

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY

MEETING AGENDA

January 19, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00PM

Council Members Present: Horn, Ramirez, Adkisson (via Zoom), Vosburg, Hedgecock (via Zoom)

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

Council Members Absent: None

Others Absent: None

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

1. The Special meeting will run concurrently with the Regular meeting.
2. Item No. 9.1 from the Special agenda will be added to the Regular agenda as Item No. 9.3, and
3. Item No. 6.1 will be pulled from the Agenda as the swearing-in of re-elected Councilman Adkisson took place on January 17, 2023.

*Motion by Ramirez, Second by Vosburg to Approve the Changes to the Agenda and to Approve the Agendas for the meeting of January 19, 2023. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Certificate Honoring Richard Hill for his Service and Representation of Veterans, the Elks, the City of Coalinga, and the 2023 Rose Bowl Parade

Councilman Vosburg presented Mr. Hill with a certificate honoring him for his service and representation of Veterans, the Elks, the City of Coalinga and the 2023 Rose Bowl Parade.

2. 2022 Police Officer of the Year Award Honoring Brady Kaiser

Chief of Police Jose Garza presented Police Officer Brady Kaiser with a certificate honoring him as the 2022 Police Officer of the Year.

3. 2022 Firefighter of the Year Award Honoring Russell Banks

Fire Chief Greg DuPuis presented Firefighter / Paramedic Russell Banks with a certificate honoring him as the 2022 Firefighter of the Year.

4. Fire Department Promotion Recognitions

Fire Chief Greg DuPuis announced the Justin Milligan's promotion to Administrative Captain, Stephen Hein to Fire Engineer and May Aung to Firefighter.

5. Recognize Public Works and Utilities Department for being Accident Free for Over One Year

Mayor Pro-Tem Ramirez presented a certificate to Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer on behalf of the Public Works and Utilities Department recognizing them for being accident-free for over one year.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

The following individual(s) spoke under Citizen Comments:

None

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

Mr. Erich Headrick provided written comment against Councilman Adkisson.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Adopt Resolution No. 4132 Certifying and Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration with Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Construction of Segments 1, 2, 13 and 14 of the Coalinga Trails Master Plan

Sean Brewer, Assistant City Manager

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

Mayor Horn opened the Public Hearing for comments.

Mr. Rocco Papietro urged the Council to add dog waste bags and trash receptacles to the trails and schedule routine maintenance and take a look at the trail off of Cambridge and Monterey because it is regularly used as a truck route and the trucks have already damaged that area.

Seeing no further comments, Mayor Horn closed the Public Hearing.

*Motion by Vosburg, Second by Ramirez to Adopt Resolution No. 4132 Approving a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Construction of the City of Coalinga Trails Master Plan Segments 1, 2, 13 and 14. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

2. Consideration and Approval of a Zoning Text Amendment and Introducing and Waiving the First Reading of Ordinance No. 852 Establishing Regulations for the Permitting of Mobile Food Trucks in the City of Coalinga

Sean Brewer, Assistant City Manager

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

Mayor Horn opened the Public Hearing for comments. Seeing none, Mayor Horn closed the Public Hearing.

*Motion by Adkisson, Second by Vosburg to Approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 852 Establishing Regulations for the Permitting of Mobile Food Trucks in the City of Coalinga. Motion **Approved** by 4/1 Roll-Call Majority Vote. (Ramirez voted – No).*

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve MINUTES – December 1, 2022
2. Approve MINUTES – December 5, 2022 (Special)
3. Waive Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance No. 856 (Adopting of 2022 California Building Codes)

Councilman Vosburg pulled Item No. 5.3 for discussion.

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

4. Adopt Resolution No. 4134 Authorizing Designated Signatures for City Bank Accounts with Union Bank
5. Adopt Resolution No. 4135 Authorizing Emergency Repairs to East Polk Street between East Glenn and South 6th Street and at the Intersection of Forest and East Polk in Accordance with California Public Contract Code

Councilman Vosburg pulled Item No. 5.3 for discussion.

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

6. Adopt Resolution No. 4136 Accepting and Appropriating Funds Derived from the Waived City Council Stipend for Councilman Hedgecock
7. Reject Claim for Damages Presented by Said Alexander Villalobos Otero

Councilman Vosburg pulled Item No. 5.3 for discussion.

City Manager Marissa Trejo gave a brief overview of the item.

8. Authorize City Manager to Execute an Amended Project Development Agreement with Johnson Controls to Develop an Energy Services Project (Water Treatment Plant Solar PV System with Battery Backup) pursuant to California Government Code 4217.10-4217.18

Councilman Vosburg pulled Item No. 5.3 for discussion.

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

9. Authorize Assistant City Manager to Coordinate an Appreciation Event for Public Works and Utilities Employees for being Accident-Free for Over One Year

*Motion by Ramirez, Second by Vosburg to **Approve** Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5.1 through 5.9. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

6. ORDINANCE PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

1. Swearing In of Re-Elected Councilmember Adam Adkisson
Marissa Trejo, City Manager

This item was Pulled during Changes to the Agenda.

2. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action related to the 2022/2023 Water Year and Water Conservation Efforts including Revising the Current Water Restrictions
Sean Brewer, Assistant City Manager

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

*Consensus of the Council is to **Table** the item for now. Staff shall bring back item updating the Council on final water usage for the current water year.*

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager's Announcements:

City Manager Marissa Trejo announced that the City is currently accepting Gas Assistance Applications. The rate assistance program is available to income qualifying customers and is available for a one time / one month payment of the natural gas portion of the utility bill. This assistance is available during the months of December through March. Applications are available in English and Spanish at City Hall.

Westside Family Preservation still has funding available for utility assistance and can be used for assistance with any utility fees however it is only available for renters not homeowners.

Council Member's Announcements:

Councilman Adkisson stated he was jealous of Councilman Hedgecock because he was in a part of the country where there is a Whataburger.

Councilman Vosburg stated that he continues touring the different departments of the City to see processes and changes since he was on the Council four years ago. He thanked City staff for accommodating him.

Mayor Pro-Tem Ramirez applauded Public Works and the Fire and Police Departments.

Mayor's Announcements:

None

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilman Vosburg requested the following Future Agenda Items:

1. a resolution establishing distance requirements for smoke shops from schools;
2. an item to bring back the Transparency and Accountability Committees and to add a committee for water; and

3. team building exercise for the City Council.

Councilman Adkisson requested a Future Agenda Item for an update on the animal shelter moving over to the new building.

Councilman Hedgecock requested a Future Agenda Item that would allow the City staff make emergency repairs with out having Council approval beforehand.

Mayor Pro-Tem Horn requested the following Future Agenda Items:

1. an update on the smart water meters;
2. cost estimates for diesel exhaust system at the Fire Department;
3. cost estimates for surveillance cameras in the Council Chambers;
4. cost estimates for lease/purchase 3 additional patrol vehicles for the Police Department; and
5. for public censure of Councilman Adkisson for failure to submit the required residency documents on time.

9. CLOSED SESSION

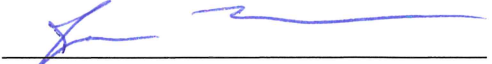
1. REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS – Government Code Section 54956.8. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. PROPERTY: 25 W. Polk Street (APN: 083-080-60S), Coalinga, CA. CITY NEGOTIATORS: City Manager Marissa Trejo and City Attorney Mario Zamora. NEGOTIATING PARTIES: Fresno County. UNDER NEGOTIATION: Price and Terms of Lease
2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – Government Code 54957.6. CITY NEGOTIATORS: City Manager, Marissa Trejo and City Attorney, Mario Zamora. EMPLOYEE (ORGANIZATION): Non-Represented Employees
3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – 1 case. National General Insurance Company v. City of Coalinga, Case No. 22CECL06514

10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

None.

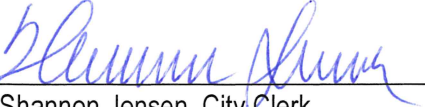
11. ADJOURNMENT 7:26 PM

APPROVED:



James Horn, Mayor

ATTEST:



Shannon Jensen, City Clerk

February 16, 2023

Date

From: erich@weserviceit.com
To: Information; [Marissa Trejo](#)
Subject: Citizens Comment 1/19/2023
Date: Thursday, January 19, 2023 11:53:38 AM

City Council of Coalinga,

I purchased a home in Coalinga last year from Adam Adkisson on 115 Hill View Ln. Part of the comfort in the buying process was knowing Adam was a member of the council and he represented himself as such. During the process of purchasing the property there was a personal hardship where Adam needed to reside in the house after closing so we granted a leaseback to help him and his family out.

There were dynamics taking place during the leaseback, for example; the refrigerator we purchased with the property was removed and replaced with a different one. When it was done without me knowing and then presented to me as an upgrade, upon informing Adam to bring the appliance back, he did and then sarcastically stated "It's gotta be this way, huh". If it were just that I wouldn't even complain but since moving in I actually had to replace that refrigerator with my home warranty because of the abuse to it. I am pointing this out because it spoke loudly of the character of this entity.

On my move in day, I arrived to the home in shambles. It was filthy and unfit for farm animals. It was an absolute assault on me and my family, especially considering Adam had promised to have the home professionally cleaned on move out and instead of doing so he trashed the home. Again, this speaks loudly of character.

After the fact there was an exchange with Adam about it but I was so disgusted, I didn't even want to speak with him or deal with him anymore. I guess I was cutting my losses.

So, fast forward a few months into the home, adapting to my new community and on the road to really being thankful for being here, a new crisis arose. The Pool Store here in town informed me there was a substantial leak in the pool. They informed me that they do not do leak detection or repairs and referred me to Pools Plus in Visalia. They also told me they had discussed this with Adam which is probably why Adam, prior to me occupying the home, was deliberate in advocating me to not use The Pool Store, a local Coalinga pool store, due to, in Adams words, not doing a good job.

To make an exhaustingly long story as short as possible, I learned from Pools Plus that Adam had approached them in September of 21' to do a leak detection but he never followed through. This is the exact month the home was listed for sale and there was NO disclosure of any sort of leak in the pool. So, after paying thousands of dollars I took him to court for fraud and won.

To take someone to court you must have them served. He was served at his Cedar St address, not the address he reports in district 1. I say this because I have learned through other parties that he in fact does not live at the Monterey St address and basically uses a broom closet at that address to establish residency to represent my district. As a tax

payer and citizen of Coalinga, my home, I am unhappy with the council turning a blind eye on this situation.

I could go on and on about him not appearing in court due to him self reporting COVID but on my court date he entered and exited the city building on multiple times and from what I am told no one was informed about him having COVID when he was there. Well, it is either he had COVID and did not care about whom he was in contact with, or, he was lying about having it to the courts. Either way, as a tax payer and citizen of Coalinga, I am disappointed in the entire situation.

As of this date January 19th 2023 I haven't been compensated for my losses from Mr Adkisson, court ordered, and I can only assume I will not be compensated. Let's face it, October he reached out and stated he was cashing in a money market account and taking care of the debt in short order. It's gotta be this way, huh?

In closing, I do NOT want someone who lives out of my district to represent my neighborhood and has total disregard for the law. The games in this town need to stop and stop right now. Am I asking too much?

Sincerely,
Erich M Headrick I
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