

# **Gridley City Council – Regular Meeting Minutes**

Monday, February 5, 2024; 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.”*

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

**Mayor Farr called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.**

## **ROLL CALL**

### **Councilmembers**

Present: Farr, Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon, Johnson

Absent: None

Arriving after roll call: None

Staff Present: Elisa Arteaga, City Administrator  
Rodney Harr, Police Chief  
Tony Galyean, City Attorney  
Ross Pippitt, Utility Director  
Martin Pineda, Finance Director  
Donna Decker, City Planner  
Dave Harden, City Engineer

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Councilmember Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

## **PROCLAMATION – None**

## **INTRODUCTION OF NEW OR PROMOTED EMPLOYEES - None**

## **COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM**

**The forum was opened, and see as there was no one present to speak was closed.**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. City Council Minutes Dated January 9, January 16, and January 25, 2024
2. Construction of Concrete Pad at Manual Vierra Park for Gridley Lions Club Memorial Bench
3. Utility Director Employment Agreement (Pippitt)

**Motion: to approve the consent agenda as presented.**

**Motion: Roberts  
Second: Calderon**

**ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0  
Ayes: Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon, Farr, Johnson**

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

4. Amendment of RSG's Contract for FY 2023/2024 And Contract Renewal for FY 2024-2025

**Finance Director Martin Pineda explained the FY 23/24 contract amendment was due to the Supplemental Land Act noticing that RSG completed on behalf of the City. Pineda also requested that the Council approve the contract with RSG for FY 24/25 explaining that RSG has been very helpful and responsive.**

**MOTION: to approve the FY 23/24 amendment and approve the contract with RSG for FY 24/25.**

**Motion: Johnson  
Seconded: Roberts**

**ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0  
Ayes: Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon, Farr, Johnson**

5. FY 23-24 Mid-Year Budget Review

**Finance Director Martin Pineda briefly highlighted the proposed revisions for the FY 23-24 budget. Pineda explained that after meeting with Department Managers and making necessary changes, the overall City budget would decrease by \$572,269.98.**

**MOTION: to approve the FY 23-24 mid-year budget review**

**Motion: Calderon  
Seconded: Sanchez**

**ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0  
Ayes: Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon, Farr, Johnson**

6. Purchase of New Ladder Truck – Gridley Fire Department

**Fire Chief Chip Fowler and Battalion Chief Mike Conaty respectfully requested Council approve the purchase of a new ladder truck for the Gridley Fire Department as the departments current 17-year old ladder truck is becoming unreliable, resulting in more frequent and extensive repair costs. Chief Fowler and Chief Conaty presented a PowerPoint presentation that showed the benefits and importance of having a reliable ladder truck.**

**MOTION: to approve the purchase of one ladder truck from Golden State Fire Apparatus**

**Motion: Calderon**

**Second: Roberts**

**ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0**

**Ayes: Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon, Farr, Johnson**

7. Resolution Number 2024-R-003: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Accepting the Existing Constructed 8" Sanitary Sewer Line and Offer of Dedication of An Easement for Sanitary Sewer Purposes on the East Side of State Route 99 Lying Across Three Parcels (APN 024-260-097, 024-260-096, and 024-260-078)

**City Planner Donna Decker requested that Council approve Resolution No. 2024-R-003 accepting the 8" sanitary sewer line and easement for access to maintain the line which will serve four parcels.**

**MOTION: to approve Resolution No. 2024-R-003**

**Motion: Johnson**

**Second: Roberts**

**ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0**

**Ayes: Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon, Farr, Johnson**

8. Consideration to Support the Amendment of the Capital Improvement Program for the Transfer of Vermont Street Right-of-Way to the Gridley Unified School District

**City Planner Donna Decker presented the item to discuss the potential transfer of a portion of Vermont Street right-of-way to the Gridley Unified School District. Decker explained, GUSD is working on plans to determine how expansion at school sites can occur. One alternative conducive to the best financial opportunity is to utilize the Vermont right-of-way to add structures for the expansion of the primary and elementary schools.**

**Motion: to authorize the City Administrator to coordinate efforts to move forward and provide project information and costs at a future meeting.**

**Motion: Roberts**

**Second: Calderon**

**ROLL CALL VOTE: 4-1**

**Ayes: Roberts, Calderon, Farr, Johnson**

**Noes: Sanchez**

9. Consideration to Support the Amendment of the Capital Improvement Program to Extend Laurel Street from Randolph Avenue to Edler Estates Subdivision

City Planner Donna Decker explained the City received a letter from GUSD with an interest to deed approximately 0.5 acres of the north portion of their property to extend Laurel St from Randolph to provide access to future residential projects.

Motion: to authorize the City Administrator to coordinate efforts to move forward and provide project information and costs at a future meeting.

Motion: Roberts

Second: Sanchez

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0

Ayes: Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon, Farr, Johnson

10. Consideration of the Proposal for the Development of Parcel 3 of the Industrial Park Complex (APN 021-240-029)

City Planner Donna Decker requested the City Council accept the conceptual site plan of a trucking company for Parcel #3 submitted by Mr. Inder Singh.

Councilmember Calderon shared his concerns of parking and Mayor Farr shared his concerns of possible contamination.

Motion: to accept the conceptual site plan as submitted.

Motion: Johnson

Second: Roberts

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4-1

Ayes: Roberts, Calderon, Farr, Johnson

Noes: Sanchez

#### CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice Mayor Johnson stated that he would like to have the review of City consultant contracts be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next City Council meeting.

Councilmember Calderon reported on his attendance at the Mayors and Councilmember Academy Seminar.

#### CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

City Administrator Arteaga informed Council of her joint meeting with LAFCo, RD 833 and Butte Water District.

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

Finance Policies	3/4/2024
Housing Element Review and Discussion	3/4/2024

**CLOSED SESSION –**

11. Closed session discussion with legal counsel pursuant to Government Code 54956.95:  
Liability Claim against the City of Gridley by claimant Danielle Carrillo

**Council went into closed session at 7:52 and came out at 8:02 pm.**

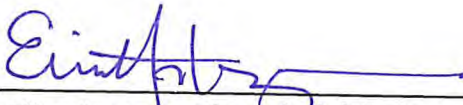
**Motion: to reject claim.**

**Motion: Roberts  
Second: Calderon**

**ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0  
Ayes: Roberts, Sanchez, Calderon, Farr, Johnson**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**With no further items left to discuss, Mayor Farr adjourned to the next Regular meeting on February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**



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**Elisa Arteaga, City Administrator**

