



## **Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Agenda**

May 11, 2026  
5:30 PM – Regular Meeting  
Council Chambers  
400 N. Douty St.

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

### **ROLL CALL:**

### **INVOCATION:**

*To be led by Commissioner Rodriguez.*

### **FLAG SALUTE:**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

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### **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

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- A. Approval of the February 9, 2026 Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of the March 9, 2026 Meeting Minutes

### **DIVISION UPDATES:**

- A. Marketing/Sponsorship Updates
- B. Hanford Boys & Girls Club Updates
- C. Sports Complex Updates
- D. Parks Updates
- E. Event Updates
- F. Program Updates
- G. Directors Updates

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- A. Tree Permit Request - 1320 Mary St
- B. Possible Ballot Measure to Fund Large Capital Projects
- C. Heroes Park Design Update

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**



## AGENDA STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 5/11/2026

**AGENDA SECTION:** CONSENT CALENDAR

**SUBJECT:**

Approval of the February 9, 2026 Meeting Minutes

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation:

Recommended Motion:

**BACKGROUND:**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Parks and Recreation Commission - Feb 2026 Minutes



**Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting  
Minutes**

**February 9, 2026 5:30 PM  
Council Chambers  
400 N. Douty St.**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Scott called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

**ROLL CALL:**

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Absent:</b>
Parks and Recreation Commissioner Joseph Castaneda Parks and Recreation Commissioner Carolyn Hudgins Parks and Recreation Commissioner Gregory Kelley Parks and Recreation Commissioner Judy Scott Parks and Recreation Commissioner Sheldon Blackwell	

**INVOCATION:**

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Commissioner Rodriguez led the invocation.

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Chair Scott led the flag salute.

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None.

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A. Approval of the December 8, 2025 Meeting Minutes.

Motion to Approve

**RESULT:** (UNANIMOUS)  
**MOVER:** Parks and Recreation Commissioner Joseph Castaneda  
**SECONDER:** Parks and Recreation Commissioner Sheldon Blackwell

**DIVISION UPDATES:**

**A. Sports Complex Updates**

- Robotic lawn mower being tested at the softball complex.
- Redoing infields
- Outfield maintenance and leveling
- Sign ups for adult league
- NSA tournaments on 2/21 and 2/28

**B. Parks Updates**

Public Works Deputy Director Albin Dias presented the February Parks updates.

Projects/ Updates:

Winter Wonderland Close out repairs

- Main line melted
- Removed and redistributed the sand
- Prepping for replacement sod
- Repairs to irrigation system

YAC repairs, upgrade, preseason work

- Floated and aerated Rotary park
- Final touches at YAC baseball diamonds DG, etc
- Light repairs at football/basin area
- Power returned to YAC baseball.

Helping Hands

- Feb 14, Civic Park, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm
- Jan Canceled

**C. Marketing/Sponsorship Updates**

Recreation Coordinator Brittany Parreira presented the Marketing & Sponsorship updates.

- Little Kickers Indoor Soccer - FULL
- Child & Parent Dances - goal is 250 guests + \$2,500 sponsorship goal for food expenses
- Easter Egg Hunt - \$5,000 sponsorship goal

**D. Events and Program Updates**

Recreation Manager Adam Ramos presented the Events and Program updates.

- Setup at 5:00 AM
- Carousel, firetruck, pony rides, Easter bunny photos will all be free
- Vendors will be present for food and drink purchases
- Staff will wear the new staff shirt
- 32 staff planned to work

### E. Directors Updates

Director Brad Albert provided the Director's updates.

- 2/14 Planting of the Liberty Tree @ Civic Park 11:00am
- 2/21 Community Outreach at two LADs
- 2/28 Ribbon cutting for new YAC building @ 8:00 am
- Tree Planting will begin at the SB complex on 2/15
- Final report about Winter Wonderland during the March meeting.

## GENERAL BUSINESS:

### A. Tree Permit Request - 1821 Easy St

Public Works Deputy Director Alvin Dias presented the tree removal request 1821 Easy St.

This request was tabled at the January 2026 Commission meeting.

- The tree has recently begun to drop major branches
- The tree is located between two homes and could negatively impact either home should a branch fall on either home.
- Tree appears to be in declining health, given its appearance and proximity to the homes and potential risk to property and residents they would like it removed.

### Recommendation to approve

- An on-site inspection was conducted by Alvin Dias and Levi Winebrenner. They confirmed that the tree is a Valley oak and that, due to its size and location, the risk cannot be adequately mitigated through pruning.
- The on-call arborist was not available for this project because the tree is not located within the public right-of-way, and using public funds for this service could be considered a gift of public funds.
- The tree is in close proximity to both properties and presents a high risk of damage to one or both structures, with the potential for significant structural damage and possible injury to occupants.

Commissioner Kelley made a motion to approve the request as is. There was no second. The motion failed  
Motion to Approve

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Failed</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Parks and Recreation Commissioner Gregory Kelley
<b>SECONDER:</b>	None
<b>AYES:</b>	None
<b>NAYS:</b>	None

Commissioner Castaneda made a motion to approve the tree's removal, with the condition that a tree be donated to the City of Hanford for planting.

Motion to Approve

**RESULT:** Passed (UNANIMOUS)  
**MOVER:** Parks and Recreation Commissioner Gregory Kelley  
**SECONDER:** Parks and Recreation Commissioner Carolyn Hudgins  
**AYES:** Joseph Castaneda, Sheldon Blackwell, Judy Scott, Carolyn Hudgins, Gregory Kelley

## B. Update on the establishment of a Parks and Recreation Foundation

Director Albert presented the update on the Establishment of a Parks and Recreation Foundation.

- Follow-up to the November 11, 2025 Commission meeting.
- City Attorney's legal opinion regarding conflict of interest.
- The FPPC's basic rules regarding conflicts of interest prohibit an official from making a decision or attempting to use the official's position to influence a government decision if "the official has a disqualifying financial interest.
- Serving simultaneously on the Commission and on the Foundation's Board without creating an automatic conflict of interest.
- The Commission and the Foundation's board do not automatically create a disqualifying financial interest. Other factors would need to be present for a conflict of interest to arise.
- Conclusion: A person may serve simultaneously without creating an automatic conflict of interest under the FPPC's regulations.

The next steps:

- Is this something that of interest?
- Who will lead the process?
- Creation of a vision and mission statement
- Founding Board structure
- Outline of Bylaws and MOU framework

## C. Urban Forest Master Plan Recommendation

Dudek's Urban Forest Planner Kevin Cullinen presented on the Urban Forest Master Plan.

Mr. Cullinen presented the revised Urban Forest Master Plan to the commission for the commission to recommend that City Council reviews and adopts the master plan. There was a lot of discussion and all questions were addressed by Mr. Cullinen.

Commissioner Gregory Kelley made a motion that the commission make a formal recommendation to City Council to review and adopt the Urban Forest Master Plan.

Motion to Approve

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**SECONDER:** Parks and Recreation Commissioner Joseph Castaneda  
**AYES:** Joseph Castaneda, Carolyn Hudgins, Gregory Kelley, Judy Scott, Sheldon Blackwell

## FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

## ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Scott adjourned the meeting.



## AGENDA STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 5/11/2026

**AGENDA SECTION:** CONSENT CALENDAR

**SUBJECT:**

Approval of the March 9, 2026 Meeting Minutes

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation:

Recommended Motion:

**BACKGROUND:**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Parks and Recreation Commission - March 2026 Minutes



**Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting  
Minutes**

**March 9, 2026 5:30 PM  
Council Chambers  
400 N. Douty St.**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Scott called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

**ROLL CALL:**

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Absent:</b>
Parks and Recreation Commissioner Joseph Castaneda Parks and Recreation Commissioner Carolyn Hudgins Parks and Recreation Commissioner Gregory Kelley Parks and Recreation Commissioner Judy Scott Parks and Recreation Commissioner Sheldon Blackwell	

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Led by Commissioner Rodriguez.

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Jim Castleman, a City of Hanford resident, commented on the condition of the trees at the softball complex and commended the Streets and Public Works crews for their prompt cleanup following Winter Wonderland. He also requested an update on the status of the Hidden Valley Park expansion.

Mickey Stoddard, a City of Hanford resident, reminded the Commission that the 2019 Master Plan identified a need for additional hiking and biking opportunities, as well as restroom facilities. He also requested a progress update on Hidden Valley Park.

Parks and Community Services Director Brad Albert stated that, in April 2026, a funding mechanism will be presented to the City Council for consideration, which may include placing a measure on the ballot to support the Hidden Valley Park project.

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## A. Approval of the January 12, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve

**RESULT:** Passed (UNANIMOUS)  
**MOVER:** Parks and Recreation Commissioner Gregory Kelley  
**SECONDER:** Parks and Recreation Commissioner Joseph Castaneda  
**AYES:** Joseph Castaneda, Carolyn Hudgins, Gregory Kelley, Judy Scott, sheldon Blackwell

## DIVISION UPDATES:

### A. Sports Complex Updates

Recreation Manager Adam Ramos presented the Sports Complex Updates.

- Hanford Youth Softball starting season
- Adult league updates
- Overhaul fields at 10th Ave and Harris field.
- 100 trees being planted at the Softball Complex
- Receiving lots of compliments on the complex turf
- Review of March tournaments

Recreation Manager Adam Ramos addressed all questions.

### B. Parks Updates

Parks Supervisor Willie Johnson provided the parks updates.

Projects/ Updates:

- YAC repairs, upgrade, preseason work
- Lighting and irrigation repairs
- Installed fencing for hill
- Replace wooden backstop
- Gateway Park
- Clean up Accident
- Repairs pending (3/13 ETA)

Helping Hands

- Feb 14, Civic Park, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm
- Small but mighty team

Parks Supervisor Willie Johnson and Public Works Director Russ Sterling answered all questions.

### C. Marketing/Sponsorship Updates

Recreation Coordinator Brittany Parreira presented the Marketing and Sponsorship updates.

Easter Egg Hunt

- Marketing Plan:
- Facebook and Instagram posts
- Posters

- Press Releases
- Goal: Sell out

## D. Events and Program Updates

Recreation Manager Adam Ramos presented the Events & Program Updates.

- Little Kickers Indoor Soccer Review - 36 children enrolled
- Easter on Friday, April 3rd
- Spring Camp: Let's Become Chefs March 30-April 3rd
- Mother/Son & Father/Daughter Dance's - Let's Glow Crazy theme
- Upcoming Programs in Progress: Senior Balance and Leg Strength & NFL Flag Football
- Program Coordinator Juana T. has been selected and will start March 16th
- Recreation Leader I,II,III applications have closed. 78 applications received.
- Lifeguard applications has closed; 38 received. Interviews soon.
- Pool Maintenance Tech position currently open and available on the government jobs website.

Recreation Manager Adam Ramos addressed all questions.

## E. Directors Updates

Director Albert presented the Directors Updates.

- Heroes Park Design Updates - Meetings with the state to modify the design. Potential removal of the fire station, well and water tank. Due to funding constraints, the park will be constructed in two phases.
- Urban Forest Grant update: 80 trees planted at the Softball Complex. On 3/17/26 seeking council adoption of the Urban Forest Master Plan.

Director Albert addressed all questions.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

### A. Winter Wonderland Final Report

Director Albert presented the Winter Wonderland Final Report.

- \$831,385 economic impact to Civic Park
- 148,800 total visits
- 22,186 ice skating tickets sold
- 193 ice skating sessions
- Average length of stay: 74 minutes
- 45 private rentals
- Total vendor gross revenue: 343,363
- Sponsorship revenue: \$80,500 cash/\$37,000 trade
- Total revenue: \$88,003
- Total net revenue \$94,530
- Civic Park repairs: \$44,109

Marketing Strategies:

- New website design
- Increase social media boosts
- 15 second commercials on ABC30 and Univision

- Targeted streaming commercials
- Targeted marketing to Hispanic community
- Content Creation
- Targeted marketing in Visalia and Tulare

<b>Financials</b>			
<b>Revenue</b>		<b>Expenses</b>	
Ice skating tickets	\$287,022	Staffing	\$110,517
Skate aid sales	\$34,052	Chiller rental	\$35,052
Sponsorships	\$80,500	Decorations	\$13,357
Vendor splits	\$57,467	Supplies/Misc.	\$234,284
		Civic Park Repairs	\$44,809
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$488,003</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$438,019</b>
<b>Net Revenue: \$49,984</b>			
<i>Reinvestment into Civic Park</i>			

Director Albert addressed all questions.

## B. Tree Mitigation Report

Parks Supervisor Willie Johnson presented the Tree Mitigation Report.

- **Pruning Requests**  
Seven (7) requests were submitted for tree pruning.
- All seven (7) pruning requests were approved by the Commission.
- **Removal Requests -**
- Eleven (11) requests were submitted for tree removal
- Two (2) removal requests were denied.
- Two (2) removal requests were approved with the condition that replacement (remediation) trees be planted on the applicant's property.
- Two (2) removal requests were approved with the condition that replacement (remediation) trees be planted on City-owned property (property 1 - 4 trees, property 2 – 2 trees).
- Five (5) removal requests were approved without a remediation planting requirement.
- A total of 6 trees have been purchased/ committed to be planted on City property.
- City is hosting Arbor Day tree planting at Hidden Valley Park.

There was some discussion. Parks Supervisor Willie Johnson addressed all questions.

## FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Commissioner Castaneda requested the operation schedule for the carousel.

## ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Scott adjourned the meeting at 7:00 PM.



# AGENDA STAFF REPORT

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**AGENDA SECTION:** DIVISION UPDATES

**SUBJECT:**

Marketing/Sponsorship Updates

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

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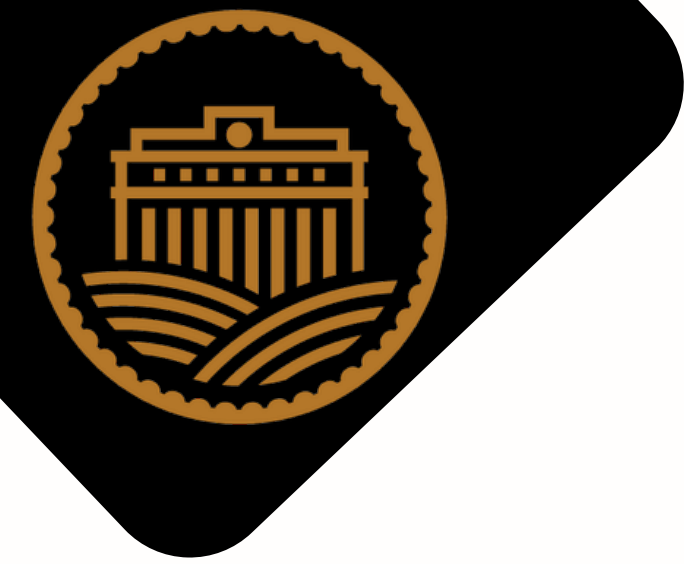
Recommended Motion:

**BACKGROUND:**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Marketing Updates May



# MARKETING & SPONSORSHIP UPDATE

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May 11, 2026

# FREEDOM FEST & FIREWORKS SHOW

## Marketing Plan

- Facebook and Instagram Post Organic
- Posters
- Press Releases
- Digital & Printed Ads

## Sponsorships

Goal - \$20,000

The City of Hanford Proudly Presents...

# HANFORD'S FREEDOM FEST & FIREWORKS SHOW

Honoring America's 250th Birthday

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**Saturday**  
**July 4th, 2026**

**6:00PM-10:00PM**  
**HANFORD SOFTBALL COMPLEX**


Live music, delicious food, refreshing drinks, Kidz Zone play area, and much more!

**FIREWORKS WILL START AT 9:15 PM**

Adults (18-64) - \$5  
Youth & Seniors - FREE

More Information Call 559-585-2525





# QUESTIONS?



# AGENDA STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 5/11/2026

**AGENDA SECTION:** DIVISION UPDATES

**SUBJECT:**

Sports Complex Updates

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation:

Recommended Motion:

**BACKGROUND:**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. April 2026 rec updates

# Things currently happening

- Hanford Youth Softball is wrapping their season up this week.
- Our adult league is also finishing up their spring season.
- We are opening enrollment for the summer adult season, they are set to start the summer league June 15<sup>th</sup>
- We have been working hard on the 10<sup>th</sup> ave & Harris fields.
- All 100 trees have been planted and look amazing.
- We have been working on making our warning tracks slightly wider out at the softball complex.
- We have also extended the infields by a few feet which knocked down the high transition spots and gave the infield/outfield transitions a nice clean line.
- Something positive I would like to share is how many compliments we have been receiving on how amazing the complex looks along with how beautiful the turf is. Although we are battling the current transition period of our cold/hot temps which naturally causes the annual rye grass to die off and the Bermuda grass to wake up.



10<sup>TH</sup> Ave field before photos





# HARRIS FIELD

We edged the infield to outfield line, leveled the infield, and installed new bases.

# Upcoming for May

- We will continue dialing in the irrigation with warmer weather approaching.
- We are going to continue working hard on the turf management keeping our fields beautiful.
  
- We have tournaments scheduled on the weekends of
  - May 16<sup>th</sup>
  - May 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - May 30<sup>th</sup>

Questions??????





# AGENDA STAFF REPORT

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**AGENDA SECTION:** DIVISION UPDATES

**SUBJECT:**

Parks Updates

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation:

Recommended Motion:

**BACKGROUND:**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Parks updates 5.26



# HANFORD

## CALIFORNIA

### **PARKS MONTHLY UPDATE**

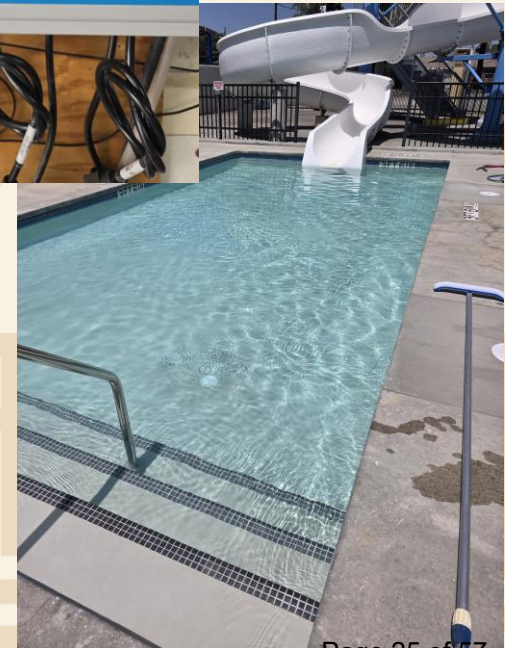
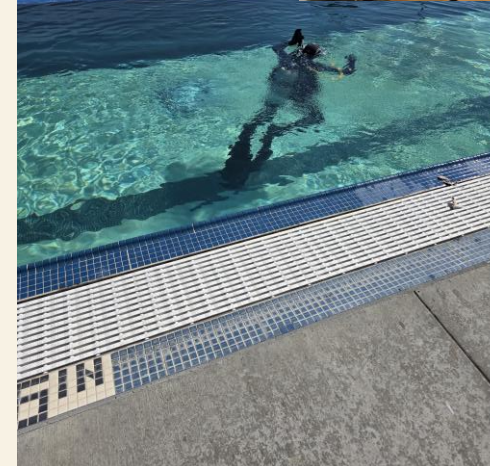
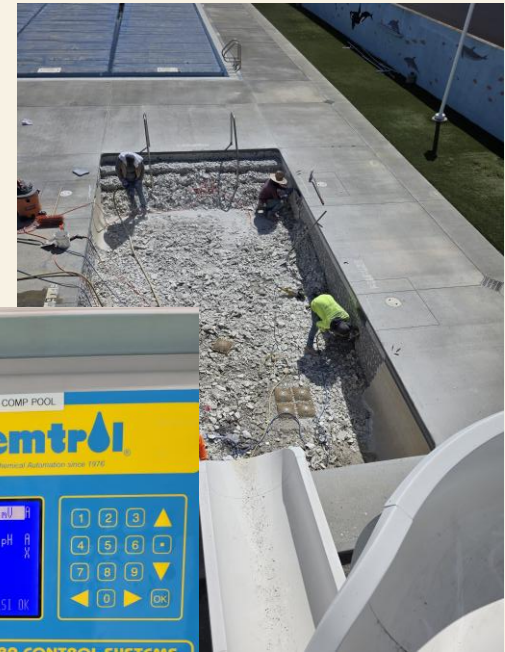
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# Updates

## Projects/ Updates:

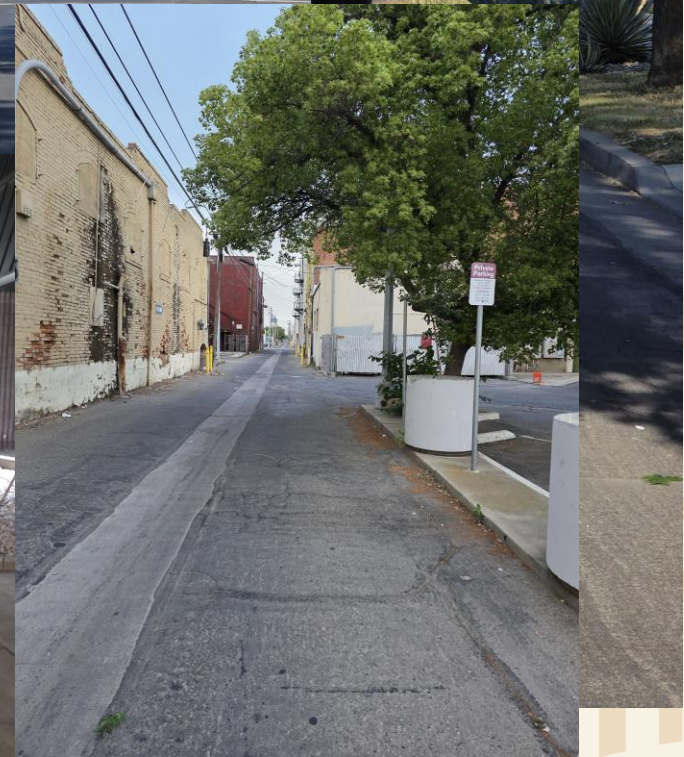
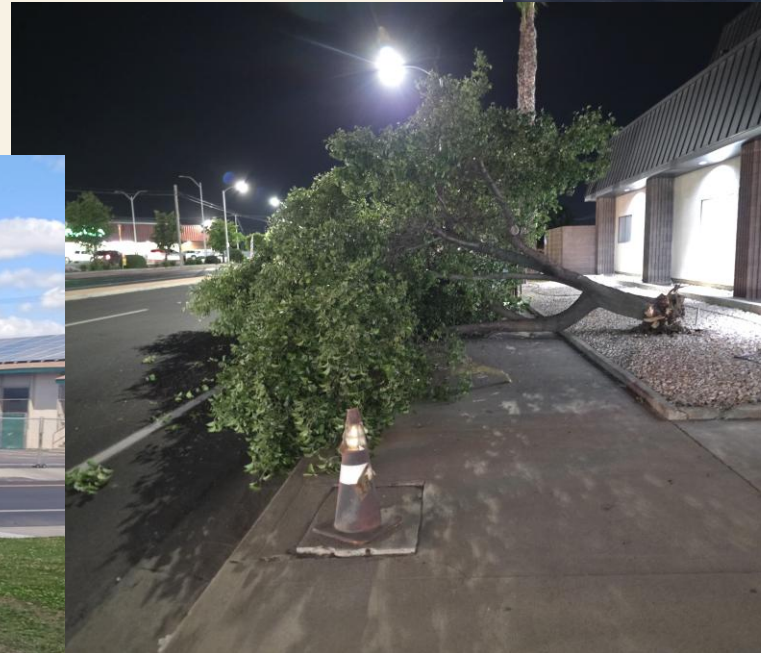
Prepare Pool for season opener – 5/5/26

- Slide Construction Projects
  - Re-Surfacing of fiberglass
  - Replastering, skimmer project,
  - Mechanical upgrades
- General Preseason Preparations
  - Water Quality
  - Rebalancing
  - Sweeping



# Updates Cont.

- **Projects/ Updates: Spring Ramp Up**
  - Increase to general landscaping duties – mowing, edging, pruning, etc.
  - Tree Work – spring pushout
    - Street Signs, Light Poles, Access Areas- trash
  - Stump Removals
  - Backstop Replacement



# Updates - Special Events

- **Projects/ Updates:**
  - Arbor Day Celebration at Hidden Valley
  - First 12 Drinking Fountains Installed
  - Light Pole Installation and Replacements
  - Lighting at YAC Baseball (all new)
  - Harris Lights Pending Installation



# Helping Hands 2026

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**May 9 - 8:00-12:00**

**Three Parks topped off with wood chips in playgrounds**

- Bonnaterra, San Joaquin, Vineyard**

**Next Event June 13, 2026**

**Location TBA**



# Questions or Comments?





## AGENDA STAFF REPORT

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**AGENDA SECTION:** DIVISION UPDATES

**SUBJECT:**

Program Updates

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

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Recommended Motion:

**BACKGROUND:**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. May Program updates



# HANFORD

## CALIFORNIA

**5/11/26**  
**Program Updates**

# Completed Programs Review:

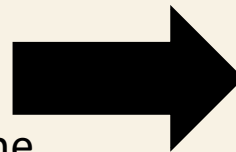
## Spring Break Camp

Theme: “Cooking Around the World”. Provides skillsets for children to cook as well as other structure fun curriculum. Camps is from: 3/30-04/06  
**Children Registered: 36**



## Longfield Gym

Aerobics is ongoing every MWF  
Drop ins are ongoing  
**\*NEW**



We added a-frame marketing on the outside of the building  
We added HULU TV for the computer room annual subscription



# Programs Upcoming!





# Summer DAY CAMP

**JUNE 8TH - AUGUST 7TH**  
7:30AM- 5:30PM

FOR AGES 5-12

Space is Limited






## Sessions

Week 1: June 8-12/ Safety Week  
 Week 2: June 15-19/ Outdoor Adventures  
 Week 3: June 22-26/ Party in the USA  
 Week 4: June 29 - July 2 / Celebration We  
 Week 5: July 6-10 / Color Splash  
 Week 6: July 13-17/ Foodie Fun  
 Week 7: July 20-24/ Animal Expedition

**Fees**  
**\$100**  
 Per Week

**Located At Longfield Center**  
 560 S Douty St, Hanford, CA  
 93230

## Upcoming Programs:

- Summer Camp:
- Open enrollment – on Activenet (\$100/week)
- Scholarship opportunities (current budget is \$1,500.00)
- 9-weeks of themed camps:
- Week 1: June 8-12: Theme: **Safety week**
- Week 2: June 15-19: Theme: **Outdoor Adventures**
- Week 3: June 22-26: Theme: **Party in the USA!**
- Week 4: June 29-July 2: Theme: **Celebration week**
- Week 5: July 6-July 10: Theme: **Color splash**
- Week 6: July 13- July 17: Theme: **Foodie Fun**
- Week 7: July 20- July 24: Theme: **Animal Expedition**
- Week 8: July 27-July 31: Theme: **Show N Tell**
- Week 9: August 3-August 7: Theme: **Carnival week**



# TODDLER SOCCER

CO-ED AGES 3-4

**COST: \$60 PER CHILD**



Registration fee includes an MLS-licensed full soccer kit, which consists of a jersey, shorts, socks, and a soccer ball from a major league soccer team.



May 13- June 17, 2026  
(Wednesdays, 6 weeks)  
At 5:30pm-6:30pm



Civic Auditorium  
(Indoor Program)

**REGISTRATION  
NOW OPEN**



Scholarship funds are available. Please call the Parks & Community Services front desk or visit the main offices for application details.



Contact Us  
559.586.2525



Visit Our Website  
[www.hanfordca.gov](http://www.hanfordca.gov)



Our Location  
321 N Dauty Street



## Little kickers Indoor Soccer Summer Season (Registration Full)

**New partnership with MLS GO  
Sold out in 3 days (37 participants)  
6-week indoor turf program: May  
13-June 17**

**Introduces toddlers to soccer,  
movement & teamwork**

**Includes MLS jersey, shorts, socks &  
soccer ball**

**Year-round program planned due  
to community demand**

# MLS GO Partnership...Toddler Soccer

## What's Included:



## Teams Selected for Summer Season:

1. LA Galaxy
2. San Jose Earthquakes
3. Atlanta United FC
4. Los Angeles FC
5. Philadelphia Union
6. New York Red Bulls
7. FC Dallas



# PLUNGE



**New Public Swim Hours**  
Mon–Fri | 12:00–6:30 PM  
Sat–Sun | 10:00 AM–6:00 PM

**Water Slide  
Reopening**

## Lap Swim



**PLUNGE**

# LAP SWIM

Mon, Wed, Fri 8:00am-9:45am  
OR  
Tues, Thurs, Fri 8:00am-9:45am

**MONTHLY FEE FOR EACH SESSION**

**\$16.00 - SENIORS 55+**  
**\$20.00 - ADULTS 18-54**

**Register Now**

Our Location: 415 Ford Street Hanford CA  
Contact: 559-854-3268



## Swim Lessons



**PLUNGE**

# SWIM LESSONS

Groups: Tuesday-Friday (2 week long sessions)  
Privates: Monday-Friday (1 week long sessions)

Time Slot 1: 10:05am-10:35am  
Time Slot 2: 10:40am-11:10am  
Time Slot 3: 11:15am-11:45am  
Time Slot 4: 7:05pm-7:35pm

Starting June 8

415 Ford Street Hanford CA

**Register Now**

**MORE INFORMATION**

559-585-2525  
www.hanfordca.gov





## Water Aerobics

**PLUNGE**

# WATER AEROBIC

**STARTS MAY 5<sup>TH</sup>**  
**MAY, JUNE, JULY, AUGUST**

**Tuesday & Thursday:**  
Session I - 8:00-8:45am  
Session II - 9:00-9:45am

**Monthly Fee for Each Session**  
**\$16.00 - Seniors 55+**  
**\$20.00 - Adults 18-54**



**Our Location** 415 Ford Street Hanford CA  
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**Register Now**



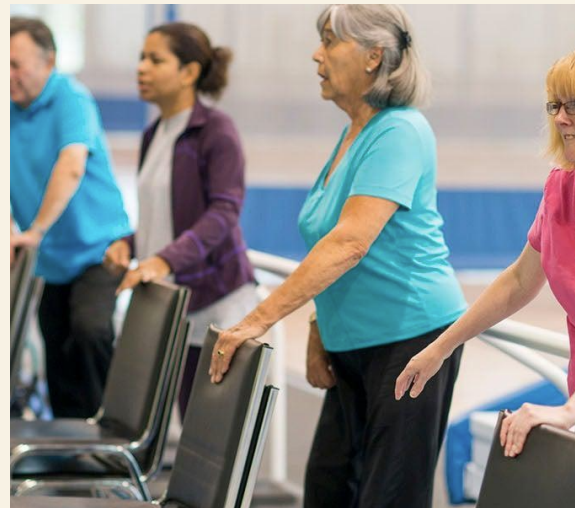
# Total Active Programs

1. Summer Camps
2. Toddler Soccer
3. Lap Swim
4. Swimming Lessons
5. Public Swim
6. Water Aerobics
7. Aerobics at Longfield

# Upcoming In Progress Programs

1. Creative Writing Group
2. Jr. Giants Baseball League
3. Balance and Leg Strength Class
4. NBA/WNBA
5. NFL Girls Flag





## Upcoming Programs In Development...

- Writers Group (Year-round)
- Jr. Giants (Summer 2026)
- Leg Strength and Balance (Fall 2026)
- Girls NFL Flag Football (Fall 2026)



# Hanford Creative Writing Group: in development.

## Writers Group: (potential details)

Location: West Wing Civic

Day: Mondays

Time: 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Cost: Free

## About writers Group:

- Meets weekly to socialize, write & share work
- Read aloud & receive supportive feedback
- Builds writing skills, confidence & creativity
- Encourages growth through the writing process

## Topics:

- Creative writing
- Novel-writing
- Poetry circles
- Journaling groups



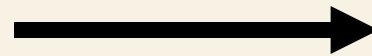
# Hanford Jr. Giants Partnership

- Baseball
- Registration Dates: April 1, 2026- July 31, 2026
- Starts: June 8, 2026
- Ends: August 1, 2026
- Partnership: marketing, administration (minor), recruitment of coaches, use of fields at YAC, social media assistance.
- Currently looking for coaches and volunteers



# Senior Balance and Leg Strength Program: 2026 (in development)

- Location: TBD
- Tues & Thurs | 9:00–10:00 AM
- Low-impact fitness & social program for seniors
- Purchase of 35 chairs in progress waiting for budget to reset



# Girls NFL Flag Football Update: Fall 2026

## Outreach:

Tabled at Easter Event

4 interest sign-ups

3 volunteer coaches recruited

ActiveNet open for interest list only

Social media promotion ongoing

Positive community feedback received

## League Recruitment:

High school outreach during lunch periods (May 2026)

A-frame signage created

Flyers distributions at Thursday Night Market and other events

## Alternate League/Program – Fall 2026:

Skill training: 1–2 times per week Lacey Park

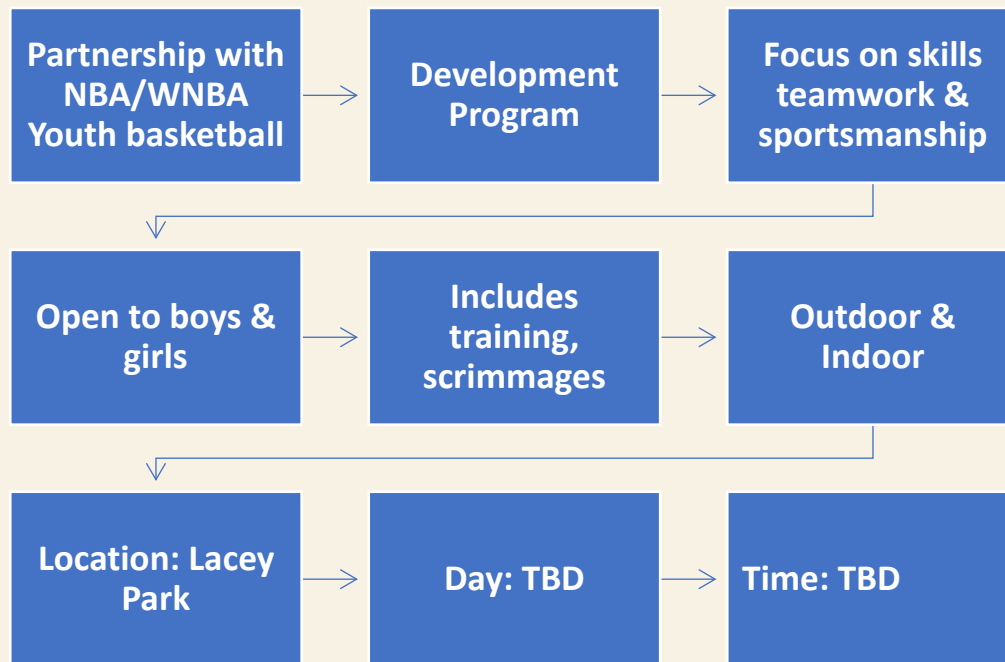
Saturday morning drop-in games at

## League Launch Goal:

Target launch: End of September 2026



# Upcoming: JR. NBA/ JR. WNBA



# Questions?





## AGENDA STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 5/11/2026

**AGENDA SECTION:** GENERAL BUSINESS

**SUBJECT:**

Tree Permit Request - 1320 Mary St

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation:

Recommended Motion:

**BACKGROUND:**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Tree Permit Request - 1320 Mary St
2. heritage tree prune 1320 Mary st



# TREE PERMIT REQUEST

**Parks and Community Services Department**  
 321 North Douty Street, Suite A  
 Hanford, CA 93230  
 Office (559) 585-2525  
 Website: [www.cityofhanfordca.com](http://www.cityofhanfordca.com)  
 TDD/TTY, Dial 711

Office Use Only:	
€ Received:	_____ on: _____
€ Approved:	_____ on: _____

This application is hereby made under provisions of the City of Hanford Title 12, Chapter 12, Section 220 Ordinance for permission to Plant, Prune, or Remove: Under Title 12, Chapter 12, Section 520 penalties for failing to follow codes laid out in this section could include penalties up to \$1000 per infraction.  
 Per HMC 12.04.010, 12.04.030 Encroachment permits may be required for any work that enters or obstructs the use/ access to the public right of way as defined in the codes noted above. Permit can be acquired from the Public Works office.

- Street Tree** 12.12.300: Trees within the park strip or buffer/ abutting one's property
- Heritage Tree** 12.12.020: Native Oaks protected for historical significance

Date 4/20/2026

**I am requesting to:**

- Plant** street trees in the public right of way
- Prune** street trees in the public right of way
- Remove** street trees in the public right of way

No. of street trees affected 1

Name of Applicant Jeanine Kelly

Address where the tree is located  
1320 MARY ST

Telephone: 559-904-7258

Mailing Address, if different from the tree location

Email: jeanine1953@yahoo.com

Jeanine Kelly  
 Signature of the property owner

Are you the owner of the property? yes

Details of request: Oak is to tall & need to be trimmed for safety

**FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY**

Responsibility		Planting	Prune	Removal	Comments
Expense	Owner				
	City				

Commission approval required:				
Commission Vote:	Y:	N:	A:	Result:

APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PERMIT VALID FOR SIXTY (60) DAYS FROM THE DATE ABOVE**

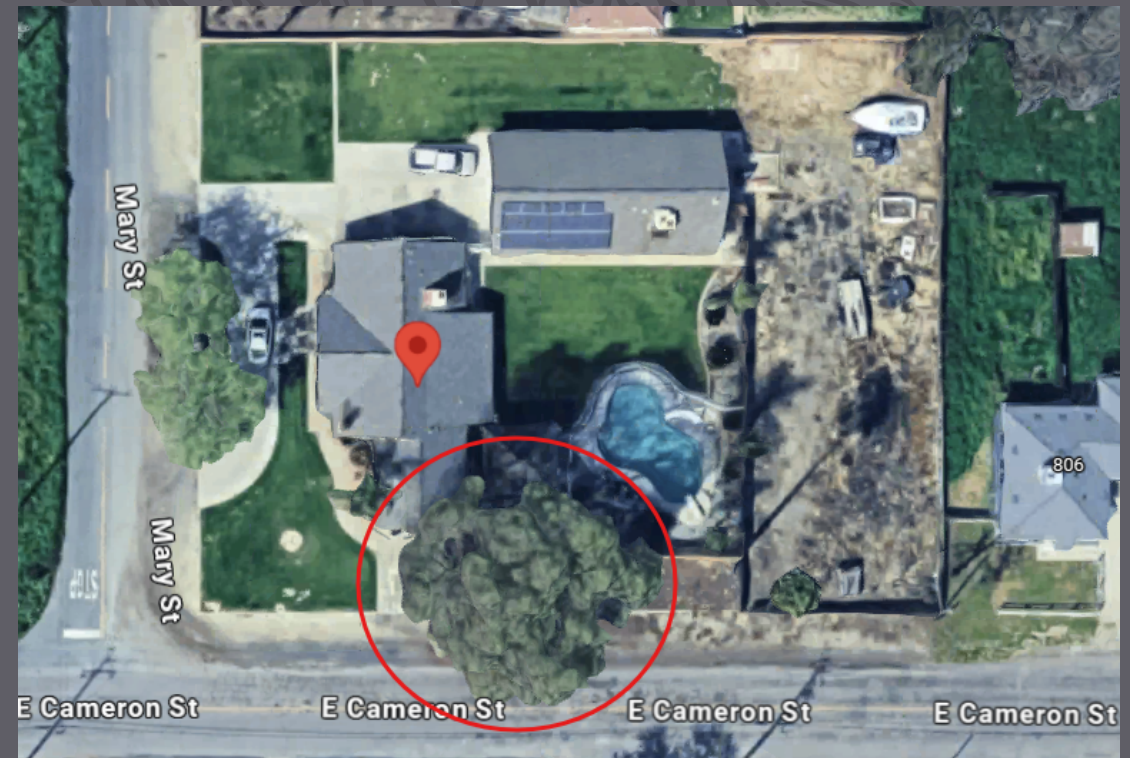


# Heritage Tree Pruning 1203 Mary St

Levi Winebrenner  
Parks Manager

# Current Conditions

The tree is in the back corner of the property



# Factors to think about when making this decision:

- **This is a maintenance pruning**
- **Overall appearance, this appears to be a healthy tree**
- **Work to be completed by a reputable tree service**

# Recommendation

- **Possible impacts if not approved**
  - Degradation in the overall health of the tree
  - Potential for self-pruning of branches and causing hazards
  - Including possible damage to the home
- **Recommendation to approve**



# AGENDA STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 5/11/2026

**AGENDA SECTION:** GENERAL BUSINESS

**SUBJECT:**

Possible Ballot Measure to Fund Large Capital Projects

On April 21, 2026, staff sought City council direction on a potential November 2026 (or future) ballot measure to fund recreation-based projects that will greatly benefit Hanford residents of all ages. Access to high-quality recreational opportunities is a widely recognized driver of a community's quality of life. Parks, sports facilities, and community spaces contribute not only to individual well-being but also to broader social, economic, and environmental outcomes. Without a viable funding source, long-range planning remains futile.

Many of the City's recreational assets—including parks and community facilities—have experienced deferred maintenance and limited capital reinvestment over an extended period. Strategic investment in these assets is essential to provide recreational opportunities for our growing community, improve service delivery for all ages, and meet current and future community needs.

The 2020 Parks and Recreation Master Plan provides a roadmap for the City's future development of recreational facilities and opportunities over the next 10 years, consistent with the General Plan 2035 requirements. The Master Plan included strong stakeholder participation and community surveys.

Chapter 7 of the 2020 Master Plan contains the 10-Year capital improvement plan, which is categorized into three areas:

Category	Description	Amount
Sustainable Projects	Repair existing parks	\$1,800,000
Expanded Service Projects	Improving what we have	\$2,620,000
Visionary Projects	New/Major Upgrades	\$58,200,000

**TOTAL      \$62,620,000**

Measure H has greatly assisted with sustainable projects and deferred maintenance. However, a large funding gap remains for both expanded services projects and visionary projects.

The three proposed projects are:

A: Expansion of Hidden Valley Park The expansion of Hidden Valley Park has been debated for

many decades. As part of the General Plan Update of 2017, the City Council approved rezoning the vacant 18-acre parcel from open space to low-density housing. In 2021, the Council directed staff to proceed with feasibility studies to rezone the property back to open space. Because the rezoning would lower the number of acres for housing units, additional acreage must be found elsewhere in the City to comply with the current state housing laws.

In 2023, the Council allocated \$75,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding and directed staff to conduct community outreach to determine the amenities, develop conceptual drawings, and estimate the cost of a reimagined Hidden Valley Park, consisting of developing the vacant 18-acre parcel and possible improvements to the existing park. On August 10, 2024, staff returned to the Council with five conceptual designs. During this meeting, the Council chose Concept S-5 as the preferred design. The Council also directed staff to return with phasing options and cost estimates. On December 17, 2024, staff returned with three project phases. At that meeting, the Council also directed staff to begin the environmental assessment of the possible project.

### Hidden Valley Park Phasing and Cost Estimates

Phase	Description	Estimated Cost
Planning	Define project scope, conduct environmental studies, and identify funding strategies	\$1,750,000
1	Infrastructure, development of vacant parcel, pathways, two restrooms, a small parking lot, irrigation, shrubs, and trees	\$5,262,000
2	New play structure, two basketball courts, a new dog park, sports lighting, and backstops	\$5,579,000
3	Renovate the existing pond, pipe the Peoples Ditch, artificial turf field, new splash pad, and two tennis courts (lined for eight pickleball courts)	\$6,064,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$18,655,000</b>

#### B: Multi-Generational Community Center

A multi-generational community center brings people of different ages together—kids, teens, adults, and seniors—in one shared space. That mix creates benefits that go far beyond what age-specific facilities can offer. The benefits include fostering social connections, promoting health and well-being, supporting youth development, and offering mentorship opportunities. In addition, a multi-use facility creates economic efficiency. Instead of building separate facilities for each age group, a shared center maximizes resources—staff space and programming—making it more cost-effective to build and maintain.

Currently, there is no dedicated senior center serving Hanford's mature population. In the past, Senior Inc. shared space in the Veterans and Senior Building located within Civic Park. A senior center plays a vital role in a healthy, well-functioning community. It serves not just as a gathering place, but as a hub for connection, support, and independence for older adults. According to the America Factfinder Census, 20.4% (11,598 people) of Hanford's residents are aged 55 and older. (See Attachment 1: Multi-Generational Community Center Concept Designs)

**C: Complete build-out of Heroes Park**

Under the current Proposition 68 program, Phase 1 is planned to include three multi-use athletic fields; two multi-age play structures with shade and lighting; an amphitheater; two outdoor basketball courts; a skate park; a dog park; a community/learning garden; an 18-hole disc golf course; an outdoor fitness area; a 190-space parking lot; two restroom facilities; public art; and a water feature. These amenities collectively define the park's core functionality and reflect the original development scope of the Proposition 68 funding application. Future phasing of Heroes Park will include expanded recreational opportunities, including pickleball courts, additional open space/sports fields, and additional parking.

(See Attachment 1: Heroes Park Phase 1 and Build-Out Concept Designs)

**Cost Estimates**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Expansion of Hidden Valley Park	\$18,700,000
Multigenerational Community Center	\$36,000,000
Complete Build Out of Heroes Park	\$16,000,000
<b>TOTAL (in today's \$)</b>	<b>70,700,000</b>

The City Council were given the three projects and were asked to prioritize each. The results of the Council's survey were:

**Project Votes**

Hidden Valley Park Expansion 14

Multi-Generation Center 13

Heroes Park Build Out 3

**Public Finance Options**

In May 2023, the City partnered with the Trust for Public Land (TPL) to commission a Finance Feasibility Study that detailed public finance options for Hanford. That study was recently updated and includes reviews of several options for generating revenue for Hanford parks. In summary, the

study outlines three financing options: bonds, parcel taxes, and sales tax. All three financing options require approval by 2/3rds of voters. This approval threshold may be challenging.

### **Option 1: General Obligation Bonds**

Best Use: Major Capital Projects

Advantages:

- Provides significant upfront funding for immediate project delivery
- Aligns costs with asset lifespan
- Can preserve operating budget capacity
- Typically well understood by voters

Considerations:

- Requires 2/3 voter approval
- Create long-term debt obligations
- Includes interest costs
- Reduces future financial flexibility

### **Option 2: Parcel Tax**

Best Use: Ongoing services

Advantages:

- Generates stable, predictable revenue
- Not sensitive to economic downturns
- Provides local control and transparency
- Can be structures for specific service priorities

Considerations:

- Requires 2/3 voter approval
- Flat rate can be seen as regressive
- Limits natural revenue growth, unless indexed
- May face public resistance on fairness grounds

### **Option 3: Sales Tax**

Best Use: General municipal services or flexible funding needs

Advantages:

- Broader revenue base
- Revenue grows with economic activity
- Flexible use

Considerations:

- Revenue is economically sensitive
- Special-purpose tax would require 2/3 approval
- Passage of Measure H may hinder voter approval
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(See attached Hanford, California, Finance Options March 2026 for financing estimates prepared by TPL)

**Ballot Initiative Estimated Costs:**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Professional Polling (fully or partially reimbursable)	FM3	\$33,250
Community Outreach and Communications	Peregrine Strategies	\$65,000
Election Consulting	NHA Advisors	\$25,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$123,250</b>

**Recommended Next Steps:**

**1. Polling**

Polling is a critical due diligence step to ensure that any proposed measure is both fiscally responsible and aligned with voter priorities, maximizing the likelihood of success while minimizing risk. The strategic value of polling is to provide Council with an informed go/no-go decision, to select the most viable funding option, and to demonstrate responsiveness to community input. THIS COST MAY BE FULLY OR PARTIALLY REIMBURSED BY TRUST FOR PUBLIC LANDS.

**2. Decide on the Finance Options**

Choose the appropriate funding mechanism, including bonds, parcel tax, or sales tax.

**Summary:**

The relationship between recreational opportunities and quality of life is direct and measurable. Investment in accessible, well-maintained, and diverse recreational amenities enhances public health, strengthens community connections, and improves the overall livability of the Hanford community. As such, recreational infrastructure should be considered a core component of the City's long-term strategic planning and capital investment priorities. Polling for this potential initiative may provide the City with important information on the priority of these projects by the community and give data that will enable City Council to make decisions on next steps on the development of potential park projects in The City.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None