

MINUTES CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING AGENDA January 16, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

Council Members Present: Horn, Ramirez, Vosburg, 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, Administrative Analyst Mercedes Garcia and City Clerk Shannon Jensen

Council Members Absent: None

Others Absent: None

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

1. Item No. 2.1 is Pulled from the Agenda at the request of Fresno County Assessor Paul Dictos:
2. Item No. 2.3 will be Moved to 2.1 at the request of the Chief of Police; and
3. At the request of the Mayor, Item Nos. 5.4, 6.6 and 6.7 shall be moved and discussed after the Citizen Comments.

*Motion by Horn, Second by Hedgecock to Approve the Agenda for the meeting of January 16, 2025. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Presentation on Fresno County Property Owners Projection Alert (FCPOPA) System, Presented by Fresno County Assessor-Recorder, Paul Dictos

*Item No. 2.1 was **Pulled** from the Agenda during Changes to the Agenda.*

2. Presentation on Measure C, Presented by Fresno County Transportation Authority Executive Director Terry Ogle and Fresno Council of Governments Executive Director Robert Phipps

Fresno Council of Governments Executive Director Robert Phipps and Fresno County Transportation Authority Executive Director Terry Ogle presented an update on Measure C, the half-cent sales tax aimed at improving the overall quality of Fresno County's transportation system.

3. Presentation of the 2024 First Responder of the Year Award

Item No. 2.3 was moved to 2.1 during Changes to the Agenda.

Chief of Police Jose Garza presented Police Officer Daniel Saucedo with a certificate for 2024 First Responder of the Year.

4. Presentation of the Fire Department's 2024 Employees of the Year

Fire Chief Greg DuPuis presented a certificate to Captain Stephen Hein as the Fire Department Employee of the Year for the Fire Division and a certificate to EMT Chantel Sanchez as the Employee of the Year for Emergency Medical Services.

5. Code Enforcement Monthly Report for December 2024

Code Enforcement Officer Yaneth Ibarra presented the Code Enforcement Monthly Report for December 2024.

6. City Department Updates

Financial Services Director Mai Vang presented the Finance Department updates.

Chief of Police Jose Garza announced that the Police Department updates would be postponed until the February meeting.

Fire Chief Greg DuPuis presented the Fire Department updates.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

The following individual(s) spoke under Citizen Comments:

Mary Jones requested the Staff to look into the most recent utility bills as they appear to cover more than one month which has caused some residents to be billed at a higher tier for their natural gas usage.

Mrs. Jones spoke in favor of Councilman Vosburg being appointed to the Mayor position.

Cheyne Strawn spoke in favor of Councilman Vosburg being appointed to the Mayor position.

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

None

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Check Register: 11/01/2024 - 11/30/2024
2. Conference Schedule for Calendar Year 2025 – Information Only
3. Approve Renewal of the Exclusive Authorization and Right to Sell Agreement between the City of Coalinga and Mid State Realty

Item No. 5.3 was pulled for discussion by Mayor Pro-Tem Horn.

Mayor Pro-Tem Horn is in favor of opening it up for other realtors to apply for 2 weeks as was done last year.

Councilman Schindler is in favor of opening a 2-week application period for others to apply.

Councilman Hedgecock is in favor of opening a 2-week application period for other to apply.

4. Adopt Resolution No. 4247 Accepting and Approving the Election Results from the November 5, 2024 Consolidated Statewide General Election

*Item No. 5.4 was **Pulled** from the Consent Calendar during Changes to the Agenda for a separate discussion and vote just after Citizen Comments.*

*Motion by Vosburg, Second by Horn to Adopt Resolution No. 4247 Accepting and Approving the Election Results from the November 5, 2024, Consolidated General Election. **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

5. Council Approval of the Purchase of 4 Solar Street Lights for the Intersections of Pacific & S. Coalinga Street and Walnut & Folsom Street
6. Waive the Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance No. 872 related to Commercial Cannabis Regulatory Permit Approval Process (ZTA-24-04)
7. Direct Staff to Determine the Feasibility of Relocating the City Electronic Sign at the Southeast Corner of E. Elm Ave and E. Polk Street – Future Agenda Item – Councilman Hedgecock
8. Notice of Completion for Birch, Durian & Lucille Ave Improvements
9. Authorize Interim City Manager to Execute Task Orders with the City Engineer for the Design Engineering for Segment 6 of the Coalinga Multi-Trail System Funded by the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Grant Program

*Motion by Horn, Second by Schindler to Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5.1 through 5.3 and 5.5 through 5.9, with the opening of a 2-week application period as directed for Item No. 5.3. **Approved** by a 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

*Motion by Vosburg, Second by Horn to Approve Consent Calendar Item No. 5.4 Adopting Resolution No. 4247 Accepting and Approving the Election Results from the November 5, 2024, Consolidated General Election. **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

6. ORDINANCE PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

1. Council Discussion and Potential Action related to Reassessing Committees – (Vosburg)
Sean Brewer, Interim City Manager

Consensus of the Council is to remove Cannabis from the Sales Tax / Cannabis / Economic Development Transparency and Accountability Committee and combine it with the Water. The newly formed Committee for Sales Tax / Water / Economic Development shall now be a Study Session with no members since it will now be open for all to attend.

2. Council Discussion and Potential Action related to Establishing a Vacancy Tax and/or Fee (Schindler)
Sean Brewer, Interim City Manager

Consensus of the Council is for Staff to work with the City Attorney to bring back options and process to implement a fee / tax that will help encourage commercial property owners to rent their properties instead of leaving them vacant for an extended period.

3. Fresno COG One Voice Priorities
Sean Brewer, Interim City Manager

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

Consensus of the Council is to focus on Federal Funding for Airport Improvement / Expansion, Assistance with Improving Housing Affordability, and Increase Ease of Access to Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) Funds as recommended by Staff.

4. Council Consideration of Options related to Lobbying Services for the City of Coalinga (Vosburg)
Sean Brewer, Interim City Manager

Interim City Manager Sean Brewer provided a brief overview of the item, stating this was a Future Agenda Item by Mayor Vosburg.

Executive Vice President Chief Operating Officer Renee Missakian of the CrisCom Company provided an overview of their services and accomplishments.

Consensus of the Council is for Staff to bring back a draft Request for Proposals (RFP) for Council's consideration.

5. ICAS Update and 2025 Airshow Discussion
Sean Brewer, Interim City Manager

Interim City Manager Sean Brewer provided a brief overview of his attendance at the International Council of Airshows (ICAS) Conference in Las Vegas in December 2024. Staff are looking at a September 27, 2025, airshow with the possibility of incorporating small scale aerobatics this year.

Consensus of the Council is for Staff to contract with an AirBoss which is required for an airshow with aerobatics show.

6. Swearing In of Re-Elected Councilmembers Roger Schindler, James Horn, and Jose "Manny" Ramirez and Re-Elected City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina
Sean Brewer, Interim City Manager

Item No. 6.6 was moved for consideration just after Citizen Comments and Consent Calendar Item No. 5.4.

City Clerk Shannon Jensen swore in re-elected Councilmembers Roger Schindler, James Horn, Jose "Manny" Ramirez and re-elected City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina.

7. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action regarding Reorganization of the City Council
Sean Brewer, Interim City Manager

Item No. 6.7 was moved for consideration just after Citizen Comments and Consent Calendar Item No. 5.4 and Discussion Item No. 6.6.

Motion by Hedgecock, Second by Schindler to Appoint Councilmember Nathan Vosburg to the Mayor Position.
Approved by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.

Motion by Hedgecock, Second by Vosburg to Appoint Councilmember Horn to the Mayor Pro-Tem Position.
Approved by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.

Former Mayor Horn called for a 5-minute break at 7:26pm in order for the Council to rearrange their seats after the reorganization.

Mayor Vosburg reconvened the meeting at 7:32pm.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager's Announcements:

None

Council Member's Announcements:

Councilman Schindler congratulate Mayor Vosburg and Mayor Pro-Tem Horn and he is looking forward to continuing to work together.

Mayor Pro-Tem Horn, Councilman Ramirez and Councilman Hedgecock agreed and joined in congratulating each other.

Mayor's Announcements:

Mayor Vosburg congratulated the re-election of Mayor Pro-Tem Horn, Councilman Ramirez, Councilman Schindler and City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

9. CLOSED SESSION

1. CITY MANAGER'S PERFORMANCE EVALUATION – Government Code Section 54957(b)

10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

None

11. ADJOURNMENT 8:13 PM

APPROVED:

Nathan Vosburg
Nathan Vosburg, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shannon Jensen
Shannon Jensen, City Clerk
March 11, 2025
Date