



ACTION MINUTES

**ARROYO GRANDE CITY COUNCIL
GROVER BEACH CITY COUNCIL
PISMO BEACH CITY COUNCIL
JOINT CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2022
SOUTH COUNTY REGIONAL CENTER, 800 WEST BRANCH STREET
ARROYO GRANDE, CALIFORNIA**

Given the continuation of COVID-19 cases in San Luis Obispo County, and in compliance with Assembly Bill (AB) 361, which allows for a deviation of teleconference rules required by the Ralph M. Brown Act, this meeting was conducted in a hybrid in-person/virtual format.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Grover Beach Mayor Jeff Lee called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE

3. FLAG SALUTE

4. ROLL CALL

Arroyo Grande: Council Members Keith Storton, Jimmy Paulding, Mayor Pro Tem Lan George, and Mayor Caren Ray Russom were present. Council Member Kristen Barneich was absent.

Grover Beach: Council Members Anna Miller, Robert Robert, Daniel Rushing, Mayor Pro Tem Karen Bright, and Mayor Jeff Lee were present.

Pismo Beach: Council Members Marcia Guthrie, Scott Newton, Mayor Pro Tem Mary Ann Reiss, and Mayor Ed Waage were present. Council Member Sheila Blake was present via Zoom at 5:45p.m.

Staff Present: City Managers Whitney McDonald, Matthew Bronson, and James R. Lewis. City Clerks Jessica Matson, Wendi Sims, and Erica Inderlied. City Attorneys Timothy Carmel, David Hale, and David Fleishman.

5. WELCOME AND MEETING ORIENTATION

Mayor Lee provided a brief introduction and outline of proceedings.

Pismo Beach Council Member Sheila Blake joined the meeting via zoom.

6. PROJECT OVERVIEW

Justin Pickard, Water Systems Consulting, provided an overview of the Central Coast Blue Project which included information on how the facility and technology will work.

7. WATER SUPPLY DRIVERS & PROJECT BENEFITS

Jeff Szytel, Water Systems Consulting, provided information of the water supply drivers and project benefits including why the project is critical for the long-term sustainability of the communities.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS

Arroyo Grande Mayor Caren Ray Russom, facilitated Council questions.

Justin Pickard, Water Systems Consulting, responded to questions from Council regarding the microfiltration process resulting in a near distilled water quality; the advanced water purification facility tanks that are being used for chemicals and whether they are the same tanks being used for stabilization at the end of the process; any odor during the purification process that would need to be mitigated; that the facility is being designed to support Phase II of the project; what permits will be necessary; and the level of waste discharge.

8. COSTS AND FUNDING Justin Pickard, Water Systems Consulting

Justin Pickard, Water Systems Consulting, provided an overview of the current capital cost estimate.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS

Pismo Beach Mayor Ed Waage facilitated Council questions.

Justin Pickard, Water Systems Consulting, responded to questions from Council regarding grant funding and financing opportunities; construction cost increases for the Project; and value engineering as it relates to reducing construction costs.

Grover Beach City Manager Matthew Bronson responded to a question regarding Prop 218 votes as it relates to rates and charges.

9. PROJECT GOVERNANCE

Arroyo Grande City Manager Whitney McDonald provided a high-level overview of the governance structure of the Project.

10. PROJECT SCHEDULE

Justin Pickard, Water Systems Consulting, provided an overview of the current Project schedule.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS

Grover Beach Mayor Jeff Lee facilitated Council questions.

Staff responded to questions regarding local hire provisions; unused water by each party; and the Project schedule.

Pismo Beach Council Member Sheila Blake left the meeting at 7:30 p.m. and rejoined the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

Grover Beach Mayor Jeff Lee facilitated public comments.

Speaking from the public were Jeff Edwards, Jocelyn Brennan, Cynthia Replogle, Brad Snook, Manley McNinch, Julie Tacker, Rick Jenne, and Scott Zimmerman.

Arroyo Grande City Manager Whitney McDonald responded to a question from Council regarding water conservation efforts.

12. CLOSING COUNCIL COMMENTS

Arroyo Grande Mayor Caren Ray Russom, Pismo Beach Mayor Ed Waage, Arroyo Grande Council Member Jimmy Paulding, Grover Beach Council Member Daniel Rushing, and Grover Beach Mayor Jeff Lee, provided closing comments.

13. PRESENTATION OF TITLE XVI GRANT

Ernest Conant, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, presented the Title XVI Grant to the Mayors.

14. PROJECT COMMITMENT SIGNING

15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Councils, Grover Beach Mayor Jeff Lee adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Caren Ray Russom, Arroyo Grande Mayor

ATTEST:

Jessica Matson, Arroyo Grande City Clerk

Jeff Lee, Grover Beach Mayor

ATTEST:

Wendi Sims, Grover Beach City Clerk

Ed Waage, Pismo Beach Mayor

ATTEST:

Erica Inderlied, Pismo Beach City Clerk

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022**

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 The flag salute was led by Kassadi Bennett, 6th Grade student at Grover Beach Elementary School.

ROLL CALL

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

City Staff: City Manager Matthew Bronson, City Attorney David Hale, Deputy City Manager Kristin Eriksson, City Clerk Wendi Sims, Police Chief John Peters, Commander Munro, Community Development Director Bruce Buckingham, Public Works Director/City Engineer Greg Ray, Parks & Recreation Program Director Kathy Petker, Five Cities Fire Chief Steve Lieberman and Senior Planner Rafael Castillo were also present.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Monday, September 26, 2022, at 7:52 p.m., the Council met in Closed Session regarding the following item.

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Consideration of initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 (One potential case.)

City Attorney Hale announced that the Council did give direction to his office; the City Attorney to initiate litigation at his discretion for the purpose of enforcing the municipal code the Council direction also included the City Attorney to serve a criminal citation for the same code violations at the City Attorney's discretion. At the time of the discussion, he decided litigation was necessary and will divulge full details related to those cases at that time.

AGENDA REVIEW Mayor Lee requested to move the Public Communications segment before the Ceremonial Calendar.

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

ORDER OF THE DAY: Upon consensus of the Council the Order of the Day was amended to move Public Communications before the Ceremonial Calendar.

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.

- Brenda Auer

With no further comments Mayor Lee closed the Public Communications segment for this portion of the meeting.

ORDER OF THE DAY: At this time, the Order of the Day resumed to the agenda as posted.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

1. **Proclamation for Dating and Domestic Violence ACTION Month** was read by Mayor Pro Tem Bright and accepted by Lumina Alliance's Board of Directors member Kelli Briggs.
2. **Proclamation for Red Ribbon Week** was read by Council Member Rushing and accepted by Grover Beach Police Chief Peters.
3. **Proclamation for Boys & Girls Clubs of South SLO County** was read by Council Member Miller and accepted by Rebecca Britton, Chief Executive Office of Boys & Girls Clubs of South SLO County.
4. **Proclamation for Code Enforcement Week** was read by Council Member Robert and accepted by Code Compliance Office De Hart.
5. **Mayor's Commendation for Sarah Beaman** was presented by Mayor Lee and accepted by Sarah Beaman.

PRESENTATIONS

6. **Introduction of New Public Works Employees Javier Garcia, Assistant Engineer and David Perry, Maintenance Working I** – Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray made the introductions.
7. **Police Department Leadership Training Highlights** – Police Chief Peters and Commander Munro discussed the highlights.
8. **Upcoming City Holiday Events** – Parks and Recreation Director Petker discussed upcoming events.

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 who would like to make any public comments there was no one so Mayor Lee closed public comment.

It was motioned by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Rushing to approve Consent Agenda Item Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14, as recommended. 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.

9. Treasurer’s Report for the Period September 1, through September 30, 2022.

Action: Approved the Treasurer’s Report as submitted.

10. Treasurer’s Report for the 2022 Streets Bond Account - \$10,000,000 for the Period September 1, through September 30, 2022.

Action: Approved the Treasurer’s Report as submitted.

11. Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on Monday, September 26, 2022.

Action: Approved the minutes as submitted.

12. Adoption of Findings Related to AB 361 Allowing Continued Teleconferencing Meetings

Action: Adopted required findings with respect to the City of Grover Beach’s continued utilization of teleconferencing meetings in conformance with AB 361 (Government Code Section 54953).

13. Adoption of the 2022 Update to the City’s Sewer System Management Plan

Action: Adopted the 2022 update to the City’s Sewer System Management Plan.

14. Request for No Parking Zones on Front Street and South 7th Street

Action: Adopted the Resolution No. 22-41 establishing No Parking Zones on Front Street and South 7th Street.

Resolution No. 22-41: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Establishing No Parking Zones on Portions of Front Street and South 7th Street.

PUBLIC HEARING

15. Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Municipal Code Article VIII – Building Regulations, Chapter 1 – California Building Code, to Adopt by Reference the 2022 California Building Codes and 2021 International Property Maintenance Code with Local Amendments: Finding of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3)

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

Senior Planner Castillo presented a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the amended Building Regulations.

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

Action: It was motioned by Mayor Pro Tem Bright and seconded by Council Member Robert to introduced the Ordinance, by title only, to amend Grover Beach Municipal Code Article VIII – Building Regulations, Chapter 1 – California Building Code to Adopt the 2022 California Building Codes and the 2021 International Property Maintenance Code with Local Amendments; and 2) Adopted Resolution No. 22-42 setting forth the findings required by the California Health and Safety Code to support local amendments; and 3) Make the determination consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3); and 4) Schedule the second reading and adoption a the next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting.

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. 22-42: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Adopting Legislative Findings supporting Amendments and Changes to the California Building Standards Code Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Sections 17958.35, 17958.7 and 18941.5.

16. Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance to Approve a Speed Survey of South Oak Park Boulevard and Adopt a New Speed Limit

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

Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray presented a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the speed survey of South Oak Park Boulevard.

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

Action: It was motioned by Council Member Miller and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bright conducted a Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance No. 22-08 Amending Section 16 of Section 3302 of Chapter 3 – Traffic Regulations of Article III – Public Welfare, Morals and Conduct, of the Grover Beach Municipal Code to reflect and updated speed limit recommendation for South Oak Park Boulevard from West Grand Avenue to Mentone Avenue based on Speed Survey.

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.

Ordinance No. 22-08: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Grover Beach, California, Amending Section 16 of Section 3302 of Chapter 3 of Article III of the Grover Beach Municipal Code.

ORDER OF THE DAY: Upon request of Mayor Lee with consensus of the Council the Order of the Day was amended to move Item #18 Economic Development Activities Update before Item #17 under Regular Business.

REGULAR BUSINESS

18. Economic Development Activities Update

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

Deputy City Manager Eriksson presented a PowerPoint Presentation and introduced Project Manager Michael Foot with REACH who discussed our Regional Economic Development Activities.

Mayor Lee invited public comment on this matter.

- Kassi Dee
- Ligia Zavala
- Brenda Auer

No further public comments were received at this time and the Mayor closed public comment.

Action: The Council received the update of the City's economic development activities.

ORDER OF THE DAY: At this time, the Order of the Day resumed to the agenda as posted.

17. Street Repair Update

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

Public Works Director/City Engineer Ray presented a PowerPoint presentation discussing the Street Repair Update.

RECESS: Mayor Lee requested a 10-minute break, due to Technical Difficulties, upon consensus of the City Council the meeting recessed at 7:54 p.m.
RECONVENE: At 8:08 p.m. the meeting reconvened with all members of Council present.

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

Action: The Council received the update of the City's Street Repairs.

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. With no one coming forward and no one on the line, the mayor stated no need to open the second round of public comment.

- David Swift
- Brenda Auer

With no additional comments and no one on the line, the mayor closed public comment.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Bright reported on the SLO Council of Government Meeting (SLOCOG) and the Air Pollution Control District Meeting (APCD).

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Miller addressed the comment by Mrs. Auer. Also, mentioned the ride along she was able to do with Grover Beach Police and thanked Grover Beach Police Chief and Police Officer Moses, Lopez, Wade and Ramirez for allowing her that experience

Council Member Rushing mentioned that the Station Grill was announced as the Business of the Year by the South County Chambers of Commerce, and this is the 2nd year in a row a business from Grover Beach has won this award.

Mayor Pro Tem Bright responded to Ms. Auer's public comments. Also, discussed correspondence received from Grover Beach resident with a non-profit Animals in Need.

Mayor Lee discussed the action the Council took on water conservation.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

City Manager Bronson mentioned the City is recruiting for a few positions and they are available to apply for on our website, www.groverbeach.org and get a link to our employment page. He stated the Official Ballot Drop Box is now available in front of the Police Department and will be there every weekday from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm; expressing it is a great way to drop off a ballot in a safe and secured manner. And lastly, he informed the Council due to unforeseen developments there would not be a closed session item and it will be rescheduled for a later date.

Mayor Lee requested City Manager Bronson clarify the information regarding the Joint meeting that is taking place next month. City Manager Bronson stated the Joint Special Meeting with the City Council and Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission will take place on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, this will be a workshop discussing several Parks and Recreation items and as a result the regular City Council meeting on October 24th will be cancelled, the next regular City Council meeting will be on November 14, 2022.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lee adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

JEFF LEE, MAYOR

Attest:

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