



# **SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING AGENDA**

**August 24, 2022  
6:00 PM**

***The Mission of the City of Coalinga is to provide for the preservation of the community character by delivering quality, responsive City services, in an efficient and cost-effective manner, and to develop, encourage, and promote a diversified economic base in order to ensure the future financial stability of the City for its citizens.***

**Notice is hereby given that the City Council will hold a Special Meeting, on August 24, 2022 in the City Council Chambers located at 155 West Durian, Coalinga, CA. Persons with disabilities who may need assistance should contact the City Clerk at least 24 hours prior to this meeting at 935-1533 x113. Anyone interested in translation services should contact the City Clerk at least 24 hours prior to the meeting at 935-1533 x113.**

**The Special Meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and the agenda will be as follows:**

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Changes to the Agenda
3. Council's Approval of Agenda

## **2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS (NONE)**

## **3. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

*This section of the agenda allows members of the public to address the City Council on any item within the jurisdiction of the Council. Members of the public, when recognized by the Mayor, should come forward to the lectern, identify themselves and use the microphone. Comments are normally limited to three (3) minutes. In accordance with State Open Meeting Laws, no action will be taken by the City Council this evening and all items will be referred to staff for follow up and a report.*

*Citizen Comments submitted in writing to the City Clerk by 5:00pm on the day of the City Council meeting shall be distributed to the City Council and included in the record,*

*however they will not be read.*

**4. PUBLIC HEARINGS (NONE)**

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Adopt Resolution No. 4095 Ad Valorem FY 2022-2023 Property Tax Assessment for Public Safety Employees of the City of Coalinga

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

1. Adopt Resolution No. 4114 Appointing Unopposed Candidate for City Councilmember, District #5

**Marissa Trejo, City Manager**

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. City Manager's Announcements
2. Councilmembers' Announcements/Reports
3. Mayor's Announcements

**8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**9. CLOSED SESSION (NONE)**

**10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

**Closed Session:** A "Closed" or "Executive" Session of the City Council, Successor Agency, or Public Finance Authority may be held as required for items as follows: personnel matters; labor negotiations; security matters; providing instructions to real property negotiators; legal counsel regarding pending litigation; and protection of records exempt from public disclosure. Closed session will be held in the Administration Building at 155 W. Durian Avenue and any announcements or discussion will be held at the same location following Closed Session.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**STAFF REPORT - CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE  
AUTHORITY**

**Subject:** Adopt Resolution No. 4095 Ad Valorem FY 2022-2023 Property Tax Assessment for Public Safety Employees of the City of Coalinga  
**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, August 24, 2022  
**From:** Marissa Trejo, City Manager  
**Prepared by:** Marissa Trejo, City Manager

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**I. RECOMMENDATION:**

Financial Services Director recommends the City Council adopt Resolution No. 4095 to continue an existing ad valorem pension property tax at a rate of \$0.0720 per \$100 of assessed property value for the purpose of raising revenue to fund the City's obligation to the pension and retirement fund for the City's public safety employees. The property tax will be continued at the same rate that was imposed in the 1982-83 fiscal year as permitted by Revenue and Taxation Code Section 96.31(a)(4).

**II. BACKGROUND:**

The ad valorem pension property tax is provided through the State of California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 96.31, paragraph (a)(4) which reads as follows:

"For the 1985-86 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, a jurisdiction shall not impose a property tax rate pursuant to subdivision (a) of section 96, unless it is imposed for one or more of the following purposes (4) to make payments in support of pension programs approved by the voters before July 1, 1978, provided that the local agency imposed the property tax rate in the 1982-83 fiscal year."

**III. DISCUSSION:**

**IV. ALTERNATIVES:**

**V. FISCAL IMPACT:**

For Fiscal Year 2021-2022, revenue received was \$450,000 and retirement program costs were \$545,068. This property tax funded an estimated 83% of retirement costs for public safety employees appropriated from the general fund for fiscal year 2021-2022. For Fiscal Year 2022-2023, projected revenue is \$515,000 and estimated retirement program costs are \$601,928. The property tax is expected to fund an estimated 86% of retirement costs for public safety employees appropriated from the general fund for fiscal year 2022-2023.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

File Name	Description
RESO#4095_Ad_Valorem_FY_2022-2023_082422.pdf	Resolution No. 4095 - Ad Valorem

**RESOLUTION NO. 4095**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COALINGA  
DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF RAISING REVENUE BY TAXATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
MEETING THE CITY'S OBLIGATION TO THE PENSION AND RETIREMENT FUND FOR PUBLIC  
SAFETY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY**

**WHEREAS**, the State Supreme Court has ruled that the indebtedness created by the electorate to pay for a City pension fund is within the specific tax authority provided by the voters in Article XIII-A on pension plans instituted prior to July 1, 1978; and

**WHEREAS**, the ad valorem property tax is provided through the State of California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 96.31, paragraph (a) (4) and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to raise money in order to meet the City's obligation to the retirement fund for the public safety employees of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, it is determined that an amount of \$0.0720 on each \$100 of assessed property value is necessary to raise sufficient revenue to pay the cost thereof;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Coalinga as follows:

1. That an ad valorem property tax in the amount of \$0.0720 on each \$100 of assessed property value is hereby fixed for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for the purpose of meeting the City's obligation to the pension and retirement fund for public safety employees of the City and to be collected by the Fresno County Auditor's Office.

The foregoing resolution was approved and adopted at a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Coalinga held on this **24th day of August, 2022**, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**APPROVED:**

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Ron Ramsey, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Shannon Jensen, City Clerk

Ad Valorem Pension Property Tax													
Retirement		Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Budget
Expense		11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23
<b>POLICE</b>	401	199,686	145,548	15,631	14,259	72	-	-	-	-	-	-	
PERS: effective 1/1/13	PERS		83,474	176,934	181,930	157,390	176,886	152,254	141,478	157,229	211,947	238,171	297,948
	PERS UL							10	2,657	13,476	18,106	29,817	35,969
	457	16,529	15,089	2,824	15,301	17,316	16,467	15,541	15,510	14,896	7,861	15,507	28,000
		216,215	244,111	195,389	211,490	174,778	193,353	167,805	159,645	185,601	237,914	283,495	361,917
<b>FIRE</b>	401	176,328	106,855	13,592	10,861	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
PERS: effective 1/1/13	PERS		66,456	144,358	137,229	101,348	119,168	120,183	124,188	159,756	203,025	186,553	179,460
	PERS UL							60	1,989	12,981	17,732	31,530	32,551
	457	28,834	30,480	26,786	25,087	20,996	27,986	32,213	25,747	23,620	27,075	43,490	28,000
		205,162	203,791	184,736	173,177	122,344	147,154	152,456	151,924	196,357	247,832	261,573	240,011
TOTAL EXPENSE		421,377	447,902	380,125	384,667	297,122	340,507	320,261	311,569	381,958	485,746	545,068	601,928
REVENUE													
101-400-40080/40090		328,304	328,377	337,315	366,362	356,772	391,002	402,151	400,918	456,374	484,960	450,000	515,000
Funded Obligation		0.78	0.73	0.89	0.95	1.20	1.15	1.26	1.29	1.19	1.00	0.83	0.86

**STAFF REPORT - CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE  
AUTHORITY**

**Subject:** Adopt Resolution No. 4114 Appointing Unopposed Candidate for City Councilmember, District #5  
**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, August 24, 2022  
**From:** Marissa Trejo, City Manager  
**Prepared by:** Marissa Trejo, City Manager

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**I. RECOMMENDATION:**

The City Manager recommends that the City Council appoint Lonnie A. Hedgecock to the office of City Councilmember for District #5.

**II. BACKGROUND:**

Section 10229 of the Elections Code states that if a candidate is unopposed at the close of nominations, a city council can:

1. Appoint to the office the person who has been nominated;
2. Appoint to the office any eligible voter if no one has been nominated; or
3. Hold an election if either no one or only one person has been nominated.

**III. DISCUSSION:**

As of the close of the nomination period on August 17, 2022, Lonnie A. Hedgecock was the only nomination to the District #5 council seat. Under the above code section, the City Council can appoint Mr. Hedgecock to that seat.

The appointment of Mr. Hedgecock to District #5 would occur in lieu of the election, therefore he would qualify and take office and serve exactly as if elected at a municipal election for the office.

The appointment shall not affect the conduct of the municipal election in any other legislative districts of the City.

**IV. ALTERNATIVES:**

Do not appoint Lonnie A. Hedgecock to District #5 and instead have the election for District #5 continue.

**V. FISCAL IMPACT:**

The Fresno County Elections Office estimates a \$2,500 cost savings for the City of Coalinga by making the appointment for District #5 in lieu of the election. This cost savings would be to the City's General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:

**File Name****Description**

📄 RESO#4114\_Appointment\_of\_Hedgecock\_to\_District\_#5\_In\_Lieu\_of\_Election-2022\_082422.pdf

Resolution No. 4114

**RESOLUTION NO. 4114**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COALINGA APPOINTING  
UNOPPOSED COUNCILMEMBER FOR DISTRICT #5**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coalinga has scheduled a General Municipal Election on November 8, 2022, to elect one (1) City Councilmembers; and

**WHEREAS**, at the close of the nomination period on August 17, 2022 there was only one candidate nominated for the office to be elected at the General Election to fill the vacancy for District #5 of the City Council of the City of Coalinga; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 19, 2022, the City Clerk submitted a written certification providing there are not more candidates nominated than offices to be elected for the office of City of Coalinga Councilmember, District #5, at the General Municipal Election; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 10229 of the Election Code allows one of the following courses of action to be taken by the City Council:

1. Appoint to the office the person who has been nominated;
2. Appoint to the office any eligible voter if no one has been nominated;
3. Hold the election if either no one or only one person has been nominated; and

**WHEREAS**, a notice was published on August 19, 2022 in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant to state law with the City Clerk's certification; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that pursuant to Section 10229 of the Election Code the following action is being taken:

Lonnie A. Hedgecock, being the only candidate for the office for which he is nominated, being appointed to the office and considered to be the same as being elected to the City Council with a term of four years.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that person appointed, shall qualify and take office and serve exactly as if elected at a municipal election for the office.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Coalinga at a special meeting held on this **24th of August, 2022**, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**APPROVED:**

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Ron Ramsey, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Shannon Jensen, City Clerk