



GRASS VALLEY
Special City Council Meeting

Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 6:30 PM
Council Chambers, Grass Valley City Hall | 125 East Main Street, Grass Valley, California
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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Arbuckle led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Councilmember Bob Branstrom
Councilmember Haven Caravelli
Councilmember Tom Ivy
Vice Mayor Hilary Hodge
Mayor Jan Arbuckle

AGENDA APPROVAL -

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

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

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

No closed session.

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Update on the recent Fire

PUBLIC COMMENT -

Virtual Public Comment attached.

In-person public comment: Speakers #1-17 and Matthew Coulter.

CONSENT ITEMS -

Public Comment: Unknown, unknown, Brenda English, Robin Davis, Matthew Coulter

Motion made to accept consent as submitted by Vice Mayor Hodge, Seconded by Councilmember Branstrom.

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

2. Grass Valley Management & Supervisory Professional & Confidential Employees - Unit 1 - Memorandum of Understanding for July 1, 2024 - December 31, 2025,

CEQA: Not a project

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 2024-64 approving the Labor Memorandum of Understanding for an eighteen (18) month period beginning July 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025, between the City of Grass Valley and the Grass Valley Management / Supervisory Professional & Confidential Employees Group (Unit 1).

3. International Union of Operating Engineers, Stationery Engineers, Local 39 Memorandum of Understanding - Unit #2 (General Employees) and Unit #3 (Office Technical Employees) - July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2027

CEQA: Not a Project

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 2024-64 & 2024-63 approving the Labor Memorandum of Understanding for a 3-year period beginning July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027, between the City of Grass Valley and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Stationery Engineers, Local 39 (Unit 2 and Unit 3).

4. Appointment of Mayor Arbuckle as the voting delegate and Council Member Branstrom as alternate for the League of California Cities 2024 Annual Conference meeting

CEQA: Not a Project

Recommendation: That Council appoints Mayor Arbuckle as the voting and Council Member Branstrom as the alternate for the 2024 League Annual Conference on October 16-18, 2024.

5. Procurement and installation of open space surveillance cameras for Memorial Park, Condon Park, & Elisabeth Daniels Park, funded by BSCC Proposition 64 Grant

CEQA: Not a Project

Recommendation: (1) The Council approve procurement and installation of open space surveillance cameras for Memorial Park, Condon, Par, & Elisabeth Daniels Park funded by Prop 64 grant funds, pursuant to the attached GSA Contract scope of work agreements; (2) authorize the City Manager to sign necessary agreements, subject to legal review; and (3) direct the Finance Director to make appropriate budget adjustments and payments as may be necessary

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

PUBLIC HEARING

6. Conduit financing for the Eskaton Properties, Incorporated Project

CEQA: The project is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) by the “common sense” rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

Recommendation: That council 1) Conduct the public hearing under the requirements of Tax and Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) and the Internal Revenue Code of

1986, as amended (the “Code”). 2) Adopt Resolution No. 2024-65 approving the issuance of the Bonds by the California Municipal Finance Authority (CMFA) for the benefit of Eskaton Properties, Incorporated, a nonprofit, public benefit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California and an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Code (the “Borrower”), to provide for the financing of the Project, such adoption is solely for the purposes of satisfying the requirements of TEFRA, the Code and the California Government Code Section 6500 (and following).

Public Comment: Unknown, unknown, Brenda English, Robin Davis, Matthew Coulter
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Voting Yea: Councilmember Branstrom, Councilmember Caravelli, Councilmember Ivy, Vice Mayor Hodge, Mayor Arbuckle

ADMINISTRATIVE

7. Main St Sealing And Striping - Authorize Bidding and Approve Design

CEQA: Categorically Exempt - Section 15301 “Existing Facilities”

Recommendation: That Council 1) approve the findings that the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); 2) provide direction to Staff on several design proposals; and 3) authorize the advertisement for bids.

Bjorn Jones, City Engineer, gave an overview of the revised plans.

Public Comment: Jon Moser, Denny Silberstein, Jacob McDonald, Rico Stevenses, Jon McDonald, Robin Davis, Matthew Coulter

Motion to continue item and for staff to comeback with a proposal of a center cross walk and the first design to compare by Councilmember Ivy, Seconded by Councilmember Caravelli.

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

8. Approve a portion of the Measure B expenditures and the associated initial Expenditure Plan for Fiscal Year 2024/25.

CEQA: Not a Project.

Recommendation: That Council 1) review the proposed initial expenditure plan confirmed by the Citizen Oversight Committee for Measure B; 2) approve the

expenditure plan; 3) approve any necessary budget transfers or amendments to the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Budget to implement the approved portion of the Expenditure Plan funding; 4) authorize the City Manager to move forward with implementing the proposed expenditure plan in accordance with City requirements.

Tim Kiser, City Manager, gave an overview to the council.

Public comment: Matthew Coulter

Motion to review the proposed initial expenditure plan confirmed by the Citizen Oversight Committee for Measure B; 2) approve the expenditure plan; 3) approve any necessary budget transfers or amendments to the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Budget to implement the approved portion of the Expenditure Plan funding; 4) authorize the City Manager to move forward with implementing the proposed expenditure plan in accordance with City requirements Councilmember Caravelli, Seconded by Councilmember Branstrom.

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

BRIEF REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilmember Caravelli had a meeting with the District 3 supervisor, attended an ERC meeting, Day of the Dead meeting, and congratulations to the Police Officers who were pinned, and thanked the Police and Fire for their response in the recent fire. Councilmember Ivy attended the monthly Wolf Creek Watershed monitoring. Councilmember Branstrom participated in the Gold Country Senior Services Grand Opening. Vice Mayor Hodge attended the Planning event for the International Women's day event and the Gold Miners Inn Mixer. Mayor Arbuckle attended the Mayor Manager Meeting, was on KNCO with Supervisor Heidi Hall regarding fire insurance, Monday with the Mayor, meeting with District 3 Supervisor, the Badge Pinning ceremony, and announcing the 9/11 event.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 pm.

Jan Arbuckle, Mayor

Taylor Whittingslow, City Clerk

Adopted on: _____