

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Reynosa, Morales, Harness, Thusu

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Smith

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Barkley, Beltran, Cook, Hurtado,
James, McCloskey, Patlan, Popovich,
Thompson, Uota

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

- 1.1. Welcome & Call to Order – Mayor
- 1.2. Invocation

The invocation was led by Chaplain Garcia.

- 1.3. Pledge of Allegiance

The flag salute was led by Danny Delgado

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 54956.8.

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 may be 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.

Reda Bennani talked about cell phone surcharge he says the city of Dinuba is charging. He said only Dinuba and Tulare are the only cities who charge a surcharge on prepaid wireless instruments. He referred to law as AB 1717. He asked the Council to review the surcharge and reverse it.

Pablo Contreras was present and asked the Council to consider maintenance of the roads near the golf course. He shared concerns about the curve in the road placed there for the construction of the road and he said he's concerned the reflectors don't light up on the temporary wall at the site. Contreras said he hopes the area near the railroad tracks going west on El Monte are not yet in finished form. Contreras reported there are potholes in the street at Kamm and Crawford approximately 100 yards from the stop sign in the east lane of Crawford.

City Manager Patlan said he previously spoke with Contreras regarding the road conditions of Kamm and Crawford and, Patlan said he spoke with the developer of the subdivision at the location. Patlan said it's expected it will be improved this fiscal year.

Mayor Morales and Vice Mayor Harness presented certificates of appreciation to ex-Commissioners for their service on several City Commissions.

Ex-commissioners present at the meeting:

Robert Rocca, Dinuba EDC, April 2014 - December 2015
Ramon Rivera, Dinuba EDC, April 2014 - December 2015
Pablo Contreras, Citizens Oversight Committee, October 2006 – December 2015
Nancy McKittrick, Citizens Oversight Committee, January 2012 - December 2015
Jim Lamb, Citizens Oversight Committee, October 2006 - December 2015
Carol Knoy, Citizens Oversight Committee, October 2006 - December 2015
Armando Longoria, Citizens Oversight Committee, October 2006 – December 2015
Danny Delgado, Parks & Community Services Commission
Fernando Munoz, Planning Commission, June 2011 – December 2015

Ex-commissioners not present at the meeting:

Rick Olesky, Dinuba Planning Commission, November 2011 – December 2015
Thatcher Wong, Dinuba Planning Commission, December 2012 – December 2015
Salvador Medina, Police Advisory Commission, April 2009 - July 2015
Raymond Millard, Police Advisory Commission, January 2003 – July 2015
Fernie Cuevas, Police Advisory Commission, April 2011 – July 2015
Ronald Olivero, Police Advisory Commission, April 2007-July 2015
Pablo Contreras Jr, Police Advisory Commission, January 2015 – July 2015

4. PRESENTATIONS/CEREMONIAL MATTERS

4.1. Request for Co-sponsorship for the TKHCC Chile Verde Golf Tournament on May 26, 2016 - Armondo Apodaca

Apodaca was not present at the Council meeting. Assistant City Manager Anderson presented the second annual request for the Chile Verde Golf Tournament. They support the community through various businesses and has been present at several of our businesses and community activities.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Harness, second by Council Member Thusu, to co-sponsor the Chile Verde Golf Tournament with \$1,000.

AYES: Reynosa, Morales, Harness, Thusu
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Smith

4.2. Request for Waiver of Facility Use Fees for the Dinuba Chamber of Commerce 2016 Business Expo - Sandy Sills

Sandy Sills, Barbara Thiesen, and Maria Rocca were present representing the Chamber of Commerce to present a request for waiver of facility use fees for the 2016 Business Expo.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Harness, second by Council Member Reynosa, to approve the waiver of facility use fees for the Chamber of Commerce 2016 Business Expo.

AYES: Reynosa, Morales, Harness, Thusu
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Smith

5. NEW EMPLOYEES / PROMOTIONS

- 5.1. Rey Garcia, Part-time Assistant Maintenance Worker
- 5.2. Josefina Raya, Part-time Meter Reader

Director Beltran presented information about Rey Garcia, newly hired part-time assistant maintenance worker. Garcia was not present.

Director Beltran introduced Josefina Raya recently hired as a part-time meter reader.

6. 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.

- 6.1. **SUBJECT:** Meeting Minutes for January 12, 2016 (LB)

RECOMMENDATION: City Council to review draft minutes and adopt as final.

- 6.2. **SUBJECT:** Special Meeting Minutes for January 12, 2016 (LB)

RECOMMENDATION: City Council to review draft minutes and adopt as final.

- 6.3. **SUBJECT:** Bi-weekly update of West El Monte Widening Project (DU)

RECOMMENDATION: Information item only.

- 6.4. **SUBJECT:** Certificates of Acceptance for Grant of Easement for Water Line and Public Utilities for the benefit of Farm Credit West (APN 017-290-003 & APN 017-290-014) (DU)

RECOMMENDATION: Council accept the Grants of Easement and authorize the City Clerk to sign the Certificates of Acceptance.

- 6.5. **SUBJECT:** Request for Extended Leave of Absence Without Pay from Jose Muñoz. (BB)

RECOMMENDATION: Council to approve a request to extend leave of absence without pay submitted by Jose Muñoz through March 11, 2016.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Harness, second by Council Member Reynosa, to approve the consent calendar.

AYES: Reynosa, Morales, Harness, Thusu
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Smith

7. WARRANT REGISTER

7.1. SUBJECT: Approval of Warrants for December 4, 2015; January 15; 22, 2016

RECOMMENDATION: Council to review and approve warrants as presented.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Harness, second by Council Member Thusu, to approve the warrant register as presented.

AYES: Reynosa, Morales, Harness, Thusu
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Smith

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

8.1. SUBJECT: Application for 2015 Housing Related Parks (HRP) Program Grant (JC)

RECOMMENDATION: Council adopt Resolution 2016-6 authorizing application to the 2015 HRP Grant Program and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the Standard Agreement.

Stephanie Hurtado presented information in regard to the 2015 HRP Grant Program.

Staff recommends that the funds be used for the Roosevelt Park improvements for ADA restroom compliance.

A motion was made by Council Member Thusu, second by Vice Mayor Harness, to authorize the 2015 HRP Grant Program application and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the Standard Agreement.

AYES: Reynosa, Morales, Harness, Thusu
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Smith

8.2. SUBJECT: Appointment to Community Services & Pro-Youth Commission (JA)

RECOMMENDATION: Council to make appointment Harvey Moreno to the Community Services & Pro-Youth Commission (District 3) to serve a four year term.

Assistant City Manager Anderson presented information regarding Harvey Moreno's appointment to the Community Services & Pro-Youth Commission in District 3.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Harness, second by Council Member Reynosa, to appoint Harvey Moreno to the Community Services & Pro-Youth Commission (District 3) to serve a four year term.

AYES: Reynosa, Morales, Harness, Thusu
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Smith

- 8.3. **SUBJECT:** Award Bid to W & E Electric for Interior Lighting Installation at the College Park Recreation Center in the amount of \$44,600. (JAG)

RECOMMENDATION: Council authorize award of bid to W & E Electric Services for the installation of new interior lighting at the College Park Recreation Center in the amount of \$44,600.

Associate Engineer Aguirre presented a request to the Council to authorize the award of bid to W&E Electric Services for installation of interior lighting at College Park Recreation Center.

Council Member Thusu raised a question in regard to the wide spectrum of bids.

Aguirre explained he did not know why the wide spectrum but that they were all bid with prevailing wage.

A motion was made by Council Member Thusu, second by Vice Mayor Harness, authorize award of bid to W & E Electric Services for the installation of new interior lighting at the College Park Recreation Center in the amount of \$44,600.

AYES: Reynosa, Morales, Harness, Thusu
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Smith

- 8.4. **SUBJECT:** Sale of Real Property to Northwind Partners, LP, Located Along the North Side of W. El Monte Way Between Arkona Avenue and Alta Avenue (APN 014-063-035, APN 014-063-034, APN 014-063-037 and APN 014-063-036) (DU)

RECOMMENDATION: Council accept the offer from Northwind Partners, LP to purchase four separate properties in the amount of \$153,000 and authorize the City Manager or designee to prepare and execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Development Agreement.

Engineer Uota said the properties in question are along the north side of El Monte Way and Arkona Avenue. Uota recommended the Council accept the offer from Northwind Partners to purchase the real property for \$153,000.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Harness, second by Council Member Reynosa, to accept the offer from Northwind Partners, LP to purchase four separate properties in the amount of \$153,000 and authorize the City Manager or designee to prepare and execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Development Agreement.

AYES: Reynosa, Morales, Harness, Thusu
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Smith

9. MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS

9.1. Items from Mayor.

None

9.2. Items from Council Members.

Vice Mayor Harness said donations to organizations and we should set a cap and require they use the money for the local community. He asked if they are going to use the money for scholarships can the city do the same thing.

Reynosa said she was told about there being a lack of bathrooms in the downtown area. Some business owners have indicated there are no longer bathrooms in the downtown area.

Beltran said we no longer have an agreement for the downtown restrooms.

Thusu said he would like to see paid internships and job shadowing like other cities.

Council Member Thusu said he went to the January League of CA Cities Division meeting; attended a mentors' breakfast on January 20. Thusu thanked Agustin Gonzalez for representing him at an event recently hosted by the Tulare-Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce event. Council Member Thusu shared with Council and staff information he learned at a recent meeting of the Revenue and Taxation Policy Committee.

10. CITY MANAGER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

10.1. Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Banquet; Veterans Memorial Hall, January, 29, 2016, 5:30 pm. (LB)

Assistant City Manager Anderson shared information about the Chamber's upcoming awards banquet on Friday evening.

10.2. South San Joaquin Valley Division General Membership Meeting, February 11, 2016 Visalia Rawhide Baseball Hall of Fame Club at 6:00 pm. (JA)

Assistant City Manager Anderson shared information regarding the next League Division meeting in February.

10.3. Senior Citizens' Luncheon, February 12 at 11:30 am, Dinuba Senior Center (JC)

Recreation Coordinator Hurtado invited the Council to attend the Senior's luncheon on February 12.

The Council adjourned the meeting to closed session at 7:32 pm.

11. CLOSED SESSION

11.1. Liability Claim

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.95; Claimant: Koleton Verreras;
Agency Claimed Against: City of Dinuba.

No action was taken.

11.2. Liability Claim

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.95; Claimant: Pacific
Bell/AT&T; Agency Claimed Against: City of Dinuba.

No action was taken.

11.3. Liability Claim

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.95; Claimant: Heather and Tina
Joslin; Agency Claimed Against: City of Dinuba.

No action was taken.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Emilio Morales, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Barkley, Deputy City Clerk