

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Shoals called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 154 South Eighth Street, Grover Beach, California.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

FLAG SALUTE The flag salute was led by Council Member Shah.

ROLL CALL

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

City Staff: City Manager Robert Perrault, City Attorney Martin Koczanowicz, City Clerk Donna McMahan, Commander John Peters, Administrative Services Director Gayla Chapman, Community Development Director Bruce Buckingham, Public Works Director/City Engineer Greg Ray, and Parks & Recreation Program Director Kathy Petker were also present.

Also present were Peter Williamson, Employer Outreach Coordinator, SLO Regional Ride Share, and Jim DeCecco.

AGENDA REVIEW

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

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

1. **Proclamation Designating the Month of April 2015 as “Month of the Child” and “Child Abuse Prevention Month” and April 11, 2015 as “Day of the Child”.**

Council Member Bright read and presented the proclamation to Child Care Planning Council Coordinator Raechelle Bowlay-Sutton.

2. **Proclamation Declaring the Month of April as “Sexual Assault Awareness Month”.**

Mayor Pro Tem Lee read and presented the proclamation to RISE Board Member Dr. Kate Perry.

PRESENTATIONS

3. **San Luis Obispo Regional Rideshare and Bike Month Update.**

Peter Williamson, Employer Outreach Coordinator, SLO Regional Ride Share, described available ride sharing programs, resources, and upcoming activities to be held during the month of May.

Jim DeCecco, a local biking enthusiast, provided a presentation entitled, “What is a Bicycle Friendly Community?” and noted that he was assisting the City with an application to be rated as a “bicycle friendly community”. He then responded to questions from the Council.

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. No one responded and the Mayor closed the Public Communications segment for this portion of the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon unanimous consensus, the Council approved Consent Agenda Item Nos. 4, 5, 6, and 7 as recommended.

4. **Treasurer's Report for the Period March 10, 2015 - March 31, 2015.**
Action: Approved the Treasurer's Report as submitted.
5. **Treasurer's Report for the Streets Bond Account (Measure K-14: Grover Beach Street Rehabilitation; Safety Improvement Bond Measure) for the Period March 10, 2015 - March 31, 2015.**
Action: Approved the Treasurer's Report as submitted.
6. **Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of Tuesday, February 17, 2015; and the Special City Council Meeting of Monday, February 23, 2015.**
Action: Approved the minutes as submitted.
7. **Report From Citizens Oversight Committee** - Report regarding revenues and expenditures related to the voter-approved one-half percent Sales and Use Tax Add-On.
Action: The report was received and filed.

REGULAR BUSINESS

8. Street Rehabilitation and Repair Program.

Mayor Shoals read the title to the foregoing item and deferred to staff for a report. Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray reviewed the process for selecting streets and the results of a community survey that solicited input regarding street repair priorities. He noted that "public safety" and "traffic volume" were rated as being the community's highest priorities over any other factors and displayed maps indicating the corresponding residential streets. He then identified street sections recommended for rehabilitation or repair that utilized "a blended approach". This method combined basic information regarding street conditions with the results of the public survey.

Discussion ensued with staff responding to questions regarding the results of the community survey, upgrades to the sewer lines, upgrades to the water lines, estimated time frames for design and construction, estimated costs, and the bond issuance schedule.

Mayor Shoals invited comments from those in the audience who wished to be heard on this matter.

The following persons spoke in support of staff's recommended action:

- Judith Bean, President/CEO, Arroyo Grande & Grover Beach Chamber of Commerce; and
- Gary Gustafson, Grover Beach.

There were no further public comments received.

Council discussion continued regarding modifying the list of proposed street segments for the 2015 program, the estimated time frame for retaining a Streets Project Program Manager, and scheduling a discussion regarding long-range planning and prioritizing the next phase of street design and construction improvements. It was noted that the Council would have an additional opportunity to review proposed expenditures during upcoming budget discussions that would include a review of the Capital Improvement Program and expenditures for Local Street Rehabilitation projects, which were separate from street projects funded by Measure K-14 bonds.

Action: Upon unanimous consensus, the Council:

- 1) Adopted the 2015 Street Rehabilitation and Repair Program designating 53% of program funding to community priorities, 1% to maintenance as identified by the pavement management system, and 46% to rehabilitation;
- 2) Amended the list of recommended street sections for the 2015 program to extend improvements on:
 - (a) *Saratoga Avenue* - two additional blocks for work to be performed from 9th Street to Oak Park Boulevard (rather than 11th Street to Oak Park Boulevard), and
 - (b) *Brighton Avenue* - one additional block for work to be performed from 13th Street to Oak Park Boulevard (rather than 13th Street to 16th Street); and

- 3) Provided direction to staff to schedule a discussion for the City Council meeting on June 1, 2015 regarding a review of the street program and determining whether an additional bond issue of \$5 to \$7 million would be viable.

Recess: Upon consensus of the City Council, the meeting recessed at 8:38 p.m.

Reconvene: At 8:48 p.m., the meeting reconvened with all Council Members present.

9. Process for Selecting an Initial City Representative to the San Luis Obispo County Tourism and Marketing District.

Mayor Shoals read the title to the foregoing item and deferred to staff for a report. City Manager Perrault briefly described the process for selecting an initial representative to the Tourism and Marketing District and responded to questions from the Council.

Brief Council discussion was held regarding representation on the governing Board. Mayor Shoals invited comments from those in the audience who wished to be heard on this matter.

Judith Bean, President/CEO, Arroyo Grande & Grover Beach Chamber of Commerce, stated that she had submitted an application to be considered for appointment to the Tourism and Marketing District.

There were no further public comments received.

Action: Upon unanimous consensus, the Council: 1) designated the Arroyo Grande & Grover Beach Chamber of Commerce to select the first representative to the Tourism and Marketing District, and 2) requested that the representative be a lodging partner located in Grover Beach.

10. Consideration of Adopting the Goals and Work Program for FY 16.

Mayor Shoals read the title to the foregoing item and deferred to staff for a report. City Manager Perrault briefly reviewed the revised Goals and Work Program to guide final development of the proposed budget for the next fiscal year.

Mayor Shoals invited comments from those in the audience who wished to be heard on this matter. No public comments were received at this time.

Action: Upon unanimous consensus, the Council adopted the Goals and Work Program for FY 16.

11. 2014 Annual Report on the Status of the General Plan.

Mayor Shoals read the title to the foregoing item and deferred to staff for a report. Community Development Director Buckingham provided an overview regarding the annual report which addressed the status of the General Plan and progress made towards implementing its goals and policies. He then responded to questions from the Council.

Brief Council discussion was held regarding various elements of the General Plan and whether some warranted further updates.

Mayor Shoals invited comments from those in the audience who wished to be heard on this matter. No public comments were received at this time.

Action: Upon unanimous consensus, the report was received and filed. Direction was provided for staff to submit the report to the State in accordance with statutory requirements.

PULLED CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

None at this time.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Shah reported on meetings of the Homeless Services Oversight Council and Visit San Luis Obispo County. She also commented that she had recently attended a presentation regarding the topic of "Green Streets".

Council Member Nicolls reported on meetings of the San Luis Obispo County Water Resources Advisory Committee and the South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District.

Mayor Pro Tem Lee reported on the meeting of the Economic Vitality Corporation. He also commented on attending a recent meeting of the 5 Cities Homeless Coalition.

Council Member Bright reported on meetings of the Zone Three Advisory Committee and the Air Pollution Control District, and noted public comments received at the Air Pollution Control District meeting regarding the City's Climate Action Plan. Council Member Shah commented that she had recently met one of the AmeriCorps interns assigned to assist agencies with preparing Climate Action Plans.

Mayor Shoals stated that he had no committee reports at this time.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Mayor Shoals thanked his Council colleagues and staff for their thoughts and expressions of concern to his family regarding a recent health concern involving his youngest daughter, Amber. He noted that her condition had improved and they anticipated continued progress.
- B. Council Member Bright reported a neighbor's concern regarding the intersection of Brighton Avenue and Oak Park Boulevard and whether that intersection warranted a crosswalk or similar pedestrian safety feature.

Brief discussion was held regarding previous research conducted regarding this matter.

Action: Upon consensus of the City Council, direction was provided for staff to schedule a discussion at a future City Council meeting regarding the intersection of Brighton Avenue and Oak Park Boulevard and whether that intersection warranted installation of a pedestrian safety feature.

City Attorney Koczanowicz confirmed that he could include information in the report to Council regarding potential liability concerns.

- C. Mayor Pro Tem Lee reported on the recent meeting of the San Luis Obispo County Mayors, which he had attended on behalf of Mayor Shoals. He announced that the next meeting of the League of California Cities Channel Counties Division would be held in Pismo Beach on May 29, 2015. He also noted that, due to anticipated media coverage for the upcoming Amgen Bike Tour, event organizers recommended a strong community presence at the Grover Beach city limit along Highway One between the Monarch butterfly grove and the Grover Beach Train Station.

Mayor Pro Tem Lee then provided a brief summary regarding recent meetings of the Ramona Business Square parking lot ad hoc committee, and confirmed that a final report would be presented to the Council.

He then congratulated former Grover Beach residents Joseph Holmes and his girlfriend, Lindsey, on the birth of their baby boy.

- D. Mayor Shoals noted that a meeting of the Joint Authority regarding the Grover Beach Lodge and Conference Center Project was recently held in San Diego on March 17, 2015. He also described recent contact by a local realtor regarding a potential new business tenant interested in locating in the industrial area of the city.

Mayor Shoals then announced that the next "Grover Beach Walk and Roll" event along West Grand Avenue was scheduled for Saturday, April 11th. He encouraged event

participants to first meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Exploration Station at 867 Ramona Avenue before continuing on to West Grand Avenue.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

City Manager Perrault briefly reported on the following items:

- *Grover Beach Lodge and Conference Center Project* - described a recent meeting of the Joint Authority and information to be received from Pacifica Companies for the next project phase.
- *Governor's Executive Order Regarding Drought Conditions and Mandatory Statewide Reductions in Potable Water Use* - program enforcement was not yet in place and a status report regarding the Executive Order would be presented at a future meeting, as well as an update to Council regarding the City's water conservation efforts.
- *Law Enforcement "Tip a Cop" Fund Raiser Dinner for Special Olympics* - anyone interested in attending the event, scheduled for May 21, 2015, should contact Police Chief Copsey.
- *5 Cities Men's Club Comedy Night Fund Raiser* - the event would be held at the South County Regional Center on Saturday, May 9, 2015. Mayor Shoals, Mayor Pro Tem Lee, and Council Member Nicolls expressed their individual interest in attending this event.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None at this time.

CLOSED SESSION

At 9:58 p.m., the Council met in Closed Session regarding the following items:

1. **Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation**
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Lopez v. City of Grover Beach, et al CV 120210
2. **Public Employee Performance Evaluation**
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
Employee: City Manager

Closed Session Announcements: At 10:18 p.m., Mayor Shoals reconvened the meeting in open session with all Council Members present. City Attorney Koczanowicz announced there were no reportable actions taken during the Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Shoals adjourned the meeting at 10:19 p.m.

/s/ JOHN P. SHOALS, MAYOR

Attest:

/s/ DONNA L. McMAHON, CITY CLERK
(Approved at CC Mtg 05/04/2015)