



**April 23, 2024
MINUTES**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Nerio-Guerrero, Prado, Launer, Reynosa, Thusu

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

None.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Alaniz, Avila, Chastain, Hurtado, Iriarte, James, Lew, Montejano, Solis, Watts

1. Work Session - 5:30 PM

1.1. Presentation of Preliminary General Fund Budget for FY 2024/25 (KS)

Mayor Reynosa opened the work session at 5:30 p.m.

Director Solis presented the preliminary Fiscal Year 2024/2025 General fund budget for review and direction from the Council. General Fund services reviewed include Legislative, General Services, Administrative Services, Parks & Community Services, Planning and Development, Police, and Fire.

Mayor Reynosa closed the work session at 5:57 p.m.

2. OPENING CEREMONIES

2.1. Welcome and Call to Order

Mayor Reynosa called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2.2. Invocation

The Invocation was led by Vice Mayor Nerio-Guerrero.

2.3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Business Manager Patino.

3. AGENDA CHANGES OR DELETIONS

To better accommodate members of the public or convenience in the order of presentation, items on the agenda may not be presented or acted upon in the order listed. Additions to Agenda may be added only pursuant to California Government Code section 54954.2(b).

None.

4. PRESENTATIONS/CEREMONIAL MATTERS

4.1. Dinuba High School Boys Basketball Team (MA)

The Dinuba High School Boys' Basketball team was recognized for their championship season. Mayor Reynosa presented the team with an honorary certificate for their achievement. The Council congratulated the team and the coaches.

Supervisor Valero recognized the team with an honorary certificate from the Tulare County Board of Supervisors in recognition of their CIF Championship win.

5. REQUEST TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

This portion of the meeting is reserved for any person who would like to address the Council on any item that is not on the agenda. Please be advised that State law does not allow the City Council to discuss or take any action on any issue not on the agenda. The City Council may direct staff to follow up on such item(s). Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes. If there is any person wishing to address the City Council at this time please approach the podium and state your name and nature of the request.

Javier Garcia approached the podium to ask about citywide projects. Garcia asked for a point of contact for city projects.

Michael Cortez approached the podium with concerns about pedestrian safety. Cortez is concerned about speeding vehicles and the lack of sidewalks for pedestrian use.

Supervisor Eddie Valero approached the podium to congratulate City staff for their work and vision to improve the roads and citywide beautification.

Ramon Rivera approached the podium to thank the council for the newly striped bicycle lanes.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, a member of the audience or a Council Member may request an item be removed from the Consent Calendar and it will be considered separately.

6.1. SUBJECT

Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes (MA)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to review and approve the City Council Meeting of April 9, 2024 as presented.

6.2. SUBJECT

Waive Park Rental Fees for Free Community Event, "Fight Against Fentanyl", Hosted by Next Level Intervention (SH)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to approve the use of Gregory Park to Next Level Intervention for a free community event on Saturday, June 22, 2024, and waive park rental and other related fees.

6.3. SUBJECT

Zoning Ordinance Amendment for new chapters on "Permitted Uses in Commercial Zones" and "Special Uses" KScho

RECOMMENDATION

Council to conduct the second reading, waive reading in full, and adopt Ordinance 2024-02 pertaining to an amendment to the Dinuba Zoning Ordinance to insert new chapters pertaining to "Permitted Uses in Commercial Zones" and also "Special Uses".

6.4. SUBJECT

Resolution No. 2024-22 Declaring Certain Real Property Surplus Land Act Properties (KS)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to adopt Resolution No. 2024-22 declaring that certain real property (APNs 017-182-016, 017-141-003, 017-153-007, and 017-020-029) are exempt surplus land pursuant to California Government Code § 54220 et seq. and finding that such declaration is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act, and taking related actions.

A motion was made by Council Member Launer, second by Council Member Thusu, to review and approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Ayes: Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado , Reynosa, Thusu

7. WARRANT REGISTER

7.1. SUBJECT

Warrant Register April 12 & April 19, 2024 (KS)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to review and approve the Warrant Register as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Prado , second by Vice Mayor Nerio-Guerrero, to review and approve the Warrant Register as presented.

Ayes: Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado , Reynosa, Thusu

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

8.1. SUBJECT

Award of Contract to DOD Construction LTD for the Viscaya Neighborhood Park Project (JW)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to award the contract for the Viscaya Neighborhood Park Project to DOD Construction LTD in the amount of \$5,012,336.67 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents.

Jason Watts, City Engineer reported that the city received a \$2,500,000 Urban Greening Grant and a \$2,720,588 Land and Water Conservation Funding to fund the 8-acre Viscaya Neighborhood Park Project. The park is scheduled to begin construction in mid-May and will include numerous amenities such as two large pavilions and a big kid and tiny tot playground.

A motion was made by Council Member Thusu, second by Vice Mayor Nerio-Guerrero, to award the contract for the Viscaya Neighborhood Park Project to DOD Construction LTD in the amount of \$5,012,336.67 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents.

Ayes: Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado , Reynosa, Thusu

8.2. SUBJECT

Award of Contract to JT2, Inc. DBA Todd Companies for the Fire Department Training Facility Improvements Project (JW)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to take the following action by one motion:

1. Award the contract for the Dinuba Fire Department Training Facility Improvements project to JT2, Inc. DBA Todd Companies in the amount of \$946,250.00 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents; and,
2. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-21 approving the Budget Amendment to find the Fire Training Facility Capital Improvement Project.

Jason Watts, City Engineer reported on the Dinuba Fire Department's fire training facility. The facility will be used by City Fire staff and Valley ROP students interested in pursuing a career in the fire service. Watts shared that the facility will be built on 1 acre of city property and Valley ROP will fund the purchase of C-trains for a training tower. The facility will include a donated portable restroom building and a portable classroom.

Watts reported that a bid opening was conducted on April 10, 2024, where two bids were received.

A motion was made by Council Member Thusu, second by Council Member Prado , to award the contract for the Dinuba Fire Department Training Facility Improvements project to JT2, Inc. DBA Todd Companies for \$946,250.00 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents adopt Resolution No. 2024-21 approving the Budget Amendment to find the Fire Training Facility Capital Improvement Project.

Ayes: Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado , Reynosa, Thusu

8.3. SUBJECT

Award of Contract to Arthur & Orum Well Drilling for the Well No. 21 Drill and Develop Project (JW)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to award the contract for the Well No. 21 Drill and Develop Project to Arthur & Orum Well Drilling in the amount of \$466,351 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents.

Jason Watts, City Engineer reported that the City has identified the need for an additional water well to accommodate the city's growth. The cost for the new well is approximately 2.5 million dollars and will be paid by a 1.0 million dollar State grant and an EPA grant for 1.5 million dollars. Watts reported that on April 17, 2024, a bid opening was held for the well project and eight bids were received.

A motion was made by Council Member Launer, second by Council Member Thusu, to award the contract for the Well No. 21 Drill and Develop Project to Arthur & Orum Well Drilling in the amount of \$466,351 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents.

Ayes: Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado , Reynosa, Thusu

9. MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Prado reported attending the city's baseball opening day event. Prado shared that he appreciates the hard work by Public Works staff.

Vice Mayor Nerio-Guerrero reported attending various city-wide events including the Patio Bar and Grill event, the Alta Historical Society event, and the NeedleNay Grand opening.

Council Member Launer attended the Kings' River Water Association trip to the Damn, the Patio Bar and Grill event, and the Alta Historical Society Spring event.

Council Member Thusu reported an update on the Internet sales tax process and the Cal Cities Board meeting where CalPERS was discussed. Thusu reported attending the TCRTA Board meeting.

Mayor Reynosa reported attending the Alta Historical Society Spring event and invited staff to visit the clock at the Alta Historical Society. Reynosa reported attending the NeedleNay's Tattoo shop Grand opening and reminded everyone that the Cinco de Mayo Pageant is this weekend.

10. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

Assistant City Manager James reported the Chamber Banquet is this Friday and the Drug Takeback event is April 27th. James reported that the Strand Theatre demolition is ongoing. James thanked staff for their hard work on the budget.

11. CITY STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

City Attorney Lew reported on the ongoing Supreme Court homeless case. Lew

reported a decision is expected in June. Lew will keep the council updated.

Business Manager Patillo reported that interviews for a Building Inspector will be soon.

City Engineer Watts reported that the demolition of the Strand Theater is in the preconstruction phase, he will keep the Council updated. Watts reported he is working on closing construction projects and preparing for upcoming projects.

Fire Chief Chastain reported his department will conduct final interviews for the internal Fire Captain position.

12. CLOSED SESSION

12.1. Conference with Labor Negotiators (MA)

Pursuant to GC Subdivision 54957.6; Agency designated representative: Maria Alaniz; Karina Solis; Luis Patlan

Employee Organizations: City Employees Association; Police Officers' Association; Firefighters' Association; and Unrepresented Employees

No reportable action.

12.2. Conference with Real Property Negotiators

Pursuant to GC 54956.8, Purchase of Real Property APN: 017-182-016

Agency Negotiator(s): Daniel James, Assistant City Manager

Under Negotiation: Letter of Intent to Purchase

No reportable action.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Reynosa adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.