

The City of Hanford
CALIFORNIA



City Council Meeting Agenda

June 23, 2022
5:00 PM – Special Meeting
Council Chambers
400 N. Douty St.

Council Members will meet in-person in the Council Chambers. The meeting will also be lived streamed on the City's website: <http://livestream.hanford.city/>

CALL TO ORDER SPECIAL SESSION:

ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK:

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.*

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Planning Commission Interviews

ADJOURNMENT:

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AGENDA STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 6/23/2022	AGENDA SECTION:
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SUBJECT:

Planning Commission Interviews

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council interview candidates for the Planning Commission and make appointments to fill the vacant term, set to expire December 31, 2024 and the another as an Alternate with a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

1. Gunther Norris
2. Dennis Ham
3. Chris Jordan

BACKGROUND:

Filling vacant seats on the Planning Commission has been an issue for the City for several years now. On September 21, 2021, the City Council adopted a comprehensive update to the City's Municipal Code, related to City Commissions. Part of that update included:

- Setting the number of commissioner seats at five (5) for all City Commissions
- Allowed for members to remain seated, past term expiration, to allow Council ample time to appoint new members.
- Established a lower threshold of absences for members to ensure commissioners remain engaged in matters related to those commissions

Those changes have helped in keeping meetings from being canceled but the issue of finding applicants existed until recently. After advertising the vacant Planning Commission seat through Social Media and a flyer in the City's Utility Bill, the City was finally successful in receiving numerous applications. Staff has reviewed all applications and narrowed the list down to three (3) applicants that are being recommended to Council for interview and possible appointment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

ATTACHMENTS:

D. Ham

C. Jordan

G. Norris

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APPLICATION FOR COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

APPLICANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT A COUNCILMEMBER TO COMMUNICATE THEIR INTEREST FOR APPOINTMENT.

1. Mr. Dennis Stanton Ham
Mrs. _____
Ms. _____
First Middle Last
2. Residence address: _____ Street
Hanford Kings CA 93230
City County State Zip
Cell/Home Phone _____
E-mail address: _____
3. Position(s) sought: (List in order of preference)
1) Planning Commission
2) _____
3) _____
4. Business Title or Occupation: Retired - Electronic Engineer
Company: _____
Address: _____
City County State Zip
Phone (____) _____
5. Education - List schools attended and/or graduated/degree(s):
Hanford Union High School - High School Diploma
Fresno State College - BSEE (Electrical/Electronic Engineering)

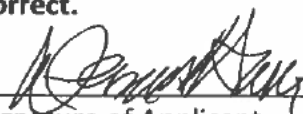
Attachment: D. Ham (Study Session: Planning Commission Interviews)

6. Other Special Training or Experience:
Approximately 25 years on the Hanford City Planning Commission, beginning in the late 1990's
Over 40 years in the real estate industry (title company owner
in Kings County). Member of Toastmasters International for over 30 years.
7. Previous and present governmental and civic experience. Indicate when, position and duties:
Over 36 years employed by the Federal Aviation Admin (electronic engineer,
technician & manager). Member of the Planning Commission for over 25 years
Member of the China Alley Preservation Society (restoring Hanford's China
town.) Served as a volunteer with Hanford Police for nearly 20 years.
8. Please explain why you wish to serve on a Commission for the City of Hanford:
I am concerned about the growth of our community, our parks and transportation
issues. My experience in real estate give me insight as to how to
evaluate proposals that come before the commission. I am not
afraid to ask questions to the developers and staff.
9. Do you have any interests or associations which might present a conflict of interest? If yes, please explain:
No

Please attach your resume, and any additional information or statements which you feel would be helpful in reviewing your qualifications.

AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

I, Dennis Ham, understand that in connection with this application for appointment, the document and the information contained herein will be made available to the general public upon request. I certify under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.


Signature of Applicant

September 13, 2021
Date

Dennis Ham

■■■■ Street, Hanford, CA 93230 – Cell ■■■■ – ■■■■

Objective

To be able to serve my community by being appointed to the Hanford City Planning Commission.

Education

- Fresno State College – Fresno, CA
- BSEE – June, 1971
- Electrical/Electronic Engineering

Experience

1973 - 1993

Employed by the Federal Aviation Administration

Held positions as Electronic Engineer, Information Resource Manager (computers), Spectrum Manager (Frequency Management), Supervisor, Electronic Technician.

Locations – Seattle, WA; Los Angeles, CA; Fresno, CA; Sacramento, CA

Engineered and installed radio communications equipment in 10 new Air Traffic Control Towers in Washington, Oregon and Idaho. Was on a team of 10 engineers who worked on 2 major documents for the FAA. Helped to monitor and install several Instrument Landing Systems in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Arizona. Worked with a team, which included the FBI and FCC to try to locate a person who was trying to disrupt radio communications with the Ontario, CA Air Traffic Control Tower.

February, 1993 to August, 2005

Manager/Owner – Hanford Title Company - Hanford

Took over the family business, taking over the daily operations, including personnel issues and public relations.

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August, 2005 to June, 2016

Electronic Technician – Federal Aviation Administration – Bakersfield, CA

Returned to work with FAA in Bakersfield. Served as an electronic maintenance technician. Worked on radio communications equipment, navigations equipment and weather sensors. I was based in Bakersfield, but maintained equipment as far north as Porterville and as far south as Gorman.

The most interesting project was when we were tasked to transport (and set up) a mobile Air Traffic Control Tower (mounted on a trailer) from Bakersfield to Lake Isabella (to help with a forest fire). After it sat there for about a week, we had to relocate it to the Napa airport (due to an earthquake). A few weeks later, we went back up to relocate it one more time to the Santa Rosa airport (due to that same earlier earthquake).

Awards & Acknowledgements

- 1990 - Toastmasters International Presidential Citation (for continuous support to the organization.
- 2002 – Recognition of Community Service by Hanford Police Department
- 2003 – Lifetime Business Achievement Award to Hanford Title Company from Hanford Chamber of Commerce

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1.

Mr. CHRIS MCDONALD JORDAN
Mrs. _____
Ms. _____
First Middle Last
2.

Residence address: [REDACTED] COURT
HANFORD KINGS CA. 93230
City County State Zip

Cell/Home Phone [REDACTED]
E-mail address: [REDACTED]
3.

Position(s) sought: (List in order of preference)

1) PLANNING COMMISSION
2) _____
3) _____
4.

Business Title or Occupation: RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT
Company: KINGS COUNTY SHERIFF
Address: _____
City County State Zip
Phone (____) _____
5.

Education - List schools attended and/or graduated/degree(s):
BRANDMAN UNIVERSITY
West Hills College (STUDENT)
West Hills College - Lemoore ADJUNCT STAFF

6. Other Special Training or Experience:

LEADERSHIP
COMMUNICATION
UNDERSTANDING POLICES AND PROCEDURES

7. Previous and present governmental and civic experience. Indicate when, position and duties:

KINGS COUNTY SHERIFF (SHERIFF)
HANFORD POLICE DEPT. (32 YEARS) Retired AS A CAPTAIN
KINGS COUNTY GRAND JURY
HANFORD ELEMENTARY ADJUNCT COMMITTEE
CENSUS 2000
COACH TO YOUTH TEAMS (BASKETBALL & SOCCER).

8. Please explain why you wish to serve on a Commission for the City of Hanford:

I HAVE SERVED MY COMMUNITY IN SEVERAL DIFFERENT WAYS. IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN MY INTENTION TO SERVE TO HELP MAKE MY COMMUNITY BETTER. I BELIEVE I HAVE EXPERIENCE IN PROVIDING LEADERSHIP, DECISION MAKING, UNDERSTANDING COMPLEX ISSUES AND COMMUNICATION.

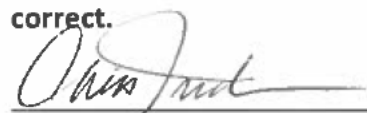
9. Do you have any interests or associations which might present a conflict of interest? If yes, please explain:

NO

Please attach your resume, and any additional information or statements which you feel would be helpful in reviewing your qualifications.

AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

I, CHRIS JORDAN, understand that in connection with this application for appointment, this document and the information contained herein will be made available to the general public upon request. I certify under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.



Signature of Applicant

2-28-22

Date

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1. Mr. GUNTNER ERICH NORRIS
Mrs. First Middle Last
2. Residence address: [REDACTED] CT
HANFORD KINGS CA 93230
City County State Zip
Cell/Home Phone [REDACTED]
E-mail address: [REDACTED]
3. Position(s) sought: (List in order of preference)
1) PLANNING COMMISSION
2) _____
3) _____
4. Business Title or Occupation: GOVERNMENT CONTRACTOR. QUALITY SUPERVISOR
Company: PAE, NAVAL AVIATION MAINTENANCE CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE
Address: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
City County State Zip
Phone [REDACTED]
5. Education - List schools attended and/or graduated/degree(s):
WIDEFIELD HIGH SCHOOL, WIDEFIELD, CO. HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Attachment: G. Norris (Study Session: Planning Commission Interviews)

6. Other Special Training or Experience:

NAVAL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY - 2004

NAVY CHIEF PETTY OFFICER LEADERSHIP - 2014

LEADING CHIEF PETTY OFFICER OF VFA-113's MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

7. Previous and present governmental and civic experience. Indicate when, position and duties:

US NAVY - 1999 - 2020

NO PRIOR CIVIC EXPERIENCE

8. Please explain why you wish to serve on a Commission for the City of Hanford:

I SERVED THE UNITED STATES FOR 21 YEARS. IVE
WATCHED MY WIFE SERVE THIS COMMUNITY THROUGH HER
EMPLOYMENT WITH KING COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.
I FELL LIKE IT IS TIME THAT I GIVE SOMETHING BACK
TO THE COMMUNITY THAT I HAVE LIVED IN FOR MANY YEAR.

9. Do you have any interests or associations which might present a conflict of interest? If yes, please explain:

NONE.

Please attach your resume, and any additional information or statements which you feel would be helpful in reviewing your qualifications.

AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

I, GUNTHER NORRIS, understand that in connection with this application for appointment, the document and the information contained herein will be made available to the general public upon request. I certify under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.


Signature of Applicant

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