



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 19, 2022 7:00 PM

Council Chambers

400 N. Douty St.

4:00 PM CALL TO ORDER STUDY SESSION AND CLOSED SESSION:

Mayor Morrow called the study session and closed session to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK :

Present: Kalish Morrow, Diane Sharp, Art Brieno

Late: Francisco Ramirez, Amanda Saltray

PUBLIC COMMENT :

*Comments from the public are limited to items 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.*

None.

STUDY SESSION:

- A. Review and provide direction on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and the proposed 2022 Action Plan

Administrative Analyst Sandra Lerma provided a brief overview of the CDBG Annual Action Plan and discussed the preliminary allocation recommendations for the Council's review and direction. Ms. Lerma answered questions from the Council. Council Member Brieno expressed his concerns regarding the maximum assistance amount of the home buyer's program. Staff addressed his concerns. Ms. Lerma will present the final Action Plan for adoption on May 3, 2022.

RESULT:	CONSENSUS
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- B. Presentation and Council review of the proposed Civic Park Renovation and Improvement Projects

City Manager Cifuentez provided a brief background of the project. The Parks and Community Services Director Brad Albert presented the Civic Park Renovation and Improvement Project for Council's review and direction. The Council expressed their concerns regarding the timeline for the electrical portion of the project. Staff answered questions from the Council. The Council directed staff to move forward with the project with the effort to expedite the electrical infrastructure and lighting improvements.

CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING :

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (GC 54956.9 (d)(2)):

Threatened litigation regarding zoning and land use matter.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (GC 54956.9 (d)(4)):

5 potential cases.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS (GC 54956.8):

Property: 113 Court St. (Bastille)

APN: 010-265-001-000

Agency Negotiators: Mario Cifuentez and Ty Mizote

Negotiating Party: Jerry Irons and Greg Enloe

Property: 113 Court St. (Court House)

APN: 010-265-001-000

Agency Negotiators: Mario Cifuentez and Ty Mizote

Negotiating Party: Miles and Anna Dunford

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION:

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

ROLL CALL:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Diane Sharp	Vice Mayor	Present	3:36 PM
Art Brieno	Council Member	Present	3:37 PM
Kalish Morrow	Mayor	Present	3:50 PM
Amanda Saltray	Council Member	Late	5:25 PM
Francisco Ramirez	Council Member	Late	4:16 PM

INVOCATION:

The invocation was led by the Pastor Mark Curts.

FLAG SALUTE:

The flag salute was led by Mayor Morrow.

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

None.

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS:

Brief information-only reports from City Council and/or Staff, including committee reports and reports by City Council related to meetings attended at City expenses (AB1234).

Mayor Morrow, Vice Mayor Sharp, and Council Member Saltray discussed the meetings and events they attended.

Council Member's Ramirez and Brieno had nothing to report.

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.*

Larry Faria expressed his concerns regarding the Northstar project.

Christine Leech commented on the Northstar project and expressed her concerns regarding the safety of the community.

Liz Toppan requested addition security in area of the future Northstar apartment complex. She also commented on public safety.

Travis Paden commented on the future land use in the city's jurisdiction. He also suggested a reevaluation of the 2035 General Plan.

Ken Baird spoke in support of the Northstar project. He also shared his experience with mental illness.

Jack Schwartz shared upcoming community events.

Dennis Ham questioned the Planning Commission vacancy and the appointment process. He also requested to pull consent item E for separate discussion.

Nick Wagner commented on a previous meeting agenda item. He also commented on the TEFRA hearing.

John Darpli invited the Council to an upcoming Sons of Liberty event.

Rochelle Hill commented on her PRA request. Ms. Hill requested that the TEFRA hearing be postponed again.

Jenny Goldman questioned the late fees of her daughter's utility bill. She requested a late fee waiver. Staff followed up with Ms. Goldman outside of the Council Chambers.

Alison Sipple commented on the Northstar project and spoke in opposition. She expressed her concerns regarding the safety for the surrounding residence.

Rebecca Belle shared her experience with mental illness. She also spoke in favor of the Northstar project.

Bob Ramos commented on the Planning Commission vacancy.

Mackenzie Rankin of the Hanford Sentinel asked public comment speakers to provide her with their names.

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 items pulled for separate discussion.

Dennis Ham requested to pull Item E during the public comment period.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Francisco Ramirez, Council Member
SECONDER:	Art Brieno, Council Member
AYES:	Sharp, Brieno, Morrow, Saltray, Ramirez

- A. PROCEDURAL WAIVER: Waive reading in full of resolutions and ordinances and approval and adoption of same by reading title the only.
- B. City Clerk: Approval of the Minutes of the October 19, 2021 Meeting
- C. City Clerk: Denial of a claim for damages and authorization for the City Clerk to send out notification of such to Luis Ramirez Jr.
- D. City Attorney: Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 22-04, to formalize the CFD tax that has been approved by the owners of land within the CFD; and (ii) authorize the City's Finance director to add the special tax to the tax roll for collection via property tax bills.
- E. Public Works: Authorization for the Director of Public Works to send a letter to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), requesting the extension of water service for one dwelling in the County of Kings, without annexation by the City of Hanford. (APN 014-240-016, 9991 Country Lane).
- F. Public Work: Authorization for the Director of Public Works to send a letter to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), requesting the extension of sewer service for one dwelling in the County of Kings without annexation by the City of Hanford. (APN 007-010-012, 7076 11th Avenue).
- G. Fire: Authorization to award a contract to Robinson's Interiors of Hanford, CA, in the amount of \$48,150 and establish a contingency of \$4,815 (10%), for the Removal and Replacement of Flooring at Fire Stations 1 and 2.
- H. Finance: Receive and File the City of Hanford's Quarterly Investment Portfolio and Transactions Reports

PULLED ITEMS :

- 1. Administration: Introduction of Ordinance No. 22-05, Amending Chapter 2.36 of the Municipal Code to create an Alternate seat on the City's Planning Commission.

[Item E]

Pulled by the public.

City Manager Cifuentez discussed the item and addressed the delay in the appointment process and answered questions from the Council. Council Member Brieno suggested going back to seven commissioners. Mayor Morrow spoke in favor of the item as presented.

Motion to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Francisco Ramirez, Council Member
SECONDER:	Diane Sharp, Vice Mayor
AYES:	Sharp, Brieno, Morrow, Saltray, Ramirez

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing to consider the issuance of private activity bonds by the California Statewide Communities Development Authority in support of the Northstar Apartments project (TEFRA Hearing) and Adoption of Resolution No. 22-10-R.

Mayor Morrow opened the public hearing at 7:48 p.m. and called for the staff report. California Municipal Finance Authority Financial Advisor Travis Copper presented the staff report.

Mayor Morrow opened the public comment period at 7:50 p.m.

IN-FAVOR

Rebecca Belle, Ken Baired, Miguel Perez, and Carole Farris spoke in favor.

OPPOSED

Larry Faria, Christine Leech, Liz Toppan, Lou Martinez, Carole Nelson, Stella Yarbrough, Nick Wagner
Bob Ramos and Rochelle Hill spoke in opposition.

Marianne Lewis requested a roll call vote because the screen in the Council Chamber's is not visible by the whole audience.

Mayor Morrow closed the public comment period at 8:21 p.m.

Staff and the City Attorney answered questions from the Council. The Council addressed the community's concerns. After lengthy discussion, Council Member Saltray motioned for a referendum. Seconded by Council Member Brieno. Motion failed 2/3.

After Council Member Ramirez motioned to approve the item as presented, Council Member Saltray made a substitute motion to continue the hearing at future meeting. Seconded by Council Member Brieno. Motion failed 2/3.

Motion to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED [3 TO 2]
MOVER:	Francisco Ramirez, Council Member
SECONDER:	Kalish Morrow, Mayor
AYES:	Sharp, Morrow, Ramirez
NAYS:	Brieno, Saltray

Recess: 8:55 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Police: Introduction of Ordinance No. 22-03 and Compliance Policy 706 for Military equipment reporting as mandated by the State under AB481.

Police Chief Sever discussed the Ordinance and Compliance Policy 705 for Military equipment reporting as mandated by the State under AB481. Chief Sever addressed the policy number error in the staff report and answered questions from the Council.

Motion to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Francisco Ramirez, Council Member
SECONDER:	Amanda Saltray, Council Member
AYES:	Sharp, Brieno, Morrow, Saltray, Ramirez

COUNCIL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

At this time, any Council Member, subject to Council Policies and Procedures, may request staff to report back to the Council at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. (GOV. CODE SEC. 54954.2)

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Morrow adjourned the meeting at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Corral
City Clerk