

**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Lee called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 154 South Eighth Street, Grover Beach, California.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL**

City Council: Council Members Karen Bright, Desi Lance, Barbara Nicolls, Mayor Pro Tem Mariam Shah, and Mayor Jeff Lee were present.

City Staff: City Manager Matthew Bronson, City Attorney David Hale, City Clerk Wendi Sims, Police Chief John Peters, Administrative Services Director Deanne Purcell, Community Development Director Bruce Buckingham, Public Works Director/City Engineer Greg Ray, and Parks & Recreation Program Director Kathy Petker were also present.

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

City Attorney Hale read the following announcement:

**Public Employee Performance Evaluation**  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957  
Employee: City Manager

The City Council reconvened into open session and announced there were no reportable actions taken.

**AGENDA REVIEW**

**Action:** Upon unanimous consensus, the Council adopted the agenda as presented.

**CEREMONIAL CALENDAR**

- 1. Introduction of City Manager's Office, Parks and Recreation, and Public Works New Employees** – City Manager Bronson introduced Nicole Retana, Deputy City Clerk/Administrative Specialist (Confidential); Tamie Johns, Parks and Recreations Part-Time Administrative Specialist; Autumn Wycoff, Public Works Associate Engineer; Bobby Castainaga, Public Works Maintenance Worker 1.

**PRESENTATIONS**

- 2. Hourglass Project Update** – PowerPoint presentation given by Melissa James and Andrew Hackleman.

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS** The Mayor opened the floor to any member of the public for comment on items of interest which were within the jurisdiction of the City Council, but were not listed on the agenda.

- A. Stephanie Diaz - Resident
- B. John A. Wyszong - Resident
- C. Ben Fine – Public Works Director, Pismo Beach

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Prior to consideration of the Consent Agenda, questions were asked for clarification or correction on Items 5, 7, and 11.

- 3. Treasurer's Report for the Period July 9 to August 2, 2019.**  
**Action:** Approved the Treasurer's Report as submitted.

4. **Treasurer's Report for the 2017 Streets Bond Account - \$15,000,000 (Measure K14: Grover Beach Street Rehabilitation; Safety Improvement Bond Measure) for the Period July 9 to August 2, 2019.**

**Action:** Approved the Treasurer's Report as submitted.

5. **Minutes of the City Council Meetings on Monday, July 15, 2019 and Special Council Meeting Monday, July 29, 2019.**

**Action:** Approve the minutes for July 15, 2019 as revised and July 29, 2019 as submitted.

6. **Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance to Amend Grover Beach Municipal Code Article III, Chapter 4 Regulating Taxicabs and Transportation Network Companies**

**Action:** 1) Conducted first reading, by title only, and introduced the Ordinance No. 19-09 amending Article III of the Grover Beach Municipal Code Regulating Taxicabs and Transportation Network Companies; and 2) Scheduled second reading and adoption of the Ordinance at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

**Ordinance No. 19-09: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Repealing Chapter 4 (Taxicabs) of Article III (Public Welfare, Morals and Conduct) and Adding a New Chapter 4 (Taxicabs and Transportation Network Companies) Of Article III.**

7. **Response to the Grand Jury Report Regarding "Affordable Housing, An Urgent Problem for Our Community"**

**Action:** Approved the response to the Grand Jury report and authorized the City Manager to execute a letter to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court.

8. **Resolution for Citizen Oversight Committee for Measure X Oversight**

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 19-44 establishing a Citizen Oversight Committee to provide an annual review of revenues and related expenditures associated with City revenue measures approved beginning with Measure X-06 in 2006.

**Resolution No. 19-44: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Establishing a Citizen Oversight Committee for City Revenue Measures.**

9. **Amendment to the Police Department Hiring Incentive Program**

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 19-43 amending the Police Officer Hiring Incentive Program.

**Resolution No. 19-43: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Amending Resolution No. 18-53 Amending the Police Officer Hiring Incentive Program.**

10. **Unclaimed Check Policy**

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 19-45 approving City of Grover Beach Unclaimed Check Policy

**Resolution No. 19-45: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Approving the Unclaimed Check Policy**

11. **Utility Assistance Program**

**Action:** 1) Adopted Resolution No. 19-46 approving a Utility Assistance Program to assist Grover Beach low-income residents to begin September 1, 2019. 2) Authorized staff to grant financial relief equal to the bi-monthly water and sewer meter charges to customers who meet the eligibility requirements.

**Resolution No. 19-46: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Approving the Utility Assistance Program Policy**

It was moved by Council Member Bright and seconded by Council Member Lance to approve Consent Agenda Item Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 as recommended with corrections as noted to the Minutes for Monday, July 15, 2019. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members – Bright, Lance, Nicolls, Mayor Pro Tem Shah, and  
Mayor Lee  
NOES: Council Members - None  
ABSENT: Council Members - None  
ABSTAIN: Council Members - None

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **12. Adoption of Resolution amending the Master Fee Schedule for Short-Term Rental Permits**

Mayor Lee read the title to the foregoing item, declared the Public Hearing open, and deferred to Community Development Director Buckingham for a brief PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Lee invited public comment on this matter.

Krista Jeffries – Resident

There being no further public comments received, the Mayor closed the public comment.

Brief discussion between Council and Staff was had.

**Action:** It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Shah and seconded by Council Member Nicolls to Adopt Resolution No. 19-47 amending the Master Fee Schedule for Short-Term Rental Permit fees. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members – Bright, Lance, Nicolls, Mayor Pro Tem Shah and  
Mayor Lee  
NOES: Council Members - None  
ABSENT: Council Members - None  
ABSTAIN: Council Members - None

### **Resolution 19-47: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Amending the Master Fee Schedule to Add Short-Term Rental Permit Fees**

## **REGULAR BUSINESS**

### **13. Water Infrastructure Update and Adoption of Water Master Plan**

Mayor Lee read the title to the foregoing item and deferred to Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray for a brief PowerPoint presentation.

Mike Nunley, consultant from MKN, gave Council further explanation on the water report, as well as, Albert Peché, consultant from A.M. Peché & Associates LLC., gave more detail on the Private Placement Revenue Bond.

Mayor Lee invited public comment on this matter.

There being no one come forward, Mayor Lee closed public comment.

Further discussion was had amongst the staff and Council with Mr. Nunley and Mr. Peche available to answer questions that came up.

**Action:** It was moved by Council Member Bright and seconded by Council Member Lance to Adopt the 2019 Water Master Plan and provided direction to staff regarding funding of water system capital improvements. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members – Bright, Lance, Nicolls, Mayor Pro Tem Shah and  
Mayor Lee  
NOES: Council Members - None  
ABSENT: Council Members - None  
ABSTAIN: Council Members - None

**Recess: Upon consensus of the City Council, the meeting recessed at 8:03 p.m.**

**Reconvened: At 8:11 p.m. the meeting reconvened with all members of Council present.**

#### **14. Central Coast Blue Update**

Mayor Lee read the title to the foregoing item and deferred to Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray who introduced Dan Heimel, a consultant with Water System Consulting (WCS), who gave a PowerPoint presentation with an update on the Central Coast Blue project.

Mayor Lee invited public comment on this matter. No public comments were received at this time and the Mayor closed public comment.

Further discussion was had amongst Council, Staff and Mr. Heimel regarding the project.

**Action:** Council received an update on the status of the Central Coast Blue recycled water project.

#### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Council Member Bright mentioned her upcoming Economic Vitality Corporation (EVC) meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Shah gave a brief update on her Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC).

Mayor Pro Tem Shah reminded the Council of the League of California Cities upcoming dinner in Moorpark on Friday, September 27.

Council Member Nicolls stated that South Council Transit (SCT) was cancelled due to not having a quorum.

Mayor Lee mentioned his meeting with the South SLO County Sanitation District (SSLOCSD) and also the SLO Council of Government meeting (SLOCOG)

#### **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

A. Mayor Pro Tem Shaw acknowledged communication the Council received regarding 12<sup>th</sup> Street and Atlantic and traffic issues and asked Staff to bring an item back to Council on traffic safety and the Council concurred. She also mentioned an article on childcare in the Western City magazine.

B. Mayor Lee commented on the success of the Sizzling Summer Concert Series, and to remind everyone of the Stone Soup Festival August 24 and 25.

#### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

City Manager Bronson gave thanks for all the hard work the Parks and Recreation department staff and volunteers did for the success of the Summer Concert series this year. He also mentioned the upcoming fall events and the planning meeting on Thursday, August 22 at 5:30 p.m. at Ramona Garden Park Center to discuss ideas for the City's 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday Diamond Jubilee Celebration. He also made comment on an article in the Tribune about Inc. Magazine's article on the top 5,000 up and coming companies and Sentential Security, a Grover Beach based company made the list.

#### **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

None

**CLOSED SESSION**

At 9:13 p.m., the Council met in Closed Session regarding the following items:

- 1. Conference with Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation**  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9  
City of Grover Beach v. Casey Johnston Construction et. al., 19CV-0021;  
V. Lopez Jr. & Sons General Engineering Contractors, Inc. v. The City of Grover  
Beach, 19CV-0400.
- 2. Conference with Legal Counsel— Anticipated Litigation**  
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of  
Section 54956.9: (One potential case).
- 3. Public Employee Performance Evaluation**  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957  
Employee: City Manager

Closed Session Announcements: At 10:20 p.m., Mayor Lee reconvened the meeting in open session with all Council Members present and announced there were no reportable actions taken during Closed Session on items 1 and 2, and reported out on item 3 the Council's acceptance of the City Manager's agreement terms.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 10:22 p.m.

/S/ \_\_\_\_\_  
JEFF LEE, MAYOR

Attest:

/S/ \_\_\_\_\_  
WENDI SIMS, CITY CLERK  
(Approved at CC Mtg 9/3/2019)