

**City of Gilroy
City Council
Minutes
Monday, September 15, 2025 | 6:00 PM**

1. OPENING

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bozzo at 6:00 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Marques led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Invocation

Pastor Blanca with Centro Cristiano Jerusalem led the Invocation.

4. City Clerk's Report on Posting the Agenda

Assistant to the City Administrator Bryce Atkins reported on the Posting of the Agenda.

5. Roll Call

Attendance	Attendee Name
Present	Council Member Dion Bracco Council Member Tom Cline Council Member Terence Fugazzi Council Member Zach Hilton Council Member Carol Marques Council Member Kelly Ramirez Mayor Greg Bozzo

6. Orders of the Day

None.

7. Employee Introductions

Community Development Director Sharon Goei introduced Code Enforcement Officer Desiree Martinez, Code Enforcement Officer Gustavo Zamora-Rocha, and Planner II Jonathan Olivas.

2. CEREMONIAL ITEMS - Proclamations and Awards

1. Childhood Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation

2. Denise King Retirement Proclamation

3. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE (Informational Only)

None.

4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COUNCIL

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

Ron Kirkish - commented on flying the flag at half-staff in honor of Charlie Kirk, and mentioned that he received information regarding an incident at Las Animas Park.

Jennifer Del Bono- commented on her strong support of Measure A on the November ballot.

Greg Felios - commented on mailing received regarding the November election.

5. REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Council Member Bracco – Downtown Committee, Santa Clara County Library Joint Powers Authority, Santa Clara Water Commission, Santa Clara Valley Water Joint Water Resources Committee, SCRWA

Council Member Fugazzi – Santa Clara Water Commission (alternate), Silicon Valley Regional Interoperability Authority Board (alternate), SCRWA, Visit Gilroy California Welcome Center, VTA Mobility Partnership Committee

Council Member Marques – ABAG, Downtown Committee, Santa Clara County Library Joint Powers Authority (alternate), Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency Governing Board, Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency Implementation Board, SCRWA (alternate)

Council Member Hilton – CalTrain Policy Group, Santa Clara County Expressway Plan 2040 Advisory Board (alternate), Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority JPA Board, South County Youth Task Force Policy Team, VTA Policy Advisory Committee

Council Member Ramirez – ABAG (alternate), Gilroy Gardens Board of Directors (alternate), Gilroy Sister Cities, Gilroy Youth Task Force (alternate), SCRWA, Santa Clara Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee

Council Member Cline – CalTrain Policy Group (alternate), Gilroy Sister Cities (alternate), Gilroy Youth Task Force, Santa Clara County Expressway Plan 2040 Advisory Board, Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority JPA Board (alternate), Silicon Valley Regional Interoperability Authority Board, Visit Gilroy California Welcome Center (alternate), VTA Mobility Partnership Committee, VTA Policy Advisory Committee (alternate)

Mayor Bozzo – Gilroy Gardens Board of Directors, Santa Clara Valley Water Joint Water Resources Committee, South County Youth Task Force Policy Team, VTA Board of Directors (alternate), Santa Clara Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee (alternate)

Council Member Bracco - No report.

Council Member Fugazzi - Reported that he sits on the VTA Mobility Partnership Committee and that construction on the 25 interchange is continuing. There will be some upcoming detours. He spoke about how bad the lanes on the 101 freeway are. He mentioned during a previous meeting that Caltrans needs to drive in those lanes and see how bad they are. They are not scheduled for resurfacing until 2029. He spoke about the Santa Teresa extension to Hwy 25.

Council Member Marques - No report.

Council Member Hilton - Reported about the VTA Policy Advisory Committee 2026 bus and light rail service plan. He mentioned that the Express 121 route service will be discontinued, which is an employer-sponsored route that travels to Lockheed Martin due to lack of ridership. He mentioned that the Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE) Board approved the SVCE Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Budget and Fiscal Year 2025-27 Strategic Focus Areas and Strategic Plan. He also spoke about the South County Youth Task Force (SCYTF).

Council Member Ramirez - No report.

Council Member Cline - Reported on Constitution Day on September 17th. This is the 239 year of our constitution, which is the longest lasting constitution in the world. He encouraged everyone to take a look at our constitution this week and prayed for the uniting of our country.

Mayor Bozzo - No report.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Mayor Bozzo opened public comment at 6:31 P.M.

With no speakers, Mayor Bozzo closed public comment.

Motion

Approve the constant calendar.

RESULT: **Passed**

MOVER: Council Member Carol Marques

SECONDER: Council Member Kelly Ramirez

AYES: Council Member Dion Bracco, Council Member Tom Cline, Council Member Terence Fugazzi, Council Member Zach Hilton, Council Member Carol Marques, Council Member Kelly Ramirez, Mayor Greg Bozzo

NAYS: None

1. **Approve the minutes of the September 8, 2025 Regular City Council Meeting**
2. **Release of Unclaimed Checks to the City's General Fund in Accordance with California Government Code Section 50053**

3. **Acceptance of an Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant in the Amount \$160,000 and a Motorcyclist Safety Education and Training Program Grant in the Amount of \$15,000 and Adoption of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gilroy Approving Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Amendment**
4. **Claim of Rodrigo Guerrero OBO H.M.G., a Minor (The City Administrator recommends a "yes" vote under the Consent Calendar shall constitute denial of the claim)**

7. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS

1. **Receive Report and Provide Direction Regarding the City's Transient Occupancy Tax Rate and Ordinance Review Workplan Item**

Finance Director Harjot Sangha provided a report and presentation.

Mayor Bozzo opened public comment at 6:48 P.M.

Michelle Carlen - commented on looking at T.O.T. taxes in other counties and commented on what the T.O.T. tax is.

John V. - commented on the house next door to him being rented out.

Luis Ramirez - commented that he is interested in the T.O.T. tax.

With no further speakers, Mayor Bozzo closed public comment.

Council provided direction to explore a T.O.T. increase, specific direction to explore an ordinance with language that provides flexibility on putting a cap and providing a comparison.

Report received.

2. **Aquatics Center Interim Operator Direction**

Assistant to the City Administrator Bryce Atkins provided a report and presentation.

Mayor Bozzo opened public comment at 7:14 P.M.

Alicia - commented on the Christopher aquatics center and the number of swim classes in the off months.

Luis Ramirez - commented on the pools and swim lessons.

With no further speakers, Mayor Bozzo closed public comment.

Council provided direction to issue a bid for a one-year agreement, with a one-year extension option at Council's discretion, while the Recreation Assessment is being completed.

Report received.

3. Authorize the City Administrator to Enter into an Agreement with Mobile Modular Management Corporation to Purchase the Modular Classroom at the Police Department Shooting Range for \$148,648.38

Police Captain Luke Powell provided a report and presentation.

Mayor Bozzo opened public comment at 7:28 P.M.

With no speakers, Mayor Bozzo closed public comment.

Motion

Authorize the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with Mobile Modular Management Corporation to purchase the Modular Classroom at the Police Department shooting range for \$148,648.38 and authorize the City Administrator to execute the purchasing agreement and related purchasing documents.

RESULT: **Passed**

MOVER: Mayor Greg Bozzo

SECONDER: Council Member Kelly Ramirez

AYES: Council Member Dion Bracco, Council Member Tom Cline, Council Member Terence Fugazzi, Council Member Zach Hilton, Council Member Carol Marques, Council Member Kelly Ramirez, Mayor Greg Bozzo

NAYS: None

4. Authorization for Council Travel to the League of California Cities Annual Conference, and Selection of Voting Delegate

Assistant to the City Administrator Bryce Atkins provided a report.

Mayor Bozzo opened public comment at 7:31 P.M.

With no speakers, Mayor Bozzo closed public comment.

Motion

Authorize travel for Council Members Fugazzi and Ramirez and Mayor Bozzo to attend the League of California Cities (League) annual conference and selecting Mayor Bozzo as the voting delegate.

RESULT: **Passed**

MOVER: Council Member Dion Bracco

SECONDER: Council Member Terence Fugazzi

AYES: Council Member Dion Bracco, Council Member Tom Cline, Council Member Terence Fugazzi, Council Member Zach Hilton, Council Member Carol Marques, Council Member Kelly Ramirez, Mayor Greg Bozzo

NAYS: None

5. Direction Regarding Recreation Assessment

Assistant to the City Administrator Bryce Atkins provided a report and presentation.

Mayor Bozzo opened public comment at 7:44 P.M.

Emily Miller - commented on the importance of recreation in Gilroy.

Alicia - commented on a tax initiative that did not pass for public safety and believes that recreation is public safety.

Luis Ramirez - commented on the need for recreation.

With no further speakers, Mayor Bozzo closed public comment.

Council provided direction to hire a consultant to conduct the assessment, including updating the Recreation Needs Assessment. Staff will coordinate receiving feedback from Council members on the scope of the assessment and subsequently return to Council with the draft Request for Proposals for review before release to prospective bidders.

Report received.

8. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

Interim City Administrator Brad Kilger commented that the city closed escrow on a property at 6601 Cameron Blvd. which is a future well site. He mentioned that while attending the American Water Works Association conference last year, Utilities Director Heath McMahon, heard about submitting a PFAS class action claim against 3M and Dupont and estimates that the city will be receiving over \$500,000 that will be used for infrastructure improvements.

9. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

City Attorney Andy Faber spoke about the Housing Element case that just came out.

10. ADJOURNMENT

With no additional business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 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 on October 6, 2025.

Kim Mancera
City Clerk