



**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023**

THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED IN-PERSON AT 33 CHURCH STREET,
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1. CLOSED SESSION-None

7:00 P.M. 2. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM FOR REGULAR MEETING

Council members present:

Feist, Peters, Sierk, Swift and Gunselman

Vicky Runquist, City Treasurer

Staff Present:

Sandra Spelliscy, Interim City Manager

Derek Cole, City Attorney

Karen Darrow, City Clerk

Jodi Steneck, Account Supervisor

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

4. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION - None

5. PUBLIC FORUM

Item 9B was pulled from the agenda.

Ron Antone noted his support of having the Farmer's Market at the Violich parking lot and expressed his willingness to start and end the market earlier to help ease resistance to using the parking lot. He also offered to keep vendors from parking on Main Street and put up 'additional parking' signs.

Aimee Peterson of Antique Gardner noted her support for moving the Farmer's Market to the Violich parking lot because it would boost her business and the businesses at that end of town. She offered to let the public use her restroom.

Sandy Anderson of Sutter Creek noted that the Visitor Center is being re-supplied with brochures and printed information.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. City Council Minutes of April 4, 2023.

Recommendation: By motion approve minutes as presented.

M/S Council member Sierk/Swift to approve the City Council Minutes of April 4, 2023, as presented.

AYES: Feist, Peters, Sierk, Swift and Gunselman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the consent agenda are considered routine and may be enacted in one motion. Any item may be removed for discussion at the request of Council or the public.

Council member Swift stepped down from this item due to a conflict of interest.

A. Use of SB-1 fund for transportation purposes.

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution 22-23- Approving the Use of SB1 funds for rehabilitation improvements for fiscal year 2023-2024*

M/S Council member Peters/Sierk to Adopt Resolution 22-23-37 Approving the Use of SB1 funds for rehabilitation improvements for fiscal year 2023-2024, as amended to add the rehabilitation of Oro Madre Way to the project list.

AYES: Feist, Peters, Sierk and Gunselman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Swift

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

8. ORDINANCES & PUBLIC HEARING

A. Public Hearing: Impact Fee ENR Adjustment

Recommendation:

1) Hold a public hearing to hear testimony regarding the proposed inflationary adjustment to the impact fees.

2) Adopt Resolution 22-23- authorizing an inflationary adjustment to the impact fees, effective July 1, 2023.*

Mayor Gunselman opened the Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m., there was no comment, and the public hearing was closed.

The Council directed staff to update the Nexus Study before next year.

M/S Council member Peters/Sierk to Adopt Resolution 22-23-38 authorizing an inflationary adjustment to the impact fees, effective July 1, 2023, as amended to include “parks” in the last whereas clause of the resolution and to remove the asterisks from Exhibit A.

AYES: Feist, Peters, Sierk, Swift and Gunselman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION CARRIED

9. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

- A. Amador City/Sutter Creek Bicycle-Pedestrian Improvement Project
Recommendation: Adopt resolution 22-23-* supporting the Amador City/Sutter Creek Bicycle-Pedestrian Improvement Project

Council member Swift stepped down from this item due to a conflict of interest.

Interim City Manager Sandra Spelliscy presented and noted that it is positive and beneficial to the city to have bicycle-pedestrian connectivity.

ACTC Executive Director John Gedney clarified that this is not a project, and that financial backing is not being requested at this time. He noted that they are seeking support from the city as they work on conceptual ideas.

M/S Council member Peters/Feist to Adopt resolution 22-23-39 supporting the Amador City/Sutter Creek Bicycle-Pedestrian Improvement Project, as amended to include the phrase “without committing to any specific projects or concepts” to the Now, therefore, be it resolved clause of the resolution.

AYES: Feist, Peters, Sierk and Gunselman
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Swift
ABSENT: None
MOTION CARRIED

Sandy Anderson of Sutter Creek noted that the Amador Council of Tourism is working to attract bicyclists and suggested using marketing money to go after a grant for a safe bike-ped path would be a good use of funds.

- B. Farmers Market- This item was pulled from the agenda.
Recommendation: For Information only

10. MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Council member Feist noted that she would like to invigorate the Monteverde Store.

11. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Interim City Manager Spelliscy noted that getting funding for the Flushing dam removal from the hazard mitigation program funding through Cal OES does not look promising and that she will re-look at funding from the Disaster Declaration public assistance program.

Interim City Manager Spelliscy reported that she met with Supervisor Axe and discussed re-establishing the group that was discussing a self-help tax for Amador County streets and roads.

Interim City Manager Spelliscy reported that she attended a meet and greet with Senator Marie Alvarado-Gil and that staff will be meeting with potential recruiting agencies for the City Manager search on Wednesday.

12. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT- None.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS-

Council member Sierk requested:

- 1- An update on the ARSA litigation
- 2- Council stipend use

14. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Monthly Police Report
- B. Monthly Public Works Report
- C. Monthly Building Report
- D. Treasurer's Reports
- E. Monthly Administrative Services Report
- F. Monthly Finance Department Report
- G. Warrants- April 3&17, 2023
- H. Monthly Engineer's Report
- I. Monthly Planning Report
- J. Public Communications

So noted.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Claire Gunselman

Claire Gunselman, Mayor

Karen Darrow

Karen Darrow, City Clerk

Date Approved: May 1, 2023