



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

**February 2, 2016 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
400 N. Douty St.**

6:30 PM CALL TO ORDER CLOSED SESSION:

Mayor Justin Mendes called the closed session to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT - CLOSED SESSION:

Comments from the public are limited to items on the agenda (GC54954.3a). A maximum of five minutes is allowed for each speaker.

There were no comments given.

CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:

Mayor Mendes adjourned to closed session at 6:31 p.m.

A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS - Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: APNs 018-242-077, 018-242-067, 014-251-049, 014-251-050
Agency Negotiators: Darrel Pyle and Ty Mizote
Negotiating Party: Helena Chemical Company
Under Negotiation: Terms and Price

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 - Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)

Number of Potential Cases - 1

C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)

Number of Potential Cases - 1

7:00 PM CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION:

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

ROLL CALL:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Russ Curry	Council Member	Present	6:06 PM
David Ayers	Council Member	Present	5:45 PM
Gary Pannett	Council Member	Present	6:21 PM
Francisco Ramirez	Vice Mayor	Present	5:52 PM
Justin Mendes	Mayor	Present	6:28 PM

FLAG SALUTE:

Council Member Curry led the flag salute.

INVOCATION:

Council Member Pannett led the invocation.

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

There was nothing to report.

RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

Public Works Director Lou Camara reported that all of the information has been submitted for an EDA grant.

Community Development Director Darlene Mata announced that a new building inspector will be starting soon. The survey regarding the downtown buildings is complete and a report will be brought back soon.

Police Chief Parker Sever discussed their new program, Hanford Area Reconciliation Project (HARP), and they are looking for volunteers to be trained and serve as mediators. The training is scheduled for March 16 thru 19.

Fire Chief Chris Ekk reported that they are preparing for a new firefighter to start in a couple of weeks.

Finance Director Tom Dibble stated that they are waiting for the audit reports.

Parks & Recreation Director Craig Miller announced the upcoming Spring Kids Fest scheduled for Saturday, March 19th.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

This is the time for citizens to comment on subject matters not on the agenda within the jurisdiction of the Hanford City Council or to comment on items listed under the Consent Calendar or to request an item from the Consent Calendar be pulled for discussion purposes. Comments related to General Business items or Public Hearing items will be heard at the time the item is discussed.

*A maximum of **five minutes** is allowed for each speaker. Please begin your comments by stating your name and providing your city of residence.*

There were no comments given.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these matters unless a request is made and then the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar to be discussed and voted upon by a separate motion.

Motion to approve the consent calendar.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gary Pannett, Council Member
SECONDER:	Francisco Ramirez, Vice Mayor
AYES:	Curry, Ayers, Pannett, Ramirez, Mendes

- A. City Clerk: Approve Minutes from the January 19, 2016 Meeting
- B. City Clerk: Approve Minutes from the January 25, 2016 Special Meeting
- C. City Clerk: Approve Minutes from the January 25, 2016 Citizen Summit Meeting
- D. City Clerk: Approve Minutes from the January 26, 2016 Special Meeting
- E. City Clerk: Approve Minutes from the January 27, 2016 Special Meeting
- F. Police: Approve the allocation of police impact fee funds in the amount of \$22,000 for improvements at 422 N. Douty Street.
- G. IT: Approve the allocation of police impact fee funds in the amount of \$14,508 for network improvements to 422 N. Douty Street
- H. Public Works: Approve a Notice of Completion for Tract No. 794, Unit 2, Quail Park Subdivision, and authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's Office.
- I. Public Works: Notice of completion for the Pool Plunge Renovation Project
- J. Finance: Warrant Register

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Finance: Public Hearing regarding the Application and Resolution to issue an operating permit for Joe Carrillo DBA 4 Seasons Cab Co. to operate a Taxicab Business in the City of Hanford

Finance Director Tom Dibble provided background information for the Council's review and consideration.

Mayor Mendes opened the public comments at 7:09 p.m. Joe Carillo, applicant, requested that the Council approve his application. Mr. Carillo responded to questions by the Council. With no further comments, Mayor Mendes closed the public comments at 7:10 p.m.

Motion to approve as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gary Pannett, Council Member
SECONDER:	Francisco Ramirez, Vice Mayor
AYES:	Curry, Ayers, Pannett, Ramirez, Mendes

B. Finance: Public Hearing regarding the Application and Resolution to Issue an Operating Permit for Bryant Sandoval DBA Amigos Taxi to Operate a Taxicab Business in the City of Hanford

Finance Director Tom Dibble briefly discussed the applicant's request. Staff responded to questions and comments by the Council.

Mayor Mendes opened the public comments at 7:13 p.m., and with no comments given, closed public comments at 7:13 p.m.

Motion to approve as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gary Pannett, Council Member
SECONDER:	Francisco Ramirez, Vice Mayor
AYES:	Curry, Ayers, Pannett, Ramirez, Mendes

Following the vote, Mayor Mendes inquired of the Council if they would like future decisions regarding taxi applications to be handled by staff. The consensus of the Council was to change the process and allow staff to approve or deny the permits, but applicants could appeal to the City Council.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

A. Administration: Discussion and direction regarding the Annual Black History Month Dinner Event

City Manager Darrel Pyle provided the history of the program. Staff responded to questions and comments by the Council. The Council expressed concern about the City's liability and risk for not being reimbursed. Due to the event already being advertised, the Council concurred for the staff to move forward and cover the cost of the catering. They would like a report afterwards to evaluate the success of the event and to review how this should be handled in the future.

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS:

Council Member Ayers thanked staff for the City Employee Appreciation Dinner and stated that it was a first class event.

Council Member Curry attended the Main Street Hanford meeting. He also attended the Parking & Traffic Commission where they approved the bicycle plan. He expressed that he had some concerns over the proposed County wide sales tax and would like to see the comments prepared by the City Attorney's office. The League's General Membership meeting will be held in Visalia on February 11th.

Council Member Pannett attended KCAO and Planning Commission meetings. He stated that the citizens enjoyed the Citizen Summit, and they would like more opportunities to communicate with the Council. Mr. Pannett thanked the City Clerk for preparing the Council's gift basket for the City Dinner. He had a great time at the event with the employees and other Council Members.

Vice Mayor Ramirez went to the parade for the Hanford Football team and stated that it was well attended.

Mayor Mendes commented on actions taken by the San Joaquin Valley Water Infrastructure Authority. He met with businesses at the Industrial Park to discuss what some of their needs are, and they appreciated the City reaching out to them. He would like to see them get together on a quarterly basis to keep the communication going. Mr. Mendes also attended the City dinner and really enjoyed the theme.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Mendes adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gomez
City Clerk