



# **CITY OF ATASCADERO CITY COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES**

**Tuesday, October 24, 2023**

**City Hall Council Chambers, Fourth Floor  
6500 Palma Avenue, Atascadero, California**

**City Council Regular Session:**

**6:00 P.M.**

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

Mayor Moreno called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL:**

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

**Absent:** None

**Others Present:** None

**Staff Present:** City Manager Jim Lewis, Administrative Services Director Jeri Rangel, Community Development Director Phil Dunsmore, Fire Chief Casey Bryson, Interim Police Chief Joe Allen, Public Works Director Nick DeBar, Interim City Attorney Karl Berger, Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Lara Christensen, Deputy City Manager – IT Luke Knight.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

- MOTION:** By Council Member Bourbeau and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Funk 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.***

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

- 1. US 101 North San Luis Obispo County Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan**

Kendall Flint, of DKS Associates, gave a brief presentation on the US 101 North San Luis Obispo County Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan.

**A. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**1. City Council Draft Minutes – October 10, 2023**

- Recommendation: Council approve the October 10, 2023, Draft City Council Regular Meeting Minutes. [City Clerk]

**2. September 2023 Accounts Payable and Payroll**

- Fiscal Impact: \$4,341,192.99.
- Recommendation: Council approve certified City accounts payable, payroll and payroll vendor checks for September 2023. [Administrative Services]

**3. 2023 & 2024 Measure F-14 Pavement Rehabilitation Projects**

- Fiscal Impact: Approving staff's recommendations in this report will result in estimated expenditures of \$385,780 from Sales Tax Measure F-14 Funds for the design phase of the 2024 F-14 Project, and \$150,000 in Sales Tax Measure F-14 Funds to the 2023 F-14 Project for road work on Via Avenue and Ensenada Avenue.
- CEQA Determination: The recommended action would not result in a potential direct or reasonably indirect physical change in the environment and, accordingly, does not qualify as a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, *et seq.*; "CEQA") or CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15000, *et seq.*; see 14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15061(b)(3) and 15378). Even if the award of contract were to qualify as a project, it would be categorically exempt as a Class 1 or Class 5 project since, at best, it would constitute a minor alteration of existing public structures involving no expansion of use; or a minor alteration in land use limitations (see CEQA Guidelines §§ 15301, 15305).
- Recommendation: Council:
  1. Award a professional services agreement with Rick Engineering Company for \$385,780 to provide design engineering and prepare bidding documents for the 2024 Measure F-14 Pavement Rehabilitation Project (Project No. C2023R01).
  2. Adopt Draft Resolution approving a Change Order to the 2023 Measure F-14 Pavement Rehabilitation Project with Souza Construction to include pavement rehabilitation construction for Via Avenue (from Traffic Way to Ensenada Avenue/Via Avenue Bridge) and Ensenada Avenue (from Via Avenue Bridge to Capistrano Avenue).
  3. Authorize the Administrative Services Director to reallocate \$150,000 in fiscal year 2023-2024 Sales Tax Measure F-14 Funds from the 2024 Measure F-14 Pavement Rehabilitation Project to the 2023 Measure F-14 Pavement Rehabilitation Project for road work on Via Avenue and Ensenada Avenue.
  4. Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable. [Public Works]

**4. Annual Military Equipment Report Pursuant to Assembly Bill 481**

- Fiscal Impact: None.



- Recommendation: Council receive and file the annual Military Equipment Report pursuant to the requirements of Assembly Bill 481; and take such additional, related, action that may be desirable. [Police Department]

**5. Professional Services Agreement for Wastewater Collection System Master Plan Update**

- Fiscal Impact: \$185,400.
- Recommendation: Council award a professional services agreement with Carollo Engineers, Inc. for \$185,400 to provide engineering services and prepare the 2024 Wastewater Collection System Master Plan Update (Project No. C2023W01); and take such additional, related, action that may be desirable. [Public Works]

**7. Police Patrol Vehicles Purchase**

- Fiscal Impact: \$421,500.
- Recommendation: Council:
  1. Ratify the purchase of six Dodge Durango replacement patrol vehicles from John Jones Auto Group in the amount of \$297,720.
  2. Authorize the expenditure of \$123,660 for the associated upfitting of these patrol vehicles from Northern California Emergency Vehicle Installations.
  3. Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.  
[Police Department]

Item #A-6 was removed from the Consent Calendar by Mayor Moreno for separate discussion and vote.

**MOTION: By Council Member Bourbeau and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Funk to approve Consent Calendar Items #A-1 through #A-5 and #A-7. (#A-3: Contract No. 2023-035 and Resolution No. 2023-072) (#A-5: Contract No. 2023-036) (#A-7: Contract No. 2023-037)**  
***Motion passed 5:0 by a roll-call vote.***

**6. Authorization to Repair Various Roads Damaged in the 2023 Winter Storms**

- Fiscal Impact: \$250,000.
- CEQA Determination: The recommended action would not result in a potential direct or reasonably indirect physical change in the environment and, accordingly, does not qualify as a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq.; "CEQA") or CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15000, et seq.; see 14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15061(b)(3) and 15378). Even if the award of contract were to qualify as a project, it would be categorically exempt as a Class 1 or Class 5 project since, at best, it would constitute a minor alteration of existing public structures involving no expansion of use; or a minor alteration in land use limitations (see CEQA Guidelines §§ 15301, 15305).
- Recommendation: Council authorize the Administrative Services Director to allocate \$250,000 in Local Transportation Funds to repair various roads that were damaged during the 2023 winter storms; and take such additional, related, action that may be desirable. [Public Works]

Mayor Moreno requested clarification on the project and to highlight that roadway work will include a portion of Del Rio Road. City Manager Lewis briefed the Council on the project and answered questions from the Council.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

The following persons spoke on this item: None

***Mayor Moreno closed the Public Comment period.***

**MOTION:** By Council Member Bourbeau and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Funk to authorize the Administrative Services Director to allocate \$250,000 in Capital Project Funds to repair various roads that were damaged during the 2023 winter storms; and take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.  
***Motion passed 5:0 by a roll-call vote.***

**UPDATES FROM THE CITY MANAGER:**

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

**COMMUNITY FORUM:**

The following persons spoke in-person by telephone or through the webinar: Geoff Auslen, Suzy and Doug Reynolds, and Devon Haggie

***Mayor Moreno closed the COMMUNITY FORUM period.***

**B. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None**

**C. MANAGEMENT REPORTS: None.**

**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. County Mayors Round Table
2. SLO Council of Governments (SLOCOG)

Mayor Pro Tem Funk

1. Homeless Services Oversight Council

Council Member Bourbeau

1. Integrated Waste Management Authority (IWMA)

Council Member Newsom

1. City / Schools Committee

**E. INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION AND / OR ACTION:**

**1. City Council**

- a. Mayor Moreno will request Council to direct staff to draft, and authorize the Mayor and City Manager to sign, a letter supporting the El Camino Homeless Organization's (ECHO) funding request, from the County of San Luis Obispo, for the expansion of operations at their Paso Robles facility.

Mayor Moreno briefed the City Council on ECHO's funding request, from the County of San Luis Obispo, for the expansion of operations at their Paso Robles facility. She noted a second request from ECHO for a letter of support for ECHO's annual request through the County of San Luis Obispo's 2024 Action Plan Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). Mayor Moreno also reported a request from Alan Hancock College to submit a letter in support of their application for a four-year bachelor's degree program.

There was Council consensus to direct staff to draft, and authorize the Mayor and City Manager to sign, letters in support of ECHO's funding requests and letters to support Alan Hancock and Cuesta Colleges four-year baccalaureate degree program applications.

**F. ADJOURN**

Mayor Moreno adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

**MINUTES PREPARED BY:**

  
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Lara K. Christensen  
City Clerk

**APPROVED:** November 14, 2023