

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY

MEETING AGENDA

April 21, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00PM

Council Members Present: Ramsey, Singleton, Adkisson (*arrived at 6:02pm*), Ramirez, Horn

Others Present: City Manager Marissa Trejo, City Attorney Mario Zamora, Chief of Police Jose Garza, Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer, Financial Services Director Jasmin Bains, City Treasurer Dawn Kahikina, Fire Chief Greg DuPuis, Administrative Analyst Mercedes Garcia, 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. Item 2.1 will be moved to the next meeting scheduled for May 5, 2022.

*Motion by Ramirez, Second by Horn to Approve the Changes to the Agenda and Approve the Agenda for the meeting of April 21, 2022. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

2. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Certificate of Recognition – Coalinga High School Cheerleader's Achievements at the 2022 CIF Central Division D3 Cheer and Dance Championships

This item was moved to the May 5, 2022 City Council meeting during Changes to the Agenda.

2. Swearing in of Police Office Coti Seese

Chief of Police Jose Garza swore-in Police Officer Coti Seese.

3. Swearing in of Police Officer Brady Kaiser

Chief of Police Jose Garza swore-in Police Officer Coti Seese.

4. Swearing in of Police Officer Guadalupe Arroyo

Chief of Police Jose Garza swore-in Police Officer Coti Seese.

Mayor Ramsey called for a 5-10 minute break at 6:11pm.

Mayor Ramsey resumed the Meeting at 6:26pm.

5. Introduction of Code Enforcement Officer Yaneth Ibarra

City Manager Marissa Trejo introduced new Code Enforcement Officer Yaneth Ibarra.

6. Presentation of the New Public Works Bucket Truck

Assistant City Manager Sean Brewer gave a brief overview of the item and invited the Council, staff and the public, outside for a brief presentation of the new Public Works bucket truck.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

The following individual(s) spoke under Citizen Comments:

Mrs. Hilda Crawford of the Coalinga-Huron District Library announced that they will be starting up their programs again. Story Hour will take place every Wednesday from 10am-11am, Fun Eats will be every 3rd Thursday of the month, on Cinco de Mayo they will have Lotería (Mexican Bingo) from 3:00pm to 4:30pm and Mr. Nathan Vosburg will be resuming the computer programming with the kids.

Mrs. Bonnie Wikler requested the City Council consider that there is no independent person involved in the issue and stated the sewer issue was resolved after Public Work's second visit. (Item No. 9.1) Mrs. Wikler asked about the new charging stations being installed in the City Hall parking lot.

Mr. Nathan Vosburg expressed concern over the increase to expenses for budget year 2022-2023 (Item No. 6.1). Mr. Vosburg urged the Council to continue to try to recruit new businesses and urged the Council to make a 5-10 year spending plan.

Mr. Scott Netherton of the Coalinga Chamber of Commerce gave a brief update on their plans for the Derby. They have a good team working on the event and they will be bringing back a lot of the old attractions and that folks should look forward to seeing a brand new look this year.

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

Greg Cody

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve MINUTES – April 7, 2022

2. Information Only: Illegal Dumping
3. Information Only: Status Update on Property Located at 900 E. Polk St.
4. The CrisCom Company – Quarter 1 Report

Councilman Adkisson pulled Item No. 5.3 for discussion.

Renee Missakian of the CrisCom Company gave an overview of the Quarter 1 Report.

5. Receive Report and Approve a Regulatory Permit to JT Green Corporation, for Cannabis Cultivation, Manufacturing and Distribution
6. Introduce and Waive First Reading of Ordinance No. 851 Amending Section 2-1.203 of the Coalinga Municipal Code Relating to City Council Salary

Councilman Horn pulled Item No. 5.6 for discussion.

City Attorney Mario Zamora recommended to set the increase at \$450.00 and stated that it would not go into effect until after the election.

7. Authorize Staff to Proceed with the Necessary Repairs to the Public Works Patch Truck
8. Consider and Approve Bid Award for West Coalinga Multi-Use Trails (Segments 10-12) Project
9. Approve Scope of Work and Further Submission of an Application for Cycle 6 Active Transportation Grant Program
10. Adopt Resolution No. 4080 Declaring Housing Successor Property (APN 071-123-18T) as Surplus Land Under the Surplus Land Act
11. Adopt Resolution No. 4081 Declaring Housing Successor Property (APN 083-020-56ST, 083-020-58ST, 083-020-59ST and the Remainder of APN 083-020-60ST and 083-080-63ST) as Surplus Land Under the Surplus Land Act
12. Adopt Resolution No. 4082 Declaring Housing Successor Property (APN 071-162-16ST) as Surplus Land Under the Surplus Land Act

*Motion by Adkisson, Second by Ramirez 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. Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Requested Budget Discussion and Direction
Jasmin Bains, Financial Services Director

Financial Services Director Jasmin Bains gave a brief overview of the item.

Councilman Adkisson recommended the following changes to the draft budget:

- Of the 4 Police Officer Reserve positions, hire 2 in July 2022 and 2 in January 2023; and
- Of the 2 Police Officer positions, hire 1 in July 2022 and 1 in January 2023.

Consensus of the Council is to update the budget with the recommended changes and bring budget back for consideration and approval at the next City Council meeting on May 5, 2022.

2. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action regarding the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) also referred to as American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds

Marissa Trejo, City Manager

City Manager Marissa Trejo gave a brief overview of the item

*Motion by Adkisson, Second by Ramirez to Approve the Staff Recommendations for Use of the Remaining ARPA Funds. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

3. Discussion, Direction and Potential Action Related to the Approval of a Lawn to Garden Rebate Pilot Program

Larry Miller, Public Works & Utilities Coordinator

Public Works & Utilities Coordinator Larry Miller gave a brief overview of the item.

*Motion by Adkisson, Second by Horn to Approve the launch of the Lawn to Garden Rebate Pilot Program. Motion **Approved** by 5/0 Roll-Call Majority Vote.*

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager's Announcements:

City Manager Marissa Trejo announced that WHC Coalinga will be hosting a Spring 2022 Career Fair on May 3, 2022 from 8:00am to 1:00pm.

Council Member's Announcements:

None

Mayor's Announcements:

Mayor Ramsey announced that the new traffic light at Elm and Cambridge Avenues is now working.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilman Horn request a Future Agenda Item to discuss the moratorium on swimming pools.

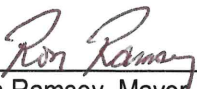
9. CLOSED SESSION

1. Anticipated Litigation under Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): 1 case – Bonnie Wikler Claim

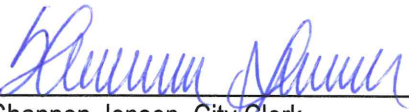
10. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

None

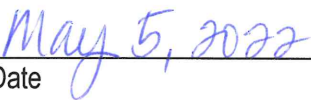
11. ADJOURNMENT 8:42 PM



Ron Ramsey, Mayor



Shannon Jensen, City Clerk



Date

From: Greg Cody
To: Marissa Trejo; Ron Ramsey; Information
Subject: 04/21/2022 Citizen Comment
Date: Thursday, April 21, 2022 4:37:43 PM

In regard to raises for Council-members.

First I would like to say that I feel council members should be paid and they are being paid a reasonable amount.

I would also like to point out that the council member that is requesting a raise previously stated that council members should not receive benefits or stipends.

For an unreasonable amount of time the same councilman fought hard to prevent police officers from getting their fair raises which he described them to be unworthy.

Numerous times he states "we have got to stop spending money!"

As all of you know they were forced to stand beneath council begging and pleading.

The much more honorable councilman Horn ran his campaign on it being an unpaid position. Once elected he requested to forfeit his stipend check.

Currently inflation has not been so high in 40 years and we are moving rapidly to a recession. Many of the tax paying citizens are struggling financially.

I feel it would be very selfish for council to give themselves raises at this time. I believe council should have the integrity to table the matter for the time being.

Regards, Greg Cody