

MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF GRASS VALLEY
REGULAR
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MAY 12, 2015

CITY OF GRASS VALLEY
SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Jason Fouyer, Mayor

Howard Levine, Vice Mayor

Lisa Swarthout

Jan Arbuckle

Ben Aguilar

NOTICE OF CLOSED SESSION MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRASS VALLEY WILL HOLD A CLOSED SESSION MEETING BEGINNING AT 6:00 PM ON TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015 IN THE MAYOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM OF GRASS VALLEY CITY HALL, 125 EAST MAIN STREET, GRASS VALLEY, CA 94945

Public Comments for Closed Session Items Only

Call to Order: 6:00 PM

Roll Call: Council Members Aguilar, Arbuckle, Levine, Swarthout and Mayor Fouyer were all present.

1.

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Gov. Code § 54957.6)
Name of City / Agency Negotiator to Attend Closed Session: Robert Richardson
√ Employee Organization: APO - Associated Police Officers

Adjourned: The closed session was adjourned at 6:55 PM with no reportable action.

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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE GRASS VALLEY CITY COUNCIL,
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORITY AND REDEVELOPMENT “SUCCESSOR
AGENCY”**

7:00 P. M., TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015

COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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AGENDA

- A. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM**
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Julie Baker
ROLL CALL: Council Members Aguilar, Arbuckle, Levine, Swarthout and Mayor Fouyer were all present.
- B. AGENDA APPROVAL**
No changes were made.
- C. INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**
1. Proclamation for the 15th Anniversary of the Center for the Arts
RECOMMENDATION: Mayor to present the proclamation to Julie Baker, Executive Director for the Center for the Arts.
Mayor Fouyer asked Council Member Levine to present the award to Julie Baker as Mayor Fouyer will present it at the party on Thursday.
- D. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- E. CONSENT ITEMS – (roll call vote).**
Council Member Swarthout moved to approve the consent agenda with the exception of item 3.2 which she asked to have pulled from the agenda and said that she was recusing herself from items 3.3 and 3.4. The City Attorney stated that Council Member Arbuckle needed to recuse herself from items 3.2 and 3.3. Council Member Levine seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0 roll call vote. Council Member Arbuckle, Swarthout and Mayor Fouyer drew straws to see who would be staying for item 3.2. Mayor Fouyer drew the short straw so Council Members Arbuckle and Swarthout left the Council Chambers. Vice Mayor Levine moved to approve consent item 3.2 Resolution No. 2015 –13 Directing Filing of Annual Report Pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 – Assessment District No. 1988-2, Residential Landscaping and Lighting District. Council Member Aguilar seconded and the motion carried by a 3-0-2 roll call vote with Council Members Arbuckle and Swarthout abstaining.
2. Approval of Action Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 28, 2015
RECOMMENDATION: Approve minutes as submitted.

3. Adopt four Resolutions directing the filing of annual reports for Landscaping and Lighting Districts (LLD) – Annual Assessments for fiscal year 2015/2016 and Benefit Assessment Districts (A.D.) – Annual Assessments for fiscal year 2015/2016.
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolutions numbered 2015-12, 2015-13, 2015-14 and 2015-15 directing the filing of annual reports for Commercial LLD #1988-1, Residential LLD #1988-2, Morgan Ranch Unit 7 A.D. #2003-1 and Morgan Ranch West A.D. #2010-1. The four Resolutions related to the Commercial and Residential Landscaping and Lighting Districts as well as the Morgan Ranch-Unit 7 and Morgan Ranch West Benefit Assessment Districts are as follows:
 - 1) Resolution No. 2015 - 12 Directing Filing of Annual Report Pursuant to The Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 – Assessment District No. 1988-1, Commercial Landscaping and Lighting District.
 - 2) Resolution No. 2015 –13 Directing Filing of Annual Report Pursuant to The Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 – Assessment District No. 1988-2, Residential Landscaping and Lighting District.
 - 3) Resolution No. 2015 –14 Directing Filing of Annual Report Pursuant to The Benefit Assessment Act of 1982 (Sections 54703 and following, California Government Code; hereafter the “1982 Act”) – Morgan Ranch Unit 7 Benefit Assessment District No. 2003-1.
 - 4) Resolution No. 2015 – 15 Directing Filing of Annual Report Pursuant to The Benefit Assessment Act of 1982 (Sections 54703 and following, California Government Code; here after the “1982 Act”) – Morgan Ranch West Benefit Assessment District No. 2010-1.
4. Siemens Contract - Authorize Amendment No. 2 to PSA 12-22
RECOMMENDATION: That Council authorize the Mayor to execute an Amendment to Professional Services Agreement NO. 12-22for an additional \$10,000.00 in contingency funds for call-out services.

F. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION OR SEPARATE ACTION AND / OR ANY ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

G. PUBLIC HEARING

H. ADMINISTATIVE

5. Appointment of Planning Commissioners
RECOMMENDATION: That the Council approve the nominees recommended for approval by Mayor Fouyer and Council Member Aguilar.
 Council Member Swarthout moved and Council Member Arbuckle seconded to appoint Jacqueline Hawkins and Dawn Bateman to the Planning Commission. The motion carried by a 5-0 roll call vote.
6. Community Funding Requests
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council consider community group funding request presentations and direct staff on desired funding for the FY-16 budget.

John Gregory CEO of the Economic Resource Council Presented his request for funding for the ERC of \$10,000. Melinda Booth of Wild and Scenic presented their request for \$5,000. Keith and Robin Davies Co-CEO's of the Greater Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce presented the request for funding for the Greater Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce for \$10,000. The Mayor opened this item for public comment. A gentleman from Round Valley Road came forward and stated that he would like to see results from the ERC funding. Barbara Getz, owner of the Del Oro Theater spoke in favor of supporting Wild and Scenic. Roger Hicks, Yuba Docs, spoke in favor of Wild and Scenic. The Mayor closed public comment. Vice Mayor Levine moved to grant the \$10,000 funding request for the ERC. Council Member Arbuckle seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0 roll call vote. Council Member Arbuckle moved to pull the Wild and Scenic item from this agenda and asked that Staff bring this back on a future agenda for further discussion and Council Member Swarthout seconded. The motion carried by a 4-1 voice vote with the Mayor voting no.

7. Grass Valley Downtown Association Funding requests

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council consider community group presentations and direct staff on desired funding for the FY-16 budget

Council Member Swarthout recused herself from this item. Steve Rosenthal, Treasurer for the Grass Valley Downtown Association presented their request for funding of \$10,500. Council Member Arbuckle moved and Council Member Aguilar seconded to fund the Grass Valley Downtown Associations request for \$10,500. The motion carried by a 4-0-1 voice vote with Council Member Swarthout abstaining by recusal.

8. Potential Park Improvement Funds

RECOMMENDATION: That Council provide staff direction on the use of Quimby Act funding

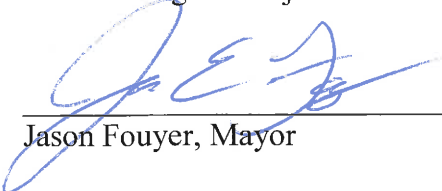
Tim Kiser, City Engineer/Public Works Director presented this item to Council. There was discussion on how the funds could be used and it was suggested that perhaps Pickleball courts could be put in at Mautino Park. Judy Tortalia, President of the Grass Valley Pickleball Club spoke in favor of courts being put in at Mautino Park. Victor Simone Ambassador for the USA Pickleball Association also spoke in favor of courts being put in. Council Member Swarthout moved to direct staff to investigate costs Pickleball Courts and the possibility of partnering with the Pickleball Club for Pickleball courts to be put in at Mautino Park and return with a possible plan at a future Council meeting. Council Member Aguilar seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote.

I. BRIEF REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS


Council Member Swarthout attended the ERC Board Meeting and the Friendship Club Graduation. Vice Mayor Levine attended the Pasta judging and SEDcorp meeting and was named chair. Council Member Aguilar attended a mixer at the Nevada County Association of Realtors, Habitat for Humanity, the Prayer Breakfast and the Friendship Club Graduation. Council Member Arbuckle attended Legislative Action Meeting, the League Board of Directors Meeting, Prayer Breakfast and Presentations in Sacramento. Mayor Fouyer attended the Prayer Breakfast. The Mayor requested that the next agenda have an item for recognition of officer Hooper.

J. ADJOURN

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:57 pm by Mayor Fouyer.



Jason Fouyer, Mayor



Kristi K. Bashor, City Clerk