

Gridley City Council – Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 2, 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, Roberts, Calderon, Sanchez
Absent: None
Arriving after roll call: None

Staff Present: Elisa Arteaga, Finance Director/Acting City Administrator
Rodney Harr, Police Chief
Tony Galyean, City Attorney
Jake Carter, Utilities Director
Donna Decker, Planning Director
Ross Pippitt, Public Works Director

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Sanchez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION – None

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Farr read the Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation for October 2023. Aidee Orejel from Catalyst Services Group accepted the proclamation.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OR PROMOTED EMPLOYEES - None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Minutes Dated September 12th, September 14th, and September 18th Minutes

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

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Calderon, Johnson, Roberts, Farr, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

2. Recreation Department Informational Update – Ashley Ayala

Recreation Coordinator Ashley Ayala presented a PowerPoint presentation to Council that displayed the numerous events that her and the recreation team have been able to sponsor for the City in the past couple months.

3. Code Enforcement Department Informational Update – Katie Hill

Code Enforcement Officer Katie Hill presented a slideshow that informed Council of the procedures taken for all code enforcement complaints, while also highlighting what she's accomplished since starting with the City.

Mike Dahl, 1784 Grace Rd, addressed Council on behalf of the Lions Club and shared concerns about the conditions of 220 Virginia St and 110 Virginia St. On a separate matter, Dahl informed Council of a recent gravestone vandalization at the Gridley Cemetery and stated there will be a fundraiser held by the Gridley Museum to replace the gravestone.

Beverly Miles, 1477 Peach St, shared that she feels as though she had wrongfully received a code enforcement notice.

4. Gridley Industrial Park Surplus Lands Declarations

Planning Director Donna Decker explained the Surplus Land Declaration and its recent changes that now pertain to the Industrial Park's land for sale effective July 2023. Decker requested Council approve the resolutions needed to satisfy the Surplus Land Act requirements and begin the noticing process in hopes to efficiently close escrow for the properties currently in the process.

- **Resolution No. 2023-R-032: A Resolution of the City Council Declaring Certain Property as Surplus Land and Directing the City Administrator to Follow the Procedures Set Forth in the Surplus Lands Act for their Disposition**

Motion to approve Resolution 2023-R-032 was made by Councilmember Roberts, seconded by Councilmember Calderon.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Sanchez, Calderon, Roberts, Johnson, Farr

Motion passed, 5-0

- Resolution No. 2023-R-033: A Resolution of the City Council Declaring Certain Property as Exempt Surplus Land and Directing the City Administrator to Follow the Procedures Set Forth in the Surplus Lands Act for its Disposition

Motion to approve Resolution 2023-R-033 was made by Councilmember Roberts, seconded by Councilmember Calderon.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Calderon, Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

5. G.I.B.T Sponsor Consideration

Finance Director Elisa Arteaga presented the donation request and informed Council that during budget study sessions an amount of \$21,500 was appropriated by Council for contributions of which \$1,500 was earmarked for G.I.B.T. and was decided to be voted on once the request came to the City.

Motion to approve the contribution was made by Councilmember Calderon, seconded by Councilmember Roberts.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Calderon, Farr, Johnson, Roberts, Sanchez

Motion passed, 5-0

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM

Christian Garcia, Waste Management, shared that the Free Dump Day for Gridley will be October 14th.

CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Calderon reported on his attendance at the BCAG meeting.

Councilmember Roberts reported on his recent attendance at the League of California Cities Annual Conference.

Councilmember Sanchez informed Council that she will attend the upcoming NCPA Commission meeting and the NCPA conference. She also shared that the Chamber of Commerce will be holding the 14-Mile Yard Sale on October 7th.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

Acting City Administrator Elisa Arteaga also informed Council that she will be in attendance at the NCPA conference.

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

Electric Rates Schedule Change	10/16/2023
Local Roadway Safety Plan	10/16/2023
Finance Policies	10/16/2023
Water Resiliency Authorization Documents	11/6/2023

CLOSED SESSION –

6. Closed Session Discussion with Labor Negotiator Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6 For Unrepresented Employee, Position: City Administrator

Council went into closed session at 7:30 and came out with no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items left to discuss, Mayor Farr adjourned to the next regular Council meeting on October 16th, 2023.



Cliff Wagner, City Administrator