



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
February 22, 2018 5:30 PM
Training Room
319 N. Douty**

CALL TO ORDER SPECIAL SESSION:

Mayor David Ayers called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m.

ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Martin Devine	Council Member	Present	5:30 PM
Sue Sorensen	Vice Mayor	Present	5:30 PM
Diane Sharp	Council Member	Present	5:30 PM
David Ayers	Mayor	Present	5:30 PM
Justin Mendes	Council Member	Present	5:30 PM

FLAG SALUTE:

Vice Mayor Sorensen led the flag salute.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

*Comments from the public are limited to items listed on the agenda (GC 54954.3a). A maximum of **three minutes** is allowed for each speaker. Please begin your comments by stating your name and providing your city of residence.*

Prior to Public Comments, Council Member Mendes questioned City Attorney Bob Dowd about a potential Brown Act violation related to an upcoming decision on the property next to Hidden Valley Park, where the future votes of two other Council Members were disclosed on social media. Mr. Dowd stated that it requires three members to violate the Brown Act, and since this only involved disclosing two votes, then there was no violation. Disclosing or promising a vote prior to a meeting, however, did go against the Council's protocol regarding communications.

Michael Quinn shared his view of the City's function which is more than providing a balanced budget, but to also provide a product that the people want to support their quality of life.

Mark Pratter encouraged the City Council to not sell the property next to Hidden Valley Park and to increase park space. His group will present a proposal to the Council at a future meeting.

Mike Stoddard requested that the issue of selling the land should go to the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Bob Ramos would like the zoning of that property to change back to parkland and remove it from surplus. He also requested that Rabobank be removed from surplus.

Nathan Odom stated that he did not like how the agenda was prepared for this meeting.

Claire Fitiausi stated that she goes to many parks in town and wants them to be better maintained. She would also like Hidden Valley Park to be expanded.

GOALS & OBJECTIVES WORKSHOP:

A. Review/Update of 2017 Accomplishments

Community Development Director Darlene Mata discussed the past direction by Council and actions taken by staff regarding the multiple boundaries covering the downtown area.

Vice Mayor Sorensen and Council Member Sharp recused themselves and left the room after the update due to conflicts of interest of properties they own downtown.

Ms. Mata commented on issues that the Downtown East Precise Plan has given for interested developers and businesses. With many layers of standards, it becomes complicated to determine what should be followed. She also noted that the 2010 Plan is only a guideline, but people are often confused that they are requirements. Ms. Mata requested direction from the Council on this previous action item from their 2017 Goals & Objectives. The Council provided a consensus to keep this on their Goals & Objectives and directed staff to bring back suggestions on how to make improvements to the plans in order to minimize confusion.

Vice Mayor Sorensen and Council Member Sharp returned to the meeting.

Parks Superintendent Alvin Dias stated that an architect had been contacted to provide a schematic design for an indoor recreation facility at the former Goodwill location. Staff would like to contract for a design/build for the facility. The Parks & Recreation Commission and staff toured the old YMCA location as a potential location too. The Council provided direction for staff to compare the two locations including costs, then present their findings to the Commission for a recommendation. Council Member Sharp recused herself for the remaining discussion due to a conflict of interest of property that she owns in close proximity to the Goodwill location. She then returned to the meeting when Council and staff concluded their comments. Mr. Dias provided an update on other projects that have been completed or are ongoing. He stated that if given an additional employee, they would like another Parks Maintenance Worker or a Recreation Coordinator. They would like to add the indoor recreation facility to their action items for Goals & Objectives.

Finance Director Paula Lofgren provided an overview of changes made to the department and updates to their action items. If she could add an additional employee, she would like a position that could assist in the overall workload. For upcoming projects, Ms. Lofgren would like to do a reorganization to allow staff to grow and take on new responsibilities.

City Manager Darrel Pyle provided updates to the action items for Administration and City Manager.

B. Establish Priorities for 2018-2019

The City Council discussed the priorities that they initially identified yesterday and began to modify them.

The Council determined to add homelessness; equipment and reorganization of the Fire Department; cannabis ordinance and tax; and city property and deferred maintenance as priorities for the next fiscal year. Staff will also schedule a study session to receive direction from the Council regarding a communications strategy. Council directed staff to get park and recreational recommendations from the Parks & Recreation Commission for the 4.37 acres next to Hidden Valley Park.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Ayers adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gomez
City Clerk