



CITY OF ATASCADERO CITY COUNCIL MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

December 9, 2025, 6:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers, Fourth Floor
6500 Palma Avenue, Atascadero, California

A. REGULAR SESSION - CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bourbeau called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Bourbeau led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Bourbeau, Mayor Pro Tem Dariz, Council Member Funk, Council Member Newsom, Council Member Peek

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager James R. Lewis, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Lara Christensen, City Attorney Dave Fleishman, Director of Administrative Services/City Treasurer Jeri Rangel, Public Works Director Nick DeBar, Community Development Director Phil Dunsmore, Fire Chief Casey Bryson, Police Chief Dan Suttles, Deputy City Manager - IT Luke Knight

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. City Council Draft Minutes - November 12, 2025, Regular Meeting**
Recommendation: Council approve the November 12, 2025, City Council Regular Meeting minutes. [City Clerk]

2. **October 2025 Accounts Payable and Payroll**
Fiscal Impact: \$ 5,493,155.68
Recommendation: Council approve certified City accounts payable, payroll and payroll vendor checks for October 2025. [Administrative Services]
3. **September 2025 Investment Report**
Fiscal Impact: None
Recommendation: Council receive and file the City Treasurer's report for quarter ending September 30, 2025 [Administrative Services]
4. **City Council 2026 Meeting Schedule**
Fiscal Impact: None
Recommendation: Council approve the City Council meeting schedule for 2026. [City Clerk]

Mayor Bourbeau opened the Public Comment period.

The following persons spoke on this item: None

Mayor Bourbeau closed the Public Comment period.

MOTION BY: Funk
SECOND BY: Dariz

1. Approve Consent Calendar

AYES (5): Bourbeau, Dariz, Funk, Newsom, and Peek

Passed 5-0

E. UPDATES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

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

F. COMMUNITY FORUM

The following persons spoke: Wendy Lewis, Jeff Buckingham, Ron Barber, William Arkfeld

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Fireworks; Social Host Ordinance**
Fiscal Impact: The Ordinance would require some administrative costs related to the processing and data entry of citations and payments collected on behalf of this Ordinance as well as education about the Ordinance. These costs are not known at this time but likely to be minimal. Citations/fines issued to violators would likely offset these costs to the City related to enforcement of the Ordinance and illegal fireworks activity in general.

Recommendation: Council adopt, by four-fifths vote, an Urgency Ordinance amending title 4 (public safety) of the Atascadero Municipal Code to add chapter 8 (Fireworks Social Host Liability) to regulate social hosts who allow illegal fireworks. [Police Department]

Police Chief Dan Suttles gave the presentation and answered questions from the City Council.

Mayor Bourbeau opened the Public Comment period.

The following persons spoke on this item: Stephen Owechko

Mayor Bourbeau closed the Public Comment period.

MOTION BY: Funk
SECOND BY: Dariz

- 1. Council adopt, by four-fifths vote, Urgency Ordinance No. 690 amending title 4 (public safety) of the Atascadero Municipal Code to add chapter 8 (fireworks social host liability) to regulate social hosts who allow illegal fireworks.**

AYES (5): Bourbeau, Dariz, Funk, Newsom, and Peek

Passed 5-0

H. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Council Members gave brief update reports on their committees since their last Council meeting:

Mayor Bourbeau

1. County Mayor's Round Table
2. Integrated Waste Management Authority (IWMA)
3. Central Coast Community Energy (3CE)

Mayor Pro Tem Dariz

1. Air Pollution Control District

Council Member Funk

1. Homeless Services Oversight Council

Council Member Newsom

1. City / Schools Committee
2. League of California Cities – Council Liaison
3. SLO Council of Governments (SLOCOG)

Council Member Peek

1. City/Schools Committee

I. INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION AND / OR ACTION:

1. City Council

a. Council Member Funk – Happy Hanukkah!

b. Mayor Bourbeau noted there would be no 2nd meeting in December.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Bourbeau adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Alyssa Slater

Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED: