

ACTION MINUTES

SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021 COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 215 E. BRANCH STREET ARROYO GRANDE, CALIFORNIA

In compliance with the State Shelter at Home Order due to the coronavirus pandemic, and as allowed by the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, which allows for a deviation of teleconference rules required by the Ralph M. Brown Act, this meeting was held by teleconference.

SPECIAL MEETING 5:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ray Russom called the Special City Council Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council Members Lan George, Kristen Barneich, Keith Storton, Mayor Pro Tem Jimmy Paulding, and Mayor Caren Ray Russom were all present via teleconference.

Staff members present via teleconference were City Manager Whitney McDonald, Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Bill Robeson, City Attorney Timothy Carmel, and City Clerk Jessica Matson.

3. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Ray Russom led the flag salute.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

None.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Attorney announced that City Council would recess to a closed session for the following:

- a) Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6:

Agency Negotiator: Whitney McDonald, City Manager

Represented Employees: Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 620

- b) Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6:

Agency Designated Representative: Whitney McDonald, City Manager

Employee Organization: Arroyo Grande Police Officers' Association (AGPOA)

RECONVENE

The City Council reconvened to open session at 6:00 p.m. in conjunction with the Regular City Council Regular Meeting. Announcements of any reportable action from the closed session were made under Item 5.

REGULAR MEETING 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ray Russom called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

City Council: Council Members Lan George, Kristen Barneich, Keith Storton, Mayor Pro Tem Jimmy Paulding, and Mayor Caren Ray Russom were all present via teleconference.

Staff Present: City Manager Whitney McDonald, Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Bill Robeson, City Attorney Timothy Carmel, City Clerk Jessica Matson, and Accounting Manager Nicole Valentine.

3. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Mayor Ray Russom invited all to reflect in honor of the officers involved in the shooting in San Luis Obispo.

4. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Pro Tem Paulding led the flag salute.

5. AGENDA REVIEW

5.a. Closed Session Announcements.

Special Meeting of May 11, 2021

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Regular Meeting of April 27, 2021

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Agency Negotiator: Whitney McDonald, City Manager
Represented Employees: Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 620
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Agency Designated Representative: Whitney McDonald, City Manager
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City Attorney Carmel announced that the City Council discussed labor negotiations with its negotiator, City Manager Whitney McDonald, and there was no reportable action for the April 27, 2021 Regular meeting and May 11, 2021 Special meeting.

5.b. Ordinances read in title only.

None.

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

6.a. Update Regarding Countywide COVID-19 Efforts.

Recommended Action: Receive update, accept public comments, discuss, and provide direction, as necessary.

City Manager McDonald provided a brief update on COVID-19 efforts, announced that City Hall is now open to the public on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

6.b. City Manager Communications.

Recommended Action: Receive correspondence/comments as presented by the City Manager and provide direction, as necessary.

City Manager McDonald highlighted that the Recreation Department recently published their Summer 2021 Activity Guide; additional guidance regarding the American Rescue Act Funds; and that the FY 2021-23 Budget will be presented at the June 8th City Council meeting.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

6.c. Honorary Proclamation Posthumously Honoring Former Arroyo Grande Police Chief Beau Pryor.

Mayor Ray Russom read the Honorary Proclamation Posthumously Honoring Former Arroyo Grande Police Chief Beau D. Pryor. Chief Mike Martinez, accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Pryor family.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

6.d. Honorary Proclamation Declaring May 2021 as Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

Mayor Ray Russom read the Honorary Proclamation Declaring May 2021 as Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month. City Manager McDonald, accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

6.e. Recognition of COVID Safety Superstars.

City Manager McDonald announced the recipients of the COVID Safety Superstar: CAPSLO: The Center for Health and Prevention, Rutiz Farms, Arroyo Grande Recreation Services Children in Motion (childcare program), Hair Saloon & Spa, Golden Moon Restaurant, Trader Joe's, Sweet Pea Bakery, Massage Envy, Sunset North Car Wash, Zumba with Heidy Mangiardi, Ember Restaurant, Timbre Winery, Tribe Coffeehouse, Planet Fitness, Arroyo Grande Meat Company, Mule Bakery, Miner's Ace Hardware, Heritage Salon, Achievement House Thrift Store, and Starbucks at Oak Park and West Branch St.

Jocelyn Brennan, South County Chambers of Commerce, congratulated all the businesses for their commitment to safety; and read an email from Heidy Mangiardi thanking the City for its recognition.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

7. COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. Speaking from the public were Joe Benson, Sean Perry, David Baldwin, and Joshua Medrano. No further public comments were received.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Ray Russom asked the Council if there were any questions or any items to be pulled from the consent agenda for further discussion.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

Action: Mayor Pro Tem Paulding moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 8.a. through 8.g., with the recommended courses of action. Council Member Storton seconded, and the motion passed on the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Paulding, Storton, Barneich, George, Ray Russom
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

8.a. Consideration of Cash Disbursement Ratification.

Action: Ratified the listing of cash disbursements for the period April 16, 2021 through April 30, 2021.

8.b. Consideration of Approval of Minutes.

Action: Approved the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 27, 2021, as submitted.

8.c. Adoption of a Resolution Declaring a Continued Local Emergency Related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic.

Action: Adopted a Resolution entitled: ***"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE DECLARING A CONTINUED LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC"***.

8.d. Consideration of Program Supplement No. F018 Rev. 1 to Administering Agency-State Agreement for Federal-Aid Projects No. 05-5199F15 for the Habitat Mitigation

Phase of the Bridge Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project, PW 2020-08.

Action: Adopted a Resolution entitled: **“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE APPROVING PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT NO. F018 REV. 1 TO ADMINISTERING AGENCY-STATE AGREEMENT FOR FEDERAL-AID PROJECTS NO. 05-5199F15 FOR THE HABITAT MITIGATION PHASE OF THE BRIDGE STREET BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT”**.

- 8.e. Consideration of Adoption of Resolutions Ordering the Preparation and Filing of Annual Engineer’s Reports for the Parkside Village Assessment District, Grace Lane Assessment District, and Landscaping and Lighting District No. 1, within Tract 1769, for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Action: Adopted Resolutions entitled: **“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE ORDERING THE PREPARATION AND FILING OF THE ANNUAL ENGINEER’S REPORT FOR THE PARKSIDE VILLAGE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022”**; **“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE ORDERING THE PREPARATION AND FILING OF THE ANNUAL ENGINEER’S REPORT FOR THE GRACE LANE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021”**; and **“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE ORDERING THE PREPARATION AND FILING OF THE ANNUAL ENGINEERS REPORT FOR THE ARROYO GRANDE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, WITHIN TRACT 1769, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022”**.

- 8.f. Consideration of Approval of Letter of Support for Senate Bill 555 – Short-Term Vacation Rentals Statewide Transient Occupancy Tax Collection.

Action: Approved a letter of support to the California Senate for SB 555, collection of TOT on short-term rentals, and authorize the Mayor to sign the letter.

- 8.g. Consideration of Appointment to the Arroyo Grande Tourism Business Improvement District Advisory Board.

Action: Appointed Sean Dasmann to the Arroyo Grande Tourism Business Improvement District Advisory Board.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

10. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

11. NEW BUSINESS

- 11.a. Consideration of the 5-Year Capital Improvement Program and 5-Year Local Sales Tax Fund Expenditures Program.

City Manager McDonald introduced the item and Accounting Manager Valentine presented the staff report and recommended that the Council provide direction on priorities for the CIP as well as expenditures funded by the Local Sales Tax Fund for the upcoming 5-year programs. Staff responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comments. Speaking from the public were Steven Junor, Kevin Buchanan, and Ben Oakley. No further comments were received.

Council discussed the Capital Improvement Program and asked questions regarding the Brisco/Halcyon Interchange Project. City Engineer Robin Dickerson responded to questions from Council.

Council expressed support for the Program. No action was taken on this item. The report was received and filed.

12. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

The City Council provided brief reports from the following committee, commission, board, or other subcommittee meetings that they attended as the City's appointed representative.

(a) MAYOR RAY RUSSOM:

- (1) California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA)
- (2) South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District (SSLOCSD)
- (3) Tourism Business Improvement District Advisory Board

(b) MAYOR PRO TEM PAULDING:

- (1) Air Pollution Control District (APCD)
- (2) Brisco/Halcyon Interchange Subcommittee
- (3) Council of Governments/Regional Transit Authority (SLOCOG/SLORTA)
- (4) South County Transit (SCT)

(c) COUNCIL MEMBER BARNEICH:

- (1) Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)
- (2) South County Homeless Taskforce
- (3) Zone 3 Water Advisory Board

(d) COUNCIL MEMBER STORTON:

- (1) Brisco/Halcyon Interchange Subcommittee
- (2) Five Cities Fire Authority (FCFA)
- (3) Integrated Waste Management Authority Board (IWMA)
- (4) South County Chambers of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee

(e) COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE:

- (1) Community Action Partnership San Luis Obispo (CAPSLO)
- (2) County Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC)
- (3) Regional Water Initiatives
- (4) Visit SLO CAL Advisory Board

13. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Barneich reported that the 5Cities Homeless Coalition raised \$17,500 at Fin's Benefit Drive Thru and thanked the community for their support

Council Member Storton provided his condolences to the Benedetti Family and the San Luis Obispo Police Department for their loss of Detective Luca Benedetti in the line of duty.

Council Member George announced that CAPSLO will be holding a public meeting on May 12, 2021 regarding the needs and challenges for low income individuals.

Mayor Ray Russom announced that the banners for the Arroyo Grande High School and Lopez High School 2021 graduates will be going up next week.

14. CLOSED SESSION

None.

15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Ray Russom adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

/s/Caren Ray Russom, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/Jessica Matson, City Clerk

(Approved at CC Mtg 05-25-2021)