

Gridley City Council – Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 19, 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 6:0 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Johnson, Roberts, Calderon, Farr

Absent: Sanchez

Arriving after roll call: None

Staff Present: Elisa Arteaga, City Administrator
Todd Farr, Police Chief
Anthony Galyean, City Attorney
Martin Pineda, Finance Director
Chip Fowler, Fire Chief
Ryan Carlson, Interim Electric Director
Jerry Cox, Interim Public Works Director
Carmen Santana, Deputy City Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Farr led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATION – None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OR PROMOTED EMPLOYEES

City Administrator Elisa Arteaga introduced the two newly promoted employees: Ryan Carlson, Interim Utility Director and Jerry Cox, Interim Public Works Director.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

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

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Minutes

City Council review and approval of City Council meeting minutes.

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Approve regular Council meeting minutes dated: April 21st and May 5th, 2025
- b. Approve special Council meeting minutes dated: May 5th and May 7th, 2025

2. Appointment of NCCSIF Risk Management Committee

Council to consider appointing Carmen Santana, Deputy City Clerk to serve on the NCCSIF Risk Management Committee along with Jodi Molinari, Human Resources Manager

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Approve Resolution 2025-R-009: a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Appointing Representatives for Northern California Cities Self Insurance Fund Risk Management Committee

3. Appointment of NCPA Representative and Alternate Representative

City Council to consider appointing Ryan Carlson and re-appointing Elisa Arteaga, Michael Farr as representatives to NCPA Committees and Catalina Sanchez as the Alternate Representative to NCPA Commission and other various NCPA Committees

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Approve Resolution 2025-R-010: 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

ROLL CALL

Motion: Calderon

Second: Roberts

Action: to approve consent agenda as presented.

Ayes: Roberts, Calderon, Farr, Johnson

Noes: None

Absent: Sanchez

Abstain: None

Motion passed, 4-0

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

4. SB1 Project List for FY 2025-26

Staff respectfully requests that the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City staff to submit the SB1 Project List to California Transportation Commission (CTC)

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Accept and approve Resolution 2025-R-011: Authorizing City staff to submit the SB1 project list to CTC
- b. Authorize City Administrator to include listed projects in the FY 25/26 CIP budget, the projects to be funded with SB1 – Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account revenues

City Administrator Arteaga presented the item and explained that, in accordance with the requirements of Senate Bill 1, passed in 2017, the City must submit a project list to the California Transportation Commission to remain eligible for Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account funding.

Councilmember Calderon inquired about the process used to prioritize City streets for paving when funding becomes available. Administrator Arteaga responded that the City uses a Pavement Management Plan to guide these decisions. City Engineer Dave Harden added that streets with higher traffic volumes, including designated truck routes, are prioritized for more frequent paving as outlined in the plan.

ROLL CALL

Motion: Calderon

Second: Roberts

Action: to approve Resolution 2025-R-011 and authorize City Administrator to included listed project in the FY 25/26 CIP Budget

Ayes: Roberts, Calderon, Farr, Johnson

Noes: None

Absent: Sanchez

Abstain: None

Motion passed, 4-0

5. Professional Services Agreement - Utility Design Services

City Council to consider selecting Utility Design Services, represented by Al Smatsky, to provide professional engineering services in support of the City's electric system planning and design for services to include Joint Pole Intent filings and O-Calc structural analyses

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Authorize the City Administrator to enter into a professional engineering services agreement with Utility Design Services

Electric Director Ryan Carlson informed the Council that following the testing and replacement of approximately 50 utility poles by City Electric staff, additional planning and design work was

required. This included joint pole intent filings and O-Calc structural analyses to ensure compliance with engineering standards. Each pole will be individually engineered and submitted with the necessary documentation to the Joint Pole Association. Upon approval, the City will be eligible for reimbursement of approximately \$400,000 in costs associated with transferring communication and cable infrastructure from the old poles to the newly installed ones.

ROLL CALL

Motion: Roberts

Second: Calderon

Action: to authorize the City Administrator to enter into a professional service agreement with Utility Design Services

Ayes: Roberts, Calderon, Farr, Johnson

Noes: None

Absent: Sanchez

Abstain: None

Motion passed, 4-0

6. School Resource Officer Agreement

City Council to review and authorize the Gridley Police Department to continue with the School Resources Officer program between City of Gridley and Gridley Unified School District effective July 1, 2025, until June 30, 2027

Recommended Action(s):

- a. Approve the referenced School Resources Officer agreement and authorize Police Chief Farr to execute

Police Chief Todd Farr presented the School Resource Officer (SRO) Agreement for Council review and approval, proposing a renewal for an additional two-year term. Chief Farr noted that the current SRO would remain in the designated position. He emphasized the positive impact the SRO has had for Gridley Unified School District, particularly in fostering strong, trusting relationships with students at an early age.

Councilmember Calderon inquired whether the SRO is involved in anti-bullying efforts. Chief Farr responded that the SRO provides support as needed and is present during disciplinary discussions if necessary.

ROLL CALL

Motion: Johnson

Second: Calderon

Action: to approve the SRO agreement for an additional two-year term, expiring June 30, 2027

Ayes: Roberts, Calderon, Farr, Johnson

Noes: None

Absent: Sanchez

Abstain: None

Motion passed, 4-0

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Calderon reported on his attendance at the Butte County Homeless Continuum of Care meeting.

Councilmember Roberts reported on a successful Red Suspenders Day Parade.

Vice Mayor Johnson informed Council of his attendance at the Lafco, Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency and the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control meetings.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

City Administrator Arteaga provided a brief update on recent City Administration activities over the past several weeks. Her report included meetings with NCPA General Manager Randy Howard, as well as ongoing labor negotiation meetings with the City's labor negotiators.

DEPARTMENT UPDATE REPORTS

Finance Director Martin Pineda provided follow-up information in response to questions raised at a previous meeting. He reported to the Council the total revenue received by year from the FEMA rental agreement for the Industrial Park. Pineda also gave a brief overview of how the funds were utilized.

Police Chief Todd Farr and Fire Chief Chip Fowler both reported that there were no major issues for their departments during the Red Suspenders Day activities.

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

Travel Policy	6/2/2025
Energy Efficiency Contract Review	6/2/2025
Hazel Hotel – CHIP Homes	6/2/2025
Budget Review	6/2/2025
Single Audit Report	6/16/2025
GANN Limit Report	6/16/2025
Maintenance Assessments	6/16/2025
Banking RFP	6/16/2025
Budget Draft Review	6/16/2025

CLOSED SESSION – None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items left to discuss, Mayor Farr adjourned to the next regular meeting on June 2, 2025.

Approve:



Elisa Arteaga, City Administrator