

Gridley City Council – Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 15, 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.”

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Farr, Johnson, Calderon, Roberts, Sanchez
Absent: None
Arriving after roll call: None

Staff Present: Elisa Arteaga, City Administrator
Rodney Harr, Police Chief
Tony Galyean, City Attorney
Ross Pippitt, Utilities Director
Martin Pineda, Finance Director

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 seeing there was no one present to speak, was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Minutes Dated June 3rd, June 17th (Special Meeting), June 17th (Regular Meeting)
2. TDA Audit
3. April-May 2024 Expenditure Report
4. FY 23-24 Treasurers Report

5. Resolution 2024-R-022: Appointment of Northern California Cities Self Insurance Fund (NCCSIF) Representative and Alternate Representative
6. Resolution No. 2024-R-023: 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

Motion: to approve the consent agenda as presented.

MOTION: Roberts

SECOND: Calderon

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0

Ayes: Calderon, Johnson, Roberts, Sanchez, Farr

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

7. LAFCo Letter of Agreement Re: Development – Discussion

City Administrator Elisa Arteaga presented the letter of agreement and explained the letter was presented to her by LAFCo on behalf of neighboring special-purpose districts to promote pre-development collaboration. After thorough review, City Administrator Arteaga and City Attorney Galyean felt that entering into the agreement would forfeit the City's ultimate say in the review process of development plans submitted to the City. Administrator Arteaga recommended having monthly collaboration meetings with all agencies in lieu of entering into the letter of agreement.

Motion: to not enter into the letter of agreement but rather hold monthly collaboration meetings.

MOTION: Roberts

SECOND: Calderon

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0

Ayes: Calderon, Johnson, Roberts, Sanchez, Farr

8. Resolution 2024-R-024: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gridley Approving Agreement No. 2CA06877 with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Agreement for Services from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025

Administrator Arteaga explained to Council that the contract amount was budgeted and approved in the FY 24/25 Annual Budget.

Motion: to approve agreement no. 2CA06877 with CalFire

MOTION: Sanchez

SECOND: Roberts

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0

Ayes: Calderon, Johnson, Roberts, Sanchez, Farr

9. Request for Acceptance and Approval of FY 2021-2022 Single Audit & GANN Limit Report and FY 2022-2023 Audit Report

Finance Director Martin Pineda briefly presented the reports and introduced Sheldon Chavan, from Chavan and Associates auditing firm to review the financial statements. Chavan explained to Council their process for auditing and explained that the City received an “unmodified opinion” which is the best rating a City can receive. Chavan explained all findings were communicated with City staff who were already working hard to remedy.

Motion: to accept and approve the 21/22 Single Audit and GANN Report and FY 2022-2023 Audit Report

MOTION: Sanchez

SECOND: Johnson

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0

Ayes: Calderon, Johnson, Roberts, Sanchez, Farr

10. Renewable Power Purchase Agreement between Northern California Power Agency (NCPA) and Grace Orchard Energy Center, LLC (PPA), and (ii) the Third Phase Agreement for Renewable Power Purchase Agreement with Grace Orchard Energy Center, LLC (Third Phase Agreement)

Administrator Arteaga presented the agreement and explained that the Grace Solar Project would allow the City to have the opportunity to cover some of the regulatory and legal requirements relating to the Renewable Portfolio Obligation Standards. Administrator Arteaga explained that city staff recently met with NCPA to review the diversification of the portfolio, the city’s current eligible renewable resources and the current market conditions.

Motion: to approve entering into the Renewable Power Purchase Agreement with Grace Orchard Energy Center, LLC (Third Phase Agreement)

MOTION: Sanchez

SECOND: Roberts

CITY STAFF AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Calderon reported on his attendance at the BCAG meeting.

Vice Mayor Johnson reported on his attendance at the Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency meeting, and the Yuba Sutter Vector Mosquito Control District meeting.

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

Mayor Farr expressed gratitude for CalFire and their continued hard work with the recent fires surrounding Gridley.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - None

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

Procurement Policy	8/5/2024
Travel Policy	8/5/2024
Energy Efficiency Contract Review	8/5/2024
Sports Complex	8/5/2024

CLOSED SESSION

Council went into closed session at 7:19 with the following reportable action:

11. Closed Session Discussion Public Employment: Police Chief - Cal. Gov. Code Section 54597

Motion: to accept the retirement of Chief of Police Harr and direct Administrator Arteaga to calculate leave balances and negotiate the CalPERS retirement date and terms of disbursement of remaining leave balances.

MOTION: Roberts

SECOND: Johnson

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0

Ayes: Farr, Johnson, Calderon, Roberts, Sanchez

12. Closed Session Discussion Public Employment: Principal Planner - Cal. Gov. Code Section 54597

No reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items left to discuss, Mayor Farr adjourned to the next regular meeting on August 5th, 2024.


Elisa Arteaga, City Administrator