



City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

April 2, 2024 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
400 N. Douty St.

4:00 PM CALL TO ORDER STUDY SESSION:

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

ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

*Study Sessions are considered Special Meetings under the Brown 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.*

Bobby Watson, Executive Director of the Kings County Commission on Aging, commented on the organization's CDBG fund request. Ms. Wartson answered questions from the Council.

Dennis Ham commented on the Council's direction regarding the Central Parking and Business Improvement Area Advisory Board.

STUDY SESSION:

- A. Review and comment on 1) Planned allocation of resources for the Draft City of Hanford's 2024-2028/29 Consolidated Plan (ConPlan), including First Year 2024/25 Annual Action Plan for the use of U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), funds by the City's Community Department-Housing Division, and 2) Comment on DRAFT CDBG 2024 Action Plan Amendment.

Housing Analyst Sandra Lerma-Martinez provided an overview of the planned allocation of resources for the Draft City of Hanford's 2024-2028/29 Consolidated Plan (ConPlan) and the Draft CDBG 2024 Action Plan. Chrysalis Research Consulting Group Analyst Jason Wright (via Zoom) discussed their role in the preparation of the Consolidated Plan. The Council questioned the allocations for public services and the home buyers program. Ms. Martinez clarified the request

for funding from KCAO and the Commission on Aging and answered questions from the Council. The Council provided their feedback on the distribution of the estimated budget.

- B. Presentation of the City's Downtown Strategic Plan, including its recommendations related to Policy/Administration, Tourism/Promotion, Economic Vitality and Design, and discussion about the reestablishment of the Central Parking and Business Improvement Area Advisory Board, as required by the City's Municipal Code, including its role in helping to implement recommendations provided in the downtown plan.

Deputy City Manager Jason Waters and Community Relations Manager Brain Johnson presented and discussed the City's Downtown Strategic Plan, including the recommendations related to Policy/Administration, Tourism/Promotion, Economic Vitality and Design, and the reestablishment of the Central Parking and Business Improvement Area Advisory Board, as required by the City's Municipal Code. Staff answered questions from the Council. After much discussion, the Council directed staff to move forward with the reestablishment of the Central Parking and Business Improvement Area Advisory Board.

The Mayor adjourned the study session at 5:52 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION:

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

ROLL CALL:

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

INVOCATION:

The invocation was led by Pastor Thomas King.

FLAG SALUTE:

The flag salute was led by the Hanford West High School Site Council Represetntaive Drew Black.

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 the approval of the downtown improvement project roundabout and expressed concerns regarding Diane Sharp voting on the project.

Rusty Brookshier commented on the approval of the roundabout.

Christine Leach shared her experience on the Revenue Measure Committee (RMC). She also commented on the

roundabout and the Krash matter.

Jack Schwartz commented on the study session discussion and offered the Carnegie's assistance.

Adrea Barone commented on the Krash matter and questioned the city's transparency. He also commented on a possible tax increase.

Dionicia Parks commented on the Hanford comfort dogs. She also requested transparency about Krash being euthanized. Ms. Parks also questioned the city's policy for K9 retirement.

Jim Nelson commented on the approval of the roundabout.

Dennis Ham commented on the dissolution of the Parking and Traffic Commission and requested to pull the item from the consent calendar for separate discussion.

Jessica Szalai, owner of Beautifully Damaged commented on the flooding in her store and asked for the city's assistance.

Kimber Regan commented on the approval of the roundabout.

City Attorney Ty Mizote clarified the requirements for recusal.

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 C was requested to be pulled during public comment. Motion to approve except for the items pulled for separate discussion.

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

- A. Procedural Waiver: Waive reading in full of resolutions and ordinances and approval and adoption of same by reading the title only.
- B. City Clerk: Approval of the appointment of Ms. Cindy Harris to the Kings Mosquito Abatement District Board of Trustees, recommended by Michael Cavanah, District Manager of the Kings County Mosquito Abatement District.
- C. Administration: Approval of the second reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 24-03 amending Section 12.24 to Title 12 of the Municipal Code, thereby amending sections related to City Properties and the acceptable use of these properties by the public.
- D. Community Development: Authorization for the City Manager to execute contract amendment with Kinoca Minolta for backfile scanning services of Building division's large-format plans for a total not to exceed \$109,785.00 for the completion of the project.
- E. Community Development: Community Development: Acceptance of the mandated General Plan Annual Progress Report for Calendar Year 2023 and Authorization for the submittal to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.
- F. Community Development: Adoption of Resolution N0. 24-08-R, Supporting an

Application for Funding from the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Program in support of first-time homebuyer activities.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. Administration: Introduction of Ordinance No. 24-04, Amending Section 2.20 and Repealing Section 2.28 of the Hanford Municipal Code, thereby dissolving the Parking and Traffic Commission

[Item C]

Pulled during public comment.

City Manager Cifuentez discussed the Council's direction and addressed Mr. Ham's comments.

Motion to Approve.

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

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A. Utilities and Engineering: Award of Professional Services Contract to 4Creeks Engineering in the amount of \$77,700 for design of the site improvements required for the Youth Athletic Complex (YAC) Restroom and Concession Stand Building Project

Parks and Community Services Director Brad Albert and Utilities and Engineering Director Frank Senteno presented the project for the Council's review and approval. Staff answered questions from the Council.

Motion to Approve.

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

- B. Administration: Recognition of Departing Council Member Diane Sharp

The Council recognized Council Member Sharp and presented her with a plaque in honor of her years of service on the Hanford City Council.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

At this time, any Council Member may ask a question for clarification or may request a matter, which is not otherwise scheduled on a City Council agenda, to be placed on a future agenda. The Council Member referring the item shall provide sufficient information as to the nature of the item. The City Council, by concurrence of a majority, may direct the City Manager to put the item on a future agenda. (GOV. CODE SEC. 54954.2)

- A. Council Future Agenda Items

No new items were brought forth.

B. Upcoming Events and Important Dates:

April 16: Food Truck Takeover in Civic Park 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

April 16: Regular City Council Meeting

May 2: Thursday Night Market Place in Civic Park 5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

May 7: Regular City Council Meeting

May 21: Regular City Council Meeting

April 16 meeting will be canceled due to constraints.

ADJOURNMENT:

Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the City Council after distribution of the agenda packet are available to public inspection in the City Clerk's Office located at 319 N. Douty Street, Hanford, California 93230, during normal business hours. Such agendas are also available at the city's website, www.cityofhanfordca.com subject to staff's ability to post the agenda before the meeting. If you need a disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk's office, 559-585-2515, 319 N. Douty Street, Hanford, California 93230, at least 2 days prior to the meeting {28 CFR 35.102.35.104 ADA Title II}

Mayor Paden adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Corral
City Clerk