



**ACTION MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**July 26, 2022, 6:00 p.m.**  
**Hybrid City Council Chamber/Virtual Zoom Meeting**  
**215 East Branch Street, Arroyo Grande**

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

Staff Present: Deputy City Clerk Sarah Lansburgh, City Attorney Timothy Carmel, City Manager Whitney McDonald, Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Bill Robeson, Community Development Director Brian Pedrotti, Planning Manager Andrew Perez, Utilities Manager Shane Taylor, Administrative Services Director Nicole Valentine, City Clerk Jessica Matson

**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 conducted in a hybrid in-person/virtual format.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. ROLL CALL**

Deputy City Clerk Lansburgh took roll call.

**3. MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

**4. FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Ray Russom led the flag salute.

**5. AGENDA REVIEW**

Mayor Ray Russom and Council Member Barneich requested to move Item 10.a. to the end of the agenda. Council concurred.

**Approval of Construction Plans and Specifications for the 2022 Pedestrian Crossing Improvement**

1) Found that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Guidelines Section 15301(c) and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption; 2) Accepted the Grant of Temporary Construction License and Public Pedestrian Access Easement Deeds and direct staff to file the License and Deeds; and 3) Approved the construction plans and specifications for the 2022 Pedestrian Crossing Improvements Project, PW 2021-08, and authorize staff to advertise for construction bids pending approval of a funding allocation from the State.

**9. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

**10. OLD BUSINESS**

**10.a Continued Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance Study Session**

This item was heard after Item 13.

Mayor Ray Russom and Council Member Barneich declared conflicts of interest due to owning ADUs and left the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem George took over the meeting as Presiding Officer.

Planning Manager Perez presented the staff report and responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Pro Tem George invited public comment. No public comments were received.

Councilmember Paulding requested the Tiny Home on Wheels (THOW) Ordinance be brought back to Council as soon as possible. Councilmember Storton concurred that the THOW Ordinance can be reviewed by Council at a future meeting.

Council concurred regarding the inclusion of a fee waiver program for moderate- to low-income individuals.

Moved by Council Member Storton

Seconded by Council Member Paulding

Agreed with staff's recommendation and provided direction for staff to keep the 10-year fee waiver program, add additional years if staff is able to accommodate a program for individuals with moderate-income; if so, cap the amount of money that would be used from the fund; and exclude the word "amenities."

AYES (3): Mayor Pro Tem George, Council Member Paulding, and Council Member Storton

ABSENT (2): Mayor Ray Russom, and Council Member Barneich

Passed (3 to 0)

**11. NEW BUSINESS**