



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

February 16, 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:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Russ Curry	Council Member	Present	
David Ayers	Council Member	Present	
Gary Pannett	Council Member	Present	
Francisco Ramirez	Vice Mayor	Present	
Justin Mendes	Mayor	Present	

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.

CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:

Mayor Mendes adjourned to closed session at 6:32 p.m.

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)

Number of Potential Cases - 1

B. 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

Property: APNs 010-034-003, 1502 N. Brown, Well #2; 012-095-001, SE corner Irwin and Fifth St.
Agency Negotiators: Darrel Pyle and Ty Mizote
Negotiating Party: Cricket Communications
Under Negotiation: Terms and Price

7:00 PM CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION:

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

ROLL CALL:

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

FLAG SALUTE:

Vice Mayor Francisco Ramirez led the flag salute.

INVOCATION:

Mayor Mendes led the invocation.

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

There was no action taken.

RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

Public Works Director Lou Camara reported that the landscape portion of the 12th Avenue and Hwy 198 Interchange project will be delayed to two or three years from now. He and Community Development Director Mata are working on a reduction in the City's water conservation requirements.

Community Development Director Darlene Mata stated that a new building inspector should be on board in the next few weeks.

Fire Chief Ekk announced that we have a new firefighter. Volunteer firefighter recruitment will be next week, hoping to fill the last five vacancies.

Finance Director Tom Dibble stated that he is still waiting for the audit report. He anticipates the draft will be available in a few days. City Manager Pyle stated that he will schedule a study session with the auditor when those documents become available and bring it before Council.

Recreation Supervisor Armando daSilva announced that the Black History Celebration is scheduled for February 27. The Youth Black History Celebration, February 13, was quite successful.

Parks Supervisor Alvin Dias reported that they are using Proteus employees to replace sand with wood fiber in the parks' playgrounds.

Councilmember Curry requested that a financial report on the Black History Celebrations be emailed to the councilmembers or presented in a staff report. Supervisor daSilva will provide that.

City Manager Pyle reported a discussion at the recent City-County Coordinating Meeting regarding sale of water to homeowners in and around Kings County whose wells have gone dry. It was Council consensus for City Manager Pyle to bring before them on the next agenda a discussion and/or action item allowing Hanford to participate in this.

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.*

Bob Ramos noted that the last Planning Commission meeting was canceled, due to the inability to reach a quorum. He feels that the decision to down size the Commission from seven members to five was a mistake.

Noor Memon expressed frustration that he is unable to get an answer as to why he cannot have his business in one of the kiosks on Irwin Street.

Kevin Henshaw asked that the Council work with Mr. Memon to get his business back in the kiosk.

A Hanford Carnegie Museum and Travelers' Information Center representative requested that the City support them with \$50,000.00 (fifty thousand dollars). She reported on several tours, events, and services that they have provided/hosted for the community and various groups.

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 February 2, 2016 Meeting
- B. City Clerk: Deny claim for damages and direct the City Clerk to send out notification of such to Suzanne Macias
- C. City Clerk: Deny claim for damages and direct the City Clerk to send out notification of such to Shawn Dailey
- D. Administration: Adopt Resolution 16-06 Consenting to the Inclusion of Properties Within the Territory of the City in the CSCDA Open Pace Program; and Other Matters Related Thereto
- E. Parks & Recreation: Approve contract with Erin Bell DBA Westscapes Inc. In an amount not to exceed \$55,721.03 regarding 04-03 Tract 795 Cambridge/Vineyard Enhancement Project

- F. Public Works: Approve a Notice of Completion for the Hanford Airport T-Hanger Fascia Repair Project, and authorize the Mayor to execute, and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's Office.
- G. Public Works: Approve an additional appropriation of \$8,469.57 from Storm Drainage Reserves; approval of a Notice of Completion for the Seventh Street Catch Basin Installation Project; and authorize the Mayor to execute, and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's Office.
- H. Public Works: Purchase of one 2016 Ford F-150 pickup truck from Keller Ford, of Hanford, in the amount of \$21,998.95.
- I. Public Works: Purchase of two Ford F-250 replacement pickup trucks (cab and chassis) from Keller Ford, of Hanford, in the amount of \$43,795.80.
- J. Finance: Warrant Register

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Community Development: Adopt Resolution No. 16-07-R accepting the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan

Senior Planner Melody Haigh gave a brief background of the project and introduced Quad Knopf consultants Steve Brandt and Mike Ratajski, who then gave the presentation. Staff and the Planning Commission recommended acceptance of the Plan.

Following Councilmembers' questions of staff, Mayor Mendes opened Public Comment.

- 1. Lisa Munoz, president of the Kings County Velo Club, was concerned about a lack of goals and timelines and a lack of connected safe bike routes. She encouraged the City to seek input from those who cycle.
- 2. Noor Memon stated that bicycling is good for families.
- 3. Bob Ramos does not like the idea and does not feel that it will work, even though it is a good plan.
- 4. Lillian spoke in favor of the Plan and encouraged its acceptance.
- 5. Ken Brinkman, of Lemoore, appreciated the workshops and encouraged acceptance of the Plan.
- 6. John Draxler, Planning Commissioner, was concerned about when this plan would be accomplished. He encouraged Council to make it a high priority. He also suggested that the City add a cycling advocate to the Parking and Traffic Commission. Alex Dwiggins is an advocate for cycling and is already part of the Commission and could serve as advocate until a liaison is appointed.

Mayor Mendes closed Public Comment, accepted comments from Councilmembers, and received a motion.

Motion to adopt Resolution 16-07-4 accepting the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan.

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

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A. Public Works: Approve an additional appropriation of \$28,005.30 from the Accumulated Capital Outlay fund, award a contract to Clean Cut Landscape, of Clovis, CA in the amount of \$152,386.00 for the 12th Avenue and Lacey Boulevard Median Landscape and Irrigation Renovation Project, and establish a construction contingency of \$7,619.30 for this project.

Motion to approve as presented.

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

- B. Public Works: Award a contract to Quinn Company of Corcoran, California, to replace diesel engines on existing City equipment (Dozer and Motor Grader) to comply with San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD) standards, in the amount of \$ 201,585.39.

Motion to approve as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Russ Curry, Council Member
SECONDER:	David Ayers, Council Member
AYES:	Curry, Ayers, Pannett, Ramirez, Mendes

- C. Fire: Adopt Resolution 16-03-R adopting the Revised City of Hanford Emergency Operations Plan

Motion to adopt Resolution 16-03-R adopting the Revised City of Hanford Emergency Operations Plan.

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

- D. Administration: Authorization for the Mayor to Execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between the County of Kings, and the Cities of Avenal, Corcoran, Hanford, and Lemoore Regarding Equitable Distribution of Public Safety Transactions and Use Tax Revenues.

Motion to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED [4 TO 1]
MOVER:	David Ayers, Council Member
SECONDER:	Russ Curry, Council Member
AYES:	Curry, Ayers, Ramirez, Mendes
NAYS:	Pannett

E. Administration: Discussion and direction regarding Sister City program

Consensus to add a line item of \$5,000 (five thousand dollars) for Sister City to the Fiscal Years 16-17/17-18 budget and that Councilmember Ayers continue correspondence with the Sister City, bringing updates to Council.

F. Administration: Discussion and Direction Regarding the City of Hanford's Financial Support to the Water Infrastructure Joint Powers Authority Which Was Developed to Fight for the Temperance Flat Reservoir Project to be funded by the State Water Bonds.

Motion to contribute \$5,000 (five thousand dollars).

RESULT:	APPROVED [4 TO 1]
MOVER:	Russ Curry, Council Member
SECONDER:	Justin Mendes, Mayor
AYES:	Curry, Ayers, Ramirez, Mendes
NAYS:	Pannett

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS:

Councilmembers Ayers and Curry both attended the City-County Coordinating Meeting and the League of California Cities South San Joaquin Valley General Membership Meeting in Visalia. Councilmember Ayers also attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Councilmember Pannett and Vice Mayor Ramirez attended the Black History Committee meeting. Recreation Supervisor daSilva also attended. The event will be Saturday, February 27, 2016, 5:30 p.m. at the Civic Auditorium. Councilmember Pannett also attended two KCAO board meetings. He would like to see an information session for citizens to ask questions of staff.

Councilmember Ramirez encouraged Council to answer Mr. Memon regarding his kiosk.

Mayor Mendes stated that the owner of the building next to El Tarasco thought there was a meeting at 5:00 p.m., she presented comments to him, which he distributed to the Councilmembers. The Civic Voice is the program started through Accela, as a way to interact and coordinate calendared events.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Mendes adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Black
Deputy City Clerk