



CITY OF ATASCADERO CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

City Hall Council Chambers, 4th floor
6500 Palma Avenue, Atascadero, California

City Council Regular Session:

6:00 P.M.

City Council Closed Session:

Immediately following
Regular Session

REGULAR SESSION – CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Moreno called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and Mayor Pro Tem Newsom led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: **By Teleconference** - Council Members Bourbeau, Dariz, and Funk, Mayor Pro Tem Newsom, and Mayor Moreno

Absent: None

Others Present: **By Teleconference** - Treasurer Gere Sibbach

Staff Present: **By Teleconference** – City Manager Rachelle Rickard, Administrative Services Director Jeri Rangel, Community Development Director Phil Dunsmore, Fire Chief Casey Bryson, Police Chief Bob Masterson, Public Works Director Nick DeBar, City Attorney Brian Pierik, Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Lara Christensen, and IT Manager Luke Knight

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: **By Council Member Funk and seconded by Council Member Bourbeau to:**

1. Approve this agenda; and,
2. Waive the reading in full of all ordinances appearing on this agenda, and the titles of the ordinances will be read aloud by

the City Clerk at the first reading, after the motion and before the City Council votes.
Motion passed 5:0 by a roll-call vote.

CLOSED SESSION – REPORT (IF ANY)

a. January 11, 2022

City Attorney Pierik reported there was no reportable action.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. City Council Draft Action Minutes – January 11, 2022

- Recommendation: Council approve the January 11, 2022 Draft City Council Regular Meeting Minutes. [City Clerk]

2. December 2021 Accounts Payable and Payroll

- Fiscal Impact: \$3,783,926.36
- Recommendation: Council approve certified City accounts payable, payroll and payroll vendor checks for December 2021. [Administrative Services]

3. September 2021 Investment Report

- Fiscal Impact: None.
- Recommendation: Council receive and file the City Treasurer's report for quarter ending September 30, 2021. [City Treasurer]

**MOTION: By Council Member Bourbeau and seconded by Council Member Funk to approve the Consent Calendar.
*Motion passed 5:0 by a roll-call vote.***

UPDATES FROM THE CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Rickard gave an update on projects and events within the City.

COMMUNITY FORUM:

The following citizens spoke by telephone or through the webinar on this item: None.

Mayor Moreno closed the COMMUNITY FORUM period.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Ratification of Approval of Hazardous Tree Removal

- Fiscal Impact: None.
- Recommendation: Council adopt Draft Resolution ratifying staff's approval of the removal of one, 55-inch DBH, hazardous Heritage Coast Live Oak

previously located at 5955 East Mall, subject to conditions of approval and mitigation, including replanting on site. [Community Development]

Mayor Moreno noted that staff received a request from the property owner to continue to item to February 22, 2022.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following citizens spoke by telephone or through the webinar on this item: None.

**MOTION: By Council Member Bourbeau and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Newsom to continue the item to February 22, 2022.
*Motion passed 5:0 by a roll-call vote.***

C. MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

1. Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Audit

- Fiscal Impact: None.
- Recommendation: Council review and accept the financial audit for the period ended June 30, 2021. [Administrative Services]

Administrative Services Director Rangel gave the staff report and answered questions from the Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following citizens spoke by telephone or through the webinar on this item: Adam Guise, Moss, Levy & Hartzheim (City auditor)

Mayor Moreno closed the Public Comment period.

**MOTION: By Council Member Bourbeau and seconded by Council Member Funk to accept the financial audit for the period ended June 30, 2021.
*Motion passed 5:0 by a roll-call vote.***

2. Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant

- Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact in applying for the SAFER grant. If awarded the City would receive funding for three firefighters for three years at an estimated \$1.5 million.
- Recommendation: Council authorize the Fire Chief to apply for and City Manager to execute a grant contract for a SAFER grant that would reimburse the City for the cost of three additional firefighters for three years. [Fire Department]

Fire Chief Bryson gave the staff report and answered questions from the Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following citizens spoke by telephone or through the webinar on this item: None.

Mayor Moreno closed the Public Comment period.

**MOTION: By Council Member Bourbeau and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Newsom to authorize the Fire Chief to apply for and City Manager to execute a grant contract for a SAFER grant that would reimburse the City for the cost of three additional firefighters for three years.
*Motion passed 5:0 by a roll-call vote.***

D. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The following Council Members gave brief update reports on their committees since their last Council meeting:

Mayor Moreno

1. City Selection Committee
2. SLO Council of Governments (SLOCOG)
3. SLO Regional Transit Authority (RTA)

Mayor Pro Tem Newsom

1. Design Review Committee

Council Member Bourbeau

1. Integrated Waste Management Authority (IWMA)
2. SLO County Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC)

Council Member Dariz

1. Air Pollution Control District

Council Member Funk

1. Atascadero Basin Ground Water Sustainability Agency (GSA)
2. Design Review Committee
3. Homeless Services Oversight Council

E. INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION AND / OR ACTION: None.

F. RECESS REGULAR MEETING TO CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Moreno recessed the Regular Meeting at 7:18 p.m. and called the Closed Session Meeting to order at 7:19 p.m.

COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION:

- 1. CLOSED SESSION -- PUBLIC COMMENT – None.**
- 2. COUNCIL LEAVES TO BEGIN CLOSED SESSION**
- 3. CLOSED SESSION -- CALL TO ORDER**

a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): 1 potential case – Bill White sick leave

b. Conference with Legal – Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code
Section 54956.9(d)(2): 1 potential case – California Voting Rights Act

4. CLOSED SESSION – ADJOURNMENT

G. ADJOURN

Following Closed Session, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 pm; no reportable action.

MINUTES PREPARED BY:



Lara K. Christensen
City Clerk

APPROVED: February 8, 2022