The City of Hanford

CALIFORNIA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES
February 3, 2015 7:00 PM
Council Chambers, Civic Auditorium
400 N. Douty Street

<u>The Study Session will begin at 5:00 p.m.</u>

<u>Closed Session will begin at 6:30 p.m.</u>

ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK:

Mayor Russ Curry called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Present: Justin Mendes, Francisco Ramirez (5:12 p.m.), Gary Pannett, David Ayers, Russ Curry

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dan Chin commented on the businesses that have invested in downtown over the last ten years due to the regulations that are currently in place. He requested that the Council seriously consider these rules before making any changes to them and offered his knowledge of why those zones were created.

Owner of Mudslingers Coffee stated that he was told to take his signs down, but he is seeing similar signs around town and is concerned that everything they are doing is being opposed by the city. The Mayor directed his concerns to the Community Development Director Darlene Mata.

Bob Ramos stated that the city pool should be relocated and made into an Olympic size pool to accommodate competitive events. He also recommended that the skate park be moved to a better part of town.

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1. <u>STUDY SESSION FOR THE DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:</u>

A. City Manager: Goals & Objectives of the City Council

Acting Fire Chief Jim Sunia provided a Power Point presentation regarding their objectives, priorities, and current budget. He detailed the proposed and projected productivity measurements. Future options were discussed regarding additional staff, a new fire station, and the purchase of a ladder truck.

Council and staff discussed options such as reserve firefighters to be hired as contract employees and paid from one-time funds or hire 1,000 hour employees. These can be short-term solutions based on limited funds. Staff will analyze these different options and present the findings to the Council. Staff will also prepare options on how to obtain a ladder truck.

City Manager Darrel Pyle commented on the potential revenue of having strike teams that are called up by the State to cover fires. Current policy is if the department drops below 70% in bodies or equipment then they will not respond, but that policy could be changed by the Council. Last year they were able to respond to half of the requests.

City Manager Darrel Pyle summarized the Council's goals and objectives for the Fire Department to include an analysis of the following:
1) Options to use one-time funds for contract employees and volunteers/reserves
2) How to acquire a ladder truck
3) Options to staff a third fire station
4) Impact on assisting the Office of Emergency Services for out of area fires

Police Chief Parker Sever provided a presentation noting current vacancies and the recruitment process. He gave an overview of the current budget, noting that overtime is the biggest concern in several divisions. Chief Sever gave an update on the "Take Home Car Program" and body worn cameras. He presented problems with the current facilities and proposed options to expand to neighboring properties. Increasing resources to be proactive would assist in reducing calls.

City Manager Darrel Pyle summarized the Council's goals and objectives for the Police Department to include an analysis of the following:
1) Facilities planning including required funding
2) Staffing strategies to allow growth
3) Impact fee analysis
4) Development of a central dispatch

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2. <u>CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:</u>

Closed session was moved to the end of the regular meeting.

Mayor Curry adjourned to closed session at 8:44 p.m.

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A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS – Pursuant to Government Code Sec. 54956.8
Property: APNs 012-086-007, 012-091-006
Agency Negotiators: Darrel Pyle and Ty Mizote
Negotiating Party: Family Healthcare Network
Under Negotiation: Terms and Price

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2)

NUMBER OF POTENTIAL CASES: 3

C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(4)

NUMBER OF POTENTIAL CASES: 1

D. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION – Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 (d)(1):

CASE NAME: City of Hanford v. County of Kings
CASE NUMBER: Kings County No. 14C0058

CASE NAME: Patricia Grantham v. City of Hanford, et al.
CASE NUMBER: Kings County No. 14C0009

ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK:

Mayor Curry called the regular meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Justin Mendes, Francisco Ramirez, Gary Pannett, David Ayers, Russ Curry

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FLAG SALUTE:

Council Member Ramirez led the flag salute.

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INVOCATION:

Vice Mayor Ayers requested a moment of silence in memory of former Mayor and Council Member Hal Brown.

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3. CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

A. Closed Session - Action Report

Closed session followed the regular meeting and there was nothing to report.

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING - 7:00 PM

RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

Resolution of Recognition of Bob Keenan

City Manager Darrel Pyle read the Resolution to the Council and audience.

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

Noor Memon expressed concern about the kiosk that he rented and acknowledged that he has been behind in paying his rent and was therefore evicted. He would like to return to the kiosk for one more year.

Davis Taylor, representing Main Street Hanford, encouraged the Council to receive feedback from all of the downtown businesses regarding amendments to the zoning ordinance prior to any actions that will be taken.

Glenda Dwyer, a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee, believes it is premature to bring anything to the Council at this time. She stated that the committee has not come to any agreement on any issues yet, and she would like Dan Chin to come before the committee to give some background on the zoning ordinances.

Samantha Dodero of San Joaquin Valley Clean Energy Organization discussed the Krackdown challenge for commercial businesses to make measurable and lasting changes in the way they consume energy and improve their operating costs.

Bob Ramos spoke in support of assisting Mr. Memon in taking the kiosk back. He also expressed the desire for the city to catch water that is being expelled from fire hydrants when they are being serviced.

Shaka Sudds would like the Council to do what they can to support public safety. She stated that some residents in her area require more access to police services.

Craig Johnson spoke about the potential zoning amendments and encouraged the Council to do what's best for Hanford.

Shelly Talbert of Main Street Hanford commented on the possibility of using incentives and to look at zoning changes carefully to protect the downtown businesses.

Jason Jones added to Ms. Sudds comments about low income housing and the problem of the residents not reporting crimes.

Shelly Barker asked about the relationship between the City and the County and how they assist each other to respond to fires. She also briefly commented on Prop. 47.

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WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE:

4. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Public Works: The City of Hanford was the recipient of the American Public Works Association ("APWA") Central California Chapter 2014 Project of the Year Award for projects less than $5 million in Sustainable Practices. A representative of APWA will be on hand to present a plaque to the City Council.

John Doyel representing the American Public Works Association presented a plaque to the City.

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5. <u>CONSENT CALENDAR:</u>

Motion to approve the consent calendar by :David Ayers/Gary Pannett. Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Ayers, Curry, Mendes, Pannett, Ramirez.

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: Approve Meeting Minutes for January 6, 2015

B. City Clerk: Approve Meeting Minutes for January 20, 2015

C. City Manager: Adopt Resolution 15-03-R supporting Assembly Bill 23

D. Human Resources: Adopt Resolution 15-04-R amending the existing "Fire Bargaining Unit" to include Fire Captains

E. Human Resources: Authorize the City Manager to sign the "Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Hanford and Hanford Firefighters, Local 3898, IAFF from July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2016"

F. Public Works: Permission to Advertise the FY 14/15 Cape Seal Treatment Project.

G. Public Works: Permission to Advertise the FY 14/15 Slurry Seal Treatment on Residential Streets Project.

H. Public Works: Purchase of five 2015 Ford F-350 utility trucks from Keller Ford of Hanford in the amount of $142,970.40; and declare five utility trucks as surplus and authorize the sale of those vehicles.

I. Public Works: Approval of License Agreement with Peoples Ditch Company for installation of a water pipeline by City within Peoples Ditch Company embankment.

J. Public Works: Approve a contract for installation of pumps, guide rails, and outlet piping for Sanitary Sewer Lift Station #52 with Mattos Underground for $30,831.81.

K. Public Works: Confirm the continuing emergency for the installation of the continuous chlorination system required per violation issued by the State Water Resources Control Board.

L. Police: Ratification of an MOU between the City of Hanford and the County of Kings for airplane services and hanger space rental.

M. Finance: Warrant Register for period January 15, 2015 through January 28, 2015.

6. <u>PUBLIC HEARINGS:</u>

A. Community Development: Adoption of Resolution 15-02-R, (TEFRA resolution), approving the issuance of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds for the Amberwood I and II apartments by the California Statewide Communities Development Authority.

City Manager Darrel Pyle discussed the process and request by the applicant to the City Council. The applicant responded to questions and comments by Vice Mayor Ayers. Mayor Curry opened public comments at 7:50 p.m. Bob Ramos expressed concern about the current residents and the impact on them. With no further comments given, closed public comments at 7:52 p.m.

Motion to adopt Resolution 15-02-R by :David Ayers/Gary Pannett. Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Ayers, Curry, Mendes, Pannett, Ramirez.

7. <u>DEFERRED BUSINESS: NONE</u>

8. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

A. Community Development: Discussion and initiation of various amendments to the Zoning Ordinance including secondary/ancillary uses, medical offices in Downtown, New furniture stores, theaters, full service hotels and banks.

Community Development Director Darlene Mata discussed and requested direction regarding secondary/ancillary uses, medical offices, furniture sales, theaters, hotels, and banks.

Vice Mayor Ayers followed up with his observations of the Citizen Advisory Committee's meeting where they voted on these issues.

Council Member Pannett supports communication with the public to receive input, but he is concerned about the current limitations that the zones provide.

Council Member Ramirez believes incentives will be key for downtown, but parking is a significant problem and cannot be ignored if we want to encourage more businesses downtown.

Council Member Mendes opposes business regulation in general. He does support the banks staying downtown, but the city needs full service hotels to support events and meetings and should be allowed to be located anywhere. Theaters and furniture stores should not be limited either. Medical offices should be allowed to be whatever size they want if they want to locate downtown.

Mayor Curry suggested a town hall meeting to allow all of the stakeholders to attend and provide input. Council Member Mendes would also like the concept of incentives to be on that agenda as well.

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B. Public Works: FY 14/15 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget amendment for proposed Courthouse Facility Electrical Upgrade Project.

Public Works Director Lou Camara provided background information for the Council's review and consideration.

Motion to approve the item as presented by :Gary Pannett/Justin Mendes. Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Ramirez, Pannett, Mendes, Curry, Ayers.

C. City Manager: Receive the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

City Manager Darrel Pyle discussed the plan for the Council's information and stated that an agenda item will be brought back at the next meeting for the Council to adopt the plan.

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9. COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS:

Council Member Mendes commented on the meetings that he attended with other organizations.

Council Member Ramirez attended the Grand Opening of the Vendome Building and praised the historic appearance.

Council Member Pannett commented on city events that he attended including the City Employee Appreciation Dinner.

Vice Mayor Ayers reported on the Waste Recycling meeting and also praised the construction of the Vendome Building.

Mayor Curry attended the City/County Coordinating meeting and also the City Employee Appreciation Dinner. He briefly commented on other various meetings that he attended.

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10. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gomez
City Clerk

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