



**January 28, 2025  
MINUTES**

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| <b>District 1</b><br>Rachel Nerio-<br>Guerrero<br>Mayor | <b>District 2</b><br>Maribel Reynosa<br>Council Member | <b>District 3</b><br>Benjamin Prado<br>Vice Mayor | <b>District 4</b><br>Kuldip Thusu<br>Council Member | <b>District 5</b><br>Linda Launer<br>Council Member |
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**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Reynosa, Thusu

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**1. Work Session - 6:00 PM**

- 1.1.** Introduction of Robb Palmgren and Presentation of Top Tracer and Cover the Tees (DJ)

Assistant City Manager James introduced Monica Davis Regional Operating Executive for Kemper Sports. Davis introduced Kevin Fitzgerald Regional Sales and Marketing Director and Robb Palmgren new General Manager for Ridge Creek Golf Course. Davis and Palmgren presented information about TopTracer and Cover the Tees as an option at Ridge Creek Golf Course.

**2. OPENING CEREMONIES - 6:30 PM**

- 2.1.** Welcome and Call to Order

Mayor Nerio-Guerrero called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

- 2.2.** Invocation

Chaplain Garcia led the Invocation.

- 2.3.** Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Mayor Prado led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**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. Recognition for the retirement of Mario Estrada, Grounds Maintenance Worker I (SH)**

Parks and Community Service Director Hurtado recognized Mario Estrada on his retirement after 13 years of service as a Grounds Maintenance Worker. Hurtado gave a brief history of Estrada's experience and service to the community.

Estrada was joined by his family and thanked the City for their support.

The Council gave Estrada well wishes and presented him with an appreciation plaque and certificate.

#### **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.*

Rosie Renteria approached the podium to express concern about the traffic at the new High School, including the roundabout on Kamm.

Rosalie Ware approached the podium to express concern about speeding in her neighborhood. Ware is also asking for help with a stray dog in her neighborhood.

#### **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 minutes of January 14, 2025 as presented.

##### **6.2. SUBJECT**

**Co-sponsorship with Kaweah Health Community Outreach in hosting Dinuba Diabetes Support Group Workshops (SH)**

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council approve co-sponsorship with Kaweah Health Community Outreach in hosting Diabetes Support Group workshops at the Dinuba Senior Center with proposed fees waived in the amount of \$1,440.

**6.3. SUBJECT**

**Notice of Completion - Montebella Phase 1 Subdivision (JW)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Council to accept Montebella Phase 1 subdivision public improvements as complete and authorize the City Engineer to file a Notice of Completion with the Tulare County Recorder's Office.

**6.4. SUBJECT**

**Approve Final Map and Subdivision Agreement for Empire Estates Subdivision (JW)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Council by one motion and one vote take the following actions:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-10 approving the Final Map for the Empire Estates Subdivision consisting of 75 residential lots and authorize City staff to record said map; and,
2. Approve the Subdivision Development Agreement for Empire Estates and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the agreement; and,
3. Accept the easement dedication for an easement for private irrigation use.

**6.5. SUBJECT**

**Leadership Northern Tulare County Co-sponsorship of Annual Cinco de Mayo Event, May 1-May 4, 2025 (MA)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Council approve co-sponsorship of the Cinco de Mayo event at Rose Ann Vuich Park on May 1-May 4, 2025, and the parade downtown on May 3, 2025, hosted by the Leadership Class of Northern Tulare County.

**6.6. SUBJECT**

**Waiver of Park Rental Fees at Felix Delgado Park for the Dinuba Lowrider Council Car Show (SH)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Council to approve the use of Felix Delgado Park to Dinuba Lowrider Council for the 2nd Annual car show and waive the park rental fees in the amount of \$922 for all picnic sites and the softball field.

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

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

## **7. WARRANT REGISTER**

### **7.1. SUBJECT**

**Warrant Register January 17 & 24, 2025 (KS)**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council to review and approve the Warrant Register as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Launer, second by Council Member Prado , to review and approve the Warrant Register as presented.

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

## **8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **8.1. SUBJECT**

**Resolution No. 2025-11 Appointing City Representative and Alternate to the Board of the East Basin Kings River Groundwater Sustainability Agency (DJ)**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council to adopt Resolution No. 2025-11 supporting the nomination of the Mayor of the City of Reedley as the City representative and the Mayor of the Dinuba City Council, or appointee member of the Dinuba City Council as alternate representative to serve on the Board of the East Basin Kings River Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

Assistant City Manager James reported that new appointments are required to serve on the Board of the East Basin Kings River Groundwater Sustainability Agency. The City of Reedley has nominated Mayor Matthew Tuttle as the City representative and the City of Dinuba also needs to nominate an alternate member to represent the city.

The Council selected Council Member Launer as the alternate representative for the City of Dinuba to continue to serve on the Board of the East Basin Kings River Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

A motion was made by Council Member Prado , second by Council Member Launer, to adopt Resolution No. 2025-11 supporting the nomination of the Mayor of the City of Reedley as the City representative and the Mayor of the Dinuba City Council, or appointee member of the Dinuba City Council as alternate representative to serve on the Board of the East Basin Kings River Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

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

## **8.2. SUBJECT**

### **Resolution No. 2025-07 Accepting 2025 Engineering and Traffic Survey and Adopting Proposed Speed Limits (JW)**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-07 approving the traffic speed limits recommended in the 2025 Engineering and Traffic Survey.

Engineer Watts reported that the California Vehicle Code requires that engineering and traffic surveys for speed limits be conducted every five (5) years on streets that are not prima facie (25 mph). The 2025 Engineering and Traffic Survey was completed and includes proposed speed limits for major collectors and arterials.

A motion was made by Council Member Launer, second by Council Member Prado , to adopt Resolution No. 2025-07 approving the traffic speed limits recommended in the 2025 Engineering and Traffic Survey.

Ayes: Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado

Absent: Reynosa, Thusu

## **9. MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS**

The council shared information about the community events they attended.

## **10. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS**

City Manager Patlan shared that he and Assistant City Manager James will attend the City Managers Conference next week. Patlan gave an update on the recent federal funding freeze and shared that Representative Macedo is hosting a Legislative Update in Tulare on Friday.

## **11. CITY STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Chief Chastain gave an update on the new ladder truck and his trip to Nebraska. Chastain shared that Engineer/Paramedic Toyota has been promoted to Fire Captain.

Chief Iriarte shared that staff have been selected for the motor traffic unit and will soon begin specialized training. Iriarte advised that his department has continued to monitor traffic at the High School.

Parks and Community Services Director Hurtado gave an update on the Sportsplex project and shared that the Open House is scheduled for February 7th.

Engineer Watts gave an update on housing construction and Viscaya Park. Watts reported that the solar streetlights have arrived and will be installed at Delgado Park this week.

Public Works Director Avila reported that his department is currently cleaning park basins and gave an update on the I and Mono Street ramp project.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Nerio-Guerrero adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.