement will allow the developer to begin construction of underground utilities and infrastructure, roads and site finish grading prior to the Final Map being recorded. This is common procedure and will allow the developer to more quickly build homes once the Final Map is recorded.

After Council discussion, motion to approve item #6 by Vice Mayor Farr, seconded by Council member Torres.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Calderon, Farr, Johnson, Torres

Noes: Sanchez

Motion passed, 4-1

CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

There we no updates.

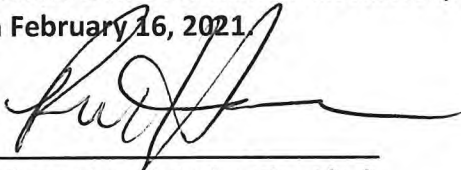
POTENTIAL FUTURE CITY COUNCIL ITEMS - (Appearing on the Agenda within 30-90 days):

Edler Estates Pre-Application	2/16/2021
Bernard Rezone	2/16/2021
Sphere of Influence Update	2/16/2021
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, Council adjourned at 8:20 pm to the next regular meeting on February 16, 2021.



Rodney Harr, Interim City Clerk