



**September 23, 2025
MINUTES**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rachel Nerio-Guerrero, Maribel Reynosa, Benjamin Prado, Kuldip Thusu, Linda Launer

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

1. CLOSED SESSION - 5:30 PM

- 1.1. Conference with Labor Negotiators (MA)
Pursuant to GC Subdivision 54957.6; Agency designed representatives: Maria Alaniz; Karina Solis; Luis Patlan; Daniel James
Employee Group: Unrepresented Employees

No reportable action.

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

The Invocation was led by Chaplain Susee.

2.3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by City Attorney Lew.

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).

City Manager Patlan asked to hear agenda items 7.2 and 7.3 before item 7.1.

4. 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 with safety concerns about the Alta and Kamm roundabout.

Pedro Maldonado approached the podium with safety concerns at the Kamm and Alta roundabout.

5. 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.

5.1. SUBJECT

Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes (MA)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to review and approve the City Council meeting of August 9, 2025, as presented.

5.2. SUBJECT

Resolution No. 2025-48 Approving the fiscal year 2024-25 Transportation Development Act Claim and Concurrence with the State Transit Assistance and State of Good Repair claims submitted by the Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (GA)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to adopt Resolution No. 2025-48 approving the submittal of a TDA claim and concurring with the submittal of a STA and SGR claim on the City's behalf.

5.3. SUBJECT

Resolution No. 2025-54 Approving the Side Letter of Agreement amending the 2025-2027 Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Dinuba and Dinuba Firefighters' Association (MA)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to adopt Resolution No. 2025-54 approving the Side Letter of Agreement amending the 2025-2027 Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Dinuba and Dinuba Firefighters' Association.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Prado, seconded by Council Member Launer, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Ayes: Rachel Nerio-Guerrero, Maribel Reynosa, Benjamin Prado, Kuldip Thusu, Linda Launer

Absent: None

6. WARRANT REGISTER

6.1. SUBJECT

Warrant Register September 12 & 19, 2025 (KS)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to review and approve the Warrant Register as presented.

A motion was made by Council Member Reynosa, seconded by Council Member Thusu, to approve the Warrant Register as presented.

Ayes: Rachel Nerio-Guerrero, Maribel Reynosa, Benjamin Prado, Kuldip Thusu, Linda Launer

Absent: None

7. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

7.1. SUBJECT

Cancellation of City Council Meetings Scheduled on and around the November and December Holidays (MA)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to consider the cancellation of scheduled City Council meetings on or around the upcoming holidays in November and December.

City Clerk and HR Director Alaniz shared that it is customary to cancel the second meetings in November in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday and in December in observance of the Christmas holiday. Alaniz reported that this year, the first meeting in November coincides with Veterans Day, which falls on November 11, 2025, when city offices will be closed.

A motion was made by Council Member Reynosa, seconded by Council Member Launer, to cancel the November 11, 2025, meeting in observance of Veterans Day, the November 25, 2025, meeting in observance of Thanksgiving, and the December 23, 2025, meeting in observance of the Christmas holiday. If necessary, a November 18, 2025, meeting can be scheduled if needed for urgent matters.

Ayes: Rachel Nerio-Guerrero, Maribel Reynosa, Benjamin Prado, Kuldip Thusu, Linda Launer

Absent: None

7.2. SUBJECT

Award of Contract to Durham Construction Company for the Dinuba Fire Station Remodel Project (JW)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to award the contract for the Dinuba Fire Station Remodel Project to Durham Construction Company in the amount of \$440,248.00 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents.

City Engineer Watts reported that on September 17, 2025, a bid opening for the Dinuba Fire Station Remodel Project was held to bring the fire station to current standards. A total of three bids were received, with the lowest bid received from Durham Construction Company for \$440,248.00. Watts shared that the project will be funded by the City's Ambulance Fund.

A motion was made by Council Member Launer, seconded by Vice Mayor Prado, to award the contract for the Dinuba Fire Station Remodel Project to Durham Construction

Company for \$440,248.00 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents.

Ayes: Rachel Nerio-Guerrero, Maribel Reynosa, Benjamin Prado, Kuldip Thusu, Linda Launer

Absent: None

7.3. SUBJECT

Award of Contract to Bill Nelson G.E.C, Inc. for the Sewer Infrastructure Improvements Project (JW)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to award the contract for the Sewer Infrastructure Improvements Project to Bill Nelson G.E.C. Inc. in the amount of \$3,881,026.41 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents.

City Engineer Watts reported that on September 17, 2025, a bid opening for the Sewer Infrastructure Improvements Project was held. A total of five bids were received, with the lowest bid received from Bill Nelson G.E.C. Inc. for \$3,881,026.41. Staff is asking the Council to award the contract to Bill Nelson G.E.C. Inc. and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents. The project will be funded through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and Federal Earmark.

A motion was made by Council Member Reynosa, seconded by Council Member Launer, to award the contract for the Sewer Infrastructure Improvements Project to Bill Nelson G.E.C. Inc., for \$3,881,026.41 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract documents.

Ayes: Rachel Nerio-Guerrero, Maribel Reynosa, Benjamin Prado, Kuldip Thusu, Linda Launer

Absent: None

8. MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS

The Council shared community events and meetings they attended.

9. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

None.

10. CITY STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Assistant City Manager James reminded the Council about the Unity Board and gave an update on his scheduled time off.

City Attorney Lew shared that he will be attending the upcoming League Conference.

Fire Chief Chastan gave a staffing update.

Police Chief Iriarte reported his department is busy getting ready for the Raisin Day event.

City Engineer Watts gave an update on ongoing projects, including the Whitney Water Main project and logistics at Englehart and Serra Way. Watts reported that there will be various projects going out for bid soon.

City Clerk/Human Resources Director Alaniz shared that there are three vacancies for the Public Safety committee.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

[MIN_SIGNATURES]