

CITY OF GRASS VALLEY
CLOSED SESSION
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Lisa Swarthout, Mayor

Ben Aguilar, Vice Mayor

Jan Arbuckle

Howard Levine

Hilary Hodge

NOTICE OF CLOSED SESSION MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRASS VALLEY WILL HOLD A CLOSED SESSION MEETING ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 AT 6:00 PM 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:

Roll Call:

1.

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GOV. CODE § 54957.6)

Name of City/Agency Negotiator(s) to Attend Closed Session:

Tim Kiser, Andy Heath, and Patrick Clark

Employee Organization(s):

Unit 8 – The Grass Valley Firefighters, IAFF Local 3800

Unit 6 – The Grass Valley Police Officers' Association

Unit 2 – The International Union of Operating Engineers, Stationary Engineers, Local 39

2.

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL; ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(2) & (d)(3))**

A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the City Council on the advice of its legal counsel, based on the below-described existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the City.

The following facts and circumstances known to plaintiff or plaintiffs regarding (Gov. Code § 54956.9(e)(2))

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Adjourn:

Posted:

Date	Time	Andy Heath, Acting City Clerk
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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE GRASS VALLEY CITY COUNCIL,
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORITY AND REDEVELOPMENT “SUCCESSOR
AGENCY”**

7:00 P. M., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

COUNCIL CHAMBERS
GRASS VALLEY CITY HALL (LOWER LEVEL)
125 EAST MAIN STREET, GRASS VALLEY, CALIFORNIA
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In response to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 and Resolution 2020-09 Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic, public participation in the City of Grass Valley City Council and other public meetings shall be electronic only, and without a physical location for public participation, until further notice in compliance with California state guidelines on social distancing. City Council welcomes you to attend the meetings electronically, which are scheduled at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Your interest is encouraged and appreciated. This meeting is being broadcast “live” on Comcast Channel 17 by Nevada County Media, on the internet at www.cityofgrassvalley.com, or on the City of Grass Valley Youtube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdAaL-uwdN8iTz8bI7SCuPQ> Indexed archives of meetings are available via this link as well. Members of the public are encouraged to submit public comments via voicemail at (530) 274-4390 and email to public@cityofgrassvalley.com. Comments will be reviewed and distributed before the meeting if received by 5pm. Comments received after that will be addressed during the item and/or at the end of the meeting. Council will have the option to modify their action on items based on comments received. Action may be taken on any agenda item. Agenda materials, staff reports, and background information related to regular agenda items are available on the City of Grass Valley website: www.cityofgrassvalley.com. Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Council after distribution of the agenda packet will be made available on the City of Grass Valley website at www.cityofgrassvalley.com subject to City staff’s ability to post the documents before the meeting. If you do not have the means to participate in meetings electronically, contact the City at (530) 274-4390 and staff will be happy to identify alternative means for you to participate.

AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

The City Council reserves the right to hear items in a different order to accomplish business in the most efficient manner.

C. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

D. INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- COVID19 Update Presentation from Public Health
- Prostate Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation
- Recent Fire Updates

E. PUBLIC COMMENT – Members of the public are encouraged to submit public comments via voicemail at (530) 274-4390 and email to public@cityofgrassvalley.com. Comments will be reviewed and distributed before the meeting if received by 5pm. Comments received after that will be addressed during the item and/or at the end of the meeting. Council will have the option to modify their action on items based on comments received. Action may be taken on any agenda item.

F. CONSENT ITEMS – All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are to be considered routine by the City Council and/or Grass Valley Redevelopment Agency and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless, before the City Council and/or Grass Valley Redevelopment Agency votes on the motion to adopt, members of the Council and/or Agency, staff or the public request specific items to be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion and action (roll call vote).

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 25, 2020
RECOMMENDATION: Council approve minutes as submitted.
2. Local Emergency Proclamation (COVID-19)
RECOMMENDATION: Continuance of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) proclamation declaring a Local State of Emergency.
3. Local Emergency Proclamation
RECOMMENDATION: Continuance of sinkhole proclamation declaring a Local State of Emergency due to extreme weather.
4. Authorize travel for City Council and City Manager for League of California Cities sponsored training and conferences for FY20/21 and appointment of Council Member Arbuckle as the voting delegate and Vice Mayor Aguilar and Council Member Hilary Hodge as alternates for League of California Cities 2020 Annual Conference meeting and for related travel and training for the City Manager.
RECOMMENDATION: That Council 1) approve travel and related expenses for City Council Member(s) and City Manager to attend the League of California Cities sponsored training and conferences for FY20/21, and 2) appoint Council Member Arbuckle as the voting delegate and Vice Mayor Aguilar and Council Member Hilary Hodge as the alternates for the 2020 League Virtual Annual Conference on October 7-8, 2020.
5. One-year agreement for public safety dispatch services between the City of Grass Valley, the Town of Truckee, the City of Nevada City, and the County of Nevada.
RECOMMENDATION: Approve a one-year agreement to provide public safety dispatch services between the City of Grass Valley, the Town of Truckee, the City of Nevada City, and the County of Nevada from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

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

H. PUBLIC HEARING

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

6. Appointment of Independent Auditor for Fiscal Year 2019-20

RECOMMENDATION: That Council 1) Authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with Smith & Newell, CPAs for independent audit services for the City for Fiscal Year 2019-20, subject to final legal review; 2) Authorize the Finance / Administrative Services Director to make any necessary budget adjustments / transfers in an amount not to exceed \$41,500; and 3) Approve Smith & Newell, CPAs as a sole-source contractor by a 4/5 affirmative vote as required by City of Grass Valley Municipal Code section 3.08.140(B).

J. BRIEF REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

K. ADJOURN

Posted:

Date	Time	Andy Heath, Acting City Clerk
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