



MINUTES CITY OF GRIDLEY CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M., MONDAY
OCTOBER 6th, 2014

CITY HALL
685 KENTUCKY STREET
GRIDLEY, CALIFORNIA

Mayor, Jeff Draper
Vice Mayor, Pedro Mota
Council member, Frank Hall
Council member, Jerry Ann Fichter
Council member, Owen Stiles

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Draper called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Council members

Present: Mota, Hall, Fichter, Stiles, Draper
Absent: None
Arriving post roll call: None

Staff present: Rob Hickey, City Administrator
Brant Bordsen, City Attorney
Matt Michaelis, Finance Director
Bruce Nash, City Engineer
Dean Price, Chief of Police

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilwoman Fichter led the Pledge of Allegiance

D. COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

Cynthia Soares of 1743 West Biggs Gridley Road addressed Council asking permission to use the Eagle Meadows detention basin/park for Rugby practice/games.

Mayor Draper directed staff to organize a study session and invite all interested parties.

Mayor Draper announced Council would be moving to item #12.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. City Council minutes dated July 21, 2014
2. Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation
3. Approval of Participant Purchase Confirmation for the purchase of electric capacity and energy
4. City's response to CPUC letter
5. City Engineer monthly update, July/August 2014
6. Public Works monthly update, August 2014
7. Recreation monthly update, August 2014
8. Electric Department monthly update, August 2014
9. Treasurer's Report, January – June 2014
10. Building Department monthly update, August 2014
11. Police Department monthly update, August 2014

Motion to approve consent calendar made by Councilman Stiles, seconded by Councilman Hall

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Mota, Hall, Fichter, Stiles, Draper

Motion passed, 5-0

Molly Heck with Catalyst then spoke thanking Council for their support and reviewed many of the programs and activities available through the organization.

Mayor Draper then read a portion of the Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation being presented

F. REPORTS AND MISCELLANEOUS

12. Swearing in of new City of Gridley Police Officer David Steen

Chief Price introduced the family and friends in attendance. He gave a brief bio of David Steen and reviewed the requirements for someone to advance to this point in their career. He had Officer David Steen read aloud a code of ethics before being sworn in.

Council then recessed to enjoy refreshments.

Upon returning, Council moved to the consent calendar.

13. Council appointment to the Gridley Oversight Committee (Successor to the RDA)

Administrator Hickey stated that with the passing of Mr. Lowell King, the Gridley Oversight Committee has a vacancy that needs to be filled.

Mayor Draper directed that staff advertise for the position.

14. Council approval of Intergovernmental Agency Agreement Between the City of Gridley and Regional Housing Authority of Sutter and Nevada Counties for Housing Consultant Services

Administrator Hickey explained that the City uses the Regional Housing Authority to help administer the programs related to CDBG and HOME grants. This particular agreement is for the recently awarded 13-HOME-8995 grant. Their expertise helps us get the money in the community for housing rehabilitation and first time homebuyer programs.

Motion to approve the agreement made by Councilwoman Fichter, seconded by Vice Mayor Mota

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Mota, Hall, Fichter, Stiles, Draper

Motion passed, 5-0

G. RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

15. Introduction and first reading of Ordinance 811-2014: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Gridley Amending Title 17, Chapter 17.66, "Special Situations", of the Gridley Municipal Code related to the Cultivation of Marijuana (Citywide)

Planning consultant Donna Decker reviewed the staff report giving a background of the development of this ordinance. Council had directed staff in February 2014 to see how the ordinance could be amended to be in conformity with Federal law which would disallow the cultivation and sale of marijuana in the community. This ordinance accomplishes the wishes of the Council.

Introduction and first reading of Ordinance 811-2014 made by Councilman Stiles, seconded by Councilman Hall

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Mota, Hall, Fichter, Stiles, Draper

Motion passed, 5-0

16. Approval of Resolution No. 2014-R-034: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Adopting the 2014-2022 Housing Element Thereby Approving the Text Amendment to the General Plan (Citywide)

Planning consultant Donna Decker briefed Council stating the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has outlined a process by which local governments need to update housing elements to maintain compliance with the legislative statutes. The planning period for the City of Gridley is eight years coinciding with the Butte County Association of Government's 5th cycle planning period. The City is required to adopt the updated Housing Element within 120 days of the expiration of the previous planning cycle that ended June 15, 2014. If the document is not adopted, an update will be required every four years

On September 30, 2014, the Planning Commission recommended the City Council adopt the 5th cycle 2014-2022 Housing Element. This action by the Planning Commission follows the considerable review by the Commission from February, 2014 to the date of their recommendation. Their review also encompasses the comments provided by HCD.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-R-034 made by Councilwoman Fichter, seconded by Vice Mayor Mota

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Mota, Hall, Fichter, Stiles, Draper

Motion passed, 5-0

17. Approval of Resolution No. 2014-R-035: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Regarding the Viability of Energy Storage Targets for the City of Gridley

Administrator Hickey briefed that on September 29, 2010, the Governor signed AB 2514 that encouraged electric utilities to implement appropriate levels of energy storage that may be cost-effectively implemented. To be viable, the energy storage system must be cost effective and either reduce emissions of greenhouse gases, reduce demand for peak electrical generation, defer or substitute for an investment in generation, transmission, or distribution assets, or improve the reliable operation of the electrical transmission grid. Staff has closely reviewed the service territory's load shape, geographic location, type of customers served, and existing generation portfolio, and with a reasonably high load factor and the current low cost of investment in generation, has determined that the economics behind energy storage deem it not cost-effective at this time.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-R-035 made by Councilman Stiles, seconded by Vice Mayor Mota

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Mota, Hall, Fichter, Stiles, Draper

Motion passed, 5-0

18. Approval of Resolution No. 2014-R-036: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Approving the Commitment of Fund Balances in Accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54

Finance Director Matt Michaelis briefed Council that in March 2009, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, to address issues related to how fund balance was being reported in governmental financial statements. The intent of the Statement is to bring greater transparency and consistency to fund balance reporting in the governmental sector. The City is required to implement GASB Statement No. 54 for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2014. The attached resolution accomplishes this.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-R-036 made by Councilwoman Fichter, seconded by Vice Mayor Mota

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Mota, Hall, Fichter, Stiles, Draper

Motion passed, 5-0

19. Approval of Resolution No. 2014-R-037: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Adopting the Butte County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

City Administrator Rob Hickey stated that Butte County wanted the participation of all cities to put together a hazard mitigation plan. This is our portion of that plan. Among other things, it describes what type of emergencies we could see, the likelihood of them happening and what we would do in response. Once approved by Council, this will become part of the larger County plan.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-R-037 made by Councilman Hall, seconded by Vice Mayor Mota

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Mota, Hall, Fichter, Stiles, Draper

Motion passed, 5-0

H. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilwoman Fichter reported briefly on the meetings she attended for LAFCo, Vector Control District, Butte County Air Quality and Butte County Association of Governments, the Oversight Committee and the Community Garden. She was happy with the turnout of the 14-mile yard sale; it was a huge success.

Councilman Stiles reported on the League Conference in LA.

Councilman Mota attended the Orchard Hospital JPA meeting where the budget was approved.

Mayor Draper briefly reported on the meeting he attended for the Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency.

I. ADJOURNMENT

With no further items, at 8:18 p.m. Council adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting on October 20, 2014



Dean Price, Interim City Clerk