

Gridley City Council – Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 6, 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, Chief of Police
Tony Galyean, City Attorney
Donna Decker, City Planner
Ross Pippitt, Public Works Director
Elisa Arteaga, Finance Director
Dave Harden, City Engineer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Bishop Bob Bowling of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints provided the invocation.

PROCLAMATION – None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OR PROMOTED EMPLOYEES

Finance Director, Elisa Arteaga, introduced the new recreation coordinator, Ashley Ayala, and the new business services supervisor, Pati Taverner. Arteaga expressed gratitude for both employees who were originally hired in the finance department.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

The public forum was opened, and seeing no one present to speak, was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Minutes Dated February 21st, 2023

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

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Calderon, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

2. Water Shortage Contingency Plan Draft

City Engineer, Dave Harden, requested approval of the Task Order 16-607-102 for Bennett Engineering Services to draft a water shortage contingency plan for the City's water system to fulfill the requirements of SB 552.

Motion to approve the task order was made by Vice Mayor Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Sanchez.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Calderon, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

3. Ordinance 844-2023 First Reading by Title Only: An Ordinance to Pre-Zone Approximately 736-Acres Reflecting the Approved General Plan Land Uses within the Sphere of Influence Adopted by the 2030 General Plan Located in the Unincorporated Area of Butte County, Contiguous to the City Boundary

City Planner, Donna Decker presented Ordinance 844-2023 to pre-zone land use designations of lands outside the City boundary to memorialize the previously adopted 2030 General Plan.

Motion to accept the first reading by title only was made by Vice Mayor Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Roberts.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Calderon, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

4. Ordinance 845-2023 First Reading by Title Only: A Zoning Code Amendment to Title 17, Chapter 17.22, "R-1 Single-Family Residential District" of the Gridley Municipal Code (Citywide)

Decker presented Ordinance 845-2023 by first reading by title only amending the code related to density in the R-1 zoning district.

Motion to accept the first reading was made by Councilmember Sanchez, seconded by Vice Mayor Johnson.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Calderon, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

5. Consideration of Councilmember Calderon's Request for Letter of Support for Northern Valley Catholic Social Services in Their Attempt to Renew Community Services in Gridley

Councilmember Calderon presented the staff report outlining numerous of programs provided to City residents by the NVCSS. He requested that Council provide a letter of support to the NVCSS in hopes to renew their community services within the City.

Motion to approve the letter of support was made by Councilmember Calderon, seconded by Vice Mayor Johnson.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Calderon, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

6. Consideration of Councilmember Sanchez's Request to Continue Remote Participation in Regular City Council Meetings, Study Sessions, and Planning Commission Meetings

Councilmember Sanchez requested the continuation of remote participation via Zoom in Council and Planning Commission meetings after the requirement to provide this service has been lifted by the State.

After brief Council discussion, motion to approve was made by Councilmember Sanchez, seconded by Councilmember Calderon.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Sanchez, Calderon

Noes: Farr, Johnson, Roberts

Motion failed, 2-3

7. Amendment to Agreement Between City of Gridley and Habitat for Humanity for Consulting Services for Housing Rehabilitation and Homeownership Assistance

Finance Director, Elisa Arteaga addressed Council requesting approval of the amended agreement with Habitat for Humanity extending the contract to April 2024.

Motion to approve amendment was made by Councilmember Roberts seconded by Councilmember Calderon.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Calderon, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

8. Appointment of City Representative to County Library Ad Hoc Committee

City Administrator Wagner informed Council that the Butte County Board of Supervisors requested the City appoint a representative to the Butte County Library Ad Hoc Committee to explore funding and structure options for the countywide library system.

Councilmember Calderon volunteered to be appointed to the committee.

CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Councilmember Calderon reported on his attendance at the Butte County Air Quality Management District meeting. He also informed Council that NVCSS will be sponsoring "All Children's Day" on April 30th at Manuel Viera Park.

Vice Mayor Johnson reported on his attendance at LAFCO.

Councilmember Sanchez informed Council of her attendance at the NCPA monthly meeting.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

City Administrator Wagner informed Council that the City of Biggs appointed Josh Cook as their new city administrator.

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

General Plan, Sphere of Influence Amendment Contract Award	3/20/2023
Industrial Park Final Map	3/20/2023
SBFCA Development Fee	4/3/2023
Request for Proposal for Audit Services	4/17/2023
Finance Policies	4/17/2023
Broadband Feasibility Study Proposal	4/17/2023

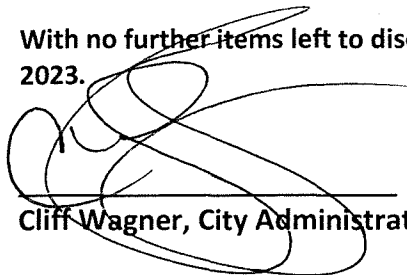
CLOSED SESSION

- 9. Closed session conference with legal counsel pursuant to Government Code 54956.95 – Liability Claim of Mr. Juan Gonzalez

Council went into closed session at 7:26 pm and came out at 7:34 pm with no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items left to discuss, Mayor Farr adjourned to the next regular meeting on March 20th, 2023.



Cliff Wagner, City Administrator