



GRASS VALLEY

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

Tuesday, January 11, 2022 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 7:05 by Mayor Aguilar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of allegiance led by Mayor Aguilar.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Council Member Bob Branstrom

Council Member Hilary Hodge

Council Member Tom Ivy

Vice Mayor Jan Arbuckle

Mayor Ben Aguilar

AGENDA APPROVAL -

Motion made to approve agenda as submitted by Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Seconded by Council Member Branstrom.

Voting Yea: Council Member Branstrom, Council Member Hodge, Council Member Ivy, Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Mayor Aguilar

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

No closed session.

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT -

Attached.

CONSENT ITEMS -

Motion made to approve consent as submitted by Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Seconded by Council Member Branstrom.

Voting Yea: Council Member Branstrom, Council Member Hodge, Council Member Ivy, Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Mayor Aguilar

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2021.

Recommendation: Council approve minutes as submitted.

2. Approval of the Special Emergency Meeting Minutes of December 30, 2021.

Recommendation: Council approve minutes as submitted.

3. Assembly Bill 361 Resolution

Recommendation: Adopt resolution R2022-02 authorizing remote teleconference meetings of the City Council and other legislative bodies of the City pursuant to government code section 54953(e)

4. Local Emergency Proclamation (COVID-19)

Recommendation: Continuance of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) proclamation declaring a Local State of Emergency

5. Local Emergency Proclamation (Drought Conditions)

Recommendation: Drought Conditions proclamation declaring a Local State of Emergency

6. Local Emergency Proclamation (Winter Storm of December 27th, 2021)

Recommendation: Winter Storm of December 27th, 2021 proclamation declaring a Local State of Emergency

7. Certification of promotional list for Fire Captain.

Recommendation: That Council 1) certify the newly developed promotional eligibility list Fire Captain effective January 11, 2022.

8. Second reading of Ordinance No. 811 amending the Prezoning on portions of the Southern Sphere of Influence Planning and Annexation project area, and amending Section 17.28.080, Southeast Industrial District Combining Zone.

Recommendation: That Council conduct the second reading, by title only, of Ordinance 811, which approves the amendments to the Southern Sphere of Influence Planning and Annexation project.

9. Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 22-23) for July 2022 through June 2023

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Successor Agency adopt Resolution No. SA 2022-01 approving the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 22-23) for the time period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

10. Approval of the Public Safety Analyst job description and associated pay scale

Recommendation: That Council 1) approve the Public Safety Analyst I/II job description; and 2) approve an updated Unit 3 pay scale which includes the Public Safety Analyst I/II pay scale

11. Approval of a Resolution authorizing the submittal of applications for recycling related payment programs and authorizing the Community Development Director to execute all documents to secure these funds.

Recommendation: Approve Resolution 2022-01 which authorizes the City to apply for future recycling grants and authorizes the Community Development Director to submit applications to CalRecycle for all eligible payment programs.

12. December 2021 Winter Storm - Authorize Emergency Contracts

Recommendation: That Council adopt Resolution 2022-03 authorizing the City Manager to enter into emergency contracts without advertising for bids and ratifying emergency contract execution relating to recovery from the December 2021 winter storms.

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

REORGANIZATION RELATED ITEMS

PUBLIC HEARING

13. Public Hearing and First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 8.24 (Garbage Collection and Recycling) of the City of Grass Valley Municipal Code to ensure compliance with Senate Bill 1383 mandates.

Recommendation: That Council conduct the public hearing, introduce the ordinance which amends Chapter 8.24, and waive the reading ordinance in its entirety and read by title only.

Tom Last, Community Development Director, gave overview of the state requirements to council. Carrie Baxter from R3 Consulting, also gave a presentation to the council.

Motion made to conduct the public hearing, introduce the ordinance which amends Chapter 8.24, and waive the reading ordinance in its entirety and read by title only by Council Member Hodge, Seconded by Vice Mayor Arbuckle.

Voting Yea: Council Member Branstrom, Council Member Hodge, Council Member Ivy, Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Mayor Aguilar

ADMINISTRATIVE

14. Consideration of a budget amendment and contract amendment with Bureau Veritas for building and fire inspection and plan review services.

Recommendation: That Council approve the budget amendment to the contract with Bureau Veritas by \$276,000 and increase the City Budget for the remainder of FY 2021/22 in the amount of \$162,000.

Tom Last, Community Development Director, gave presentation to the council.

Motion made to approve the budget amendment to the contract with Bureau Veritas by \$276,000 and increase the City Budget for the remainder of FY 2021/22 in the amount of \$162,000 by Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Seconded by Council Member Branstrom.

Voting Yea: Council Member Branstrom, Council Member Hodge, Council Member Ivy,

Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Mayor Aguilar

15. Update to the City of Grass Valley Environmental Purchasing Policy to ensure compliance with Senate Bill 1383 mandates.

Recommendation: That Council approve the amendments to the Environmental Purchasing Policy.

Tom Last, gave overview of the purchasing policy to the council.

Motion made to approve the amendments to the Environmental Purchasing Policy by Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Seconded by Council Member Branstrom.

Voting Yea: Council Member Branstrom, Council Member Hodge, Mayor Aguilar

16. December 2021 Winter Storm Debris Clean Up

Recommendation: That Council 1) approve storm debris disposal events for the citizens of the City of Grass Valley; 2) authorize the City Manager, as the Director of Emergency Services, to procure the necessary contracts to implement the storm debris disposal events, including the disposal of the material collected; 3) authorize the spending of up to \$85,000 of City General Funds to fund the event; and, 4) authorize the Administrative Services Director to make any necessary budget adjustments and/or amendments to complete this action.

Tim Kiser, City Manager, gave a presentation on the proposed storm debris clean up efforts.

Public comments attached.

Motion made to 1) approve option number two of the storm debris disposal events for the citizens of the City of Grass Valley; 2) authorize the City Manager, as the Director of Emergency Services, to procure the necessary contracts to implement the storm debris disposal events, including the disposal of the material collected; 3) authorize the spending of up to \$85,000 of City General Funds to fund the event; and, 4) authorize the Administrative Services Director to make any necessary budget adjustments and/or amendments to complete this action. by Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Seconded by Council Member Branstrom.

Voting Yea: Council Member Branstrom, Council Member Hodge, Council Member Ivy, Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Mayor Aguilar

BRIEF REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Branstrom wanted to say thank you to the city staff and all of the help during the storm. He is also please to announce he has been appointed to the League of California Environmental Policy Committee. Council Member Ivy had nothing to report. Council Member Hodge wanted to express her love for this community and everyone who has shown up for each other and say thank you to everyone. Council Member Arbuckle attended a PG&E local meters round table, League of California Local Government Task Force, ERC meeting, Beal Air Force appreciation ceremony, National League of Cities round table, the Council Breakfast for City Staff, Wreaths Across America Ceremony, elected President of Municipal of Women in Government, and appointed as vice chair to the Small Cities Council. Mayor Aguilar was amazed at how the community came together to work to

help on another, and to thank everyone who played a role in helping the city and each others neighbors. He attended the Wreaths Across America Ceremony, LAFCO budget meeting, and wish everyone a Happy New Year.

ADJOURN

meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm

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Ben Aguilar, Mayor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Taylor Day', written over a horizontal line.

Taylor Day, Deputy City Clerk

Taylor Day

From: Cy Musiker [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 2:57 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: Comment in opposition to the RV Park at Auburn Rd. and McCourtney

Follow Up Flag: Flag for follow up
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To City Council of Grass Valley Public Comment,

I'm writing to oppose the Millennium Engineering plan to develop an RV and glamping resort on property on McCourtney Road, directly across the street from the county fairgrounds. I live barely a mile away from the corner of McCourtney and Auburn Roads, on Polaris Drive, and I'm shocked that this project has progressed so far with so little publicity and so little effort by the Grass Valley Planning Commission or the City Council to solicit public input. I first heard about the project in late November.

I hope the city council will pause and take a hard look at this project and either kill it or dramatically scale it back.

The project seems fine on the surface, and I can imagine it will produce much needed revenue for the city. But that ignores the downside risk of what could happen if there's a fire in western Nevada County, with local ranchers and homeowners trying to find safe refuge for their horse and burros, goats and sheep at the fairgrounds, while 150 or so SUV's and RV's are rushing out of the resort, trying to escape the smoke and risk of fire, crowding McCourtney and Auburn Road.

The property is also quite busy as a parking lot during the County Fair, Worldfest and other major events. I see nothing in the planning documents about how the fairgrounds will find room for the additional vehicles seeking parking. It would be a bitter irony if local residents decided to stay away from the fairgrounds because of traffic and the lack of parking, while RV'ers camped across the street had easy access to our beautiful facilities.

I understand that the property owners have the right to develop the land for a reasonable profit. I would not be opposed to low income housing, or even a much smaller RV Park that took these issues into consideration. During a briefing on the RV Resort on December 8th, I listened to the Grass Valley Fire Chief try to explain how during a fire emergency in neighborhoods along McCourtney, the RV Park would not result in a horrendous and potentially deadly traffic snarl. It was not convincing. Please don't proceed with this project without a full review of the risks involved, and a chance for the public, especially the RV Park's neighbors, to voice their concerns.

Cheers and a Merry Christmas,

Cyrus Musiker
12246 Polaris Dr.
Grass Valley, CA 95949

Taylor Day

From: WIRELESS CALLER [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2022 8:04 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: Voice Mail (18 seconds)
Attachments: audio.mp3

Uhm, yes. I'd like the city manager speak to how many plowed trucks the city has and how many were in operation during this storm. How many stayed in operation during the storm? Thank you. Matthew Coulter

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Subject: Voice Mail (2 minutes and 13 seconds)
Date: Tuesday, January 11, 2022 6:35:35 PM
Attachments: [REDACTED]

Hello, this is Matthew Coulter Grass Valley calling for public comment City Council meeting, Grass Valley, January 11th. First item or these snowplough situation. And why? I guess my question is why so many snow plows were sitting idle when they were needed so badly? Also, no sand was really being used around town and there were some pretty vicious falls on ice and one of them that I filmed was right in front of City Hall. Pretty bad he went to the hospital in ambulance with a bad shoulder injury. Uhm, on the storm. Note also a homeless and grass fed will have to do something more for Shelter Nevada City. There will be some changes coming there because of what happened at the vets hall, so expect that coming down the Pike. But Grass Valley is really needs to step up and do something about the unsheltered people all over town and not know it. Also Sutton Way is quite a mask with trash and people laying on the street that are drugged out and shooting heroin or whatever they're shooting. Lemery carrach No one has yet done anything for the erosion for Olympia Creek and putting Waddles back in, they got blown out with the rain storm or the 24th 25th of October. Nothing has been done. Still waiting for any type of erosion control to be put in place before more of it runs into the Creek. I don't know if any of the staff has been out there to look at that job site, but it is horrific. The damage has been done. The amount of debris that went down the Creek and scoured the Creek and killed everything in the Creek. Traffic speeds AB 43. Please look into a V43 and implement that anyway. You can thank you very much. Bye bye.

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