

MINUTES AMENDED CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING AGENDA April 20, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00PM

Council Members Present: Horn, Ramirez, Adkisson, Vosburg, Hedgecock

Others Present: City Manager Marissa Trejo, Assistant City Attorney Megan Dodd, Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer, Commander Sean Young, Financial Services Director Mai Vang, City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina, Administrative Analyst Mercedes Garcia (via Zoom), Fire Division Chief Eric Beasley, Public Works and Utilities Coordinator Larry Miller, and City Clerk Shannon Jensen

Council Members Absent: None

Others Absent: Fire Chief Greg DuPuis

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

1. Presentation of a plaque recognizing Sergeant Boulos' years of service to the city will be moved to the next meeting on May 4, 2023.

*Motion by Vosburg, Second by Ramirez to Approve the Changes to the Agenda and to Approve the Agenda for the meeting of April 6, 2023. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Recognition of Sergeant Rouch and Sergeant Boulos for their Years of Service to the City

Chief of Police Jose Garza and Mayor Horn each presented a plaque to Sergeant Rouch for his years of service to the City.

Presentation of a plaque recognizing Sergeant Boulos' years of service to the City was moved to the next City Council meeting on May 4, 2023 under Changes to the Agenda, as Sergeant Boulos was unable to make the meeting this evening.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

The following individual(s) spoke under Citizen Comments:

Hilda Crawford announced that the Library will be celebrating National Library Week next week with the following events:

Monday, April 24th

Library Closed

Tuesday, April 25th

Unlimited Computer Use

Fun Eats (Twinkie Bunny Race Cars) from 5:15pm to 6:30pm

Wednesday, April 26th

Movie Night (Maverick Top Gun) at 5:15pm

Thursday, April 27th

Bingo at 5:15pm

Friday, April 28th

No Events

Saturday, April 29th

Game Day

Blood Drive Bus from 11:00am to 3:00pm

Mrs. Crawford asked, on behalf of her husband, that staff take a look at the streetlight on 5th and Birch, as it has been out for some time.

Scott Netherton provided information on the festivities planned for the upcoming 86th Annual Horned Toad Derby "1983 – Risen from the Rubble" that will begin on Friday, May 26th at 3:00pm at Olson Park.

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

Robin Scott

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve MINUTES – March 2, 2023
2. Approve MINUTES – March 16, 2023
3. Approve MINUTES – April 6, 2023
4. Adopt Resolution No. 4148 Approving Chaplain Job Description and Adopt Resolution No. 4149 Approving Chaplain Pay Scale
5. Approve Second Amended and Restated Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Fresno and the City of Coalinga (Tax Sharing Agreement)

6. Authorize the City Manager to Order and Appraisal for Surplus Land Located at 180 Peirce Street to Determine the Current Value in Order for the Property to be Transferred or Sold to a Nonprofit for the Purpose of Maintaining its Current Use as a Community Garden
7. Authorize City Manager to Sign a Letter of Opposition on behalf of the Coalinga City Council Opposing SB 423 (Wiener), Streamlined Housing Approvals
8. Authorize City Manager to Sign a Letter of Opposition on behalf of the Coalinga City Council Opposing Fresno State's 1% Sales Tax Measure (Measure E)
9. Adopt Resolution No. 4151 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Agreements with Members of the Pleasant Valley Water Conveyance Partners, LLC for the Sale of Excess Untreated USBR Contract Water for Water Year 2023-2024
10. Adopt Resolution No. 4154 Approving the Removal of Watering Restrictions for Coalinga Residents and Businesses
11. Code Enforcement Monthly Report for March 2023
12. Public Works, Utilities & Community Development Quarterly Report for Jan-Mar 2023

*Motion by Adkisson, Second by Vosburg to **Approve** Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5.1 through 5.12. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

6. ORDINANCE PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

1. Appoint New Planning Commissioner to the Planning Commission
Sean Brewer, Assistant to the City Manager

This item was discussed as Item No. 6.2 in order to allow applicant Rocco Papietro to be available via Zoom.

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

*Motion by Vosburg, Second by Horn to **Approve** the appointment of Richard Hill to serve on the Planning Commission. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

2. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action regarding Appointments to the City of Coalinga Transparency and Accountability Committees
Marissa Trejo, City Manager

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

*Motion by Hedgecock, Second by Ramirez to **Approve** the appointments of the following applicants to the three Transparency and Accountability Committees:*

Public Safety/City Beautification/Code Enforcement/Animal Shelter Committee: District 1 – Justin Milligan; District 2 – Vona Darnell and Richard Hill; District 4 – Thomas Dominguez and Jess Rosales; and District 5 – Jim Allen

Sales Tax/Cannabis/Economic Development Committee: Justin Milligan

Water Committee: Dan McKay and Roger Tiffin

Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.

3. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action regarding Council Rules of Procedure
Marissa Trejo, City Manager

City Manager Marissa Trejo gave a brief overview of the item, stating that she would go through the sections needing direction in order to obtain Council's consensus on the changes. The revised document would then be brought back at the next meeting for consideration and approval.

Page 2, Decorum of City Council Members, Section hh – consensus of the Council is to remove this language.

Page 16, Roll Call / Attendance, Section 4 – consensus of the Council is to remove this language.

Page 21, Additional Items Requested by VOSBURG, No. 1 – consensus of the Council is that Mayor Horn and Councilman Vosburg shall work together to develop language to be included as an Addendum which will be brought back to Council for consideration and approval.

Page 21, Additional Items Requested by VOSBURG, No. 2, 3 and 4 – Citizens interested in making comments related to a specific agenda item shall complete a Public Comment Card and provide it to the City Clerk prior to the start of the meeting.

Consensus of the Council is to Approve the changes to the Council Rules of Procedure and to bring a clean version of the revised document back to Council for consideration and approval.

4. Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Proposed Budget Discussion and Direction – Personnel Budget Proposal
Mai Vang, Financial Services Director

City Manager Marissa Trejo gave a brief overview of the item, stating that the full budget picture would be presented at the next meeting on May 4, 2023.

Consensus of the Council is to postpone discussion on changes to the personnel budget until the full budget is presented at the May 4, 2023 meeting.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager's Announcements:

City Manager Marissa Trejo announced that the Part-Time Animal Control Officer has been hired. The next Chiefs Breakfast will be on Tuesday, May 2nd at 9:00am at Café 101. On Thursday, May 4th West Hills College will be having a Career Fair at 10:00am.

Council Member's Announcements:

Mayor Pro-Tem Ramirez stated he was pleased to see candidates apply for the committees. Mayor Pro-Tem congratulated and welcomed the new Animal Control Officer. Mayor Pro-Tem Ramirez thanked staff for

addressing the gutter on Valley Street. Mayor Pro-Tem Ramirez urged residents to stop dumping illegally and, if working with a contractor, to ensure you get a receipt from the dump showing they have disposed of project waste appropriately.

Councilman Adkisson announced that he has officially turned in his resignation letter and his last day will be June 2, 2023.

Councilman Vosburg announced that KMPH recently reported on Fresno County's desalination pilot project. The project has received a 5 Million dollar boost from the state and once in operation, the project will work to remove brackish groundwater from the westside upper aquifer and use salt-tolerant plants to remove salts from the brine. This water will then be distributed to the communities of Coalinga, Huron and Avenal. Councilman Vosburg appreciates all the time and effort that staff has put in to help with this project.

Councilman Hedgecock thanked the Code Enforcement Officer for her efforts in residents cutting their weeds. As the City continues to attract new business to town, he urges businesses and residents to maintain their landscaping.

Mayor's Announcements:

Mayor Horn announced that he has also been in contact with the County regarding the illegal dumping. The County is responsible party for the dumping. They are planning an upcoming tour the creeks and other areas of concern in order to schedule the cleanup.

Mayor Horn announced that he and Councilman Vosburg attended the League of California Cities, City Leaders Summit April 12th through the 14th in Sacramento. The two topics discussed most often were Homelessness and Public Safety.

Mayor Horn announced that the City has received 30 showerheads and 70 shut off valves to help with water conservation. They will be made available at the front desk at City Hall on a first come, first served basis. Residents are required to show proof of residency.

Mayor Horn announced that Joshua Babcock, a representative from Congressman Duarte's office, is available to meet with residents on the 3rd Monday of each month. Mr. Babcock is usually here from 8am to noon, however on May 15th he will be available from 1:00pm to closing.

Mayor Horn reminded the community that Congressman Duarte will be visiting Coalinga on May 2nd. He is scheduled to tour City departments and meet with the Mayor. He has offered to make himself available to meet with residents at 4:30pm at Café 101.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilman Vosburg requested a Future Agenda Item for the City to address the unsafe conditions of the old trestle bridge.

9. CLOSED SESSION

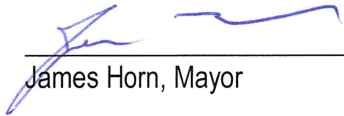
1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(4): 2 Cases

10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

None

11. ADJOURNMENT 8:00 PM

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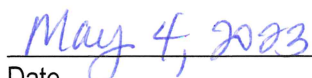


James Horn, Mayor

ATTEST:



Shannon Jensen, City Clerk



Date

From: [r.r.scott4272](#)
To: [Information](#)
Subject: City Council meeting 4/20/23
Date: Thursday, April 20, 2023 4:50:34 PM

Good evening council,

It is looking like I won't make the meeting tonight as we've had a sudden death in the family and I need to keep myself available to family right now. Our young, smart, beautiful, healthy and vibrant 22 year old niece, Karlee, suddenly, and without warning, passed away thru the night on 4/18/23. Prayers for her parents and siblings are sincerely appreciated. Thank you

Re: water committee:

Councilmen Vosburg and Ramirez,

We need to be PROACTIVE in establishing water storage for Coalinga and it's residents, instead of waiting and being forced to become REACTIVE when the surplus starts to dry up. And that will happen, eventually. I'd appreciate the opportunity to be on this committee, to work with like-minded water enthusiasts, like yourselves, towards water independence. It could happen. "Necessity is the mother of invention." Thank you. Robin Scott

Re: District one council upcoming vacancy:

I truly hope that when considering applicants and/or prior candidates for this chair, that council will also take into consideration the 200+ residents who voted for and supported Councilman Adkisson by appointing someone who won't harbor any personal bias towards his constituents. 200+ of us will never feel comfortable voicing our concerns or sharing ideas with ANY person who degraded us as a group, singled us out negatively or says they have to "rebuke Satan" when coming in contact with or speaking to us, even via social media. I beg of you all to not appoint someone who has the capacity to make another mockery of this council and our great city.

Thank you,

Robin Scott

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy Note20 Ultra 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone