

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

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Barkley, McBrearty, Nunes, Popovich, Thompson,
Todd

1.1. CITY COUNCIL, PLANNING COMMISSION, COMMUNITY SERVICES & DINUBA PRO-YOUTH
COMMISSION

- 2014-2018 Capital Investment Program

The City Council and members of the Planning Commission and Community Services & Dinuba Pro-Youth Commission met to discuss the 2014-2018 Capital Investment Program.

City Manager Todd shared a PowerPoint Presentation for the 2014-18 CIP. He said it is a comprehensive, extensive and expensive process. He explained The CIP Identifies projects that are funded, need funding, are new or need grant funding. It identifies projects important to the community but are unfunded and may perhaps get funded later.

Council Member Smith stated that on the general plan we thought things were going northeast; then it went west on Nebraska, then it changed again. He asked if the general plan adopted in 2008 is going to stay that way.

City Manager Todd said there is land use on the east that will allow for hospital use. The northeast corner has had many plans but where our services are and where people want to live, which is near Ave 416/Alta, services are naturally developed in that area.

Council Member Gonzalez left the dais at 5:49 pm and returned at 5:51 pm.

Business Manager Avila shared with the Council Members "What is a CIP."

Fiscal Analyst Elva Patino shared with the Council Members the projects in the CIP which included Transportation Projects, Water Projects, Sewer Projects, Parks Projects, and Other Projects.

Mayor Hinesly invited the Commissioners to offer their comments as to the proposed CIP.

Planning Commissioner Olesky said it was brought to his attention the lack of ADA ramps in the community and he encouraged the City Council to improve them. He said he identified 20 locations where there may be issues for wheelchair bound or physically impaired persons.

Dan Meinert, Dinuba EDC, shared comments on a few projects:

1. The WWRF expansion is important, Council needs to look at grants going forward and current revenues, same way with the water supply, he encouraged the Council to look for grants and make sure current revenues are adequate for when the opportunities occur.
2. Transportation looks good.
3. Unfunded projects that are important: Randle Avenue; the sewer system should be extended up to Vuich Park to provide some relief for the main sewer line it currently goes through Tulare Street and it's already overloaded.
4. The expansion of the RCR for housing development.

City Manager Todd said our local EDC was commissioned by the Redevelopment Agency. The Dinuba EDC is very interested about our community and are interested in providing revenues to support our services and jobs for the community.

BREAK

Mayor Hinesly declared a break at 6:23 pm.

RECONVENE FROM BREAK

The meeting was reconvened from the break at 6:36 pm.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm.

INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Chaplain Jim Susee.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Director Nunes.

NEW EMPLOYEES AND PROMOTIONS

5.1. Police Services – Swearing in of Police Officers

- . Jorge Casillas
- . Francisco Ceballos

Chief Popovich presented recently promoted Police Officers Casillas and Ceballos to the City Council.

Mayor Hinesly administered the Oath of Office to the Police Officers and the City Council welcomed them.

PUBLIC COMMENT

6.1. Yosh Toyota and Evan Morgan – Request City Sponsorship for ACS Relay for Life Team

Toyota and Morgan were present to request a sponsorship for the City's ACS Relay for Life Team in the amount of \$3,000.

It was motioned by Council Member Smith, second by Council Member Morales to approve the sponsorship of \$3,000.

AYES: Harness, Hinesly, Smith, Morales, Gonzalez

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

6.2. Kelly Martin - Nebraska Railroad Crossing

Kelly Martin, 1202 Tuscany Drive, was present to discuss the Nebraska railroad crossing. Martin described a near accident concerning her daughter where she found the train stopped on the tracks blocking Nebraska Avenue on a dark night; narrowly missing an accident. Martin said she contacted city staff who in turn contacted RMA staff, who in turn forwarded to Martin contact information for the Public Utilities Commission. Martin asked what can be done to get lighting at the intersection and she said she felt she needed to try to get the situation improved before there is a tragedy at the site.

City Manager Todd said the site is out of our city limits but staff will contact Supervisor Worthley and our Representative Connie Conway. We will also support Martin's position to lessen the danger.

6.3. Unscheduled Items

Pablo Contreras, 500 No L Street, commented "Don't wait until an accident occurs."

Contreras went on to talk about the newly constructed medians on Alta Avenue and north L Street. He described the medians as difficult to see at night and asked that the Council consider directing that the medians be painted for safety.

City Manager Todd said staff is aware of the situation and agree that it needs to be rectified. He explained that up until last month we haven't been able to do anything but ask the county to improve the situation but now, the city has full control and we will be painting the curbing appropriately in those areas.

Contreras said that Ridge Creek will soon celebrate its 5th anniversary. He said the facility has been great for the community and for the reclamation facility. Contreras said he suggested to the general manager that something special be planned in celebration of the 5th anniversary. Contreras asked the Council to support the plans.

The Council concurred.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 7.1. City Council Meeting Minutes, January 22, 2013
- 7.2. Other Agency Minutes
 - a. Citizens Oversight Committee, October 26, 2012, January 13, 2013
 - b. Historic Preservation Commission, November 13, 2012; January 14, 2013
 - c. Planning Commission, January 7, 2013
 - d. Police Advisory Commission, December 4, 2012
- 7.3. Master Development Schedule
- 7.4. Certificate of Acceptance, Dinuba Marquee Easement Dedication, APN 017-030-012, 1500 West El Monte Way
- 7.5. Set Hearing - Measure R Expenditure Plan Amendment, February 26, 2013

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

WARRANT REGISTER

- 8.1. Approval –Warrant Register, January 25, February 1, 8, 2013

It was motioned by Council Member Harness, second by Vice Mayor Morales, to approve the warrant register.

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

MAYOR'S MINUTE

- 9.1. Information Sharing

Mayor Hinesly said the Dinuba Woman's Club Spring Fashion show is in full swing and is scheduled for May 18.

The Fire Engine Pull is set for March 9 and the goal is to sign up 26 teams.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- 10.1. Reminder – South San Joaquin Valley League of CA Cities Division Meeting, February 21, 2013; 6:00 pm, Ridge Creek Golf Course

10.2. Reminder – Grand Opening Emperor Estates Senior Housing Complex, March 6, 2013; 11:30 am
City Manager Todd shared the reminder of upcoming events with the City Council.

10.3. Information Sharing

Council Member Smith said he attended the Chamber dinner and on the following day he attended the recipients and past recipients luncheon. He said the Council goal planning session went well.

Council Member Gonzalez said he attended the Chamber dinner; the IHOP fundraiser event for Children's Hospital; and the Council goal planning session.

Vice Mayor Morales said he too attended the IHOP event and the Council goal setting session but was unable to attend the Chamber awards dinner.

PUBLIC HEARING

11.1. Street Vacation (abandonment) of a portion of “L” Street/Alta Avenue and, “M” Street/Alta Avenue Intersections, Resolution No 2013-03

City Manager Todd presented the report for application 2012-14 to vacate a portion of “L” Street/Alta Avenue and, “M” Street/Alta Avenue Intersections. He explained the Applicant/Owner is the City of Dinuba and the application was approved by the Planning Commission. The sites are 4,526 sq. ft. and 5,599 sq. ft. in size and are currently held by the City of Dinuba as street easements. The reason for the request to vacate is a result of the recently completed Road 80/Alta Avenue Widening Project and realignment of both the “L” Street/Alta and “M” Street/Alta intersections. The City proposes to vacate both areas, which will thereby revert in ownership to the respective four adjacent parcels.

If approved the City Engineer will prepare and record Quit Claim deeds affecting the proposed vacated areas and removing any City interests.

Mayor Hinesly opened the public hearing; with no comments from the public brought forward, Mayor Hinesly closed the hearing.

It was motioned by Council Member Harness, second by Vice Mayor Morales, to adopt Resolution No 2013-03 approving the vacation of a portion of “L” Street/Alta Avenue and, “M” Street/Alta Avenue Intersections.

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

CITY ATTORNEY

12.1. Information Sharing

Attorney Jim McBrearty said he was present for vacationing Dan McCloskey.

CITY MANAGER

13.1. Adoption - 2013/14 to 2015/16 City Council Goals

City Manager Todd presented the Council Goals for 2013-2016. He reported items discussed at the Council Goal Setting session on Feb 1-2. Todd requested the Council consider the goals to finalize and adopt them.

Council Member Harness said they are a great set of goals, well balanced. He said Randle Avenue improvement will set the development for the east side of town.

Mayor Hinesly said it was a good process to go through.

It was motioned by Council Member Gonzalez, second by Council Member Smith to adopt the City Council goals.

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

13.2. Meet and Confer

This item was discussed in closed session

13.3. Information Sharing

City Manager Todd announced the recruitment for Police Chief closes February 15.

ENGINEERING AND PLANNING SERVICES

14.1. Review of ADA Plan

This item was not discussed.

14.2. Information Sharing

None

FINANCE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

15.1. City Offer to Purchase Court House and Site, 920 S Academy

Director Nunes presented the request to purchase the Court House site on Academy Way. Nunes reported the impact is estimated at \$280,000; \$60,000 has been identified from the sale of the project

house and the remainder will have to be identified. Nunes requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Tulare County and to authorize the purchase price and renovation of the property.

Mayor Hinesly said she was told the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors said it was his goal to get rid of the County's nuisance property.

Leo Soto, 1753 E Meadow Lane, Scoutmaster Troop 376, was present in support of the proposed purchase of the property to be used for scouting purposes and he said that scouting is an important program for today's youth.

City Manager Todd said the courthouse is located on a parcel that is easily accessible and user friendly, making it a good site for the scouts.

It was motioned by Vice Mayor Morales, second by Council Member Smith to authorize the agreement with Tulare County and the purchase price as well as the renovation of the property.

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

15.2. Action of the Citizens' Oversight Committee, January 18, 2013

Director Nunes reported the actions of the COC.

15.3. Information Sharing

Director Nunes shared the Spring Fling will be held on March 23 from 11-1:00 pm.

The second annual a family fun night for the After School Program participants and their families will be held on April 12.

There will be a field trip to the movies for after school program enrollees on March 22.

Council Member Smith asked how soon the skate park could be moved to the DRAC.

Nunes said we must wait to move it until construction is completed so moving the skate park will likely take place in September.

FIRE SERVICES

16.1. Pull for a Cure Event, Request for Street Closure, March 9, 2013

Chief Thompson presented the request for the annual Pull for the Cure event, a precursor for the annual Relay for Life event. The request made included using the barricade trailer and the Council Chambers dry erase board.

It was motioned by Council Member Smith, second by Vice Mayor Morales, to approve the request for the street closure and use of miscellaneous items as presented.

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

16.2. Information Sharing

Chief Thompson shared a reminder of the Good Morning Dinuba Meeting that will be held tomorrow morning at Rabobank and sponsored by Able Industries.

POLICE SERVICES

17.1. Information Sharing

Chief Popovich reported that the survey has moved to southwest quadrant of the City. Staff has advertised the information in the Sentinel. There will be a meeting held on Thursday, February 28 at 6:00 pm at Memorial Building.

PUBLIC WORKS

18.1. Action of the Planning Commission, February 5, 2013

City Manager Todd reported the action of the Planning Commission at the February meeting.

18.2. 23rd Annual Velo-Promo Dinuba Criterium Bicycle Race, February 18, 2013

City Manager Todd presented the request from Velo-Promo Dinuba Criterium Bicycle Race to take place on Monday, February 18 and requested that the City Council approve the race to take place.

It was motioned by Vice Mayor Morales, second by Council Member Harness, to authorize the 23rd annual Velo-Promo Dinuba Criterium Bicycle Race as presented.

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

18.3. Information Sharing

None

CLOSED SESSION ACTION

19.1. Meet and Confer

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, the City Council will meet in closed session with City Manager Todd to Meet and Confer.

No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Janet C. Hinesly, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Barkley, Deputy City Clerk