

City Council conducted this meeting in accordance with Assembly Bill 361 (2021-22) and Government Code section 54953 in response to the present State of Emergency in existence due to the threat of COVID-19. This meeting was held via teleconference for all participants.

PRESENT: John Headding Mayor
 Dawn Addis Council Member
 Laurel Barton Council Member
 Jennifer Ford Council Member
 Jeff Heller Council Member

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Scott Collins City Manager
 Chris Neumeyer City Attorney
 Dana Swanson City Clerk
 Sarah Johnson-Rios Assistant City Manager/Admin Services Dir.
 Greg Kwolek Public Works Director
 Scot Graham Community Development Director
 Daniel McCrain Fire Chief
 Jody Cox Police Chief
 Eric Endersby Harbor Director

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Headding called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., with all members present.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION – None

CLOSED SESSION REPORT – City Attorney Neumeyer stated no reportable action was taken by the City Council in accordance with the Brown Act.

MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

<https://youtu.be/vb11W0Ajq5Y?t=242>

CITY MANAGER REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

<https://youtu.be/vb11W0Ajq5Y?t=686>

PRESENTATIONS

<https://youtu.be/vb11W0Ajq5Y?t=938>

- Central Coast Community Energy (CCE) Annual Update

PUBLIC COMMENT

<https://youtu.be/vb11W0Ajq5Y?t=2367>

Don Maruska spoke in favor of Item C-3.

Betty Winholtz, Morro Bay, requested posed questions regarding her utility bill and payment options.

Linda Winters, Morro Bay, was pleased the City would return to live meetings and shared her continued efforts in support of mobile home park residents.

Carole Truesdale, Morro Bay, spoke regarding Item C-1 and requested the measure be placed on the June ballot.

Melanie Williams-Mahan, Morro Bay, concurred with Mr. Truesdale regarding Item C-1.

Mayor Heading closed public comment.

Staff responded to issues raised during public comment.

A. CONSENT AGENDA
<https://youtu.be/vbl1W0Ajq5Y?t=3222>

Unless an item is pulled for separate action by the City Council, the following actions are approved without discussion. The public will also be provided an opportunity to comment on consent agenda items.

A-1 CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF RAYMOND PURCELL TO THE RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION; (CITY CLERK)

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the City Council consider appointment of Raymond Purcell to the Recreation and Parks Commission (RPC) to complete an unexpired term through January 31, 2026.

A-2 APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CONTRACT WITH SUPERIOR TANK SOLUTIONS FOR FACTORY REHAB OF BLANCA TANKS 3 & 4 AND OTHER STORAGE TANK IMPROVEMENTS; (PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT)

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the City Council approve in substance Amendment No. 1 to Contract with Superior Tank Solutions for Factory Rehab of Blanca Tanks 3 & 4 and other Storage Tank improvements for the amount of \$326,495 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract amendment.

Mayor Heading opened the public comment for the Consent Agenda; seeing none, the public comment period was closed.

MOTION: Mayor Heading moved approval of all items on Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Heller and carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

B-1 REVIEW AND ADOPT FINAL FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 2022 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM; (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)

<https://youtu.be/vbl1W0Ajq5Y?t=3272>

Senior Planner Jacinth provided the report and responded to Council inquires.

Mayor Heading opened the Public Hearing.

Mayor Heading opened the Public Comment; seeing none, the public comment period was closed.

The Public Hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Barton moved to adopt, Resolution No. 21-22 approving final funding recommendations for the 2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, authorizing the City Manager to make pro rata adjustments to the allocation based on the final funding amount from San Luis Obispo County based on the approval of the federal budget and HUD's final grant amount to the County, and forwarding recommendations to the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors for inclusion with the other final funding requests from the Urban County Consortium. (The funding recommendation is for the two applications received from Peoples Self-Help Housing Corp, and 5 Cities Homeless Coalition along with City program administration of \$4,036 and a \$37,477 rollover of the remaining balance for a total 2022 funding allocation of \$57,656.). The motion was seconded by Council Member Ford and carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

C. BUSINESS ITEMS

C-1 RECEIVE AND DISCUSS REPORT ON THE EFFECTS OF THE PROPOSED CITIZENS INITIATIVE PETITION ENTITLED "AN INITIATIVE MEASURE TO PROHIBIT TENT CAMPING AND ALL CLASSES OF VEHICLE CAMPING (DRY OR OTHERWISE) IN CERTAIN SPECIFIED AREAS OF THE CITY OF MORRO BAY" AND EITHER: 1) ADOPT THE ORDINANCE WITHOUT ALTERATION, OR 2) SUBMIT THE ORDINANCE TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY AS A PROPOSED MEASURE AT THE JUNE SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION OR NOVEMBER REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION; (CITY MANAGER/CITY CLERK/HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER/HARBOR DIRECTOR)

<https://youtu.be/vb11W0Aiq5Y?t=3628>

City Manager Collins provided the report and responded to Council inquires.

The public comment period for Item C-1 was opened.

<https://youtu.be/vb11W0Aiq5Y?t=5455>

Betty Winholtz, Morro Bay resident and proponent of the citizens' initiative, requested the measure be placed on the June ballot.

Dawn Beattie, Morro Bay, asked how the RV camping rates were set up when the sites were established.

The public comment period for Item C-1 was closed.

Council Member Heller was in favor of continuing the program with the exception of the triangle parking spaces and placing the measure on the June ballot.

MOTION: Mayor Headding moved to adopt the ordinance without alteration by introducing for first reading by title only, with further reading waived, Ordinance No. 648, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Morro Bay, California, adding Subsection (D) to Section 8.24.010 (Prohibited at Certain Times and in Certain Places) of Chapter 8.24 (Camping) of Title 8 (Health and Safety) of the Morro Bay Municipal Code. The motion was seconded by Council Member Addis for discussion.

Following individual comments, the motion was carried 4-1 by roll call vote with Council Member Heller opposed.

C-2 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT; (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT)

<https://youtu.be/vb11W0Ajq5Y?t=6343>

Assistant City Manager/Admin. Services Director Johnson-Rios and Auditor Lindsey Zimmerman from Brown Armstrong provided the report and responded to Council inquires.

The public comment period for Item C-2 was opened.

<https://youtu.be/vb11W0Ajq5Y?t=8812>

Betty Winholtz, Morro Bay, requested clarification regarding transfers from enterprise funds to the General Fund and the spike in long-term liabilities illustrated on page 64 of the report.

Courtney Shepler, Morro Bay resident and recent appointee to the Citizens Finance Advisory Committee, appreciated the thorough report and hoped in future years the Committee would have more time for review.

The public comment period for Item C-2 was closed.

Ms. Zimmerman and Ms. Johnson-Rios responded to questions raised during public comment.

The Council did not take any formal action on this item.

C-3 ESTABLISH A CITY COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE TO SPEARHEAD ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY INITIATIVE AS ESTABLISHED BY RESOLUTION NO. 20-22; (CITY MANAGER/CITY CLERK)

<https://youtu.be/vb11W0Ajq5Y?t=9381>

City Manager Collins provided the report and responded to Council inquires.

Mayor Headding opened the Public Comment for Item C-3; seeing none, the public comment period was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Addis moved to establishing a Council sub-committee to lead community and business outreach related to the Climate Emergency Initiative as established by Resolution No. 20-22. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ford for discussion.

Following discussion, the motion was carried 5-0 by roll call vote

MOTION: Council Member Addis moved to appoint Council Members Barton and Ford as the Council sub-committee members. The motion was seconded by Mayor Headding and carried 4-1 by roll call vote with Council member Heller opposed.

MOTION: Mayor Headding moved to ask the sub-committee members as their first action to come back with a purpose statement for the sub-committee. The motion was seconded by Council Member Addis and carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

D. COUNCIL DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
<https://youtu.be/vbl1W0Aiq5Y?t=10467>

Mayor Headding shared the San Luis Obispo County Mayors were putting together a resolution of support for Ukraine they would sign as individuals and not on behalf of their respective cities. He requested and received support for a similar resolution to be brought back for Council approval.

Council Member Addis requested review and discussion of the various Council sub-committees. Mayor Headding offered the Council Policy Review Sub-committee would include this in their review.

E. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Recorded by:

Dana Swanson
City Clerk