



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

August 21, 2018 7:00 PM

Council Chambers

400 N. Douty St.

5:30 PM CALL TO ORDER STUDY SESSION & CLOSED SESSION:

ROLL CALL:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT - STUDY SESSION & CLOSED SESSION:

No comments.

STUDY SESSION:

Tour of Police Department located at 422 N. Douty Street, Hanford - Open to the Public

Adjourned to Closed Session at 6:03 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

CASE NAME: Transparent California v. City of Hanford

CASE NUMBER: Kings County No. 17C0245

CASE NAME: Valdez v. City of Hanford

CASE NUMBER: Eastern District No. 1:17-00430

CASE NAME: SJVEDC v. City of Hanford

CASE NUMBER: Kings County No. 17C0142

CASE NAME: CSAA v. City of Hanford

CASE NUMBER: Kings County No. 1:17-00430

CASE NAME: Perez v. City of Hanford

CASE NUMBER: Kings County No. 17C0335

CASE NAME: Helena v. City of Hanford
CASE NUMBER: Kings County No. 17C0102

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

Property: 109 E. Eighth Street (APN 012-041-01)
Agency Negotiators: Lou Camara, Darlene Mata, and Ty Mizote
Negotiating Party: Hanford Carnegie Museum (Patricia Dickerson)
Under Negotiations: Lease Terms

Property: 122 E. Eighth Street and 128 E. Eighth Street APN 010-276-006, 010-276-008
Agency Negotiators: Lou Camara, Darlene Mata, and Ty Mizote
Negotiating Parties: William and Maryan Grimm
Under Negotiations: Terms and Price

Property: 416 W. Sixth Street (APNs: 012-064-005 and 006)
Agency Negotiators: Lou Camara, Darlene Mata, and Ty Mizote
Negotiating Party: FAST Federal Credit Union (Paula Lehn)
Under Negotiations: Terms and Price

7:00 PM CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION:

Mayor David Ayers called the Regular Session to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: David Ayers, Sue Sorensen, Martin Devine, Diane Sharp, and Justin Mendes

INVOCATION:

Invocation led by Council Member Diane Sharp.

FLAG SALUTE:

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

No action taken.

RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

Police Chief Parker Sever - The Police Department will have two new officers starting on Monday, August 27, 2018.

Community Development Director, Darlene Mata - The department is continuing to work with Faraday Future. They are making progress and they are going to have vehicles ready soon.

Utilities & Engineering Director, John Doyel - The Houston and 11th Ave project is almost complete. The Bike/Ped project started on Monday [8/20/18]. The Coe Park Arbor's foundation has been poured and it will be ready in a couple weeks. The department will begin a city-wide benchmark update on all the construction projects around town.

Parks Superintendent, Alvin Dias - He and Parks and Recreation Commissioners will meet with consultants for the Parks Master Plan. The department is preparing for the Renaissance Faire, and the Civic Park will host the upcoming Relay for Life in October.

Finance Director, Paula Lofgren - The new budget books are available. Dir. Lofgren made sure that each Council Member received a budget book. The department is awaiting approval for the selected audit firm.

Battalion Chief Eric Brotemarkle - Stated all Hanford Fire personnel have returned fires up north. Chief Ekk is currently in Wisconsin attending a pre-build meeting for the ladder truck.

Public Works Director & Acting City Manager, Lou Camara - Currently the Public Works Department is out to bid on the Courthouse HVAC project.

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. This is also the public's opportunity to request an item from the Consent Calendar be pulled for discussion purposes or to comment on any item on the agenda. Comments related to 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.*

Patricia Dickerson, Carnegie Museum - She stated that they want to keep the bell tower [structure] at the museum.

Bob Ramos, Hanford - Requested to pull Item N on the Consent Calendar; he would like clarification on the fireworks ordinance. He went on the tour of the new Police office building during the study session. Regarding the evaluation of the City Manager scheduled for August 28, 2018, he stated that he and others want the City Manager, Darrel Pyle, to be replaced.

Jeff Porterfield, Hanford - He spoke about parking availability in Downtown Hanford.

Michelle Brown, Main Street Hanford - Spoke about Integrated Avian Solutions. She feels this is a natural solution to the crow problem. Main Street receives a lot of complaints from business and property owners downtown. Main Street has partnered with Kings Gospel Mission to clean the sidewalks, but said it's not a long term solution.

Nate Odom, Hanford - He spoke about one-way streets and feels that they are not conducive to the City's growth and development. Mr. Odom praised a song he heard about Hanford written by Timothy Mattos.

Francisco Ramirez, Hanford - He stated he has heard from a lot of citizens that they are ashamed the Carnegie Museum and the bell are on the agenda. He believes the Council should be focusing on revitalizing downtown. He asked the Council give the Carnegie a conditional use permit because they are good tenants and fixed the roof on their own. Mr. Ramirez wants to know who started the pursuit against the Carnegie.

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.

Council Member Sharp requested to remove Item A from the Consent Calendar. A member of the Public requested to remove Item N.

Motion to Approve.

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

- A. Finance: Annual Audit Services Agreement and Engagement Letter
- B. Public Works: Purchase of 16 (six cubic yard-recycle) and 13 (three cubic yard) commercial refuse containers from Consolidated Fabricators Corporation, in the amount of \$29,086.92 (tax and freight included).
- C. Public Works: Award a contract to Talley Oil Company of Madera, Ca., for the FY 18/19 Reclamite Pavement Treatment Project in the amount of \$ 146,399.05.
- D. Public Works: Adopt Resolution 18-29-R approving the acceptance of a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for \$76,500 for Design Services to rehabilitate pavement surfacing for Airport Runway 14/32.
- E. Utilities and Engineering: Approve the Notice of Completion for Tract No. 887, Silver Oaks Addition III, Unit I and authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's Office. (Centennial Avenue and Berkshire Way)
- F. Utilities and Engineering: Approve a Notice of Completion for the Airport Taxilane Rehabilitation Project - Phases 4, and authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's Office
- G. Utilities and Engineering: Approve a Notice of Completion for the Police Department Building Remodel 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. Utilities and Engineering: Approve a Notice of Completion for the FY 16/17 Pavement Resurfacing 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. Utilities and Engineering: Authorize the City Manager to execute the attached pipeline crossing agreement with Union Pacific Railroad for the 9th Avenue Sewer Trunk Main Improvement Project.
- J. Police: Approve the Dispatch Center Equipment Purchase
- K. Police: Approve Contract with Tyler Technologies for Brazos E- Citations
- L. Police: Approve purchase of 16 Motorola APX 4000 Handheld Radio's in the amount of \$36,317.92 from Motorola Solutions.
- M. Public Works: Approve Contract Work Order No. 6, with the firm of Mead and Hunt of Windsor, Ca., for design, contract administration and bid coordination services, for the Airport Runway 14/32 Rehabilitation Project, for a cost not to exceed \$89,215.50.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT:

1. Finance: Warrant Register

Council Member Sharp asked if games purchased for the Teen Center are rotated to the Longfield Center. Alvin Dias replied that the games purchased for one location will remain at that specific location.

Council Member Sharp brought up a \$2200.00 check written to Kings County for water testing. She stated that citizens have voiced their concerns that water in the splash pads is unsafe because some homeless people use the splash pads to bathe. Dir. Doyel stated that the water testing by Kings County is typically for well sites. The City's water system and some sample locations around town are tested. Dir. Doyel further explained that the splash pads in the parks do not have recirculating systems; the water comes out fresh.

Motion to approve.

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

2. Fire: Adoption of Fireworks Ordinance

City Attorney, Ty Mizote explained that the Council adopted an illegal fireworks ordinance on May 16, 2017. That fireworks ordinance amended the 2012 edition of the International Fire Code. Later in 2017, the Council adopted the 2015 edition of the International Fire Code and the fireworks ordinance did not carry over. Rather than facing this issue every three years when the City adopts the newest version of the fire code, the ordinance was modified so that the illegal fireworks provisions are in a separate chapter of the Municipal Code. One of the more significant provisions that was incorporated will give the Police Department enforcement authority.

Council Member Devine asked if the fire code penalizes the home owner with a fine for the actions of a renter. Mr. Mizote confirmed that provision was carried over and has not been modified.

Motion to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED [4 TO 1]
MOVER:	Justin Mendes, Council Member
SECONDER:	Sue Sorensen, Vice Mayor
AYES:	Sorensen, Sharp, Ayers, Mendes
NAYS:	Devine

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A. Community Development: Historic Resources Permit 2018-01: a request to allow the placement of a bell structure in front of the Carnegie Museum located at 109 E. Eighth Street within the Historic Overlay Zone and designated as a contributing building and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. (APN 012-041-01)

Dir. Mata explained this is a request for a Historic Resources Permit as required by the Municipal Code when someone wants to alter the exterior of a building within the Historic Overlay Zone. The City has two types of buildings in the Historic Overlay Zone that are designated as either contributing buildings or non-contributing buildings. The Carnegie Museum is designated as a contributing building. It has a Romanesque style of architecture and was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1981. The bell structure is an Art Deco

type of structure and not consistent with the Romanesque style of the building therefore, it is recommended to the Council to deny the permit.

Council Member Mendes noted that during the public comment portion of the meeting, the roof of the Carnegie building was mentioned; he asked Dir. Mata to clarify that issue. Dir. Mata explained that recently the Carnegie had roof work completed. Because the City owns the building the lease requires the tenants to maintain the building. Dir. Mata stated her department didn't receive notification of the roofing project until after it was underway. Council Member Mendes stated he would be in favor of issuing the permit and feels the Carnegie should do better in communicating with the Community Development Department.

Council Member Sharp stated she would side with the recommendation to deny the permit. Council Member Devine stated he agrees with Council Member Mendes and would eventually like to see a memorial made from the structure. Vice Mayor Sorensen said that perhaps the structure could be returned to the fire station property at the City's expense, and issue reimbursement to the Carnegie for the original cost of moving the structure. Mayor Ayers thanked the Carnegie representatives for saving the structure from demolition. He stated he doesn't feel the current location is the right place for the structure; he agrees with Vice Mayor Sorensen.

Council Member Mendes asked what the consequences would the Carnegie face if they don't receive the permit and don't move the structure. Dir. Mata answered that currently they are in breach of their lease for not obtaining the proper permits prior to settling the bell structure on the property; they would be subject to citations.

Motion to approve Staff's recommendation to deny HRP 2018-01.

RESULT:	APPROVED [3 TO 2]
MOVER:	Diane Sharp, Council Member
SECONDER:	Sue Sorensen, Vice Mayor
AYES:	Sorensen, Sharp, Ayers
NAYS:	Devine, Mendes

- B. Community Development: Adopt Resolution 18-30-R declaring APN 012-064-005 and 006 located at the northwest corner of 6th and Phillips Streets as surplus in accordance with Government Code Section 54222

Dir. Mata explained that following the decision to declare the property as surplus, the Community Development department will be required to put out a notification to other agencies that the property is available for purchase.

Motion to adopt the resolution.

RESULT:	APPROVED [3 TO 0]
MOVER:	Justin Mendes, Council Member
SECONDER:	Martin Devine, Council Member
AYES:	Devine, Ayers, Mendes
ABSTAIN:	Sorensen, Sharp

- C. Utilities and Engineering: Approve the Hanford Armona Road at Irwin Street Traffic Signal Construction Budget for the FY 18/19 City Budget and approve an additional appropriation RMRA gas tax account of \$14,000.00.

Dir. Doyel explained that in the Fiscal Year 2016 CIP budget they included money for the right of way acquisition and utility relocations for traffic signals at Hanford Armona Road and Irwin Street, however they did not include the construction costs. The request is for Council to approve a budget amendment to include this

project in the Fiscal Year 2018/19 CIP budget. He further explained that the plans are complete and ready to go out for bid.

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

- D. Utilities & Engineering: Award a contract to Mattos Underground Construction, Inc., of Laton, CA in the amount of \$101,841.00 for the Grangeville Boulevard Road Failure Repair Project, establish a construction contingency of \$10,000.00 for this project, approve an additional appropriation of \$29,341.00 from the Storm Drainage Capital Fund.

Dir. Doyel provided background information on the City's installation of a storm drain pipeline along Grangeville Blvd. into the YMCA basin. It was determined that the line had to be repaired. The project will be along Grangeville Blvd. from the railroad tracks to University Ave.

Motion to approve.

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

- E. Utilities and Engineering: Authorize the Utilities and Engineering Director to execute the attached Work Order No. 5 with Peters Engineering Group of Clovis, CA for the Downtown Pedestrian Safety and Traffic Circulation Project, for a not to exceed amount of \$79,028.00.

Dir. Doyel explained the Request for Proposal (RFP) described the scope of service to include potential one-way streets in the downtown area, traffic calming at intersections, safety lighting, different traffic controls, and analysis to determine if the existing traffic signals and mid-block crosswalks are appropriate. The next phase would be designing whatever improvements are determined in the analysis phase. Dir. Doyel informed the Council that the City applied for an Active Transportation Program (ATP) Grant through the State of California for this project, he will find out toward the end of September [2018] if the City was successful in obtaining the grant. Council Member Sharp noted that she felt there are many opportunities for community input for this project. Vice Mayor Sorensen asked if the recommendations found in this study are binding. Dir. Doyel answered that the study will provide data to the City to determine how and when to go forward.

Motion to approve.

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

- F. Utilities & Engineering: Award a contract to Carvalho Construction, Inc., of Lemoore, CA in the amount of \$202,900.00 for the Fire Station No. 1 Bathroom Renovation Project, establish a construction contingency of \$20,290.00 for this project, approve an additional appropriation of \$140,690.00 from the Accumulated Capital Outlay Fund.

Dir. Doyel explained the project to renovate the bathrooms in Fire Station 1 to make them compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Dir. Doyel told the Council this was the lowest bid they received. Vice

Mayor Sorensen expressed her concern about using Accumulated Capital Outlay, (ACO), money. Her concern was that there is a perception that times when money is needed, it's taken from ACO. She asked if there was another fund that could be used to support the project. Dir. Doyel stated that there is no other account identified that has the funds allocated for this project.

Motion to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED [4 TO 1]
MOVER:	Diane Sharp, Council Member
SECONDER:	Justin Mendes, Council Member
AYES:	Devine, Sharp, Ayers, Mendes
NAYS:	Sorensen

G. Police: Approve the Purchase of Patrol, Detective, and PSO Replacement Vehicles

Chief Sever explained that four detective vehicles and one Police Service Officer (PSO) vehicle are due to be replaced and paid for through the fleet replacement reserve fund. There is also a request for an additional appropriation from ACO for five new Dodge Charger patrol vehicles; the money from ACO will be considered and loan and paid back over time from the general fund. Chief Sever stated the purchasing of these vehicles will complete the Take Home Vehicle program. This program has been very successful in encouraging police officers to live in Hanford.

Motion to approve.

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

H. Administration: Authorization to Participate with Main Street Hanford in a Falconer Program to reduce the Crow Population in Downtown Hanford

Dir. Camara provided a brief background on the research of the Falconer Program. The program will be administered by Main Street Hanford and they have requested the City to participate in the funding. The total cost of the program is \$44,500.00; the City's portion would be \$22,250.00. Vice Mayor Sorensen expressed her interest and excitement for this program.

Motion to approve.

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

I. Administration: Request from the Hanford Chamber of Commerce for Additional Financial Support for the 2018 Public Fireworks Display.

The Chamber of Commerce requested an additional \$13,000.00 to assist in covering the deficit from the Independence Day event held at the Fairgrounds. Council Member Mendes commented that he has seen the positive impact and effort the Chamber has put forward and feels that it is worthwhile to grant their request. The other Council Members echoed his approval. The funding source for the Chamber of Commerce will come from vacant positions in the City.

Motion to approve.

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

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS:

Council Member Mendes: LAFCO meeting was cancelled.

Council Member Sharp: KCAO had a board training recently and they continue to grow their budget every year. She stated she has been meeting regularly with different groups to address homelessness.

Council Member Devine: Nothing to report.

Vice Mayor Sorensen: The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was cancelled and Main Street Hanford's meeting was rescheduled. She expressed appreciation for Council Member Sharp, the Police Department, and the P.O.P. team for their work in addressing the homeless situation.

Mayor Ayers: He stated that he will have a KCAG meeting this week.

COUNCIL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

City Manager and City Attorney evaluations will be held as a Special/Closed Session meeting on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Vice Mayor Sorensen wants to address the future placement of the bell structure after it's removed from the Carnegie Museum.

Council Member Devine would like to add the discussion on the creation of the Downtown Committee as a future agenda item.

Mayor Ayers adjourned the Regular Session and reconvened to Closed Session at 8:58 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing to report from Closed Session, Mayor Ayers adjourned the meeting at 9:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Martinez
City Clerk