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## GRASS VALLEY

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

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Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 6:00 PM

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

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## MINUTES

Mayor Hilary Hodge, Vice Mayor Haven Caravelli, Councilmember Jan Arbuckle,  
Councilmember Joe Bonomolo, Councilmember Tom Ivy

### CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6PM.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of allegiance led by Mayor Hodge.

### ROLL CALL

#### PRESENT

Councilmember Jan Arbuckle

Councilmember Joe Bonomolo

Councilmember Tom Ivy

Vice Mayor Haven Caravelli

Mayor Hilary Hodge

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion made to approve the agenda as submitted by Councilmember Arbuckle, Seconded by  
Vice Mayor Caravelli.

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

### REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

### INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Emily Rary, Community Engagement Chief for Beale Air Force Base, to give presentation on the upcoming Beale Airshow on June 7 & 8 2025.
2. Christine Newsom, presenting as a representative from the Nevada City Rotary Club, in regard to their plastic film collection project and their challenges to continued functioning.
3. Nevada County OES Representatives will provide overview of the Nevada County Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

4. Duane Strawser, the City of Grass Valley Community Risk Reduction Manager, to give brief presentation to Council.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comments #1-9 & 11

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

Motion made to approve the consent items by Councilmember Ivy, Seconded by Vice Mayor Caravelli.

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

5. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2025.

**Recommendation:** Council approve minutes as submitted.

6. Tablet Command Mobile Incident Command and Response Solution Purchase

**CEQA:** Not a project

**Recommendation:** That the Council 1) Approve the Fire Chief to enter into an agreement, subject to legal review, with the County of Nevada for the reimbursement of funds related to the purchase and integration of Tablet Command for the Fire Services in Nevada County; and 2) Authorize the Finance Director to execute any necessary budget adjustments or fund transfers to facilitate this process.

7. Nevada County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

**CEQA:** Not a project as defined by the Public Resources Code section 21065 and CEQA Guidelines sections 15060 and 15378.

**Recommendation:** That Council adopt Resolution 2025-01 to adopt and approve the draft Nevada County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and authorize staff to make necessary changes if required by FEMA

8. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-02 Declaring Equipment Surplus and Authorizing Disposition of Equipment.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-02, declaring the listed vehicles as surplus and authorizing their disposition.

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

## **REORGANIZATION RELATED ITEMS**

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE**

9. Introduction of an ordinance amending Chapter 5.56 of Title 5 of the Grass Valley Municipal Code regulating Tobacco Retailers.

**Recommendation:** Introduce the attached ordinance, waive full reading, and read by title only

Alex Gammelgard introduced Officer LaFerriere with GVPD who presented to Council.

Tyler Hill, Chief Medical Officer for SNMH spoke to the medical implications of tobacco and nitrous oxide we see in our local community.

Public comment: Sean Johnson, Bill Lawrence, Graham, Brandon Gates, Kristy Cates, Robin Galvin-Davies, & Don Frazer.

Motion made to introduce the attached ordinance, waive full reading, and read by title only by Councilmember Arbuckle, Seconded by Vice Mayor Caravelli.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Arbuckle, Councilmember Bonomolo, Vice Mayor Caravelli, Mayor Hodge

#### 10. Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant

**CEQA:** Not a Project

**Recommendation:** That Council approve the submission of a Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant in collaboration with the Fire Safe Council. The grant will support efforts to strengthen critical infrastructure, implement hazard fuels reduction using nature-based solutions, assist with hazard tree removal, expand the home hardening retrofit program, enhance the green waste program, and provide community education initiatives for the Grass Valley area.

Tim Kiser, City Manager, presented to Council.

Public Comment: Sean Johnson, Patrick Johnson & Robin Galvin-Davies.

Motion made to approve the submission of a Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant in collaboration with the Fire Safe Council by Councilmember Ivy, Seconded by Councilmember Arbuckle.

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

#### 11. Historical Commission Quarterly Update

**CEQA:** Not a project

**Recommendation:** That Council receives quarterly update from Historical Commission.

Terry McAteer, Chair of the Historical Commission, gave quarterly update to the Council. Theresa Poston, Historical Commissioner, spoke to the Heritage Home brochure sales.

Motion made to form a subcommittee comprised of Vice Mayor Caravelli and Councilmember Arbuckle to meet with two members of the Historical Commission that will sunset before this items comes before Council again by Councilmember Arbuckle, Seconded by Vice Mayor Caravelli.

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

### **BRIEF REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Councilmember Arbuckle attended a a meeting with Maria's regarding improvements, a Sac Valley Division League of CA Cities Board Meeting, Small Cities, spoke about WIFI for this region, met with the Hospital Foundation, and spoke about the master plan on aging.

Councilmember Bonomolo met with Joy Porter with the Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce and attended an ERC meeting. Councilmember Ivy announced that Pioneer Community Energy will be working with the County of Nevada, attended the NCTC meeting and a Biomass demo on La Barr Meadows and introduced a motion to agendize a a ceasefire resolution on the February 25th City Council meeting. Vice Mayor Caravelli spoke with the City of Santa Rosa about street closures. Mayor Hodge thanked the Nevada County Arts Council for their ongoing offerings to the community.

Motion made to agendize a ceasefire resolution on the February 25th City Council meeting by Councilmember Ivy, Seconded by Councilmember Bonomolo.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Bonomolo, Councilmember Ivy, Vice Mayor Caravelli, Mayor Hodge

Voting Nay: Councilmember Arbuckle

**CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment # 13 & 14

**ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 9:03PM.

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Hilary Hodge, Mayor

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Taylor Whittingslow, City Clerk

Adopted on: \_\_\_\_\_