

# **MINUTES CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING AGENDA March 6, 2025**

## **1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM**

Council Members Present: Vosburg, Horn, Ramierz, Schindler, Hedgecock

Others Present: Interim City Manager Sean Brewer, Assistant City Attorney Nick Matoian, Chief of Police Jose Garza, Financial Services Director Mai Vang, City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina, Fire Chief Greg DuPuis, and City Clerk Shannon Jensen

Council Members Absent: None

Others Absent: Administrative Analyst Mercedes Garcia

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

1. Item No. 5.4 is Pulled from the Agenda and shall be brought back at a later meeting date.

*Motion by Horn, Second by Schindler to Approve the Agenda for the meeting of March 6, 2025. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

## **2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

### **1. City Department Updates**

Fire Chief Greg DuPuis provided a brief update for the Fire Department.

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

Financial Services Director Mai Vang provided a brief update on the Finance Department.

2. Presentation of the Coalinga Police Department Citizen Academy – Commander Sean Young, Coalinga Police Department

Commander Sean Young presented the Coalinga Police Department Citizen Academy program.

### 3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

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

Dawn Kahikina announced that Coalinga High School will be having a mattress fundraiser at the High School Hub on Saturday, March 15, 2025, between 10am and 5pm. Money raised by the event will be used to support the Coalinga High School Music Program.

Mrs. Kahikina also announced the Coalinga-Huron Recreation and Parks District's annual Autism Awareness Walk will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2025.

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

Edward Post

### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

### 5. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve MINUTES – January 16, 2025
2. Approve MINUTES – February 20, 2025
3. Check Register: 1/01/2025 - 1/31/2025
4. Authorize Sponsorship for One (1) Additional Opening Under the Police Recruit Sponsorship Program for a Total of Three (3) Sponsorships

*Item No. 5.4 was Pulled from the Agenda during Changes to the Agenda.*

*Motion by Horn, Second by Ramirez to Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5.1 through 5.3. **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

*Item No. 5.4 was Pulled from the Agenda during Changes to the Agenda.*

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

1. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action related to Relocating the City Electronic Sign at the Southeast Corner of E. Elm Ave and E. Polk St  
**Sean Brewer, Interim City Manager**

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

*Consensus of the Council is for Staff to bring the item back at a future meeting for their consideration.*

2. Approve Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Mid-Year Budget Review and Adopt Resolution No. 4252 Approving Recommendations for Revising Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Operating and Capital Budgets  
**Mai Vang, Financial Services Director**

Financial Services Director Mai Vang provided a brief overview of the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Mid-Year Budget.

*Motion by Horn, Second by Ramirez to Approve Resolution No. 4252 Approving the Recommended Revisions to the Operating and Capital Budgets for Fiscal Year 2024/2025. **Approved** by a 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

## 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

### City Manager's Announcements:

Interim City Manager Sean Brewer announced that the National Weather Services is reporting a sever storm scheduled for next week. Pre-filled sandbags are available at the Public Works Yard for those who need assistance. Bags and sand is available at the Fire Department for those to help themselves.

Mr. Brewer announced that he will be bringing back a Council Meeting schedule at a future meeting as some meetings in the upcoming months will be canceled.

### Council Member's Announcements:

None

### Mayor's Announcements:

Mayor Vosburg provided an overview of the February 27, 2025 COG Policy Board meeting.

## 8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilman Ramirez requested a Future Agenda Item to add 5 additional speed bumps at various locations be worked into the budget.

Mayor Vosburg requested a Future Agenda Item to update/clarify the City Treasurer's job description.

Mayor Pro-Tem Horn requested a Future Agenda Item to add a speed limit sign on Polk Street as you're to the "C".

## 9. CLOSED SESSION

1. REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS – Government Code Section 54956.8. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. PROPERTY: APNs: 071-152-04S located in the City of Coalinga. CITY NEGOTIATORS: Interim City Manager Sean Brewer; and City Attorney Mario Zamora. NEGOTIATING PARTIES: Larry L. Baker and Laurie L. Baker. UNDER NEGOTIATION: Price and Terms of Payment
2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(4): 2 Cases
3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEMENT – Government Code Section 54957. Title: City Manager

**10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

None

**11. ADJOURNMENT 6:53 PM**

**APPROVED:**

*Nathan Vosburg*

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Nathan Vosburg, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

*Shannon Jensen*

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Shannon Jensen, City Clerk

April 8, 2025

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Date

**From:** [Bueya Kasha](#)  
**To:** [Shannon Jensen](#)  
**Subject:** Citizen comment for City Council Meeting 3/6/2025  
**Date:** Thursday, March 6, 2025 3:28:40 PM

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Good evening Chief Jose Garza and distinguished City Council Members,

I haven't had a reply to my citizen comment sent to the city council meeting February 20th regarding an illegal traffic stop over window tint VC 26708 (a)(1) 0% window tint allowed and VC 26708 (d)(2) that provides the exception to VC 26708 that allows a 30% window tint i.e. 70% minimum light transmittance as legal within the state of California.

Coalinga Police Officer #1677 conducting the illegal traffic stop stated that no window tint was acceptable according to VC 26708 (a)(1) without knowledge of the existing VC 26708 (d) (2) that allows the exception to VC 26708 (a)(1) to allow 30% tint i.e. 70% minimum light transmittance.

I've asked that this illegal practice of stopping legal law abiding citizens solely on legal window tint stop and officers be re-trained on legal window allowed in the state of California without response. I understand that I am only a lowly citizen with no political power and it may be beneath the Chief of Police and city council members to offer any reply so I may need to contact a person that the Chief or council members would rather reply to on par with deserving yours and the Chiefs respect.

I am willing to contact my County of Fresno, State of California, and Federal Representatives both in the House of Representatives and Senate along with the Attorney General's Office on the County, State and Federal level weekly until I find someone more deserving of your attention than I am.

I've tried my local city government and police dept with no success so far and it may be time to reach out for outside help.

Looking for a reply. Till then,

Have a wonderful meeting tonight,

Kindest regards,

Edward Post  
408 807 7691

Attached: Original comment submitted February 20th 2025 City Council Meeting

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**From:** Bueya Kasha <bueyakasha@live.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 20, 2025 4:44 PM  
**To:** sjensen@coalinga.com <sjensen@coalinga.com>  
**Subject:** Citizen comment for City Council Meeting

Good evening Chief Jose Garza,

On October 1st 2024 I was the victim of an illegal traffic stop by Officer #1677 for violation of VC 26708 (a) (1) :

**26708 (a) (1)**

(a) (1) A person shall not drive any motor vehicle with any object or material placed, displayed, installed, affixed, or applied upon the windshield or side or rear windows.

I was told there is 0% Tint allowed in the state of California by Officer #1677 by VC 26708 (a) (1)

However the same VC 26708 (d) (2)

States an exception to VC 26708 (a) (1)

VC 26708 (d)

"(d) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), clear, colorless, and transparent material may be installed, affixed, or applied to the front side windows, located to the immediate left and right of the front seat if the following conditions are met:"

VC 26708 (d) (2)

"(2) The window glazing with the material applied meets all requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 205 (49 C.F.R. 571.205), including the specified minimum light transmittance of 70 percent and the abrasion resistance of AS-14 glazing, as specified in that federal standard."

VC 26708 (d) (2) Makes it clear that the exception to VC 26708 (a) (1) is that 30% light tint is legal making the traffic stop ILLEGAL.

This was an illegal stop and the practice of stopping every car with legal tint as the reason for the initial stop an ILLEGAL practice by the Coalinga Police Department.

This practice needs to stop and the Coalinga Police Department needs to be retrained.

Unless the tint is obviously over 30% tint or the adoption of a tint meter is used your department is in the regular routine practice of making illegal traffic stops initiated by

ANY tint less than 30% which is opening up the Coalinga Police Department to possible legal consequences.

My trial date is March 19th 2025. I look forward to having my day in court.

Kindest regards,

Edward Post  
408 807 7691