

CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 | 6:00 PM

1. OPENING

1.1. Call to Order

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Bracco led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3. Invocation

Pastor McPhail led the invocation.

1.4. City Clerk's Report on Posting the Agenda

Interim City Clerk, Beth Minor advised the agenda was posted on Friday, September 6, 2024 at 11:00 AM.

1.5. Roll Call

Attendance	Attendee Name
	Dion Bracco, Council Member
	Rebeca Armendariz, Council Member
	Carol Marques, Council Member
	Zach Hilton, Council Member
	Tom Cline, Council Member
	Fred Tovar, Council Member
	Marie Blankley, Mayor
Absent	None

1.6. Orders of the Day

1.7. Employee Introductions

Police Chief Espinoza introduced Heather Vlcek, Police Records Technician, and Madeline Clark, Public Safety Communicator Trainee.

Human Resources Director LeeAnn McPhillips introduced Jackie Gifford, Management Assistant.

Public Works Director Heba El-Guindy introduced Ryan Osenton, Project Manager.

2. CEREMONIAL ITEMS - Proclamations and Awards

2.1. Proclamation Honoring United Against Hate Week September 21-27, 2024

2.2. Proclaiming September 2024 Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

2.3. Proclaiming September 2024 as National Preparedness Month

3. **COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE (Informational Only)**

4. **PRESENTATIONS TO THE COUNCIL**

4.1. **PUBLIC COMMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA BUT WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL.**

Mayor Blankley open Public Comment.

Alan Espinoza spoke regarding the assistance the residents of Garlic Farm RV Park received and hoped that more help will be coming.

Ron Kirkish spoke regarding a request to formally acknowledge the three Gilroy Firefighters who helped save a drowning girls life.

Elaine Gooding spoke regarding the assistance the residents of Garlic Farm RV Park received and hoped that more help will be coming, and thanked all those that came out and helped.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Blankley closed Public Comment.

5. **REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Council Member Bracco No report.

Council Member Armendariz mentioned the Tamale Festival to be held in Gilroy on September 28, 2024.

Council Member Marques noted the heat presented challenges to the attendance at Gilroy Gardens Theme Park, but Carnival Friday nights was successful. They are looking for additional docents to assist with the theater shows.

Council Member Hilton stated there is a year over year increase in VTA ridership. Silicon Valley Clean Energy continues to find funding for California residents for single family home electrification, clean energy appliances, and other home upgrades.

Council Member Cline No report.

Council Member Tovar No report.

Mayor Blankley spoke regarding several bills that will be on the ballot or have not made it for the 2024 election. South County Youth Task Force Policy Team met and noted there is lots of assistance from Morgan Hill and Gilroy schools, police departments, and other agencies to help at risk kids. She announced there will be a public acknowledgment for the three Gilroy Firefighters who saved the young girls life.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

6.1. Approval of the Action Minutes of the August 19, 2024 City Council Regular Meeting.

Mayor Blankley opened Public Comment.

There being no speakers, Mayor Blankley closed Public Comment.

MOTION: To approve Agenda Item No. 6.1

RESULTS:	PASS: 7-0
MOVER:	Fred Tovar, Council Member
SECONDER:	Dion Bracco, Council Member
AYES:	BRACCO, ARMENDARIZ, MARQUES, HILTON, CLINE, TOVAR, BLANKLEY
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	

7. BIDS AND PROPOSALS

7.1. Award a Three-year Contract to Alpine Landscapes in a Total Amount of \$1,163,958 with an Annual Not to Exceed Amount of \$387,986 for the Community Facilities District Landscape Maintenance Services, with up-to Two, One Year Extension Options, and Adopt a Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget by \$28,927.

Mayor Blankley opened Public Comment.

There being no speakers, Mayor Blankley closed Public Comment.

MOTION: To approve the award of a three-year contract to Alpine Landscapes in a total amount of \$1,163,958 with an annual not to exceed amount of \$387,986 for performing the Community Facilities District (CFD) Landscape Maintenance Services; Authorize the City Administrator to exercise at the end of the contract term the two, one-year extension options at the City’s sole discretion; and Adopt a resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2025 budget by \$28,927.

RESULTS:	PASS: 7 - 0 Roll Call Vote
MOVER:	Fred Tovar, Council Member
SECONDER:	Carol Marques, Council Member
AYES:	BRACCO, ARMENDARIZ, MARQUES, HILTON, CLINE, TOVAR, BLANKLEY
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	

Enactment No.: Resolution No. 2024-41

- 7.2. **Award a Three-year Contract to Jensen Landscape Services, LLC in the Total Amount of \$3,378,990 with an Annual Not to Exceed Amount of \$1,126,330 for Citywide Landscape Services, and Authorize up to Two, One-Year Extension Options.**

Mayor Blankley opened Public Comment.

There being no speakers, Mayor Blankley closed Public Comment.

MOTION: To approve the award of a three-year contract to Jensen Landscape Services, LLC in the total amount of \$3,378,990 with an annual not to exceed amount of \$1,126,330 for Citywide Landscape Services; Authorize the City Administrator to exercise at the end of the contract term the two, one-year extension options at the City's sole discretion.

RESULTS:	PASS: 6-1
MOVER:	Fred Tovar, Council Member
SECONDER:	Carol Marques, Council Member
AYES:	BRACCO, MARQUES, HILTON, CLINE, TOVAR, BLANKLEY
NOES:	ARMENDARIZ
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 8.1. **Introduction of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Gilroy Adjusting Future Mayor and City Council Member Salaries.**

Mayor Blankley opened the Public Hearing.

There being no speakers, Mayor Blankley closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION: To read the ordinance by title only and waive further reading of the ordinance.

RESULTS:	PASS: 7-0 Roll Call Vote
MOVER:	Dion Bracco, Council Member
SECONDER:	Carol Marques, Council Member
AYES:	BRACCO, ARMENDARIZ, MARQUES, HILTON, CLINE, TOVAR, BLANKLEY
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	

MOTION: To Introduce an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Gilroy adjusting future mayor and city council member salaries.

RESULTS:	PASS: 6-1 Roll Call Vote
MOVER:	Carol Marques, Council Member
SECONDER:	Dion Bracco, Council Member
AYES:	BRACCO, ARMENDARIZ, MARQUES, HILTON, CLINE, BLANKLEY
NOES:	TOVAR
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS

10.1. Legislative Update.

Mayor Blankley opened Public Comment.

There being no speakers, Mayor Blankley closed Public Comment.

10.2. Consideration of an Amendment to Gilroy City Code Chapter 16.6-1(p) Cardroom, Table Restrictions.

Mayor Blankley opened the Public Comment.

There being no speakers, Mayor Blankley closed the Public Comment.

MOTION: Council approval of an Ordinance Amendment to Gilroy City Code Chapter 16.6-1(p) to increase the number of cardroom tables allowed from 10 to 12 tables.

RESULTS:	PASS: 7-0
MOVER:	Rebeca Armendariz, Council Member
SECONDER:	Dion Bracco, Council Member
AYES:	BRACCO, ARMENDARIZ, MARQUES, HILTON, CLINE, TOVAR, BLANKLEY
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	

10.3. Recreation Needs Assessment Implementation Introduction.

Mayor Blankley opened the Public Comment.

There being no speakers, Mayor Blankley closed the Public Comment.

11. FUTURE COUNCIL INITIATED AGENDA ITEMS

11.1. Request to Add to the September 16, 2024 Agenda the United Sovereign

Americans Resolution for Council Discussion.

Mayor Blankley opened the Public Comment.

Sue Ozzini requested the Council agendize this on the September 16, 2024 agenda so Council can discuss it.

Dennis Jamison requested the Council agendize this on the September 16, 2024 agenda so they can discuss it.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Blankley closed the Public Comment.

MOTION: To agendize this item on the September 16, 2024 meeting for discussion by Council.

RESULTS:	PASS: 4-3
MOVER:	Carol Marques, Council Member
SECONDER:	Tom Cline, Council Member
AYES:	BRACCO, MARQUES, CLINE, BLANKLEY
NOES:	ARMENDARIZ, HILTON, TOVAR
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	

12. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS
13. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS
14. CLOSED SESSION
15. ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION
16. ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing minutes were duly and regularly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Gilroy.

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/s/Beth Minor
Interim City Clerk

