

# MINUTES

**City of Guadalupe**  
**Regular Meeting of the Guadalupe City Council**  
**Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at 6:00 pm**  
**City Hall, Council Chambers, 918 Obispo Street, Guadalupe CA 93434**

**1. ROLL CALL:**

Council Member Eugene Costa Jr.  
Council Member Whitney Furness  
Council Member Amelia M. Villegas  
Mayor Pro Tempore Christina Hernandez  
Mayor Ariston Julian

*Mayor Julian called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All members were present except Council Member Furness.*

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. MOMENT OF THANKS, APPRECIATION OR CONDOLENCES**

*Mayor Julian requested a moment of condolences for a family in Texas, two adults and one child. Thoughts and prayers for them.*

**4. AGENDA REVIEW**

At this time the City Council will review the order of business to be conducted and receive requests for, or make announcements regarding, any change(s) in the order of business.

Mayor Julian requested to move item #6 before item #5.

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Funding Opportunities from Proposition 4 – Presentation by Alfredo Arredondo
- B. Viva el Arte de Santa Barbara - Presentation by Jenna Hamilton-Rolle
- C. Boys and Girls Club – Presentation by Josue Rojo
- D. Guadalupe Climate Action Plan – Presentation by Dr. Cornelius Nuworsoo

*Mayor Julian spoke on Proposition 4 that the County of Santa Barbara five years ago wanted to expand the park areas around Guadalupe mentioned incorporating the acreage next to Le Roy Park, the area next to the old rodeo, the sand company on Main Street and the riverbed trail. Mr. Arredondo responded each chapter is split into different sections and each section will ultimately funding will be given to specific departments and agencies.*

*Council Member Hernandez asked if there will be a grant for waterline coastal resilience or does that fall under Prop 4. Mr. Arredondo responded, each chapter is split into different sections and each section but ultimately funding will be given to specific departments and agencies.*

*Council Member Villegas asked the grants first come, first served or it depends upon the needs of the city or agency. Mr. Arredondo responded, these are competitive on a competitive basis. Once the guidelines are developed there will be a public process.*

## **6. COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FORUM**

Each person will be limited to a discussion of three (3) minutes or as directed by the Mayor. Pursuant to the provisions of the Brown Act, no action may be taken on these matters unless they are listed on the agenda, or unless certain emergency or special circumstances exist. City Council may direct staff to investigate and/or schedule certain matters for consideration at a future City Council meeting.

*Virgina Navarro spoke about the Day of Hope for Team Guadalupe. They raise money to help families that need cancer treatment. Newspapers will be sold on August 27th, and a car show will be held the Saturday prior.*

## **7. CONSENT CALENDAR (A-D)**

The following items are presented for City Council approval without discussion as a single agenda item in order to expedite the meeting. Should a Council Member wish to discuss or disapprove an item, it must be dropped from the blanket motion of approval and considered as a separate item.

- A. Waive the reading in full of all Ordinances and Resolutions. Ordinances on the Consent Calendar will be adopted by the same vote cast as the first meeting unless City Council indicates otherwise.
- B. Approve payment of warrants for the period ending August 1, 2025.
- C. Approve the Minutes of the City Council regular meeting of July 22, 2025.
- D. Approve the Agreement with the City of Santa Maria for the provision of Emergency Dispatch, Radio, and IT services.

**Motion was made by Council Member Costa Jr., seconded by Council Member Villegas to approve the full Consent Calendar. 4-0 Absent 1: Furness absent. Motion passed.**

## **MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

### **8. CITY ADMINISTRATOR: (Information Only)**

- A. City Administrator's report for August 12, 2025
- B. Planning Department report for July 2025
- C. Building Department report for July 2025

**9. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY: (Information Only)**

**A. Director of Public Safety report for August 12, 2025**

*Chief Cash has a scheduled meeting with the supervising agent with the FBI in Santa Maria regarding concerns on immigration and ICE issues and hopefully the Border Patrol from Los Angeles.*

*Council Member Hernandez asked if he was hearing information from residents. Chief Cash responded he is getting information about concerns and wants to make sure that from his office the correct information is given to local residents.*

*Mayor Julian commented there is a lot of misinformation on Facebook to put fear in the community, and this is too bad people are doing this.*

**10. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS: (Information Only)**

**A. Public Works/Engineering report for July 2025**

*Council Member Hernandez asked if there were any possible opportunities for updating the treatment facility. Director of Public Works, David Trujillo responded, they have had talks with the Mayor and Todd and other members; a combined transition will be tied with Santa Maria's treatment plant. But we do need something to hold us in the meantime.*

**11. HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER: (Information Only)**

**A. Human Resources report for July 2025**

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

**12. Guadalupe Jr. High Impact Plan Update.**

Verbal report: ☐ Michael Cash, Director of Public Safety  
David Trujillo, Director of Public Works

*Mr. Trujillo stated the Public Works portion is about \$15,000 to \$17,000, which is roughly 15% of his annual budget which is being absorbed for the traffic and safety issues of the new junior high school. Talks have been initiated with the developer for reimbursement. The school needs to provide solid numbers so the request from the developer for their package can be submitted.*

*Council Member Villegas asked Chief Cash if the temporary crossing guard would be the one from 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Chief Cash responded, he didn't want to speak on something that he is not 100% sure but commitment was made by the school.*

*Council Member stated she was surprised to see so many speed bumps on the map there must be a lot of speeding that she was not aware of and feels it would be vital moving forward.*

**Public Comment**

1. *Clemente Moreno spoke about his excitement for the new school. Mr. Moreno also had concerns about the speed bumps which may possibly do damage to the residents' cars.*

2. *Emily Dreiling wrote an email expressing her concerns about there being only one entrance and exit to the Pasadera community.*

### **13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

### **14. ANNOUNCEMENTS – COUNCIL ACTIVITY/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Council Member Villegas attended the Annual Board of Directors in La Palma with the JPIA on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, July 26<sup>th</sup> attended the Ron Estabillo race, helped with the Food Bank, August 8<sup>th</sup> attended the Housing and the Homeless issue.*

*Council Member Costa, Jr., helped with the Food bank.*

*Council Member Hernandez attended a Public Safety Tour of Allan Hancock College in Lompoc and the Rally Heroes not Villains.*

*Mayor Julian helped with the Food Bank, will attend the SBCAG at the Centeno Center on August 21<sup>st</sup>.*

### **15. ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSI**

**Motion was made by Council Member Costa, Jr., and seconded by Council Member Hernandez to adjourn to the closed session.**

### **16. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA**

#### **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation**

Subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code Section 54956.9

Name of case: Central Coast Water Authority, et al. v. Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, et al., Superior Court of California, County of Santa Barbara, Case No. 21CV02432.

**Motion was made by Council Member Villegas and seconded by Council Member Hernandez to approve the Settlement Agreement and Release and the Agreement regarding Assignment, Assumption, and Release of the State Water Supply Contract for Santa Barbara County.**

**4-0 Absent: Furness Motion passed.**

### **17. ADJOURNMENT TO OPEN SESSION MEETING**

**Motion was made by Council Member Costa, Jr. and seconded by Council Member Villegas to adjourn to open session. 4-0 Absent: Furness Motion passed.**

### **18. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*No reportable action.*

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Council Member Costa, Jr. and seconded by Council Member Villegas to adjourn the meeting. 4-0 Absent: Furness Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Prepared by:

  
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Judy Wilson, City Clerk

Approved by:

  
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Ariston Julian, Mayor