



**January 23, 2024
MINUTES**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Nerio-Guerrero, Launer, Prado, Reynosa, Thusu

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

None.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

1.1. Welcome and Call to Order

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

1.2. Invocation

The invocation was led by Chaplain Garcia.

1.3. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by Interim Fire Chief Chastain.

2. 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.

3. 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.

None.

4. 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.

4.1. SUBJECT

Co-Sponsorship Request from Dinuba Youth Soccer League (SH)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to consider waiving field rental fees for the Dinuba Youth Soccer League.

4.2. SUBJECT

Ordinance No. 2024-01 Second Reading and Adoption to change the zoning for 1225 Euclid Avenue (Nieblas)(KSch)

RECOMMENDATION

Council conduct the second reading, waive reading in full, and adopt Ordinance 2024-01 to change the zoning of a parcel on the west side of Euclid Avenue north of Lindera Avenue.

4.3. SUBJECT

Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes (MA)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to review and approve the City Council meeting of January 9, 2024 as presented.

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

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

5. WARRANT REGISTER

5.1. SUBJECT

Warrant Register January 12 & 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

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

6.1. SUBJECT

Fiscal Year 2023/24 Cash Investment Report for the Quarter Ending September 30, 2023 (KS)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to review and accept the City of Dinuba Cash and Investment report for the second quarter of fiscal year 2023/24.

Administrative Services Director Solis presented the second quarter Cash Investment report for fiscal year 2023/2024, ending September 30, 2023. The cash investment summary included investments of Cash Deposits Trustee Deposits, Portfolio Investments, and Managed Investments. Solis reported that the investments are safe and can be moved easily. Investments in LAIF, PIMMA, CAMP, and Tulare County Investment Pool had a total combined pool balance of 63.4 million.

A motion was made by Council Member Thusu, second by Council Member Launer, to accept the City of Dinuba Cash and Investment report for the second quarter of fiscal year 2023/24.

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

6.2. SUBJECT

Notice of Completion - Wastewater Treatment Plant Clarifier Project (JW)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to accept the WWTP Clarifier Project as complete and authorize the City Engineer to file a Notice of Completion with the Tulare County Recorder's Office.

City Engineer Watts presented a summary of the completion of the new 65-foot circular clarifier for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Watts advised that the project was awarded to Clark Bros, Inc. on December 14, 2021, for \$2,210,000 and was completed on January 12, 2024. The final project had five change orders for \$43,926.83 which brought the total project to \$2,253,926.

Watts reported that the Wastewater Treatment Plant processes the city's sewage by removing contaminants in a five-step process, collection, primary treatment, secondary treatment, sludge treatment, and basin. Watts advised that there were two existing clarifiers before this project. The new clarifier allows for one of the two older clarifiers to be drained for maintenance.

Council Member Launer asked about the extra change orders. Watts explained the overages and advised there was also a credit due from the contractor exceeding the project's time.

A motion was made by Council Member Prado , second by Council Member Thusu, to accept the WWTP Clarifier Project as complete and authorize the City Engineer to file a Notice of Completion with the Tulare County Recorder's Office.

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

6.3. SUBJECT

Montebella Subdivision Solar Streetlight Installation (JW)

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends allowing San Joaquin Valley Homes to install solar streetlights in lieu of typical hardwired streetlights in the Montebella Phase 2 & 3 subdivision.

City Engineer Watts reported that San Joaquin Homes would like to install solar streetlights instead of hardwire streetlights in Montebella Phase 2 and 3. Watts reported that long PG&E delays make solar streetlight installations at Montebella 2 and 3 a preferred option. Watts presented three streetlight options and asked for feedback from the Council. Watts is recommending option one due to its superior disbursement of light.

City Council Member Launer asked about spikes on top of the streetlights to help with pigeons. Watts advised he would look into spikes.

City Manager Patlan reported that the streetlight brightness is controlled by a remote. Solar streetlights previously installed in the city are located on Euclid by Roosevelt School and at the KC Vista Park at the Basketball courts.

Council approved option one of the Solar Streetlights.

A motion was made by Council Member Launer, second by Vice Mayor Nerio-Guerrero, to approve the installation of solar streetlights option one in place of hardwired streetlights in the Montebella Phase 2 and 3 subdivision and provide feedback on the style of solar lights.

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

7. MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Prado reported that he will attend the Economic Development meeting on Wednesday morning.

Vice Mayor Nerio-Guerrero reported attending the Fentanyl Town Hall meeting.

Council Member Launer advised attending the Fentanyl Town Hall meeting. Launer will be attending the Environmental Policy meeting and the League of Cities meeting on Friday.

Council Member Thusu sent prayers to the Officers. Thusu reported meeting with the Director of TCRTA about micro-transportation to Dinuba. Thusu advised he attended the Revenue Taxation meeting last week and will attend the Mayors and Council Members Academy in Monterey.

Mayor Reynosa attended the Fentanyl Town Hall meeting and is keeping the Sergeant in her prayers.

8. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Patlan reported that the Superior Grocers Grand Opening will be held on February 7, 2024. Patlan shared that the restaurant owned by Redda Bennani will have its Grand Opening soon and demolition has begun on the new Starbucks location at Merchantile Row. Patlan advised that he will be attending the City Managers Conference on February 7-9, 2024.

9. CITY STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Assistant City Manager James advised that Walmart will be hosting its Re-Grand Opening this Friday, January 26th from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

City Attorney Lew reported that the US Supreme Court has decided to hear a homeless encampment case, decision is expected in June. Lew will monitor the case and keep the council updated.

Parks and Community Service Director Hurtado reported launching the Tiny Tots Baseball League, registration is currently open.

Police Chief Iriarte reported that the Fentanyl Town Hall went well. Iriarte thanked the community for their support and thanked the Fire department for their quick response and assistance.

Interim Fire Chief Chastain reported that the new ladder truck will begin production in April and should be delivered by the end of the year.

Public Works Director Avila reported that his department has an open recruitment for Administrative Assistant.

City Engineer Watts reported that construction on the roundabout is going well. Watts advised that he received plans for the Prado subdivision and is busy with plan checking.

10. CLOSED SESSION

10.1. Liability Claim (MA)

Pursuant to GC 54956.95; Claimant(s): Jesus Castrejon
Agency Claimed Against: City of Dinuba

The Claim was rejected.

10.2. Conference with Real Property Negotiators

Pursuant to GC 54956.8, Purchase of Real Property
Agency Negotiator(s): Luis Patlan, City Manager and Daniel James, Assistant City Manager
Under Negotiation: Letter of Intent to Purchase

Direct staff to work with a broker to make an offer on the property.

10.3. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9(b); One (1) case.

No action. Information only.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Reynosa adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.