

MINUTES
**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/
PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY**
MEETING AGENDA
December 4, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

Council Members Present: Vosburg, Lowder, Ramirez, Schindler, Hedgecock

Others Present: City Manager Sean Brewer, Assistant City Attorney Nick Matoian, Assistant City Manager Jesse Barron, Chief of Police Jose Garza, Financial Services Director Mai Vang, Fire Chief Greg DuPuis, Administrative Analyst Mercedes Garcia, and City Clerk Shannon Jensen

Council Members Absent: None

Others Absent: City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina

Changes to the Agenda: City Manager Sean Brewer announced the following Changes to the Agenda:

1. Discussion Item No. 6.3 shall become Item No. 6.1;
2. Discussion Item No. 6.4 shall become Item No. 6.2; and
3. All remaining Discussion Items shall be renumbered accordingly.

*Motion by Ramirez, Second by Hedgecock to Approve the Agenda for the Special meeting of December 4, 2025. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Swearing In Jeremy Lowder – New Councilmember for District 2

Mayor Vosburg swore in newly appointed Councilmember Jeremy Lowder for District No. 2.

2. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action regarding Reorganization of the Mayor Pro-Tem Position based on the Recent Resignation of James Horn

City Manager Sean Brewer provided a brief overview of the item.

Councilman Schindler nominated Councilman Ramirez for the position of Mayor Pro-Tem.

Councilman Hedgecock nominated Councilman Schindler for the position of Mayor Pro-Tem.

Mayor Vosburg called for votes of support for each of the nominees.

Councilman Hedgecock presented a vote of support for Councilman Schindler.

Councilman Schindler presented a vote of support for Councilman Ramirez.

Councilman Ramirez presented a vote of support for himself.

Councilman Lowder presented a vote of support for Councilman Schindler.

Mayor Vosburg presented a vote of support for Councilman Schindler.

Upon reorganization of the City Council, a majority vote appointed Councilmember Schindler to the position of Mayor Pro-Tem. Following the vote, Councilmembers assumed their newly designated seats at the dais.

3. Recognition of the SNIP Bus for their Continued Service and Impact in the City of Coalinga

Mayor Vosburg presented a Certificate of Recognition to SNIP Bus in appreciation of their continued service and significant positive impact within the City of Coalinga.

4. Recognition of Fire Department Promotions and Hires for 2025

Fire Chief Greg DuPuis introduced Fire Department personnel in recognition of promotions and new hires for 2025, including Hailey Crosswy, Chantel Sanchez, Aaron Trujillo, Brandon Moor, Hunter Bell, and Dylan Rodriguez.

5. City Department Updates

Fire Chief Greg DuPuis indicated he had no new updates to present at this time.

Chief of Police Jose Garza provided a brief update on the Police Department.

Financial Services Director Mai Vang indicated she had no new updates to present at this time.

Assistant City Manager Jesse Barron provided a brief update on the Public Works and Utility Departments.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

The following individual(s) spoke under Citizen Comments:

Scott Netherton with the Coalinga Chamber of Commerce announced the following upcoming events:

Saturday, December 6th – Vendor Pop-Up Event from 10am-2pm
Pictures with Santa and your pet from 11am-1pm
Annual Christmas Parade starts at 6pm
Saturday, February 7th – Annual Community Services Awards Banquet

Mr. Netherton thanked SNIP Bus for all that they do.

Chuck Yeadon, on behalf of the Coalinga Lion's Club, thanked all those who helped make the November 27, 2025 Turkey Trott such a success.

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

None

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Adoption of Resolution No. 4302 Vacation of a Public Street Easement on Adjoining APN 083-090-47S and APN 083-090-52S (portions of Sacramento Street & Warthan Street) and Approving Abatement
Jesse Barron, Assistant City Manager

Assistant City Manager Jesse Barron provided a brief overview of the item.

Mayor Vosburg opened the Public Hearing for comment, hearing none, Mayor Vosburg closed the Public Hearing.

*Motion by Schindler, Second by Ramirez to Adopt Resolution No. 4302 Approving the Vacation of a Public Street Easement on Adjoining APN 083-090-47S and APN 083-090-52S (portions of Sacramento Street & Warthan Street) and Approving Abatement. **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve MINUTES – October 16, 2025
2. Check Register: 9/01/2025 – 9/30/2025
3. Code Enforcement Report October, 2025
4. Declare Items at City Hall as Surplus Property and Authorize Staff to Offer to the Local Non-Profits or Dispose
5. Declare Items at the Police Department as Surplus Property and Authorize Staff to Offer to Local Non-Profits or Dispose
6. Approval of General Cost Allocation Study to Ensure Proper Staff Allocation to City Funds

Mayor Vosburg **Pulled** Item No. 5.6 for discussion.

Mayor Vosburg requested that any significant findings identified in the FY 2026-27 General Cost Allocation Study also be applied to the FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25.

7. Information Only – Potential Transfer or Realignment of Habitat/Conservation Lands Surrounding the Coalinga Municipal Airport to Support Future Airport Expansion – Future Agenda Item Requested by Councilman Schindler

Mayor Pro-Tem Schindler **Pulled** Item No. 5.7 for discussion.

City Manager Sean Brewer provided a brief overview of the item.

8. Authorize a Six-Month Extension of the Profession Services Agreement with Blais & Associates for Grant Consulting Services and Authorize Staff to Issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Full-Service Grant Research, Development, Writing, and Post-Award Management Services
9. Information Only: Wings Over the Westside Report

Mayor Pro-Tem Schindler **Pulled** Item No. 5.9 for discussion.

City Manger Sean Brewer provided a brief report of the 1st Annual Wings Over the Westside event on September 29, 2025. Mr. Brewer announced the next Wings Over the Westside air show will be on Saturday, October 3, 2026.

10. Notice of Completion for Sacramento Warthan Street & Various Valley Gutter Improvements
11. Approve Mayor Vosburg's Appointment to the League of California Cities Governance, Transparency, and Labor Relations Policy Committee as a representative of the Mayors and Council Members Department for a Term not to Exceed One Year
12. Notice of Completion for AHSC Pacific Apartments STI/TRA Grant Funded Project

Councilman Ramirez **Pulled** Item No. 5.12 for discussion.

City Manager Sean Brewer provided a brief overview of the item.

*Motion by Schindler, Second by Lowder to Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5.1 through 5.12 with the change to Item No. 5.6, that any significant finds identified in the FY 2026-27 General Cost Allocation Study also be applied to FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25. **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

6. ORDINANCE PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

1. City Council Consideration, Potential Action, Direction, and Acceptance of the Fire Station Needs Assessment Report
Greg DuPuis, Fire Chief

Item No. 6.1 was renumbered as Item No. 6.3 during Changes to the Agenda.

Fire Chief Greg DuPuis presented the Fire Station Needs Assessment Report.

By consensus, the City Council directed staff to gather additional information regarding potential opportunities to utilize the municipal airport to support CalFire with future wildfire response efforts.

2. Update on Commercial Vehicle Parking Enforcement Efforts
Jesse Barron, Assistant City Manager

Item No. 6.2 was renumbered as Item No. 6.4 during Changes to the Agenda.

Assistant City Manager Jesse Barron provided a brief overview of the item.

By consensus, the City Council directed staff to continue enforcement of existing commercial vehicle parking regulations, monitor activity within the industrial park area, and prioritize additional signage installation in the Juniper Ridge and Sandalwood areas, including repair of existing barriers where needed. Council further directed staff to explore potential long-term solutions for commercial vehicle parking, including outreach to private property owners, coordination with Fresno County and other agencies, and evaluation of potential opportunity sites within or near the City for permitted or paid commercial vehicle parking, while assessing liability and operational considerations.

3. Annual Natural Gas Report and Consideration and Approval of Resolution No. 4300 Rescinding Resolution No. 4293 and Approving Increasing Natural Gas Rates by 20 Percent
Sean Brewer, City Manager

Item No. 6.3 was renumbered as Item No. 6.1 during Changes to the Agenda.

Dan Bergmann of IGServices, Inc. provided an overview of the item.

*Motion by Hedgecock, Second by Schindler to Adopt Resolution No. 4300 Rescinding Section 4 of Resolution No. 4293 (\$200,000 funding to replace 2 anode beds) and Amending Natural Gas Rates to Reflect an Additional 5% Increase Effective with the November 2025 Meter Reading Cycle, Resulting in a Total 10% Rate Increase. **Approved** by a 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

Consensus of the Council is for staff to bring back an item for Council's consideration on establishing a Gas Enterprise Capital Improvement and Rate Stabilization Fund and policies to govern both.

4. Discussion and Direction on FY27 Federal Appropriations (Earmark) Project Priorities
Sean Brewer, City Manager

Item No. 6.4 was renumbered as Item No. 6.2 during Changes to the Agenda.

City Manager Sean Brewer, along with Spencer Street of Townsend Public Affairs, provided a brief overview of the item.

By consensus, the City Council directed staff, in coordination with Townsend Public Affairs, to proceed with outreach and preparation of priority project requests for FY 2027 federal appropriations cycle. Townsend Public Affairs shall begin preliminary circulation of the following projects: Water Treatment Plant Filtration System Improvements, Water System SCADA Upgrades, Water Treatment Plant Wash Water Tank Replacement, Critical Gas Mainline Replacement, Airport Runway Rehabilitation and Design, and New Airport Hanger Construction. Staff and Townsend Public Affairs will work collaboratively to finalize the selection of 4 projects for submittal, with two projects to be advanced to the office of Congressman Adam Gray and two projects to be advanced to the offices of Senators Alex Padilla and Adam Schiff.

5. Council Discussion, Direction and Potential Action related to the Possibility of Opening the Front Counter at City Hall on Fridays – Future Agenda Item – Councilman Schindler
Sean Brewer, City Manager

City Manager Sean Brewer provided an overview of the item, stating that this was a Future Agenda Item requested by Mayor Pro-Tem Schinder.

By consensus, the City Council directed staff to evaluate options for providing front counter services on Fridays and to return with information regarding staffing models, operational impacts, service levels, and associated costs, including whether limited or rotating coverage could meet community needs.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager's Announcements:

City Manager Sean Brewer announced that there were no additional meetings scheduled for the remainder of the year and recommended adjusting the January meeting schedule due to the January 1st holiday. By consensus, the City Council agreed to hold meetings on January 8, 2026, and January 22, 2026.

Council Member's Announcements:

Councilmembers provided announcements and reports, including welcoming Councilmember Lowder to the City Council. Councilmember Hedgecock announced his intention to vacate his Council seat effective following the January 8, 2026, meeting due to relocating out of state and expressed interest in participating in the appointment process for his replacement. Additional comments were provided regarding recent street improvements, ongoing infrastructure projects, and advocacy efforts with state and federal representatives.

Mayor's Announcements:

Mayor Vosburg provided an update on participation in the Fresno Council of Governments and ongoing discussions related to Measure C funding, including advocacy for increased flexibility for rural cities, transportation funding considerations, and potential impacts on local infrastructure funding.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilman Hedgecock requested a traffic study for the addition of speed bumps or stop signs for Sacramento Street between Forest Avenue and Warthan Street, to evaluate speeding concerns and potential traffic-calming measures.

Councilman Ramirez requested an update on upcoming Caltrans road work activities, including anticipated timelines and scope of work.

Mayor Vosburg requested deployment of the City's speed radar trailer along Jayne Avenue, particularly near the Phelps Avenue intersection, to address speeding concerns as vehicles approach the City, siting a potential need to reduce the speed limit in the future.

9. CLOSED SESSION

1. REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS – Government Code Section 54956.8. Conference with Real Property Negotiators. PROPERTY(S): APN: 070-041-51S located in the City of Coalinga. CITY NEGOTIATORS: City Manager Sean Brewer. NEGOTIATING PARTIES: Latchkey Partners. UNDER NEGOTIATION: Price and Terms of Payment
2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – Government Code 54957.6. CITY NEGOTIATORS: City Manager, Sean Brewer and City Attorney, Mario Zamora. EMPLOYEE (ORGANIZATION): Police Officer Association
3. Anticipated Litigation under Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): 1 Case – D.G. Construction Inc.
4. CITY MANAGER’S PERFORMANCE EVALUATION – Government Code 54957(b)

10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

No reportable action was taken during Closed Session.

11. ADJOURNMENT 8:29 PM

APPROVED:

Nathan Vosburg, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shannon Jensen, City Clerk

Date