



GRASS VALLEY

City Council Regular Meeting, Capital Improvements Authority and Redevelopment "Successor Agency"

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Council Chambers, Grass Valley City Hall | 125 East Main Street, Grass Valley, California

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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:03PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of allegiance led by Eliza Tudor.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Councilmember Bob Branstrom

Councilmember Tom Ivy

Vice Mayor Hilary Hodge

Mayor Jan Arbuckle

ABSENT

Councilmember Haven Caravelli

AGENDA APPROVAL -

Updated FSLA status to Non-Exempt on Battalion Chief Job Description.

Motion made to approve agenda by Vice Mayor Hodge, Seconded by Councilmember Branstrom.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Branstrom, Councilmember Ivy, Vice Mayor Hodge, Mayor Arbuckle

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

No reportable action.

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Arts, Culture and Creativity Proclamation.

Mayor Arbuckle presented the proclamation to Eliza Tudor, the Executive Director of the Nevada County Arts Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT -

In person comments: Robin Davies, Brenda English, Paula Newman.

CONSENT ITEMS -

Motion made to approve consent by Councilmember Ivy, Seconded by Councilmember Branstrom.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Branstrom, Councilmember Ivy, Vice Mayor Hodge, Mayor Arbuckle

2. Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes of March 30th, 2023.
Recommendation: Council approve minutes as submitted.
3. Local Emergency Proclamation (Drought Conditions)
CEQA: Not a Project.
Recommendation: Drought Conditions proclamation declaring a Local State of Emergency
4. Local Emergency Proclamation (Winter Storm of February 2023)
CEQA: Not a project
Recommendation: To continue the Winter Storm February 24th, 2023 to March 1st, 2023 proclamation declaring a Local State of Emergency
5. Updated Job Description for Battalion Chief
CEQA: Not a Project
Recommendation: That Council approved the updated Job Description for Battalion Chief
6. Approval of Professional Services Agreement with Sauers Engineering, Inc. for Infrastructure Needs Study for the Southern Sphere of Influence and Grass Valley RV Park Annexation Areas.
CEQA: Not a Project
Recommendation: Staff recommends the Council authorize the City Manager to sign the attached Professional Services Agreement with Sauers Engineering, Inc., for preparation of the Infrastructure Needs Study.
7. Professional Service Agreements for on-call landscape design assistance services.
CEQA: Not a project.
Recommendation: The Council 1) approves the City Manager to execute Professional Services Agreements with Melton Design Group, Inc and Living Outdoors Landscapes for on-call landscaping design assistance services subject to legal review; 2) allow City Manager to approve a 5% contingency; 3) allow Finance Director to make any necessary budget adjustments and transfers.
8. Authorize travel for Mayor Arbuckle to the National League of Cities (NCL) Conferences for 2023
CEQA: Not a project.

Recommendation: That Council approve travel and related expenses for Mayor Arbuckle to attend the National League of Cities Conferences for 2023 (NLC Summer Board & Leadership, NLC Women in Municipal Government, & NLC City Summit).

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION OR SEPARATE ACTION AND / OR ANY ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

PUBLIC HEARING

9. Introduction of an ordinance amending section 8.24.260 of chapter 8.24 of Title 8 of the Grass Valley Municipal Code regarding Garbage Collection and Recycling.

CEQA: Not a Project.

Recommendation: Introduce the attached ordinance, waive full reading, and read by Title Only

Tim Kiser, City Manager, gave presentation to the Council.

In person comment: Marianne Boll-See with The Union.

Motion made to introduce the attached ordinance, waive full reading, and read by Title Only by Councilmember Branstrom, Seconded by Vice Mayor Hodge.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Branstrom, Councilmember Ivy, Vice Mayor Hodge, Mayor Arbuckle

ADMINISTRATIVE

10. Economic / Inflation Update - HdL Companies

CEQA: Not a Project

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council receive a presentation on the current status of the economy and inflation from HdL Companies

Joan with HDL and Andy Heath, Finance Director gave presentation.

Council asked about competition in the workforce and recent regional trends, commented on rural community resiliency.

In person comment: Brenda English

BRIEF REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilmember Branstrom commented on the progress made on Mill St, commended GVAC and GVPD, attended Tom Last's Retirement Party, attended the Cal City Sac Region Meeting, ERC Meeting, concert at Center for the Arts. Vice Mayor Hodge mentioned the newly discovered railroad truss found near the Wolf Creek. Mayor Arbuckle gave a shout out to National Telecommunicator Week, attended League of City's meeting in Colusa, and a CSAC meeting.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:17PM.

Adopted on: _____

Jan Arbuckle, Mayor

Taylor Day, City Clerk