



ACTION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

April 26, 2022, 6:00 p.m.
Hybrid City Council Chamber/Virtual Zoom Meeting

Council Members Present: Mayor Ray Russom, Mayor Pro Tem George, Council Member Barneich, Council Member Paulding, Council Member Storton

Staff Present: City Clerk Jessica Matson, City Attorney Timothy Carmel, City Manager Whitney McDonald, Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Bill Robeson, Administrative Services Director Nicole Valentine, Community Development Director Brian Pedrotti, City Engineer Robin Dickerson, Human Resources Officer Tashina Ureno

Given the recent increase in 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 held hybrid in-person/virtually.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ray Russom called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

City Clerk Matson took roll call.

3. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

4. FLAG SALUTE

Cub Scout Pack 13, led the flag salute.

5. AGENDA REVIEW

5.a. Closed Session Announcements

None.

5.b. Ordinances read in title only

None.

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

6.a. Update Regarding Countywide COVID-19 Efforts

City Manager McDonald provided a brief update on COVID-19 including new quarantine and isolation guidance.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

6.b. City Manager Communications

Assistant City Manager Robeson provided information on scheduled Arbor Day activities.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

6.c. Honorary Proclamation Recognizing April 30, 2022 as the 80th Anniversary of Arroyo Grande Enforcing Executive Order 9066

Mayor Ray Russom read the Honorary Proclamation Recognizing April 30, 2022 as the 80th Anniversary of Arroyo Grande Enforcing Executive Order 9066. Jim Gregory and Reiko Fukuhara, accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

6.d. Honorary Proclamation Declaring May 2022 as "Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month"

Mayor Ray Russom read the Honorary Proclamation May 2022 as "Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month". Michael Boyer, Cornel Morton, and Kathleen Minck, Diversity Coalition San Luis Obispo, accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

6.e. Honorary Proclamation Declaring May 2022 as "National Foster Care Month"

Mayor Ray Russom read the Honorary Proclamation Declaring May 2022 as "National Foster Care Month". Arya Jones, San Luis Obispo County Department of Social Services, accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

6.f. Honorary Proclamation Declaring May 1-7, 2022 as "Public Service Recognition Week"

Mayor Ray Russom read the Honorary Proclamation Declaring May 1-7, 2022 as "Public Service Recognition Week". Tashina Ureno, Human Resources Officer, accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

No action was taken on this item.

7. COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. Speaking from the public were Patty Welsh, and Mary Verdin. No further public comments were received.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Ray Russom asked the Council if there were any questions or any items to be pulled from the consent agenda for further discussion. There were none.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. No public comments were received.

Moved by Council Member Barneich

Seconded by Council Member Storton

Approve Consent Agenda Items 8.a. through 8.g., with the recommended courses of action.

AYES (5): Mayor Ray Russom, Mayor Pro Tem George, Council Member Barneich, Council Member Paulding, and Council Member Storton

Passed (5 to 0)

8.a. Consideration of Cash Disbursement Ratification

Ratified the listing of cash disbursements for the period of March 16 through March 31, 2022.

8.b. Consideration of Adoption of a Resolution Creating a Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement Policy as Required by Senate Bill 1383

Adopted a Resolution entitled: ***"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE CREATING RECOVERED ORGANIC WASTE PRODUCT PROCUREMENT POLICY AS REQUIRED BY SENATE BILL 1383"***.

8.c. Approval of Minutes

Approved the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 12, 2022, as submitted.

8.d. Consideration of Adoption of a Resolution Declaring a Continued Local Emergency Related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic

Adopted a Resolution entitled: ***"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE DECLARING A CONTINUED LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC"***.

8.e. Consideration of Annual Report and Adoption of a Resolution of Intention for Levy of Annual Assessments for the Arroyo Grande Tourism Business Improvement District (AGTBID)

1) Received and approved the Annual Report; 2) Adopted a Resolution entitled: ***"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE DECLARING***

ITS INTENTION TO CONTINUE THE ARROYO GRANDE TOURISM BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, TO CONTINUE THE BASIS FOR AND TO LEVY THE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE DISTRICT, AND TO SET A DATE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DISTRICT AND THE ASSESSMENT FOR THE 2022-23 FISCAL YEAR"; and 3) Set the date for a public hearing for May 24, 2022, in accordance with Streets and Highways Code Section 36534.

- 8.f. Consider Adoption of Resolutions Ordering the Preparation and Filing of Annual Engineer's Reports for the Parkside Village and Grace Lane Assessment District, and Landscaping and Lighting District No. 1, Within Tract 1769, for FY 2022-23**

Adopted Resolutions entitled: ***"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE ORDERING THE PREPARATION AND FILING OF THE ANNUAL ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR THE GRACE LANE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023"; "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE ORDERING THE PREPARATION AND FILING OF THE ANNUAL ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR THE PARKSIDE VILLAGE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023"; and "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE ORDERING THE PREPARATION AND FILING OF THE ANNUAL ENGINEERS REPORT FOR THE ARROYO GRANDE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, WITHIN TRACT 1769, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023"***.

- 8.g. Monthly Water Supply and Demand Update**

Received and filed the monthly Water Supply and Demand Report.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

10. OLD BUSINESS

- 10.a. Discussion and Consideration of a Project Status Update and Design Services Proposals, and Direction Regarding a Preferred Option for the Brisco Interchange Modification Project**

Community Development Director Pedrotti introduced the item and City Engineer Dickerson provided a presentation of the item and responded to questions from Council.

Council discussion ensued around Federal grant funds that were recently made available for the project.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. Speaking from the public were Jim Guthrie, Patty Welsh, and Sean Macias. No further public comments were received.

Moved by Council Member Paulding

Seconded by Council Member Barneich

Received the Project status report, considered options regarding design services proposals received, and directed staff to defer award of a design contract for the Project and to work with SLOCOG (San Luis Obispo Council of Governments) to pursue a new funding opportunity.

AYES (4): Mayor Pro Tem George, Council Member Barneich, Council Member Paulding, and Council Member Storton

NOES (1): Mayor Ray Russom

Passed (4 to 1)

11. NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Ray Russom called for a brief break at 7:50 p.m. The Council reconvened at 7:55 p.m.

11.a. Discussion of Infrastructure Financing Options and Consideration of a Sales Tax Measure

Administrative Services Director Valentine, Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Robeson, City Manager McDonald, and Joe Ririe, Pavement Consultant presented the staff report and recommended that the Council: 1) Receive and file the 2022 PMP Update report; and 2) Direct staff to prepare a ballot measure for the November 8, 2022 consolidated election seeking a 1% local sales tax increase, to be provided at the June 14, 2022 City Council meeting.

Council discussion ensued around adding language to the measure regarding an annual local sales tax allocation report, a public hearing every five years to review the need for the tax, and whether or not to include an advisory measure. City Manager McDonald responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. Speaking from the public were Daryl Sheck, Jim Guthrie, and Debbie Malicoat. City Clerk Matson read into the record written comments received from Nicole Bryant. No further public comments were received.

City Attorney Carmel clarified the definitions of a special tax versus a general tax.

Mayor Ray Russom requested staff pursue a Lease Revenue Bond. Council Member Paulding concurred and requested information regarding timing.

Moved by Council Member Storton

Seconded by Council Member Barneich

1) Receive and file the 2022 PMP Update report; 2) Direct staff to prepare a ballot measure for the November 8, 2022 consolidated election seeking a 1% local sales tax increase as a general tax, to be provided at a date uncertain; 3) Include language in the ballot measure regarding the use of the funds; 4) Include the requirement of an annual sales tax allocation report; and 5) Include the requirement of a public hearing every five years.

AYES (5): Mayor Ray Russom, Mayor Pro Tem George, Council Member Barneich, Council Member Paulding, and Council Member Storton

Passed (5 to 0)

12. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

The City Council provided brief reports from the following committee, commission, board, or other subcommittee meetings that they attended as the City's appointed representative.

12.a. MAYOR RAY RUSSOM:

1. California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA)
2. South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District (SSLOCSD)
3. Tourism Business Improvement District Advisory Board
4. Other

12.b. MAYOR PRO TEM GEORGE:

1. County Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC)
2. Visit SLO CAL Advisory Board
3. Other

12.c. COUNCIL MEMBER BARNEICH:

1. Audit Committee
2. Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)
3. Zone 3 Water Advisory Board
4. Other

12.d. COUNCIL MEMBER PAULDING:

1. Air Pollution Control District (APCD)
2. Brisco/Halcyon Interchange Subcommittee
3. Council of Governments/Regional Transit Authority/ South County Transit (SLOCOG/SLORTA/SCT)
4. REACH SLO Advisory Commission
5. Other

12.e. COUNCIL MEMBER STORTON:

1. Brisco/Halcyon Interchange Subcommittee
2. Five Cities Fire Authority (FCFA)
3. Integrated Waste Management Authority Board (IWMA)
4. South County Chambers of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee
5. Other

13. **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

14. **CLOSED SESSION**

None.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Ray Russom adjourned the meeting at 9:42 p.m. in honor of Arroyo Grande Businesswoman, Carol Wilkerson.

Caren Ray Russom, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jessica Matson, City Clerk