

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Morales, Gonzalez

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Barkley, Beltran, McCloskey, Nunes, Popovich,  
Thompson, Todd, Uota

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

#### INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Police Chaplain Garcia.

#### FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Chief Thompson.

#### NEW EMPLOYEES AND PROMOTIONS

- 4.1. Public Works
  - Albert Rosas

Director Beltran presented Albert Rosas, newly hired in the Public Works Department.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

- 5.2. Unscheduled

None

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

- 6.1. City Council and Dinuba Financing Authority Joint Meeting Minutes, October 9, 2012
- 6.2. Claim for Consideration – Nancy Ramblas
- 6.3. Citizens Oversight Draft Agenda, October 26, 2012

It was motioned by Council Member Morales, second by Vice Mayor Hinesly, to approve the consent calendar as presented.

AYES: Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Morales, Gonzalez  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

#### WARRANT REGISTER

- 7.1. Approval –Warrant Register, October 12, 19, 2012

It was motioned by Council Member Morales, second by Council Member Gonzalez, to approve the warrant register as presented.

AYES: Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Morales, Gonzalez  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

#### MAYOR'S MINUTE

- 8.1. Veterans Day Proclamation No 2012-15

Mayor Smith said he will present the proclamation at the Veterans Day event on November 12.

## 8.2. Information Sharing

Mayor Smith said since the last Council meeting he has attended:

San Joaquin Valley League of Cities Division Meeting on October 11 in Tulare with staff;  
The CITIPAC fundraiser event at the golf course;  
The Dog Days event last Saturday;

## COUNCIL COMMENTS

### 9.1. Request for Excused Absence, Mike Smith, October 9, 2012

It was motioned by Vice Mayor Hinesly, second by Council Member Morales, to approve the request for excused absence by Mayor Smith of October 9, 2012.

AYES: Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Morales, Gonzalez  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

### 9.2. Reminder – Joint Meeting with Dinuba Unified School District, October 25, 2012, 6:00 pm at JFK Academy

Meeting reminder of joint meeting of the City Council and School Board.

### 9.3. Reminder – Palm Drive Neighborhood Meeting, November 1, 2012; 6:30 pm, Dinuba Community Center Dinuba

Council Member Harness said he hopes the meeting will yield a parking plan and good participation in the meeting.

### 9.4. Historic Preservation Commission Goals, Policies, and Implementing Measures

Assistant City Manager Anderson said the Historic Commission adopted the Mission Statement, “Enriching Our Future by Preserving Our Past.” She explained that the Commission’s working plan is intended to introduce and incorporate the Commission’s purpose in the community while remaining consistent with the City Council’s goals.

Anderson explained that the Commission has worked diligently for ten months on the goals, policies and implementing measures. The final draft product was shared with the City Council at the October 9, 2012 meeting.

Anderson requested the City Council consider and adopt the Dinuba Historic Preservation Commission Goals, Policies, and Implementing Measures.

Commission Chair Hoyt thanked the Council for the joint meeting of the City Council and October 9. She shared that the commission was pleased with the Council’s direction and interest in the Commission’s mission. Hoyt conveyed thanks to all who have worked with the Historic Preservation Commission.

It was motioned by Vice Mayor Hinesly, second by Council Member Gonzalez, to adopt the Dinuba Historic Preservation Commission Goals, Policies, and Implementing Measures as presented.

AYES: Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Morales, Gonzalez  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

#### 9.5. Information Sharing

Council Member Gonzalez shared he attended the CITIPAC event on Friday; the Dog Days event on Saturday and, the LOCC Division meeting earlier in the month.

Council Member Morales shared the Ruiz 4 Kids event was a good and worthy event; and he enjoyed the CITIPAC event on Friday.

Council Member Harness shared that the Dog Days event and the CITIPAC event were good events as well.

Council Member Harness brought up the subject of the Scout House. He specifically asked if the City will open the Scout House up to the Scouts and / or other like youth groups.

City Manager Todd said the City will deal with the Scout Leader or whoever has authority to enter into an agreement and, he added staff currently assigned to care for the facility is Roy Ramirez. City Manager Todd said the building is in need of repair and staff feels it's the City's responsibility to do so. Other inquiries to use the building have been received and staff will treat them like other facility use requests. Todd reported that the building was given to the City under the terms the scouts be allowed to first utilize it before any other groups.

Mayor Smith said 15 years ago there were many groups meeting there but no longer.

Vice Mayor Hinesly asked why the City would put \$25,000 into the old Scout House when the same amount of money could be better utilized in the Bob Barker building where the Scouts and other groups could meet.

Council discussion followed.

Vice Mayor Hinesly said she tells everybody that the Dog Days Bark for Life event is the best event with which she gets involved. She said the CITIPAC event was enjoyable and lauded Todd for his work in organizing last Friday's event.

Vice Mayor Hinesly said she attended the Ruiz 4 Kids event with Director Nunes and they enjoyed the event; Vice Mayor Hinesly said she plans to attend the LAFCo meeting tomorrow and, the Legislative Summit on Friday.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

##### 5.1. Steve Worthley, County Update

Tulare County Supervisor Worthley spoke about the oversight on landfill costs. Worthley said as a result, personnel changes have been made which results in a reduced level of services and increase in fees. Staff is working through the process and, the county is keeping the transfer stations open until January 1 and will figure out how to make them work. The plan is to reduce one landfill to a trickle and there is a possibility another may be reduced.

Mayor Smith spoke to some past experiences with the County.

Supervisor Worthley said Rd 80 construction should be completed in 2013. He said the bridge foundation crossing the Kings River on Avenue 416 is underway. Worthley reported the County has over 360 bridges and through federal funding, 40 of them are slated for replacement over the next ten years. Road improvements are ahead of schedule compared to what the County expected at this point. The County has rescinded furloughs and reinstated salary increases to employees. Worthley said he appreciates the City of Dinuba being the first City to come forward with adoption of the General Plan County MOU with the Cities.

Discussion followed.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

- 10.1. San Joaquin Valley Power Authority (SJVPA) Participation Termination and Repeal of Establishing Ordinance, Ordinance No 2012-06, First Reading, Read Title, Waive Reading in Full (Continued to November 13, 2012)

CITY ATTORNEY

- 11.1. Information Sharing

None

CITY MANAGER

- 12.1. Information Sharing

City Manager Todd reported he's been discussing future plans for the vocational center with Dr. Thusu. He said they toured the facility and the doctor shared his vision for the center. Todd said Dr. Thusu would like to discuss the lease with staff. Dr. Thusu feels that once his plans start to develop, he will have put a large amount of money into the facility. He would like to meet and discuss the possibility of acquiring the building. Todd explained that because the building was acquired with an EDA grant, certain things must take place. Todd said he researched the regulations and he explained that there is a provision in the document that would allow Thusu to acquire the building in keeping with the original documents. Todd asked the Council to consider working with Thusu in an effort to talk to EDA to see what can and cannot be done. A new appraisal is needed and the lease with Dr. Thusu will need to be modified. Thusu is preparing something to present to the City Council next month. Todd asked if the Council is willing to do a lease purchase.

Vice Mayor Hinesly asked if the EDA would be willing to look at the doctor's business plan.

City Manager Todd said there is a requirement that mandates a periodic meeting between the EDA and Dr. Thusu.

Mayor Smith said it might be worth it to talk with EDA and let them know the Vocational Center as it was originally intended doesn't make sense anymore; Thusu has a better program planned for the facility.

Discussion followed.

City Manager Todd said he'll pursue the item with Dr. Thusu and bring it back to the City Council for further discussion.

Todd reported the sale of real property to Dr. Ghaly and the Kaweah Group will be closing very soon.

ENGINEERING AND PLANNING SERVICES

- 13.1. Parkside Village Alley, Correction of Clerical Error, Resolution No 2012-60

City Engineer Uota reported that this item pertains to the Parkside Village Alley. The exhibits attached to the adopted resolution in 2007 were incorrect. He said staff presented corrected exhibits were brought to the City Council for approval in September but the original resolution did not include findings. Uota requested the Council consider and adopt Resolution No 2012-60 with corrected exhibits.

It was motioned by Council Member Gonzalez, second by Vice Mayor Hinesly, to adopt Resolution No 2012-60 as presented.

AYES: Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Gonzalez

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Morales

ABSENT: None

- 13.2. Information Sharing

Engineer Uota shared there are still pylons in the south side of the El Monte Way and Alta Avenue intersection. The pylons were placed there while the contractor reconstructed some water boxes and, there is an issue with the manhole in the middle of the intersection. The underlying manhole is a very old brick structure and because of its age and type of material used in its construction, the size is different from modern manholes. Special structure has to be completed and a special cover had to be ordered. The work will be underway late this week and thus the pylons were left there.

Discussion followed.

Council Member Harness asked about crossing the double yellow lines on North Alta near Franklin Avenue.

Discussion followed.

Council Member Gonzalez left the dais at 7:45 pm.

Council discussion followed.

Council Member Gonzalez returned to the dais at 7:47 pm.

Council Member Harness asked about the legality of service vehicles being parked on a red curb. Lt. Popovich said if they are working on an emergency situation they are allowed to park in those areas.

#### FINANCE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

##### 14.1. Award of Bid – Dinuba Community Center Multi-Purpose Room Restoration

Director Nunes reported on the proposed restoration of the Community Center Multi-purpose room. Nunes shared that the room needs restoration as the last restoration took place in 1975. Nunes reported that six requests for proposals were mailed to area contractors for the renovation and two were received by the deadline.

Chandler Construction	\$26,222.00
Felland Construction	\$32,869.01

Nunes requested that the bid be awarded to Chandler Construction for the low bid proposal of \$26,222.

It was motioned by Vice Mayor Hinesly, second by Council Member Morales, to award the bid to Chandler Construction for \$26,222.00 to renovate the Dinuba Recreation Center multi-purpose room.

AYES:	Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Morales, Gonzalez
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

##### 14.2. Information Sharing

Director Nunes shared that the staff received the insurance rating from Standard and Poors for bonds and the City received an A- rating.

Nunes shared that the Fall Harvest Fling will be held on Saturday at 6:00 pm at the Community Center.

The Christmas Parade will be held on December 1.

The Bob Barker Building bid will be held in November.

Staff held its third Sustainability meeting and has identified \$2.6 million plus an extra \$75,000 in savings.

Staff will present a report to the Council in the near future.

Discussion followed.

#### FIRE SERVICES

##### 15.1. Valley Regional Occupational Program

Battalion Chief Doyle reported in 2008 the Sanger Fire Department applied for a FEMA grant for the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters. The grant application was successful and they received word in 2010 that they would be awarded the grant. The grant was regional and it included 6 fire departments including Sanger, Selma, Kingsburg, Reedley, Orange Cove and Dinuba.

The grant's main focus was to create or enhance explorer posts at the six departments and provide a fire science class for seniors from all six high schools. It was later determined that Orosi High School and Tulare County Fire Explorers would also benefit from the grant and should be included in the class.

Recruitment for two part-time coordinators was conducted by Valley Regional Occupational Program (ROP). It was determined that one coordinator would teach at Sanger High and one at Dinuba High. Students from Sanger, Selma and Kingsburg will attend class in Sanger and students from Dinuba, Reedley, Orange Cove and Orosi will attend Dinuba High.

Chief Doyle reported that it is the intent of the all the fire department sand high schools involve das well as Valley ROP to begin an abbreviated class in January 2013 with juniors that are currently involved as an Explorer. Then, in the fall of 2013, the program will begin with seniors that are involved with the Explorer Program.

Discussion followed.

Battalion Chief Doyle requested that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement between the City of Dinuba and Valley ROP upon completion.

It was motioned by Council Member Gonzalez, second by Council Member Morales, to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement between the City of Dinuba and Valley ROP upon completion.

AYES: Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Morales, Gonzalez

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

## 15.2. Information Sharing

None

## POLICE SERVICES

### 16.1. Project Listen Update

Lt. Popovich reported that Project Listen was kicked off in October 2011 with the goal of making person contact to every household in the City to complete a survey questionnaire covering topics related to the quality of life.

Over the past year, several surveys have been conducted with the participation of the Community Volunteers, city department employees and other community members. After several months, participation dwindled and fewer survey days were held. As of October 2012 only one quarter of the households had been contacted.

Lt. Popovich said in an effort to speed up the process and eliminate further delays, staff would like to conduct mass mailings to the remaining residences. The mailing could be done in two month intervals for the remaining three sections. Staff also plans to hold meetings in those remaining areas open to the general public.

Popovich said these actions would allow the survey to be conducted in a timely manner; the City Council would receive the information in a timely manner allowing the Council to set appropriate goals; and, meetings in the remaining areas would allow members of the public to meet greet and ask questions of staff.

Council discussion followed.

Lt. Popovich requested that the City Council authorize staff to conduct mass mailings associated with Project Listen.

It was motioned by Vice Mayor Hinesly, second by Council Member Morales, to authorize staff to conduct mass mailings associated with Project Listen as proposed.

AYES: Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Morales, Gonzalez  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

#### 16.2. Information Sharing

None

#### PUBLIC WORKS

##### 17.1. TCAG Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) Amendment Two, Resolution No 2012-61

Director Beltran reported this is a request for a second amendment to the TCAG JPA with Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG). The amendment would authorize:

TCAG to prepare the Tulare County Regional Traffic Impact Fee Program; establish a Traffic Development Impact Fee, and cause collection of the fees; and,

Implement California Government Code 93300 et seq (Central California Railroad Authority Act) to create and join the Central California Railroad Authority and exercise the authority set out in the Act as it pertains to the purposes of the Act.

Beltran requested that the City Council consider the resolution set before the City Council authorizing these actions.

It was motioned by Vice Mayor Hinesly, second by Council Member Gonzalez, to adopt Resolution No 2012-61 as presented.

AYES: Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Morales, Gonzalez  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

##### 17.2. Tulare County Decision Affecting City Clean-up Events

Beltran shared that it looks like the County will continue to impose the 50% fee at its landfills for City cleanup events. The decision was made by the County CAO and not by the Board of Supervisors. The proposed annual cleanup events for the City were approved in advance by the Board of Supervisors earlier this year. Beltran expressed that if the events are going to be disallowed, the decision should have come from the Board and not just a decision of the CAO.

Discussion followed.

##### 17.3. Information Sharing

Director Beltran reported that the Fall Clean-up event will be held on Saturday, from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:24 pm.

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Mike Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda Barkley, Deputy City Clerk