

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY

MEETING AGENDA

April 4, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

Council Members Present: Horn, Ramirez, Vosburg, Schindler

Others Present: City Manager Marissa Trejo (via Zoom), City Attorney Mario Zamora, Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer, Chief of Police Jose Garza, Financial Services Director Mai Vang, City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina, Battalion Chief Billy Long, Administrative Analyst Mercedes Garcia, and Public Works and Utilities Coordinator Larry Miller

Council Members Absent: Hedgecock

Others Absent: Fire Chief Greg DuPuis and City Clerk Shannon Jensen

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

1. The Special City Council Meeting will run concurrently with the regular City Council Meeting; and
2. Item No. 2.1 from the Special meeting agenda shall be added to the regular agenda as Item No. 2.4; and
3. Consent Calendar Item No. 5.1 from the Special agenda shall be added to the regular agenda as Item No. 5.10.

*Motion by Ramirez, Second by Vosburg to Approve the Agenda for the meeting of April 4, 2024. Motion **Approved** by 4/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote. (Hedgecock – Absent)*

2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Letters of Commendation Presented to Sergeant Diaz, Sergeant Sparks, Officer Sees, Officer Kaiser, Officer Arroyo, Officer Ripoyla, Officer Carias, Officer Arredondo and Police Technician May

Chief of Police Jose Garza and Commander Sean Young presented Letters of Commendation to the Officers involved in the

2. Life Saving Awards Presented to Officer Sees and Officer Arredondo

Chief of Police Jose Garza and Commander Sean Young presented Life Saving Awards to Officer Seese and Officer Arredondo for their life saving efforts in a residential house fire.

3. Employee of the Month for April 2024 – Kristi Anderson, Administrative Secretary

Mayor Horn presented Kristi Anderson with the Employee of the Month Certificate for the month of April, 2024.

4. The CrisCom Company – Quarterly Report

Governmental Affairs Manager John Basmajian of The CrisCom Company presented their quarterly report. Mr. Basmajian also provided a copy of The CrisCom Company's 2024 State Legislative Calendar and summaries of Pending Legislation of Interest for the 2023-2024 Session.

Councilman Vosburg requested the information provided by The CrisCom Company be added to the City's website for the community.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

The following individual(s) spoke under Citizen Comments:

Kyle Savage introduced himself as the new Field Representative for Congressman John Duarte's office for Fresno and Madera Counties. Mr. Savage also announced that Congressman Durate's first bill recently passed the House floor, the Confidence in Clean Water Permits Act (HR7013). Like the previous rep, Mr. Savage will be present at least once a month to hear resident's concerns and offer any assistance.

Hilda Crawford announced that the Coalinga-Huron Library District provided some book recommendation at the request of the City Attorney. Mrs. Crawford announced that they provide Virtual Author Talks where anyone can enjoy a range of talks from bestselling authors and thought leaders. More information can be found on the Library's website. Mrs. Crawford recommends the following books and Author Talks:

William Kent Krueger - Ordinary Grace

Britt Hawthorne's Raising Antiracist Children: A Practical Parenting Guide

David Grann - Killer of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders

Willard Oliver - Birth of the FBI: Teddy Roosevelt, the Secret Service, and the Fight Over America's Premier Law Enforcement Agency

Erika Sanchez - I'm Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter

Tina Yeadon of Yeadon's Gold Star Wellness Center, a local Non-profit, announced they will be holding their monthly Rummage Sale this weekend. Mrs. Yeadon urges community members to purge your homes of anything that no longer serves them. For those who are interested in items, the cost is \$5 per grocery bag.

Mrs. Yeadon is also looking for local artists, local musicians, or anyone who would like to hold a local workshop or class.

Other services offers: Yoga, Zoombini, and Paint Nights.

A gentleman who resides at 346 S. Garfield who knows the family who suffered the fire that the officers were commended for this evening. The mother and son are now displaced and living in the creek bed behind his home. The son has broken into and stolen things from his home. He is a victim of these crimes and requests that the City hire a community service officer who can proactively address such issues full time.

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

None

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Introduce and Waive Ordinance No. 865 Amending Planning and Zoning Code related to Permitting Limited Accessory Structures within the Rear Yard Setback of Residential Zoned Properties (Zoning Text Amendment Application ZTA 24-01)

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

Mayor Horn opened the Public Hearing for public comment. Hearing none, Mayor Horn closed the Public Hearing.

*Motion by Vosburg, Second by Horn to **Approve** Public Hearing Item No. 4.1 for the Introduction and Waiver of Ordinance No. 865 Amending the Planning and Zoning Code related to Permitting Limited Accessory Structures within the Rear Yard Setback of Residential Zoned Properties (zoning Text Amendment Application ZTA 24-01). Motion **Approved** by a 4/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote. (Hedgecock – Absent)*

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve MINUTES – March 20, 2024 (Special Water and Wastewater Enterprise Workshop)
2. Approve MINUTES – March 21, 2024
3. Check Register: 2/01/2024 – 2/29/2024
4. Notice of Completion for the Total Trihalomethane (TTHM) Reduction Facilities at the Water Treatment Plant

Councilman Vosburg Pulled Item No. 5.4 for discussion.

Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer gave a brief overview of the Item and explained that the majority of the project was funded with ARPA funds and some Bond funds. Any excess project funds derived from the Bond shall be allocated to other projects.

5. Authorize Staff to Proceed with Necessary Repairs to Public Works Patch Truck

Councilman Vosburg Pulled Item No. 5.5 for discussion.

Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer gave a brief overview of the Item stating that the repairs performed in 2022 were minor vehicle repairs, while these more recent repairs will be to the equipment, not the vehicle itself.

6. Authorize Sale of Duty Firearm to Former Chief of Police
7. Authorize an Out-of-City Water Connection for Irrigation Supporting Trees to be Planted by Caltrans
8. Code Enforcement Monthly Report – February 2024
9. Police Department Report – February 2024

Councilman Vosburg Pulled Item No. 5.9 for discussion.

Councilman Vosburg thanked the Chief of Police and the department for all their hard work. He requested that future Police Department Reports include information on conviction rates and what the department can do differently to increase conviction rates.

10. Authorize the City Manager to Sign a Letter of Support on Behalf of the City Council Supporting AB 2661 (Soria) – Electricity: Transmission Facility Planning: Water Districts

Councilman Vosburg Pulled Item No. 5.10 for discussion.

Elizabeth Jonasson, Deputy General Manager of External Affairs for Westlands Water District, gave a brief overview of the Item and AB 2661.

Daniel Kim of Golden State Clean Energy spoke of his company's support of Westlands Water District and their mutual support of AB 2661.

*Motion by Horn, Second by Schindler to **Approve** Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5.1 through 5.10. Motion **Approved** by a 4/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote. (Hedgecock – Absent)*

6. ORDINANCE PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

1. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action regarding Fiscal Year 2024-2025 – Operational Expenditure Budget Proposal
Mai Vang, Financial Services Director

Financial Services Director Mai Vang gave a brief overview of the operational expenditure budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025. Mrs. Vang explained that, just like past FYs, the budget will be presented in 3 parts:

Tonight – operational expenses
4/18/24 - personnel expenses
5/2/24 – revenue portion
5/16/24 – receive final direction from Council
June – adopt final budget

Councilman Vosburg requested that the Training, Travel & Conference line item be separated out by Council District and to allocate \$5,000 to each, with any unused funds going back to the General Fund at the end of the FY.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager's Announcements:

None

Council Member's Announcements:

None

Mayor's Announcements:

Mayor Horn announced that Unwired Broadband had a ground breaking ceremony for their Next Gen Fiber project.

The ribbon cutting at the new Tractor Supply was held on Saturday, March 30, 2024 and there was a great turnout.

On May 4th Mid Valley Disposal will be having a Free Dump Day from 6am to 1pm. An informational flyer was included in the last utility bill.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilman Schindler requested a Future Agenda Item on options to address the homeless situation in the creek beds, possible solutions, and an outreach officer.

Councilman Vosburg requested a Future Agenda Item on an idea brought forth by City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina to do a massive informational campaign about animal welfare and a being a responsible pet owner. Councilman Vosburg suggests that the City work with other agencies such as the schools to get information out to the public and to ensure compliance.

Mayor Pro-Tem Ramirez requested Mr. Savage, the representative from Congressman Duarte's office, set up a time for representatives to come familiarize themselves with our county roads and other areas in hopes of aiding the City with the homeless issues. Mr. Ramirez also requested Mr. Savage's and the Fresno County Supervisor's assistance with cleaning up our creek beds.

Mayor Horn requested a Future Agenda Item for contact information and location of any transmission lines located near the City's transmission lines.

9. CLOSED SESSION

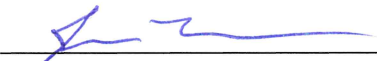
1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS – Government Code Section 54956.8. PROPERTY: APN: 072-153-05 and 072-153-06. CITY NEGOTIATOR: City Manager Marissa Trejo and City Attorney Mario Zamora. NEGOTIATING PARTIES: Richard Oren & Charlene Trustees. UNDER NEGOTIATION: Terms of Property Purchase, Including Price.
2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – Government Code 54957.6. CITY NEGOTIATORS: City Manager, Marissa Trejo; City Attorney, Mario Zamora. EMPLOYEE (ORGANIZATION): Non-Represented Employees.

10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

None

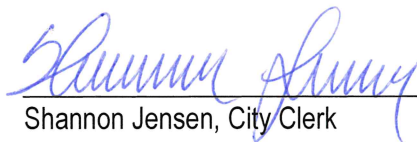
11. ADJOURNMENT 7:20 PM

APPROVED:



James Horn, Mayor

ATTEST:



Shannon Jensen, City Clerk

April 18, 2024

Date