

CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024 | 6:00 PM

1. OPENING

1.1. Call to Order

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Blankley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3. Invocation

Pastor Malcolm McPhail led the invocation.

1.4. City Clerk's Report on Posting the Agenda Interim City Clerk, Beth Minor advised the revised agenda was posted on Friday, October 18, 2024 at 3:25 P.M.

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

None

1.7. Employee Introductions

None

2. CEREMONIAL ITEMS - Proclamations and Awards

2.1. Proclaiming October 24, 2024 as Arbor Day

Parks and Recreation Commission Chair, Pat Bentson, accepted the Proclamation.

3. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE (Informational Only)

3.1. Memo Regarding the Library Bond Project Schedule.

3.2. Board and Commission Terms Ending December 31, 2025 - Maddy Act 2025.

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 opened Public Comment.

Elaine Gooding thanked Council Members Marques and Bracco for visiting the Garlic Farm RV Park to see the situation there. She asked the Council for further assistance.

Mike Nagel spoke regarding his property on Monterey Road being landlocked and hoped that the project at 315 Las Animas would include continued access to his property.

Eli Aizerman spoke regarding the 315 Las Animas project litigation against the City.

James Pearson advised the need to reconstitute the Library Bond Oversight Committee and to get new members on the board.

Dennis Jamison requested an apology from the Council to the people who spoke regarding the fair and honest 2024 election resolution discussion.

Eric Mathews spoke regarding the fair and honest 2024 election resolution.

Alicia spoke regarding the fair and honest 2024 election resolution and how she felt about the council discussion.

Judy Hess spoke about her time working at the Registrar of Voters Office and how they handled election materials. She also invited everyone to the Steve Ashford Memorial pancake breakfast at the Miller Red Barn on Saturday.

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

4.2. High Speed Rail Update Presented by the California High Speed Rail Authority (Estimated Time: One Hour)

Mayor Blankley opened Public Comment.

There being no speakers, Mayor Blankley closed Public Comment.

5. REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Bracco

No report.

Council Member Armendariz

Noted her attendance at the recent California League of Cities Conference in

Long Beach.

Council Member Marques

Advised the Downtown Committee has several upcoming recommendations for the Council to review and noted they will not be meeting until after the first of the new year.

Council Member Hilton

Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority JPA Board approved the allocation of \$6 million to expand decarbonization programs and initiatives.

Council Member Cline

No report.

Council Member Tovar

Advised he also attended the California League of Cities conference and attended workshops regarding the unhoused. The Gilroy Gardens negotiating Committee met with members of the Gilroy Gardens Board and discussed important topics and outlined goals as a City Council.

Mayor Blankley

Noted her attendance at the California League of Cities Conference and also spoke about the Pancake Breakfast to be held at the Miller Red Barn on Saturday.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 6.1. Approval of the Action Minutes of the October 7, 2024 City Council Regular Meeting.**
- 6.2. Adoption of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gilroy Approving the 2024 City of Gilroy Emergency Operations Plan (EOP).
Enactment No.: Resolution No. 2024-49**
- 6.3. Adoption of a Joint Resolution Detailing the Representative Governance for South Santa Clara County Cities on Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority's Board of Directors.
Enactment No.: Resolution No. 2024-50**
- 6.4. * Adopt a Resolution Authorizing a Grant Application to Santa Clara County Parks for the Miller Red Barn Fire Suppression Sprinklers Project.
Enactment No.: Resolution No. 2024-51**

Mayor Blankley opened Public Comment.

There being no speakers, Mayor Blankley closed Public Comment.

MOTION: To approve Agenda Items 6.1-6.4

RESULTS:	PASS: 7-0 ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Rebeca Armendariz, Council Member
SECONDER:	Fred Tovar, Council Member

AYES:	BRACCO, ARMENDARIZ, MARQUES, HILTON, CLINE, TOVAR, BLANKLEY
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	

7. BIDS AND PROPOSALS

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS

10.1. Report on Awarded Grants and Adoption of a Resolution Amending the Adopted Budget to Reflect the Grant Awards.

Mayor Blankley opened Public Comment.

There being no speakers, Mayor Blankley closed Public Comment.

MOTION: To adopt the resolution amending the adopted budget to reflect the grant awards.

RESULTS:	PASS: 7-0 ROLL CALL VOTE
MOVER:	Rebeca Armendariz, Council Member
SECONDER:	Carol Marques, Council Member
AYES:	BRACCO, ARMENDARIZ, MARQUES, HILTON, CLINE, TOVAR, BLANKLEY
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	

Enactment No.: Resolution No. 2024-52

11. FUTURE COUNCIL INITIATED AGENDA ITEMS

12. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

12.1. Santa Teresa Fire Station Update

City Administrator, Jimmy Forbis noted his attendance at the California League of Cities Conference having attended most of the sessions on the unhoused. He advised the Santa Teresa Fire Station project is moving forward and once Council accepts the land, we are on our way. Staff will reengage the architect and the community to look into design modifications.

13. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

14. CLOSED SESSION

15. ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 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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Beth Minor
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/s/Beth Minor
Interim City Clerk



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