

# MINUTES CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING AGENDA August 19, 2021

## 1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00PM

Council Members Present: Singleton, Adkisson, Ramirez, Horn

Others Present: City Manager Marissa Trejo, City Attorney Mario Zamora, Chief of Police Darren Blevins, Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer, Financial Services Director Jasmin Bains, Fire Chief Greg DuPuis, Administrative Analyst Mercedes Garcia, Public Works and Utilities Coordinator Larry Miller, and City Clerk Shannon Jensen

Council Members Absent: Ramsey

Others Absent: City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina

Changes to the Agenda: City Manager Marissa Trejo announced Item Nos. 2.1 and 6.3 will be tabled and will be brought back on a future Agenda. Councilman Adkisson requested Item No. 9.2 be tabled until the Mayor was present.

*Motion by Adkisson, Second by Ramirez to Approve the Agenda, with changes to table Item Nos. 2.1, 6.3 and 9.2, for the Regular Meeting of August 19, 2021. Motion **Approved** by Roll-Call 3/1 Majority Vote. (Ramsey – Absent)*

## 2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Active Transportation Overview and Update on Implementation

*Item No. 2.1 was **Tabled** for a future Agenda during Changes to the Agenda.*

2. Bird Scooter Presentation

Garrett Gronowski, Senior Manager of Bird Scooter presented the Bird Scooter program.

3. Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Audited Financial Statements by City Auditor

Financial Services Director Jasmin Bains introduced Ryan Jolley of Bryant Jolley, CPA.

Ryan Jolley presented the 2019-2020 Audited Financial Statements.

### **3. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

*The following individual(s) spoke under Citizen Comments:*

Scott Netherton spoke in favor of approving premium pay for essential employees. (Item No. 6.5)

Brenden Jones, a representative of Congressman David Valadao's office, presented Coalinga Police Officer Travis Johnson with a Certificate of Bravery.

Chris Montoya read a comment for Christine Ramsey. Ms. Ramsey wrote in favor of approving premium pay for essential employees. (Item No. 6.5)

Roger Wilson spoke in favor of approving premium pay for essential employees. (Item No. 6.5)

Andrew Diaz spoke in favor of approving premium pay for essential employees. (Item No. 6.5)

Donna Wright spoke in favor of approving premium pay for essential employees. (Item No. 6.5)

Chris Simmons spoke in favor of approving premium pay for essential employees. (Item No. 6.5)

Jennifer Cervantes spoke in favor of approving premium pay for essential employees. (Item No. 6.5)

Kate Silverstein spoke in favor of approving premium pay for essential employees. (Item No. 6.5)

Travis Johnson spoke in favor of approving premium pay for essential employees. (Item No. 6.5)

David Cano spoke in favor of approving premium pay for essential employees. (Item No. 6.5)

### **4. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

### **5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approve MINUTES – August 5, 2021
2. Approve Memorandum of Understanding between City of Coalinga and the International Association of Firefighters, AFL-CIO Local 2305
3. Overview of City Airport – Informational Only
4. Approve Draft Request for Statement of Interest and Qualifications to Perform Airport Planning, Engineering, Environmental and Consulting Services for the Coalinga Municipal Airport
5. Declare Old Transit Department Vehicles as Surplus Property, Direct Staff to Dispose of the Vehicle via Silent Auction and Designate Proceeds to the Police Department's Canine Unit
6. Adopt Resolution No. 4042 Placing a Moratorium on Swimming Pool, Spa, Hot Tub, Decorative Fountains or Water Features Effective Immediately and Until the City Proclaims the Water Conservation Emergency to be Over

7. Authorize Mayor to Sign a Letter to the City's State Representatives Requesting the State of California Allocate State Water Project Water to the Coalinga State Hospital and Pleasant Valley State Prison
8. Waive Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance No. 848 Amending Section 6-1.26 Relating to Vicious Dogs
9. Authorize Assistant City Manager to Execute two (2) Task Orders with Blais and Associates to Provide Grant Writing Services for the Upcoming CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality) and STBG (Surface Transportation Block Grant) Grant Funding Cycles
10. Authorize City Manager to Execute the First Amendment to the Warthan Meadows Subdivision Agreement
11. Public Works, Utilities & Community Development Monthly Report for June & July 2021

*Motion by Adkisson, Second by Horn to Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5.1 through 5.11. Motion **Approved** by Roll-Call 4/0 Majority Vote. (Ramsey – Absent)*

## **6. ORDINANCE PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS**

1. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action regarding the Current Water Emergency Proclamation and Possible Action by the Council to Address the Existing Drought Charge, Water Days, Penalties and the Possibility of Purchasing Wholesale Water  
**Sean Brewer, Assistant City Manager**

Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer gave a brief overview of the item.

*Motion by Horn, Second by Singleton to Reduce Drought Charges by 50% for the month of July due to the City letters were delivered late. Motion **Approved** by Roll-Call 3/1 Majority Vote.*

2. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action on the League of California Cities 2021 Annual Conference Resolutions  
**Marissa Trejo, City Manager**

City Clerk Shannon Jensen gave a brief overview of the item.

City Attorney Mario Zamora stated the two resolutions seem reasonable and beneficial to the City to vote in favor of.

*Consensus of the Council is for the City's Voting Delegate, or one of the Alternate Voting Delegates, to vote in favor of the two League of California Cities 2021 Annual Conference Resolutions.*

3. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action related to Commercial Cannabis Outdoor/Indoor/Nursery Cultivation Tax Rates and Structure  
**Sean Brewer, Assistant City Manager**

*Item No. 6.3 was **Tabled** for a future Agenda during Changes to the Agenda.*

4. Discussion and Direction regarding Camping Ordinance  
**Marissa Trejo, City Manager**

City Manager Marissa Trejo gave a brief overview of the item, stating this item was a Future Agenda Item requested by Councilman Adkisson.

Councilman Adkisson requested the Ordinance be amended to restrict camping on commercial property.

Councilman Horn requested that the changes would not restrict a business from allowing motor homes or travel trailers from parking overnight.

*Consensus of the Council is for staff to draft the Ordinance with the proposed changes and bring the amended Ordinance back for Council's consideration.*

5. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action regarding American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) Funding Priorities and Allocations  
**Marissa Trejo, City Manager**

*City Manager Marissa Trejo gave a brief overview of the item.*

*Motion by Horn, Second by Ramirez to Approve Premium Pay for Essential Employees up to \$12,000 per Employee. Motion **Failed** by Roll-Call 2/0 Vote. Adkisson – Abstained. Singleton Voted No. (Ramsey – Absent)*

*Motion by Singleton, Second by Adkisson to Table the item until the next City Council Meeting when Mayor Ramsey would be present. Motion **Failed** by Roll-Call 2/0 Vote. Horn and Ramirez Voted No. (Ramsey – Absent)*

## 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

### City Manager's Announcements:

None

### Council Member's Announcements:

Councilman Ramirez asked when the Polk Street improvements would be completed.

Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer stated he anticipated the improvements to be completed by winter.

Councilman Horn asked about a lifted sidewalk on the corner of Polk and Elm that faces AutoZone.

Mr. Brewer was unaware of the sidewalk and stated he would take a look at it.

Councilman Ramirez asked about his request to add crossing lights at the Taco Bell intersection.

Mr. Brewer stated he was working on item to be brought back to the Council at the second meeting in September.

### Mayor's Announcements:

Mayor Pro-Tem Singleton announced the Mayor Ron and his wife Norma are both doing well.

## 8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pro-Tem Singleton requested a Future Agenda Item to bring back Item No. 6.5 as it is currently written.

Councilman Ramirez asked if something could be done about the grass dying at the CHRPD parks.

City Manager Marissa Trejo stated she has spoken to the CHRPD Interim Director, and they are choosing to water less at this time.

## 9. CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION. Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): City of Coalinga vs. ICMA Retirement Corporation, et al. (FCSC Case #16 CG 00082)
2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION under Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) – 1 case

*Item No. 9.2 was **Tabled** for a future Agenda during Changes to the Agenda.*

## 10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

*Item 9.1 - Motion by Singleton, Second by Horn to Approve \$82,500 Settlement in favor of the City in exchange for a release of claims. Motion **Approved** by 4/0 Majority Vote. (Ramsey-Absent).*

## 11. ADJOURNMENT 7:40 PM

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Ron Ramsey, Mayor

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Shannon Jensen, City Clerk

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Date

**From:** [Greg Cody](#)  
**To:** [info](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 8:07:03 AM

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While addressing the very serious water crisis please take into consideration a swimming pool evaporates a tremendous amount of water especially during hot weather. This can be greatly reduced by covering the swimming pool when not in use. It would be very beneficial to require swimming pools to be covered when not in use. This restriction should also apply to city council members with swimming pools.  
Greg Cody