



**October 24, 2023  
MINUTES**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Nerio-Guerrero, Launer, Prado, Reynosa

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:**

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**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**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 Chief Iriarte.

**1.3. Pledge of Allegiance**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Director Hurtado.

**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.*

Rosalie Ware approached the podium with information regarding the Dinuba HEROES Project. The project is meant to honor military Veterans with banners to be displayed outside the Dinuba Memorial Hall. Ware is asking for sponsorship from the community to cover the cost of the banner in the amount of \$40 each. Ware presented a sample of the banners and would like to encourage the community to help honor local Veterans.

Applications can be found online at [www.dinubaheroes.com](http://www.dinubaheroes.com).

#### **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**

**Proclamation No. 2023-06 "Together a Better Community" Declaration of Unity (MA)**

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council to approve Proclamation No. 2023-06 recognizing the Dinuba Christian Ministerial Association commitment to the City of Dinuba in working together in unity for the good of the community.

##### **4.2. SUBJECT**

**Cancellation of City Council Meeting Scheduled on November 28 and December 26, 2023 (DJ)**

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council to consider cancelling the scheduled City Council meeting of Tuesday, November 28 and December 26, 2023, due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

##### **4.3. SUBJECT**

**Resolution No. 2023-52, Authorization to execute Clean California Local Grant Program documents (DJ)**

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council adopt Resolution No. 2023-52 authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all required agreements and documentation associated with the CalTRANS Clean California Grant Program.

##### **4.4. SUBJECT**

**Agreement with Tulare County Consolidated Ambulance Dispatch for Dispatch Services (GC)**

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council approve the agreement with Tulare County Consolidated Ambulance Dispatch (TCCAD) and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

##### **4.5. SUBJECT**

**Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes (MA)**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Council to review and approve the City Council meeting of October 10, 2023 as presented.

### **4.6. SUBJECT**

**Mental Health Awareness Outreach hosted by Dinuba High School (SH)**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Council approve co-sponsorship for the Mental Health Awareness Outreach hosted by Dinuba High School NAMI Club and use of the Entertainment Plaza with proposed fees waived in the amount of \$272.

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

Ayes: Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado , Reynosa

Absent: Thusu

## **5. WARRANT REGISTER**

### **5.1. SUBJECT**

**Warrant Register October 13 & 20 2023 (KS)**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Council to review and approve the Warrant Register as presented.

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

Ayes: Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado , Reynosa

Absent: Thusu

## **6. PUBLIC HEARING**

### **6.1. SUBJECT**

**Resolution No. 2023-53, Proposal for 44-lot Tentative Subdivision Map (Rose View Estates, Phase II), neighborhood park and offsite improvements (KSch)**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

City Council conduct a public hearing and adopt the following:

Resolution No. 2023-53 (Attachment "A") approving a Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map (Rose View Estates, Phase II) to create 44 single family residential lots and associated improvements, including the extension of Wright Street to connect to Kamm Avenue and conversion of the existing park basin into seven single family residential lots.

City Planning Consultant, Karl Schoettler presented information on the proposed subdivision Rose View Estates, Phase II to be located at the southeast intersection of Grace Lane and Wright Street. Schoettler presented a subdivision

map and samples of the proposed 44 residential lots with tree-lined streets and streetlamps. The project includes an extension of Wright Street to Kamm Avenue, the conversion of the existing basin into seven residential lots, and a green space mini-park. Schoettler advised that the proposed subdivision was approved by the Planning Commission at the October 3, 2023 meeting.

Council member Launer asked if the lot sizes were comparable with the surrounding neighborhood lots. Schoettler advised they are consistent with the existing neighborhood lots.

Mayor Reynosa expressed concern about the size of the green space. Reynosa believes the additional lots will add to the neighborhood's flood issues. Reynosa expressed concern about the additional traffic on Wright Street.

City Engineer Watts will look into why the current subdivision is having flooding problems. Watts advised that the basin was meant as a temporary solution, the existing 48-inch line drain is sufficient to handle this area. Watts advised that the Kamm Avenue and Alta Avenue Safety Study will be shared with the council to help with questions and concerns, and if needed improvements can be made. Reynosa addressed that funding would need to be secured for any additional safety improvements.

Launer and Reynosa expressed concerns regarding density in the area, the size of the green space, and traffic on Wright Street.

Launer asked if a modification could be made on Wright Street and Grace Lane, instead of going through to Alta Avenue. Watts advised that the only way to exit is Kamm Avenue and College Avenue.

Mayor Reynosa opened the public hearing.

A staff member from Precisions Engineering approached the podium to advise that his firm would work with city staff to provide suitable options for Wright Street.

Wyatt Thomason approached the podium and asked for development details. Watts advised that both traffic and pedestrian views have been taken into consideration. Thomason asked how bike lanes fit into the plans, and asked for better specs. Watts advised that bike lanes are on Kamm Avenue, they are never in residential areas.

Mayor Reynosa closed the public hearing.

The Council approved Resolution No. 2023-53 with the conditions of increasing the green space/park by two lots, no tree-lined streets; traditional sidewalks should be installed, and a traffic mitigation plan for Kamm Avenue should be presented to Council prior to construction.

A motion was made by Council Member Prado , second by Council Member Launer, to adopt Resolution No. 2023-53 approving a Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map for Rose View Estates, Phase II, including the extension of Wright Street to connect to Kamm Avenue and conversion of the existing park basin into seven single-family residential lots, with the conditions of increasing the

green space/park by two lots, no tree-lined streets; traditional sidewalks should be installed, and a traffic mitigation plan for Kamm Avenue should be presented to Council prior to construction.

Ayes: Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado , Reynosa

Absent: Thusu

## **6.2. SUBJECT**

**Appeal of Planning Commission Decision on Application 2023-10, Variance for freestanding sign at Mercantile Row Shopping Center (KSch)**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

City Council consider the information provided regarding Application 2023-10, a Variance for a freestanding sign at Mercantile Row Shopping Center, and vote to affirm or overturn the decision of the Planning Commission, by adopting Resolution 2023-54.

City Planning Consultant, Karl Schoettler presented a variance application for a third sign at the Mercantile Row Shopping Center. Schoettler advised that the Planning Commission has voted to approve the third sign but has limited the sign to 10 feet. The applicant has submitted an appeal to the Planning Commission's decision.

Mayor Reynosa opened the public hearing.

No comments were received.

Mayor Reynosa closed the hearing

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Nerio-Guerrero, second by Council Member Prado , to overturn the decision of the Planning Commission, by adopting Resolution 2023-54.

Ayes: Launer, Nerio-Guerrero, Prado , Reynosa

Absent: Thusu

## **7. MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS**

Council Member Launer reported attending the Kings Tulare Commission on Aging Conference and shared that it was well attended by supporting agencies. Launer reported that on the 20th, the State Center Community College will be hosting a Ribbon Cutting for the EMT/Police Academy training facility. Launer shared that she attended the Tulare County Environmental Health training on mobile units.

Vice Mayor Nerio-Guerrero shared that she attended the Alta Historical Society Dia de Los Muertos event; visited the Senior Center and signed up as a Senior Center member. Nerio-Guerrero reported that she was approached by residents with a petition for a lighted crosswalk at Crawford and Terrace.

Mayor Reynosa shared that she was at the Senior Center to view the new electronic Kiln donation from Raymond Dall to the senior ceramics group. Reynosa advised that she attended the training presented by the Tulare County Health Department.

## **8. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

## **9. CITY STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

City Attorney Yanez reported that he has accepted a new job with Tulare County. Yanez stated In the next few weeks, he will be at the city meetings with a fellow attorney who will be taking over city business.

Interim Public Works Director Avila reported that crews have been working on the Pamela Basin for the last few days. Avila shared that they have received 114 applications for the Clerical Assistant vacancy. Avila reported that the State of California has extended its Water Assistance Program through March 2024, the program is administered by CSET.

City Engineer Watts reported that the courts at KC Vista Park are being painted and will be completed shortly along with the parking lot lighting. Watts shared that the El Monte Way and Crawford Avenue intersection prepping are going well, and the Englehart grading for Montebella I and II is moving quickly.

Parks and Community Service Director Hurtado reported that staff attended the Aging Conference. Hurtado shared that the Fall Harvest Fling is next week at the Entertainment Plaza. Hurtado reported that staff is wrapping up soccer season and basketball season is in need of coaches. Hurtado reported staff changes at the Senior Center, new staff will be presented to the council soon. Launer asked if a large-screen TV could be purchased for the Senior Center.

Police Chief Iriarte reported that a new Dispatcher is starting in 10 days. Iriarte shared that there are two new entry-level officers moving forward with the hiring process and that traffic control around the city is ongoing.

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.