



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES
October 21, 2014 7:00 PM
Council Chambers, Civic Auditorium
400 N. Douty Street**

Study Session at 6:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION WILL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE REGULAR AGENDA

ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK:

Mayor Pannett called the study session to order at 6:02 p.m.

Present: Joleen Jameson, Lou Martinez, Russ Curry, Gary Pannett

Absent: Jim Irwin

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no comments.

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1. STUDY SESSION FOR THE DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:

A. 2016 Housing Element Study Session

Community Development Manager Melody Haigh provided a brief overview of the Housing Element. John Douglas, consultant working with the Multi-jurisdictional Housing Element, provided a power point presentation regarding the 2016-2024 Housing Element Update including an overview of the joint effort of Kings County and four cities, housing element requirements, recent changes in California law, key issues, and next steps. Mr. Douglas responded to questions and comments by the City Council.

Mayor Pannett adjourned the study session at 6:34 p.m.

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ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK:

Mayor Pannett called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Joleen Jameson, Lou Martinez, Russ Curry, Gary Pannett

Absent: Jim Irwin

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FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Pannett led the flag salute.

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INVOCATION:

Chad Fagundes led the invocation.

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RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

Presentation by Benjamin Kimball for the following award by American Planning Association, California Chapter: 2014 Central Section Planning Award of Merit in the category of Comprehensive Planning: Small Jurisdiction for the Hanford Downtown East Precise Plan

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Patrick Panzera expressed his concern about working with staff regarding his hangar and submitted an email for the record.

Glenda Dwyer spoke positively about the several signs in the community that read "In God We Trust". She thanked Council Members Jameson and Irwin for their four years of service.

Jim Castleman announced he was recently appointed to Main Street Hanford and spoke briefly about the organization. He thanked the Council and staff for their attendance and participation.

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WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE:**2. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:**

City Manager announced some upcoming events that the City Council has been invited to and can RSVP to the City Clerk.

Fire Chief Tim Ieronimo announced his retirement effective November 9th.

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3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion to approve consent calendar except item D by :Joleen Jameson/Russ Curry. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Curry, Jameson, Martinez, Pannett. Absent: Irwin.

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion (**ROLL CALL VOTE required**). For discussion of an item on the Consent Calendar, it will be removed at the request of any member of the City Council or any person in the audience and made a part of the regular agenda.

- A. City Clerk: Deny claim for damages and direct the City Clerk to send out notification of such to Virginia Yanez.
- B. City Clerk: Approve a request from Koinonia Christian Fellowship for a donation to support the Party4Life New Year's Eve celebration, in the amount of \$600
- C. City Clerk: Approve Meeting Minutes for October 7, 2014
- D. City Manager: Authorize the Mayor to participate in Wings of Honor Program on behalf of the City of Hanford.

Council Member Martinez pulled the item for a brief discussion.

Motion to approve as presented by :Lou Martinez/Joleen Jameson. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Curry, Jameson, Martinez, Pannett. Absent: Irwin.

- E. Public Works: Award a contract to Eslick Construction, Inc. of Fresno, CA in the amount of \$488,470.27 for the Grangeville Boulevard at 9-1/4 Avenue Traffic Signal Installation Project and establish a construction contingency of \$48,847.00 for this project.
- F. Public Works: Approval of a budget amendment for the purchase and installation of new sound system equipment for the Civic Auditorium in the amount of \$14,788.57.
- G. Finance: Warrant Register for October 2, 2014 through October 15, 2014

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Public Works: Hold a Public Hearing for the removal of the crosswalk at 10th Avenue and Crass Avenue and designate the intersection to be marked as a no-crossing location per the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices and California Vehicle Code.

Public Works Deputy Director John Doyel provided a brief overview regarding the removal of the crosswalk. Mayor Pannett continued the public comments from the October 7, 2014 meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Roy Fialho presented a petition signed by citizens and business owners in District C to save the crosswalk. Mr. Fialho spoke in opposition to the removal and discussed comments shared with him by others in the neighborhood.

Willie Barba, resident of the County, stated his support of keeping the crosswalk or adding lights to make the area safer to cross.

Fred Lee expressed his support of the crosswalk as it adds safety to the area.

Mayor Pannett closed the public comments at 7:40 p.m. Mr. Doyel responded to some of the comments by the public and offered options to the Council including removal of the crosswalk and add signage of no crossing, creating an unmarked crosswalk, or to leave the crosswalk.

Mayor Pannett discussed a crosswalk in Avenal that has solar powered flashing lights and requested Council to take that as another option to consider.

Council Member Jameson spoke to the differences in the traffic conditions in Avenal. She commented on the liability of the city and the general safety and actions of pedestrians.

Council Member Martinez stated that the public will continue to cross at that location whether a crosswalk is there or not. He knows a lot of people use it, but we also need to consider compliance by the City.

Vice Mayor Curry agrees that due to liability the crosswalk should be removed, but leave it as an unmarked crosswalk.

Motion to remove the marked crosswalk and allow for an unmarked crosswalk by :Joleen Jameson/Russ Curry. Passed. 3- 1. Ayes: Curry, Jameson, Martinez. Nays: Pannett. Absent: Irwin.

- B. Public Works: Adopt Resolution No. 14-57-R, establishing permit fees for hanging of banners over City streets.

Public Works Director Lou Camara provided background information for the Council's review and consideration. Mayor Pannett opened the public comments at 8:12 p.m. With no comments, Mayor Pannett closed the public comments at 8:12 p.m.

Motion to adopt Resolution 14-57-R by :Russ Curry/Lou Martinez. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Curry, Jameson, Martinez, Pannett. Absent: Irwin.

5. DEFERRED BUSINESS: NONE

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Police: Waive the second reading and approve Ordinance 14-11 pertaining to the addition of Chapter 8.32 of Title 8, relating to the impermissible cultivation of medical marijuana as public nuisance.

Interim Police Chief Parker Sever briefly discussed the proposed ordinance and clarified that this does not prohibit the use of medical marijuana, only the cultivation.

Motion to waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance 14-11 by :Russ Curry/Joleen Jameson. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Curry, Jameson, Martinez, Pannett. Absent: Irwin.

- B. Public Works: Waive the second reading and approve Ordinance 14-10, amending Section 12.04.180 of the Hanford Municipal Code to modify regulations for banner permits.

Public Works Director Lou Camara briefly commented on the item.

Motion to waive the second reading and approve Ordinance 14-10 by :Lou Martinez/Joleen Jameson. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Curry, Jameson, Martinez, Pannett. Absent: Irwin.

- C. Public Works: Authorize the Public Works Director to execute Work Order No. 19 with Lane Engineers for a structural and life safety evaluation of the Bastille, Old Fire Station, Civic Auditorium, and the Veteran's Building, for the not to exceed amount of \$67,700.00.

Public Works Director Lou Camara provided background information for the Council's review and consideration. Mr. Camara responded to questions and comments by the City Council.

Motion to approve the item as presented by :Russ Curry/Joleen Jameson. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Curry, Jameson, Martinez, Pannett. Absent: Irwin.

- D. Public Works: Approve a budget amendment moving this project from FY16 Capital Improvement Program budget to FY 15 Capital Improvement Program budget, an additional appropriations from the Wastewater Capital Reserve fund, the purchase of a pump, control panel, and an installation contract for Sanitary Sewer Lift Station #33.

City Manager Darrel Pyle briefly discussed the item.

Motion to approve item as presented by :Lou Martinez/Joleen Jameson. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Curry, Martinez, Pannett, Jameson. Absent: Irwin.

- E. Public Works: Approve the payment to California Water Services in the amount of \$65,509.52, for continued consultation, chlorine, and equipment as needed to chlorinate the water system as mandated by the State of California, Department of Public Health.

Public Works Deputy Director John Doyel provided background information for the Council's review and consideration, as well as an update on the chlorination work that will need to be done moving forward. Mr. Doyel responded to questions and comments by the City Council.

Motion to approve as presented by :Russ Curry/Joleen Jameson. Passed. 4-0. Ayes: Jameson, Martinez, Pannett, Curry. Absent: Irwin.

7. COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS:

Council Member Jameson commented on Witches Night Out and stated that it was a lot of fun with a large turn out.

Council Member Martinez attended recent events at Coe Park, enjoyed the Soup Cook off, and commended Parks & Recreation for all of the local activities they provide for the community.

Vice Mayor Curry attended the Planning Commission meeting.

Mayor Pannett attended KCAO meetings, met with several businesses that are interested in locating downtown, and would like to meet with staff to see if there are other crosswalks that need to be addressed and discuss possible options.

Since the next City Council meeting is on Election Day, Vice Mayor Curry made a motion to cancel the November 4th meeting and to have a special meeting on November 6th if necessary. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jameson and unanimously carried 4-0 (Jim Irwin absent).

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Mayor Pannett adjourned to closed session at 8:38 p.m.

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ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

8. CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:

- A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS – Pursuant to Government Code Sec. 54956.8

Property: APNs 009-050-046, 009-050-043, 009-050-042, 009-050-041, 009-050-040, 009-050-039, 009-05-029
Agency Negotiators: Darrel Pyle, and Ty Mizote.
Negotiating Party: College of the Sequoias and Hanford Joint High School District
Under Negotiation: Terms and Price

- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION – Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9

(d)(2):

CASE NAME: Michael Hamburger, et al. v. City of Hanford, et al.

CASE NUMBER: Kings County No. 13C0256

CASE NAME: City of Hanford v. Patrick Panzera

CASE NUMBER: Kings County No. 14UD0344

- C.** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2)

NUMBER OF POTENTIAL CASES: 1

9. CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

- A.** Closed Session Action Report

There was nothing to report.

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10. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Pannett adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gomez
City Clerk

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