



**May 27, 2025
MINUTES**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Alaniz, Avila, Chastain, Iriarte, James, Lew, Lopez, Montejano, Patlan, Solis

1. Work Session - 5:30 PM

- 1.1.** Presentation of Toptracer technology, a range cover structure, and mini golf course concept by Kemper Sports (DJ)

Monica Davis, Operations Executive for Kemper Sports, and Robb Palmgren, General Manager of Ridge Creek Golf Course, presented information on Toptracer and Mini Golf at Ridge Creek Golf Course.

- 1.2.** Presentation of Preliminary Budget for FY 2025/26 (KS)

Administrative Services Director Solis introduced the FY 2025/2026 basic operating budget. Solis presented the Enterprise Funds, including sewer, transit, golf course, ambulance, CNG, and disposal. Senior Fiscal Analyst Lopez presented the water fund and Capital Improvement projects.

Solis shared that staff are searching for ways to reduce expenses in the General Fund by streamlining functions, reducing reliance on outside consultants, and the annual contribution to the Chamber of Commerce. Solis shared that the formal budget adoption will be presented to the Council on June 10th.

2. OPENING CEREMONIES - 6:30 P.M.

- 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 Garcia.

- 2.3.** Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Prado.

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. 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.

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 May 13, 2025, as presented.

5.2. SUBJECT

Fiscal Year 2024/25 Third Quarter Financial Report (KS)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to accept the financial report for the third quarter ending March 31, 2025 for the 2024/2025 fiscal year.

5.3. SUBJECT

Notice of Completion - Fire Department Training Facility (JW)

RECOMMENDATION

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

5.4. SUBJECT

Extension of Management Services Contract with KemperSports, Inc. for Management of Ridge Creek Golf Course (DJ)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to extend management services contract with Kemper Sports, Inc. for ten (10) years for the maintenance and operations of the Ridge Creek Golf Course.

A motion was made by Council Member Thusu, seconded by Council Member Reynosa, to review and 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 May 16 & 23, 2025 (KS)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to review and approve the Warrant Register as presented.

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

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

Absent: None.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

7.1. SUBJECT

City Vacancies Report Pursuant to Assembly Bill 2561 (MA)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to conduct a public hearing on position vacancies pursuant to Assembly Bill 2561.

City Clerk/Human Resources Director Alaniz presented the City Vacancies Report under Assembly Bill 2561.

Mayor Nerio Guerrero opened the public hearing.

Tomas Higgins, representative for the Dinuba Police Officers Association, approached the podium to express the association's concerns, including recruitment and retention.

Ryan Wilson, representative for the Dinuba Firefighter Association, approached the podium to express concerns about staffing and pay.

Keri Babcock approached the podium with concerns about pay and recruitment in the Police Department.

Mayor Nerio-Guerrero closed the public hearing.

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

8.1. SUBJECT

Resolution No. 2025-30 adopting Vision Zero Action Plan for the City of Dinuba (JW)

RECOMMENDATION

Council to adopt Resolution No. 2025-30 approving the Vision Zero Action Plan for the City of Dinuba.

City Engineer Watts reported on the Vision Zero Action Plan for the City of Dinuba. Vision Zero aims to reduce traffic deaths and serious injuries. By the Council adopting Resolution 2025-30 and approving the Vision Zero Action Plan, the city is eligible to pursue federal grant funding for road safety projects.

A motion was made by Council Member Thusu, seconded by Council Member Reynosa, to adopt Resolution No. 2025-30 approving the Vision Zero Action Plan for the City of Dinuba.

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

Absent: None.

9. MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS

The Council shared about the community events and meetings they have attended.

10. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Patlan reminded the Council about the Employee Appreciation Picnic and shared information about the South San Joaquin Valley Golf Tournament. Patlan shared that city staff and Ridge Creek staff would be visiting a San Luis Obispo golf course to assess Toptracer at that site.

11. CITY STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

City Attorney Lew reported working with staff on ongoing issues.

Fire Chief Chastain provided a staffing update.

Police Chief Iriarte provided a staffing update.

Parks & Community Services Director Hurtado shared that the Farmers Market had a good turnout. This Friday's entertainment is The Fabulate Enchancements.

City Engineer Watts gave an update on ongoing projects, including the Crawford road closure starting June 2nd, and the Whitney and Parkway project. Watts shared that the Montebella Phase II park equipment has been installed.

Public Works Director Avila shared information on alley repairs on Edwards Place and the installation of solar lights in the alley by Dinuba Market.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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