

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021**

In compliance with the State and County Shelter at Home Orders, 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, City Council meetings will be held by teleconference only until further notice.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Lee called the meeting to order on Monday, April 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., with all Council Members teleconferencing.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

FLAG SALUTE The flag salute was led by Jacob Corbett, a 10-year-old, 4th grader at Grover Heights Elementary School.

ROLL CALL

City Council: Council Members Anna Miller, Robert Robert, Mayor Pro Tem Bright and Mayor Jeff Lee were present via video conference.

City Staff: City Manager Matthew Bronson, City Attorney David Hale, City Clerk Wendi Sims, Police Chief John Peters, Administrative Services Director Deanne Purcell, Public Works Director/City Engineer Greg Ray, Parks & Recreation Program Director Kathy Petker, CIP Project Manager Erin Wiggin and Deputy City Clerk Nicole Retana were also present.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Monday, March 22, 2021 at 5:00 p.m., the Council met in Closed Session regarding the following items:

A. Conference with Labor Negotiators

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6.

Agency Negotiator: Special Counsel Che Johnson, City Manager Matthew Bronson, Admin. Services Director Deanne Purcell, Finance Manager Annette Munoz, and Management Analyst/Human Resources Karla Mattocks, (May include all or some of the above)

Represented Employee Group: General Employees - Service Employees International Union, Local 620 (SEIU)

B. Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (Represents one case).

It was announced that there were no reportable actions taken during Closed Session.

AGENDA REVIEW

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

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

1. Proclamation for Arbor Day was read by Council Member Robert and accepted by Parks & Recreation Program Director Petker

PRESENTATIONS

2. Utility Box-Art Presentation presented by Parks & Recreation Program Director Petker.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS The Mayor opened the floor to any member of the public calling into the meeting on the teleconference line (805) 321-6639, for comment on items of interest which were within the jurisdiction of the City Council but were not listed on the agenda.

- Krista Jeffries
- Joshua Medrano
- David Baldwin

With no further comments Mayor Lee closed public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Prior to consideration of the Consent Agenda, Mayor Lee invited public comment on the items under the Consent Agenda. At this time Mayor Lee asked if there was anyone on the teleconference line that wanted to make any public comments there was no one so Mayor Lee closed public comment.

It was motioned by Council Member Robert and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bright to approve Consent Agenda Item Nos. 3, 4, 5, and 6 as recommended. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members – Miller, Robert, Mayor Pro Tem Bright, and Mayor Lee
NOES: Council Members – None
ABSENT: Council Members – None
ABSTAIN: Council Members – None

3. **Minutes of the City Council Special Meeting on Monday, March 22, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m. and the Regular Meeting on Monday, March 22, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.**
Action: Approved the minutes as submitted.
4. **COVID-19 Response Update**
Action: Received an update on the countywide and City response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

5. First Reading and Introduction of an Ordinance to Approve the Speed Survey and Adopt New Speed Limits

Action: Conducted the first reading, by title only, and introduced Ordinance No. 21-01 to amend Section 16 of Chapter 3 of Article III of the Grover Beach Municipal Code to reflect updated speed limit recommendations based on the 2020 Speed Zone Survey Update and schedule the public hearing to consider adoption of the Ordinance at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting.

Ordinance No. 21-01: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Amending Section 16 of Chapter 3 of Article III of the Grover Beach Municipal Code

6. Award of Construction Contract Measure K-14 Street Improvements CIP 2295-10

Action: Awarded a contract for construction of CIP 2295-10 as part of the Measure K-14 Street Rehabilitation Program to JJ Fisher Construction Inc., in the amount of \$1,801,026.44 for the Base Bid; authorized the City Manager to sign and affirm construction and construction management change orders up to an aggregate of \$270,000; and authorized the Mayor to execute the contract on behalf of the City.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

REGULAR BUSINESS

7. Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan Update

Mayor Lee read the title to the foregoing item and deferred to staff for comments.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray presented the staff report via a PowerPoint presentation and discussed the plan update.

Council Member Miller questioned if the plan goes beyond the physical modifications with Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray responding.

Mayor Lee questioned if there is a document that will allow us to track the improvements, we have made with Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray responding.

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

Mayor Lee reopened public comment on this matter.

- John Wysong

With no further comments Mayor Lee closed public comment.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray responded to public comment questions.

Action: It was motioned by Mayor Pro Tem Bright and seconded by Council Member Miller to Review and Adopt the City of Grover Beach Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan Update. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members – Miller, Robert, Mayor Pro Tem Bright and Mayor Lee
NOES: Council Members – None
ABSENT: Council Members – None
ABSTAIN: Council Members – None

8. Update and Policy Direction on Measure K-14 Street Rehabilitation Program and Sidewalk Infill

Mayor Lee read the title to the foregoing item and deferred to staff for comments.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray presented the staff report via a PowerPoint presentation and discussed the progress and status of the Measure K-14 projects, reviewed street update and stated CIP Project Manager Wiggin was available for questions.

Council questioned if the bond money has been approved already, the cost of the sidewalk survey, where we would use the CDBG funds and what was staff's perspective of having an outside firm create a sidewalk inventory.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray responded to Council's questions. City Manager Bronson also responded to the CDBG funding process and agreed with staff on the option of an outside firm creating a sidewalk inventory.

Mayor Lee invited public comment on this matter.

- Kellie Phillips
- John Wysong

With no further comments Mayor Lee closed public comment.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray responded to public comment.

Discussion ensued with Council regarding providing direction to staff.

Mayor Lee reopened public comment.

- Krista Jeffries

With no further comments Mayor Lee closed public comment.

City Manager Bronson thanked the Council for the good work furthering Council goals.

CIP Project Manager Wiggins confirmed staff had clear direction from the Council.

Action: Received an update on the status of Measure K-14 Street Rehabilitation Projects and provided direction on changes to future Measure K-14 projects and sidewalk infill policy items.

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- John Wysong

With no further comments Mayor Lee closed public comment.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Bright spoke on her meeting with SLO Council of Government (SLOCOG).

Mayor Lee reported on the South SLO County Sanitation District and noted they are looking to move their portion of the sewer bill on property tax bills.

LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES – POLICY COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER LEAGUE MATTERS

None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Miller reported the receipt of notice from the 5 Cities Homeless Coalition that they are a partner for the State COVID 19 rent relief program. She also received communications from the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors regarding a viability study to establish a public bank for the Central Coast.

Mayor Pro Tem Bright stated she received a letter from the San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District regarding switching the method of billing.

Mayor Lee reported that on May 4th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., the 5 Cities Homeless Coalition will host its Annual Fiesta at Fin's, tickets at www.5chc.org for this drive through event. Also, discussed communication from Senator John Laird's office regarding Bill SB544, providing consistent Cannabis testing for products statewide and if the Council would like to take a position on this or leave it to the individual Council Members. Consensus from Council was that they would like a presentation on this for more information.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

City Manager Bronson gave kudos to the Public Works Department for all their hard work on the ton of projects underway, 16 blocks of street repair work that is near completion and 23 blocks that will start soon and the final design for South Oak Park is being worked out now and we are nearing the final design of West Grand Avenue. He stated next Monday will begin the removal of the current playground equipment at the 16th Street park and will proceed with the new playground equipment coming this summer. He mentioned that the Council will have a special meeting next Monday, April 19 for the interview process and the appointment to fill the vacant Council seat. Lastly, he recognized Council Member Miller who was recently named one of the Top 50 Women in Business by the Pacific Coast Business Times.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

CLOSED SESSION

At 8:40 p.m., the Council met in Closed Session regarding the following items:

- A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Consistent with Government Code Section 54957 (b) (1) Title: (City Attorney)

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

Closed Session Announcements: At 8:55 p.m., Mayor Lee reconvened the meeting in open session with all Council Members present. It was announced that there were no reportable actions taken during Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

JEFF LEE, MAYOR

Attest:

WENDI SIMS, CITY CLERK
(Approved at CC Mtg _____)

MINUTES

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2021

In compliance with the State and County Shelter at Home Orders, 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, City Council meetings will be held by teleconference only until further notice.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Lee called the meeting to order on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., with all Council Members teleconferencing.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

FLAG SALUTE The flag salute was led by Deputy City Clerk, Nicole Retana.

ROLL CALL

City Council: Council Members, Anna Miller, Robert Robert, Mayor Pro Tem Karen Bright and Mayor Jeff Lee were present via video conference.

City Staff: City Manager Matthew Bronson, City Attorney David Hale, City Clerk Wendi Sims, Police Chief John Peters, Administrative Services Director Deanne Purcell, Parks and Recreation Program Director Kathy Petker, and Deputy City Clerk Nicole Retana were also present.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS The Mayor opened the floor to any member of the public calling into the meeting on the teleconference line (805) 321-6639, for comment on items of interest which were within the jurisdiction of the City Council but were not listed on the agenda.

- **Joshua Medrano**

With no further comments Mayor Lee closed public comment.

BUSINESS

1. Appointment to Fill City Council Vacancy

Mayor Lee read the title to the foregoing item and deferred to staff for comments.

City Manager Bronson gave a brief introduction and walk through of the process for the interviews.

Mayor Lee stated each applicant is allowed two minutes per question, requested the City Clerk to place all the applicants into the breakout room and introduced each applicant.

- **Rachael Mann**
- **Elizabeth Doukas**

Recess due to Technical Difficulties: Upon consensus of the City Council, the meeting recessed at 6:30 p.m.

Reconvened: At 6:35 p.m. the meeting reconvened with all members of Council present

- **Monica Mercer**
- **Kara Ramirez**
- **Todd Mitchell**
- **Daniel Rushing**
- **Will Bruce**
- **Micah Van Bogelen**

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

Recess: Upon consensus of the City Council, the meeting recessed at 7:55 p.m.

Reconvened: At 8:05 p.m. the meeting reconvened with all members of Council present

Discussion ensued among Council of each members top three selections.

Council Member Miller stated her top three applicants, Ms. Mann, Ms. Ramirez and Mr. Rushing.

Council Member Robert stated his top three applicants, Ms. Mann, Ms. Ramirez and Mr. Rushing.

Mayor Pro Tem Bright stated her top three applicants, Ms. Ramirez, Mr. Rushing and Mr. Van Bogelen.

Mayor Lee stated his top three applicants, Ms. Ramirez, Mr. Rushing and Mr. Van Bogelen.

Discussion was had amongst the Council regarding the top applicants.

Action: It was motioned by Mayor Pro Tem Bright and seconded by Mayor Lee to fill the existing vacant City Council seat term expiring December 2022 with the appointment of Daniel Rushing. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Council Members – Miller, Robert, Mayor Pro Tem Bright and Mayor Lee
NOES:	Council Members – None
ABSENT:	Council Members – None
ABSTAIN:	Council Members – None

City Clerk Sims conducted a virtual oath of office with Daniel Rushing.

Council Member Rushing accepted the appointment of City Council Member and thanked the Council.

ROLL CALL

City Council: Council Members, Anna Miller, Robert Robert, Daniel Rushing, Mayor Pro Tem Karen Bright and Mayor Jeff Lee were present via video conference.

2. Update of 2021 City Council Assignments to Boards, Commissions and Committees

Mayor Lee read the title to the foregoing item and deferred to staff for a report.

City Manager Bronson gave a brief introduction to the 2021 City Council Assignments.

Mayor Lee invited public comment on this matter. There were no comments and the Mayor closed public comments.

Discussion ensued amongst all members of Council regarding the selection of assignments to Boards, Commission and Committees.

Mayor Lee invited public comment on this matter. There were no comments and the Mayor closed public comments.

Action: It was motioned by Mayor Pro Tem Bright and seconded by Council Member Robert to adopt the **Resolution No. 21-06** confirmed certain Council appointments and authorized the City Clerk to update FPPC Form 806 for posting on the City website. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members – Miller, Robert, Rushing, Mayor Pro Tem Bright and Mayor Lee

NOES: Council Members – None

ABSENT: Council Members – None

ABSTAIN: Council Members – None

Resolution No. 21-06: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Revising City Council Committee Assignments for Calendar Year 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

JEFF LEE, MAYOR

Attest:

WENDI SIMS, CITY CLERK
(Approved at CC Mtg _____)

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