



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

**October 17, 2017 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
400 N. Douty St.**

6:00 PM CALL TO ORDER STUDY SESSION & CLOSED SESSION:

Mayor David Ayers called the Study Session & Closed Session to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Justin Mendes, Francisco Ramirez, Martin Devine, Sue Sorensen, David Ayers

PUBLIC COMMENT - STUDY SESSION & CLOSED SESSION:

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

There were no comments given.

STUDY SESSION:

A. Public Works: Review of updated Infrastructure Master Plans for Water, Sewer and Storm Drainage

Public Works Director Lou Camara thanked QK, Zumwalt Hansen, and Akel for their work on these master plans. Steve Brandt of QK gave an overview on how the General Plan, Master Plans, and Impact Fees are all connected through policy and implementation.

Tony Akel provided the background and objectives for the Master Plans. They become the guiding documents for existing users and for future growth. Mr. Akel discussed the existing system evaluations and the capital improvement projects that are recommended for future development for the water system, sewer system, and storm drainage system.

The consultants and staff responded to questions and comments by the City Council.

CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:

Mayor Ayers adjourned to closed session at 6:36 p.m.

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

Number of Potential Cases - 1

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

Property: APN 008-192-011

Agency Negotiators: Darrel Pyle, Darlene Mata, Ty Mizote

Negotiating Party: Dirk Holkeboer for Habitat for Humanity

Under Negotiation: Terms and Price

Property: APN 011-090-004

Agency Negotiators: Darrel Pyle, Darlene Mata, John Doyel, Ty Mizote

Negotiating Party: Kuldeep Sidhu

Under Negotiation: Terms and Price

7:00 PM CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION:

Mayor Ayers called the regular meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Martin Devine	Council Member	Present	7:00 PM
Sue Sorensen	Vice Mayor	Present	7:00 PM
David Ayers	Mayor	Present	7:00 PM
Francisco Ramirez	Council Member	Present	7:00 PM
Justin Mendes	Council Member	Present	7:00 PM

INVOCATION:

Bobby Guerra provided the invocation.

FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Ayers led the flag salute.

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

There was nothing to report.

RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

Police Captain Karl Anderson provided a brief update on recent police activity.

Utilities & Engineering Director John Doyel discussed upcoming projects and an opportunity to make energy efficient improvements with the assistance of Schneider Electric.

Public Works Director Lou Camara commented on the progress of submitting the grant application for the grade separation project.

Fire Chief Chris Ekk commented on the success of their Open House and the return of crew members from fires in other areas.

Finance Director Paula Lofgren stated that they are looking at ways to reduce fees with the City's bank and improve services. She also briefly commented on interns working for the City.

Recreation Supervisor Armando da Silva reported on the upcoming community events and programs.

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

Bob Ramos expressed his frustration over the past agenda item that changed the public comments from five minutes for three minutes.

Skip Athey inquired about a warrant entry dated September 19 for \$38,700 payable to the U.S. Treasury for a 2015 penalty.

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, except for the item pulled for separate consideration.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Justin Mendes, Council Member
SECONDER:	Martin Devine, Council Member
AYES:	Devine, Sorensen, Ayers, Ramirez, Mendes

- A. City Clerk: Approve Minutes from the October 3, 2017 Meeting
- B. City Clerk: Deny claim for damages and direct the City Clerk to send out notification of such to CSAA as Subrogee for Sara Perez
- C. City Clerk: Deny leave to present a late claim for damages and direct the City Clerk to send out notification of such to Daniel Alaniz
- D. City Clerk: Deny claim for damages and direct the City Clerk to send out notification of such to Adventist Medical Center
- E. Police: Resolution 17-51-R, a resolution of the City Council of Hanford approving a application for authorization to access State and Federal Level summary criminal history information for employment, volunteers, and contractors, licensing or certification purposes; and repeal Resolution 17-49-R.
- F. Police: Waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance 17-17 adding Chapter 12.18 of Title 12 Regulating Bicycle Parking, Civic Park.

- G. Police: Approve the purchase of a 2018 Dodge Charger and radio to replace unit 42 in the amount of \$29,589.
- H. Utilities and Engineering Department: Approve a Notice of Completion for the FY 16/17 Fiberized Micro Surface Pavement Treatment Project and authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's Office.
- I. Finance: Treasurer's Report of Investments and Cash September 2017
- J. Finance: Warrant Register

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 1. Police: Waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance 17-18 amending Chapter 8.32 for language and general consistency with the new Hanford Municipal Code Chapter 5.56 Commercial Cannabis Activity.

Council Member Ramirez pulled the item and requested an overview of this ordinance.

Captain Anderson provided a brief explanation of the minor changes being made to the Municipal Code.

Motion to waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance 17-18.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Francisco Ramirez, Council Member
SECONDER:	Justin Mendes, Council Member
AYES:	Devine, Sorensen, Ayers, Ramirez, Mendes

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A. Utilities and Engineering: Permission to Advertise the Flat Rate to Water Meter Conversion Project and Pre-Authorize the City Manager to award and execute the contract on behalf of the City.

Utilities & Engineering Director John Doyel provided background information for the Council's review and consideration. Mr. Doyel responded to questions and comments by the City Council. He also provided a Status Report for Capital Improvement Projects in Construction which will be provided to the Council on an ongoing monthly basis.

Motion to approve as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Justin Mendes, Council Member
SECONDER:	Francisco Ramirez, Council Member
AYES:	Devine, Sorensen, Ayers, Ramirez, Mendes

- B. Utilities and Engineering: Reimbursement to Lennar Fresno, Inc. in the amount of \$262,573.12, credit park impact fees for Tract No. 887, Unit No. 1 and Unit No. 2, and appropriate an additional \$112,573.12 from Park Impact Fee Reserves. (Centennial Dr. at Berkshire Ln.)

Utilities & Engineering Director John Doyel discussed the project and the reimbursement to the developer crediting park impact fees.

Motion to approve as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Sue Sorensen, Vice Mayor
SECONDER:	Francisco Ramirez, Council Member
AYES:	Devine, Sorensen, Ayers, Ramirez, Mendes

C. Fire: Fireworks citation appeal hearing for administrative citation FW-033

Fire Chief Chris Ekk discussed the citation, and the statements made by Jerry Isenberg during the August 15th City Council meeting claiming that the illegal fireworks belonged to him.

Jerry Isenberg commented on the statements and interactions taken on the 4th of July with City staff.

Council Member Mendes inquired about the usage of body cameras and the circumstances as to when they are used. Captain Anderson responded to his questions. Mr. Mendes sought clarification that Robert Isenberg was reimbursed the \$1,000 for his appeal. Chief Ekk stated that he was reimbursed.

Council Member Ramirez expressed that he would like the police to have the body cameras in operation at all times when interacting with the public. He recommended that Jerry Isenberg only be fined \$500 since he was not correctly fined at the time of the incident.

Vice Mayor Sorensen commented on the benefit of police and fire working together when citing residents and believes that the process will improve in the future.

Mayor Ayers discussed his concern over illegal fireworks and the need for the City to take action against them.

The Council denied the appeal 4-1 (Ramirez in favor of appeal) for Administrative Citation FW-033.

RESULT:	CONSENSUS
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COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS:

Council Member Mendes stated that he attended the meeting with John Doyel and Schneider Electric but did not provide any input. He briefly commented on city activities that he attended.

Council Member Ramirez participated in the Ghost Walk Tour and stated that it was really well attended. He also commended the Parks & Recreation staff for their use of social media.

Council Member Devine attended the Renaissance Faire and Moon Festival.

Vice Mayor Sorensen commented on the actions taken at the recent Parks & Recreation Commission meeting. She also attended the League of California Cities General Membership meeting and the Fire Department's Open House. Ms. Sorensen provided some background and prior discussions by the City Council Members to reduce the time for public comments. City Manager Darrel Pyle responded to the Public Comment explaining the oversight of filing a report due to turnover in the Finance Department that led to the penalty to the U.S. Treasury.

Mayor Ayers attended the League meeting in Delano and the Chamber of Commerce meeting.

COUNCIL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Council Member Mendes requested support for Schneider Electric to analyze the City's electric usage to determine opportunities for the City to save costs. He requested that the City do some research to determine if any ordinances can be developed to address the homeless issues. City Manager Darrel Pyle stated that the Police Chief is currently reviewing legislative options to bring forward at a future study session. The Council provided a consensus for staff to move forward with both of his requests.

Council Member Ramirez would like a discussion on the fees of illegal fireworks to go to the Fire Department rather than a fireworks show. There was no consensus to bring back an agenda item to change this process at this time.

City Manager Darrel Pyle stated that Mark Pratter submitted correspondence to the City Clerk prior to the meeting to be included with the official record for Public Comments regarding the three minute time limit. Mr. Pyle discussed the next steps by staff regarding the surplus property next to Hidden Valley Park. He also recommended a future joint meeting with the Parks & Recreation Commission and representatives from the school districts to develop policy language on usage of open spaces at schools. The City Council provided consensus for staff to schedule a City Council Study Session on the Parks Master Plan, followed by a joint meeting, and then have a discussion on the surplus property.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Ayers adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gomez
City Clerk