



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
December 1, 2020 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
400 N. Douty St.**

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

Mayor Draxler call the Study Session and Closed Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK :

Present: John Draxler, Sue Sorensen, Art Brieno, Martin Devine, Francisco Ramirez

PUBLIC COMMENT :

None.

STUDY SESSION :

Fire: Update to Fire Master Plan, Strategic Plan, Community Risk Assessment, and Standard of Coverage

Chief Pendergrass presented the overview of the update to the Fire Master Plan. The last Master Plan was updated in 2012 and he'd like to update four planning documents. He also discussed the benefits and cost with the assistance of an advisor. The Council discussed the 2012 Master Plan, and the cost of hiring a consultant. Chief Pendergrass responded to concerns and questions from the Council.

It was a consensus of the Council to direct staff to move forward with the proposed amendments and updates to the following:

- Community Emergency Risk Assessment for the City
- Fire Department Strategic Plan
- Fire Department Master Plan
- Standard to Cover
- Authorize staff to hire a consultant to help update and develop plans at a price not to exceed \$10,000.

Mayor Draxler adjourned to Closed Session at 5:55 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING :

A. Conference with Legal Counsel-Real Property Negotiations (GC 54956.8)

Property: 218 N. Douty Street

Agency Negotiators: Mario Cifuentez, Ty Mizote

B. Public Employment (GC 54957 (b))

Title: Finance Director

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION:

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

ROLL CALL:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John Draxler	Mayor	Present	5:20 PM
Martin Devine	Council Member	Present	5:15 PM
Sue Sorensen	Council Member	Present	5:25 PM
Art Brieno	Council Member	Present	5:20 PM
Francisco Ramirez	Vice Mayor	Present	5:20 PM

INVOCATION:

The invocation was led by Pastor Stan Plooy.

FLAG SALUTE:

The Flag Salute was led by Vice Mayor Ramirez.

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

No action reported.

RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

A. Recognition of TKI by the Fire Department

Fire Chief Pendergrass presented TKI with a certificate of appreciation.

B. Christian Heritage Week Proclamation

Pastor Mark Curts introduced himself and the members of the Christian Leaders Network (CLN). Mayor Draxler presented CLN with a Proclamation for Christian Heritage Week.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

City Manager Cifuentez discussed the building that was torn down on 11th Ave. He also discussed the increasing COVID-19 cases throughout California.

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS:

Vice Mayor Ramirez had nothing to report.

Council Member Devine had nothing to report.

Council Member Brieno attended the Homeless Coalition Project meeting.

Council Member Sorensen attended three of the Parks and Recreation Community meetings and the Main Street Hanford's last Board meeting of the year.

Mayor Draxler attended one of the Parks and Recreation Community meetings, the Kings Regional Waste Authority meeting, and the Homeless Coalition Project meeting.

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.*

Rose Shapley commented on the FY 20/21 budget and past budgets. She also expressed her concerns regarding refuse pick up and the city's parks.

Bob Ramos commented on the recruitment of Planning Commissioners. He also asked why the warrant register is no longer on the agenda?

Chamber of Commerce Director Amory Marple shared the upcoming events for the Hanford Chamber of Commerce.

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 Brieno requested to pull item C [Approval of the proposed third amendment to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment and appropriation of \$338,702 in round 3 CDBG Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CDBG-CV3) funding.]

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar except for the items pulled for separate consideration.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Art Brieno, Council Member
SECONDER:	Martin Devine, Council Member
AYES:	Draxler, Devine, Sorensen, Brieno, Ramirez

- A. PROCEDURAL WAIVER: Waive reading in full of resolution and ordinances and approval and adoption of same by reading title only.
- B. Police: Second Reading of Ordinance No. 20-14. replacing Section 8.24 of the City's Municipal code, in its entirety, thereby adopting the new Shopping Cart Regulations.

Items pulled from Consent :

1. Community Development: Approval of the proposed third amendment to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment and appropriation of \$338,702 in round 3 CDBG Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CDBG-CV3) funding.

[Item C] Pulled by Council Member Brieno.

Administrative Analyst Sandra Lerma-Martinez gave a brief summary of the Third substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan with clarification of the additional CDBG-CV3 allocated funds. She also answered questions from the Council.

Motion to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Art Brieno, Council Member
SECONDER:	Francisco Ramirez, Council Member
AYES:	Draxler, Devine, Sorensen, Brieno, Ramirez

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Community Development: Appeal of Citation B8753 (Code Compliance Case CE21-0110) issued to property owner George Sepeda, for illegal dumping behind the residence at 753 Lassen Drive, into Haye Park, a City- owned and maintained basin.

Mayor Draxler opened the public hearing at 7:45 p.m. and called for the staff report. Building Official Tom Webb presented the staff report and answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Draxler opened public comment at 7:50 p.m.

IN-FAVOR

None.

OPPOSED

The appellant, Mr. Sepeda explained that he was unaware of the trash that was left behind fence. He also stated that he did not receive a notice of violation from the City of Hanford. Mr. Sepeda answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Draxler closed public comment at 7:54 p.m.

Mr. Webb answered additional questions from Vice Mayor Ramirez and Council Member Brieno.

Motion to uphold the appeal, introduced by Council Member Brieno. Motion not seconded; motion failed.

Motion to deny the Appeal of Citation B8753 and require the Appellant to pay a reduced fine of \$150.

RESULT:	APPROVED [4 TO 1]
MOVER:	Francisco Ramirez, Vice Mayor
SECONDER:	Art Brieno, Council Member
AYES:	Devine, Sorensen, Brieno, Ramirez
NAYS:	Draxler

- B. Community Development: Appeal of Citations B8806 and B8808 (Code Compliance Case CE20-0575) issued to property owners Michael and Cynthia Austin and to tenant Amanda Camacho, for violation of Hanford Municipal Code 17.10.140 (F)(D) Off-Street Parking

Mayor Draxler opened the public hearing at 8:05 p.m. and called for the staff report. Building Official Tom Webb presented the staff report with a detailed time line of notices and citations sent to the appellant. Mr. Webb also answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Draxler opened public comment opened at 8:10 p.m.

IN-FAVOR

None.

OPPOSED

Appellant, Mike Austin contacted his tenant and was informed that the recreational vehicle was moved off of the landscape. Mr. Austin contacted the City and stated that he did not receive a return call from the Code Compliance Officers. He also explained that his tenant was laid off due to COVID-19 and the tenant is unable to pay the outstanding fees.

Mayor Draxler closed public comment 8:18 p.m.

City Attorney Ty Mizote clarified that both the tenant and property owner are responsible for the citation. Mr. Austin and Mr. Webb answered additional questions from the Council.

After further discussion, motion to deny the Appeal of Citation B8806 and B8808 and require the Appellant to pay a reduced fine of \$800.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Art Brieno, Council Member
SECONDER:	Francisco Ramirez, Vice Mayor
AYES:	Draxler, Devine, Sorensen, Brieno, Ramirez

C. Community Development: Appeal of Administrative Citation B5667 (Code Compliance Case CE 21-0105) issued to Ralph Aguilar, tenant, for building permit required, substandard housing, illegal occupancy of sheds, illegal outdoor storage and property maintenance.

Mayor Draxler opened the public hearing at 8:35 p.m. and called for the staff report. Building Official Tom Webb presented staff report and answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Draxler opened the public comment 8:37 p.m.

IN-FAVOR

None.

OPPOSED

Appellant, Ralph Aguilar gave a background and an explanation of the condition of property. He also answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Draxler closed public comment 8:40 p.m.

Mr. Aguilar answered additional questions from the Council

Motion to deny the Appeal of Citation B5667 and require the Appellant to comply with the staff recommendations.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Sue Sorensen, Council Member
SECONDER:	Art Brieno, Council Member
AYES:	Draxler, Devine, Sorensen, Brieno, Ramirez

D. Community Development: Appeal of Citation B6907 (Code Compliance Case CE20-0398) issued to property owner Michael Austin, for outstanding building compliance permit FY17-1085 and failure to obtain a building permit for corrections required by Code Compliance Case CE18-0111.

Mayor Draxler opened the public hearing at 8:56 p.m. and called for the staff report. Building Official Tom Webb presented the staff report and answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Draxler opened public comment at 9:04 p.m.

FAVOR

Shirley Joyner expressed her concerns regarding her daughter's tenancy in apartment A of the property. Ms. Joyner also answered questioned from the Council.

OPPOSED

Appellant, Mike Austin gave a background of his business and experience with the City of Hanford. He explained the situation of the property and provided current pictures of the stairs at the property. Mr. Austin also provided invoices for repairs and answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Draxler closed public comment at 9:16 p.m.

Mr. Webb and Mr. Austin answered additional questions from the Council.

Motion to deny the Appeal of Citation B6907 and require the Appellant to comply with the staff recommendations.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Draxler, Art Brieno
SECONDER:	Francisco Ramirez, Vice Mayor
AYES:	Draxler, Devine, Sorensen, Brieno, Ramirez

- E. Community Development: Consideration and approval of proposed Modifications to the Live Oak Development Project. Modifications to Live Oak Development Agreement (Amendment 2): a request to modify the existing Development Agreement for the Live Oak Development and extend the expiration of the Development Agreement for five years. Modifications to Planned Unit Development (PUD) No. 2005-04: a request to modify the PUD/Master Plan to delete requirements for affordable housing units (consistent with Development Agreement Amendment 1), amend the goals and policies of the Live Oak Master Plan, update Municipal Code references to reflect the 2017 Municipal Code, and allow for increased lot density within a portion of the development. Modifications to Vesting Tentative Tract 865, 881, and 912: a request to remove the requirement for affordable housing units from the resolution, consistent with the Live Oak Development Agreement. Modifications to Vesting Tentative Tract 909: a request to remove the requirement for affordable housing units from the resolution, consistent with the Live Oak Development Agreement; modify language regarding park improvements consistent with the Development Agreement; and increase the number of residential lots from 642 to 719 units. The project is generally located in the southwest quadrant of the City of Hanford, east of 13th Avenue, west of 11th Avenue, north of Houston Avenue. APN (011-040-017 to -020; 011-110-016, -022, -029, and 030; 011-540-001 through -099)

Mayor Draxler opened the public hearing at 9:34 p.m. and called for the staff report. Senior Planner Gabrielle Myers handed out a revised second amendment agreement to the Council and presented the staff report. Ms. Myers and Norm Allinder answered questions from the Council.

Mayor Draxler opened public comment at 9:52 p.m.

IN-FAVOR

Jim Robinson, with San Joaquin Valley Homes, spoke in favor of the approval of proposed modifications to the Live Oak Development Project. He also discussed the affordable housing component and invited questions from the Council.

Norman Allinder spoke in favor for the approval of the proposed modifications to the Live Oak Development Project and provided more details of the project and invited questions from the Council.

OPPOSED

None.

Mayor Draxler closed public comment at 10:05 p.m.

Mr. Allinder and Mr., Robinson answered additional questions from the Council.

Motion to approve the proposed modifications to the Live Oak Development Project.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Sue Sorensen, Council Member
SECONDER:	Art Brieno, Council Member
AYES:	Draxler, Devine, Sorensen, Brieno, Ramirez

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A. Police: Adoption of Resolution No. 20-38-R establishing fees associated with the adopted Shopping Cart Regulations HMC 8.24.

City Manager Cifuentez presented Resolution 20-38-R on behalf of Chief Sever and answered questions from Council Member Brieno.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 20-38-R.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Francisco Ramirez, Vice Mayor
SECONDER:	Martin Devine, Council Member
AYES:	Draxler, Devine, Sorensen, Brieno, Ramirez

- B. City Clerk: Review 2021 Calendar of City Council Meetings

The Council discussed the 2021 City Council meeting calendar and agreed to the cancel the January 5th, 2021 City Council Meeting.

RESULT:	CONSENSUS
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COUNCIL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Council Member Sorensen suggested adding additional Council Chamber signage on the outside of the Civic Auditorium.

Vice Mayor Ramirez suggested installing automatic hand sanitizers in the Council Chambers.

- A. Council Future Agenda Items

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Draxler adjourned the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Corral
City Clerk