



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

**August 23, 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

Council Members Absent: Council Member Barneich

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, Recreation Services Director  
Sheridan Bohlken, Human Resources Officer  
Tashina Ureno, Administrative Services  
Director Nicole Valentine

**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.**

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**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**

Members of Camp Fire Central Coast - Trail Lighters 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 local statistics.

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

No action was taken on this item.

**6.b City Manager Communications**

City Manager McDonald provided information regarding the Central Coast Blue Project and stated that it had been awarded over \$14,000,000 through the Title 16 Grant Funds, and that an inaugural Joint City Council meeting will be held on September 14, 2022 to discuss the project status; the City awarded Community Betterment Grant of \$750,00 largely for improvements on Halcyon for safe routes to schools; the successful Village Business Roundtable meeting; and discussed upcoming items for Council consideration.

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 was Kathy McCorry, CEO South County Chambers of Commerce. 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.

In response to questions from Council, City Manager McDonald made comments on Item 8.g.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. Speaking from the public were Jim Guthrie, and Kathy McCorry. No further public comments were received.

Moved by Council Member Paulding

Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem George

Approve Consent Agenda Items 8.a. through 8.g., with the recommended courses of action and regarding Item 8.g. for the finalized policy of the TBID Board to come to Council for review at a future council meeting.

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

ABSENT (1): Council Member Barneich

Passed (4-1-0)

**8.a Consideration of Cash Disbursement Ratification**

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

**8.b Approval of Minutes**

Approved the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of August 9, 2022, as submitted.

**8.c Consideration of Adoption of a Resolution Declaring a Continued Local Emergency Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic and Authorizing the Continuance of Remote Teleconference Meetings of the Legislative Bodies Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3)**

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 AND AUTHORIZING THE CONTINUANCE OF REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODIES OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e)".***

**8.d Consideration of a Consultant Services Agreement with unCOMPlicated HR to Prepare a Total Compensation Study**

Approved a Consultant Services Agreement with unCOMPlicated HR to prepare a Total Compensation Study.

**8.e Consideration of Award of Construction Contract to Raminha Construction, Inc. for the Oak Park Boulevard Drainage Repairs Project, PW 2020-04**

Awarded a construction contract to Raminha Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$238,679 and authorized the City Manager to approve change orders for 15% of the contract, \$35,802, for unanticipated costs during the construction phase of the project (construction contract costs = \$238,679 + \$35,802 = \$274,481).

**8.f Monthly Water Supply and Demand Update**

Received and filed the monthly Water Supply and Demand Report.

**8.g Consideration of Temporary Use Permit 22-003; Authorizing Closure of City Streets and Use of City Property for the 84th Annual Arroyo Grande Valley Harvest Festival, Friday and Saturday, September 23-24, 2022; Applicant – Jim Guthrie**

Adopted a Resolution entitled: ***"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE APPROVING THE TEMPORARY USE PERMIT 22-003, AUTHORIZING CLOSURE OF CITY STREETS AND USE OF CITY PROPERTY FOR THE 84<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ARROYO GRANDE HARVEST FESTIVAL, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2022".***

**9. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

**10. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

**11.a Consideration of Street Selection for the 2022 Pavement Management Program**

Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Robeson introduced the item and Joe Ririe, Pavement Management Consultant, provided a presentation on the item. Staff responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Ray Russom invited public comment. Speaking from the public was Jim Guthrie. No further public comments were received.

Moved by Council Member Storton

Seconded by Council Member Paulding

Review and approve the recommended treatments and streets for the 2022 Pavement Management Program, including the streets identified in Attachments 1 through 3 of the staff report, and direct staff to work with the City's design consultant to value engineer proposed treatments and proposals for the streets identified in Attachment 4 of the staff report.

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

ABSENT (1): Council Member Barneich

Passed (4-1-0)

**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 (ABSENT):**

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**

Mayor Ray Russom requested an item be brought back to Council regarding refunding appeal fees for vacation rental approvals to certain parties who were not able to be heard by the Planning Commission. Mayor Pro Tem George concurred. Mayor Ray Russom also stated that Arroyo Grande Public Art will be holding an event on Labor Day.

Council Member Paulding requested the vacation rental discussion include a discussion on a possible moratorium.

**14. CLOSED SESSION**

None.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Ray Russom adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

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Caren Ray Russom, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jessica Matson, City Clerk