



**City Council Regular Meeting
Minutes**

**April 4, 2023 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
400 N. Douty St.**

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

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

ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK:

Present:	Absent:
Council Member Lou Martinez Council Member Mark Kairis Council Member Travis Paden Council Member Kalish Morrow Council Member Diane Sharp	

PUBLIC COMMENT:

*Study Sessions are considered Special Meetings under the Bown Act. Accordingly, comments from the public are limited to items listed on the agenda (GC 54954.3a). Public Comment will be accepted during each agenda item. 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. Finance: Presentation of Report on the City of Hanford's Audit of the Financial Statements for the year ending June 30, 2022 (Fiscal Year 2022)

Finance Manager Destiny Borba provided a brief overview of the audit and discussed the 2021/2022 Governmental Fund Summary of Performance. Hudson Henderson & Company Inc. Auditor, Brian Henderson, discussed the audit results, the audit timeline, settlement liability, and lease liability. No action was required. Staff and Mr. Henderson answered questions from the Council. The Council thanked the staff and auditor for their hard work and adjourned to closed session at 4:33 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:

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

Property: 426 W. Lacey Blvd.
APN: 010-253-001-000
Agency Negotiators: Mario Cifuentez and Ty Mizote
Negotiating Party: Nick Warner for MSI Hanford

APN: 014-230-030
Agency Negotiators: Mario Cifuentez, Ty Mizote, and Brad Albert
Negotiation Party: Thomas G. Loogman, Robert A. Loogman, Colette M. Quinn, John M. Loogman, Jr., Lisa M. Askins, and Trudy N. Simas

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION:

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

ROLL CALL:

Present:	Absent:
Council Member Lou Martinez Council Member Mark Kairis Council Member Travis Paden Council Member Kalish Morrow Council Member Diane Sharp	

INVOCATION:

The invocation was led by Pastor Lori Niles.

FLAG SALUTE:

The flag salute was led by Captain Karl Anderson.

COUNCIL REPORTS/GENERAL REPORTS:

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).

The Council discussed the meetings and events they attended.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

This is the time for citizens to comment on subject matters 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. State law does not allow the Council to discuss or take action on issues not on the agenda, except that members of the Council or staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights (Gov. Code sec. 54954.2). A maximum of three minutes is allowed for each speaker. Please begin your comments by stating your name and providing your city of residence.

Bob Ramos commented on consent item A, the traffic circle project, the location of Heroes Park, the downtown strategic plan, the Helena Settlement, vacant land, and the need for a Senior Center.

Mark Pratter spoke in opposition to the Heroes Park project. He also expressed his concerns regarding Hidden Valley Park. He stated the people want Hidden Valley Park to be expanded.

California Health Collaborative Youth Coordinator, Regan Caldwell and Coalition members, Crystal Rodriguez, Marielle Taylor, and Cam Ortiz commented on the Unidos Por Salud Project.

California Health Collaborative Community Engagement Coordinator, Able Arevalo, discussed the program policies

and partners. He also gave the Council program packets.

California Health Collaborative Community Engagement Coordinator Iasiah Galindo, commented on the program and invited the Council to an upcoming event.

Anna Brookshire requested more information about consent item J.

Kimber Reagan commented on the general business item A. She also commented on the traffic circle project.

Susan (she did not state her last name) commented on the traffic circle project, and spoke in opposition to the project.

Mayor Paden addressed the traffic circle project comments.

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.

Item A was requested to be pulled during public comment. Item F, H, I, J and M were pulled by the Council. Motion to approve except for the items pulled for separate consideration.

RESULT:	Passed (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Diane Sharp
SECONDER:	Council Member Kalish Morrow
AYES:	Diane Sharp, Mark Kairis, Kalish Morrow, Travis Paden, Lou Martinez

- A. City Clerk: Approval of the Minutes of the February 7, 2023 Meeting
- B. City Clerk: Approval of the Minutes of the February 21, 2023 Meeting
- C. Community Development: Acceptance of the mandated General Plan Annual Progress Report for Calendar Year 2022 and authorization for the submittal to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research
- D. Community Development: Authorization to award a contract for GIS On-Call Services to GEOinovo at a cost not to exceed \$25,000 per fiscal year.
- E. Public Works: Acceptance of Grant of Easement for property from Forebay Farms, LLC for right of way purposes for the installation of a traffic signal system at the intersection of 12th Avenue and Hume Avenue.
- F. Public Works: Authorization enter into a five year, sole source contract with Univar for the supply and delivery of sodium hypochlorite to be used as a disinfecting agent in the City's water system. As part of the contract, Univar will supply four 750 gallon tanks at no charge to City, which will facilitate more efficient deliveries.
- G. Public Works: Approval of the Notice of Completion for Tract No. 865 Live Oak East Unit No. 1, Located at Houston Avenue and Alpine Avenue, and Authorization for the Mayor to Execute and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's office.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. Procedural Waiver: Waive reading in full of resolutions and ordinances and approval and adoption of same by reading title the only.

[Item A]

Pulled by the public during public comment. City Manager Cifuentez addressed the concerns expressed during public comment.

Motion to Approve.

RESULT:	Passed (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Mark Kairis
SECONDER:	Council Member Kalish Morrow
AYES:	Diane Sharp, Mark Kairis, Kalish Morrow, Travis Paden, Lou Martinez

- B. Parks and Community Services: Authorization to award a contract to Alta Transportation in the amount of \$253,000 to create an Active Transportation Plan (ATP) and appropriate \$284,811 from the Transportation Fund, which includes \$32,668 of the required 11.47% local cash match.

[Item F]

Pulled by Council Member Martinez. Mr. Martinez discussed the conversation he had with Parks and Community Services Director Brad Albert regarding the contract and made the motion to approve.

RESULT:	Passed (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Lou Martinez
SECONDER:	Council Member Diane Sharp
AYES:	Diane Sharp, Mark Kairis, Kalish Morrow, Travis Paden, Lou Martinez

- C. Public Works: Authorization to advertise for bids the FY 23 Pavement Resurfacing Treatment Project and the concurrent Manhole Project: Raise and Adjust to Grade, and Pre-Authorize the City Manager to award and execute the contracts on behalf of the City to the lowest responsible bidders; providing the project bid is within current budget appropriation.

[Item H]

Mayor Paden questioned items H and I. Public Works Director Jim Ross answered questions from Mayor Paden. Mayor Paden also suggested repairing the manholes on Lacey Blvd.

Motion to Approve.

RESULT:	Passed (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Travis Paden
SECONDER:	Council Member Lou Martinez
AYES:	Diane Sharp, Mark Kairis, Kalish Morrow, Travis Paden, Lou Martinez

- D. Public Works: Authorization to advertise for bids for the FY 23 Manhole Repair and Coating Project, and Pre-Authorize the City Manager to award and execute the contract on behalf of the City to the lowest responsible bidder; providing the project bid is within current budget appropriation.

[Item I]

Mayor Paden questioned items H and I. Public Works Director Jim Ross answered questions from Mayor Paden.

Motion to Approve.

RESULT:	Passed (UNANIMOUS)
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MOVER: Council Member Travis Paden
SECONDER: Council Member Lou Martinez
AYES: Diane Sharp, Mark Kairis, Kalish Morrow, Travis Paden, Lou Martinez

- E. Public Works: Authorization to award a contract to Lechowicz & Tsenh (L&T), at a cost of \$96,420, for the purpose of performing a Utility Rate Study, pursuant to the scope of work identified in RFP 2023-02. The cost of the study will be split evenly between the Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater enterprise funds.

[Item J]

Pulled by the public during public comment. Public Works Director Jim Ross addressed the concerns expressed during public comment.

Motion to Approve.

RESULT: **Passed (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Council Member Diane Sharp
SECONDER: Council Member Kalish Morrow
AYES: Diane Sharp, Mark Kairis, Kalish Morrow, Travis Paden, Lou Martinez

- F. Police: Appropriation and authorization to purchase up to \$32,000 in Gym Equipment to be paid from an Officer Wellness Grant in the City's Police Trust Fund

[Item M]

Pulled by Mayor Paden.

Captain Karl Anderson answered questions from Mayor Paden.

Motion to Approve.

RESULT: **Passed (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Council Member Travis Paden
SECONDER: Council Member Mark Kairis
AYES: Diane Sharp, Mark Kairis, Kalish Morrow, Travis Paden, Lou Martinez

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A. City Attorney: Approval of a Purchase and Sale Agreement and Escrow Instructions for the purchase of forty (40) acres of Land for the future development of Heroes Park, a new fire station, and a new water tank site.

Parks and Community Services Director Brad Albert provided a background of the project and discussed the timeline of the next steps. He also discussed the outreach efforts, site selection criteria, results from community engagement, and the new site. Staff answered questions from the Council. After a brief discussion Council Member Sharp made the motion to approve.

RESULT: **Passed (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Council Member Diane Sharp
SECONDER: Council Member Kalish Morrow
AYES: Diane Sharp, Mark Kairis, Kalish Morrow, Travis Paden, Lou Martinez

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS::

At this time, any Council Member may ask a question for clarification, make an announcement, or report briefly on their activities. In addition, subject to Council Policies and Procedures, they 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)

A. Council Future Agenda Items

None.

B. Upcoming Events and Important Dates:

April 7: Easter Egg Hunt in Civic Park 10:00 am - 11:30 am \$5.00 [Get tickets here](#)

April 8: Helping Hands Volunteer Program at Centennial Park [Sign up here](#)

April 15: Walk with a Doc at Centennial Park 9:00 am - 10:00 am

April 18: Regular City Council Meeting

April 21: Mother/Son Dance at the Civic Auditorium 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm [Get tickets here](#)

April 22: Father/Daughter Dance at the Civic Auditorium 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm [Get tickets here](#)

April 29: Coffee with a Cop at Starbucks at 11th & Lacey 9:00 am - 11 am

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Paden adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Natalie Corral
Natalie Corral, City Clerk