

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR

AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY

MEETING AGENDA

March 3, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00PM

Council Members Present: Ramsey, Singleton, Adkisson, Ramirez, Horn

Others Present: City Manager Marissa Trejo, City Attorney Mario Zamora, Chief of Police Jose Garza, Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer, City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina, Fire Chief Greg DuPuis, Administrative Analyst Mercedes Garcia, Larry Miller, Public Works and Utilities Coordinator, and City Clerk Shannon Jensen

Council Members Absent: None

Others Absent: Financial Services Director Jasmin Bains

Changes to the Agenda: City Manager Marissa Trejo announced the following changes to the Agenda:

1. Item No. 5.6 will be pulled; and
2. Item 4.2 will be moved to the beginning of the Agenda just before Awards, Presentations, Appointment and Proclamations

*Motion by Ramirez, Second by Horn to Approve the Changes to the Agenda and Approve the Agenda for the meeting of March 3, 2022. Motion **Approved** by Roll-Call 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Presentation of a Plaque in Honor of the Police Department's Assistance on the Creek Fire, Presented by Fresno County Sheriff Margaret Mims

Fresno County Sheriff Margaret Mims introduced new Area Commander Lieutenant Brandon Purcell. Lieutenant Purcell will be the City's "go to guy" for the Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff Mims presented a plaque in honor of the Coalinga Police Department's assistance on the Creek Fire.

2. Update on Highway 33 Improvement Project - Caltrans

Jeannie Wiley, Caltrans Project Manager, presented an update on the Highway 33 Improvement Project along the Coalinga throughfare.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

The following individual(s) spoke under Citizen Comments:

Richard Hill, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, provided flyers of the schedule of events for the Mari Gras 3-day event starting Friday, March 4, 2022 through Sunday, March 6, 2022 on the Coalinga Plaza.

Hilda Crawford, from the Coalinga-Huron District Library, provided information on several upcoming Library events. The Library has partnered with Central California Blood Center and will hold a blood drive at the Library on Saturday, March 5, 2022 between 10am – 2pm. Beginning March 5th through April 16th, the Library, in partnership with the In-N-Out Burger, will be putting on the Cover to Cover Club where kids ages 4 to 12 can earn a free hamburger or cheeseburger for every 5 books read. Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Coalinga, the Library will hold their Annual Book Sale from March 12th through the 19th.

Nathan Vosburg spoke in favor of Sample Map #1 presented in Item No. 4.1, as well as Item Nos. 5.3 and 5.4. He thanked Ms. Wiley for her presentation on the Caltrans project update and is glad to hear they will be holding a workshop for the public to participate.

Hilda Crawford spoke on the Bird Scooters. She has seen children younger than 18 years of age riding them and is concerned they will cause an accident or be injured. Who would be liable in such an instance? Mrs. Crawford asked if riders are required to wear a helmet just like bicycle riders are.

Mary Jones inquired about Consent Item No. 5.5 and asked what the item is referring to. Councilman Adkisson stated he would pull the item for her information.

The following individual(s) submitted written comment(s):

Greg Cody

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public Hearing #2 regarding Public Input on the Redrawing of District Boundaries and Consideration of Sample Maps
Marissa Trejo, City Manager

Dave Ely of Compass Demographics, Inc. gave a brief presentation of Sample Map #1 and Sample Map #2 while detailing the differences between the two. Districts 1, 2, and 4 have dropped in population from 2010 Census data to 2020 Census data, while Districts 3 and 5 have gained population. The brown line on the Sample Maps indicates the current district boundary lines. The main difference between the two samples and the current boundary lines is the area pickup from District 3 and incorporated into District 2.

Mayor Ramsey inquired about the population from the Prison and State Hospital still being included in District 5.

Mr. Ely stated that all discontinuous pieces of the City are still included in District 5, however the prison populations are excluded. This change is due to a State law passed around 2011 that required prison populations to be removed from the data set. The election code requires cities to use this data for redistricting.

Mayor Pro-Tem Singleton inquired about Sample Map #2 which includes two current sitting Councilmembers. This sample would prevent the District 3 Councilmember from running in the next election because he is now included in District 2 and the District 2 seat is not up for election. Mayor Pro-Tem Singleton would like to see all sitting Councilmembers separated in order to give every sitting member an opportunity to run.

Mr. Ely stated this would be a good reason to favor Sample Map #1 over Sample Map #2.

Mayor Ramsey opened the Public Hearing for comment.

Nathan Vosburg spoke in favor of Sample Map #1. Sample Map #2 is not ideal for several reasons. The subdivisions of Fox Hollow and Stallion Springs are separated. These two neighborhoods share a common road for entrance and exit into the subdivisions and with this map they are separated. We currently have a Neighborhood Watch that covers both subdivisions. This sample does not respect the voter's choice by eliminating Mayor Pro-Tem's ability to run for reelection. And it creates a financial shift between District 2 and District 3.

Seeing no other comments, Mayor Ramsey closed the Public Hearing.

2. Introduce and Waive First Reading of Ordinance No. 850 Approving a City Initiated Zoning Text Amendment (No. ZTA 21-02) Amending the Planning and Zoning Code related to Towing and Impound Yards, Dry Cleaning Establishments and Various Clarification and Cleanup Language related to Various Commercial Uses and their Associated Development Regulations

Marissa Trejo, City Manager

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

Mayor Ramsey opened the Public Hearing for comment. Seeing none, Mayor Ramsey closed the Public Hearing.

*Motion by Adkisson, Second by Ramirez to Approve the Introduction and Waiving of First Reading of Ordinance No. 850. Motion **Approved** by Roll-Call 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve MINUTES – February 17, 2022 (Amended)
2. Check Register: 01/01/2022 – 01/31/2022
3. Approve Loan Forgiveness Program for Coalinga Residents Hired as Police Officers with Coalinga Police Department

Councilman Adkisson pulled Item No. 5.3 in order to amend the program to include all Police Officers who apply.

4. Direct Staff to Bring Council Cost Estimates and Proposed Locations for a Dog Park
5. Direct Staff to Bring Council Cost Estimates for Installing Cement or Decorative Rock throughout Sunset Street Parkway

Councilman Adkisson pulled Item No. 5.5 in order to show Mrs. Mary Jones photos from his phone of the areas along Sunset Street that were included in the recent improvement project and that are now overgrown with weeds.

6. Adopt Resolution No. 4070 Approving Caltrans Proposed Project)06-0X290) on Highway 33
7. Adopt Resolution No. 4071 Formally Adopting the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan and Water Shortage Contingency Plan Approved at a Noticed Public Hearing on February 17, 2022

8. Adopt Resolution No. 4072 Approving the City of Coalinga's Local Road Safety Plan Included in the Multijurisdictional Local Safety Plan

*Motion by Ramirez, Second by Adkisson to Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5.1 through 5.5 and 5.7 through 5.8 with the Change to the Program in Item No. 5.5 to include All Police Officers. Motion **Approved** by Roll-Call 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

6. ORDINANCE PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

1. Appoint New Planning Commissioner to the Planning Commission
Sean Brewer, Assistant City Manager

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

Mayor Ramsey gave each applicant present a chance to speak.

Applicant Ken Stoppenbrink gave a brief statement, followed by Applicant Rocco Papietro, both of which have previously served on the Planning Commission board.

Motion by Adkisson to Appoint Ken Stoppenbrink to the Planning Commission.

Motion by Ramirez to Appoint Richard Hill to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Brewer indicated that Richard Hill has pulled his application for appointment to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Papietro stated he would also pull his application for appointment.

*Motion by Adkisson, Second by Horn to Appoint Ken Stoppenbrink to the Planning Commission for a Four Year Term. Motion **Approved** by a 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

2. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action related to the 2023 Water Year in Response to the USBR Initial Allocation Announcement
Sean Brewer, Assistant City Manager

Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer gave a brief overview of the item. The United States Bureau of Reclamation informed the City that they would be reducing our water allocation by 25% of the City's historical use. This is similar percentage, if not the same, from the previous water year. The 25% equates to approximately 1,920-acre feet of water. The City used a total of 4,123-acre feet during the last water year. The 1,920-acre feet the Bureau is allotting is an untrainable number for the City. Staff is recommending a letter be sent to the Bureau requesting 4,100-acre feet based on our public health and safety adjustments.

Staff will not be recommending a drought charge this year, however, would recommend maintaining the one-day a week water schedule until it starts heating up enough where a second day would be necessary. We will need to actively enforce the watering schedule.

Mr. Brewer thanks the City of Avenal. They had a little water left over from their request and they were gracious enough to approve 150-acre foot transfer to the City of Coalinga.

Consensus of the Council is for Staff to Proceed with the Recommendation of Requesting 4,100-Acre Feet of Water from the United States Bureau of Reclamation to be used During the 2023 Water Year.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager's Announcements:

None

Council Member's Announcements:

Councilman Horn wanted to remind the community of the Mardi Gras celebration starting Friday, March 4, 2022 through Sunday, March 6, 2022.

Mayor's Announcements:

None

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

9. CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – Government Code 54957.6. CITY NEGOTIATORS: City Manager Marissa Trejo and City Attorney Mario Zamora. EMPLOYEE (ORGANIZATION): General and Nonrepresented Employees

10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

No reportable action was taken in closed session.

11. ADJOURNMENT 7:31 PM

Ron Ramsey, Mayor

Shannon Jensen, City Clerk

March 17, 2022

Date

From: [Greg Cody](#)
To: [Marissa Trejo](#); [Information](#)
Subject: 03/03/2022
Date: Thursday, March 3, 2022 4:53:11 PM

I request that the mayor hold prayer and a moment of silence for the citizens of Ukraine.

Thank you
Greg Cody