

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Reynosa, Smith, Morales, Harness, Thusu

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Aguirre, Barkley, Beltran, Carrillo, Cook, James, McCloskey, Patlan, Popovich, Thompson

**1. OPENING CEREMONIES – 6:30 pm**

**1.1. Welcome & Call to Order – Mayor**

Mayor Morales called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

**1.2. Invocation**

Chaplain Sussee led the invocation.

**1.3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Building Official Hartley led the flag salute.

**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.*

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 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.*

Roger Wadzatskey was present to speak to the Council in regard to a commodity business about 2000 feet northwest outside the city limits. Wadzatskey said the trains transporting the products to the plant causing the roads to be blocked for as long as one hour at a time. He cited Avenue 424 and Road 72 is where the railway crosses and the trains stop. Wadzatskey reported the trains use their horns day and night. Wadzatskey requested that someone representing the City's interests be present at a public hearing scheduled on February 24 at the Tulare County Planning Commission meeting.

City Manager Patlan said Planner Tech Carrillo will be present at the County Planning Commission's public hearing.

Mayor Morales stated that two individuals from the Tulare County Sheriff's office lost their lives in a helicopter crash recently. He requested the Council consider a donation in honor of their memory.

City Manager Patlan said the item will be placed on the agenda next Council meeting in for Council consideration.

#### 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**: Meeting Minutes for February 9, 2016 (LB)

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

4.2. **SUBJECT**: Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes for January 11, 2016

**RECOMMENDATION**: City Council to accept approved minutes.

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

**RECOMMENDATION**: Information item only.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, second by Vice Mayor Harness, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

AYES: Reynosa, Smith, Morales, Harness, Thusu

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

#### 5. **WARRANT REGISTER**

5.1. **SUBJECT**: Approval of Warrants for February 12; 19, 2016

**RECOMMENDATION**: Council to review and approve warrants as presented.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Harness, second by Council Member Smith, to approve the Warrant Register.

AYES: Reynosa, Smith, Morales, Harness, Thusu

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- 6.1. SUBJECT:** Resolution No. 2016-08 Authorizing Application for CalRecycle Payment Programs (BB)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Council adopts Resolution No. 2016-08 approving submittal of application for CalRecycle Payment Programs and authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute any and all documents related to the program.

Director Beltran asked the council to authorize execution of documents related to the CalRecycle Payment Programs.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, second by Vice Mayor Harness to adopt Resolution 2016-08.

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

- 6.2. SUBJECT:** Dinuba High School Medical Academy Health Careers Affiliation Agreement (CT)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Council approves participation in the Dinuba High School Medical Academy Health Careers Affiliation Agreement and authorizes the Fire Chief to execute the Agreement.

Chief Thompson presented an item in regard to the Medical Academy Health Careers Affiliation Agreement and requested that the City Council authorize the Fire Chief to execute the agreement.

A motion was made by Council Member Thusu, second by Council Member Reynosa, to authorize the Fire Chief to execute the agreement.

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

- 6.3. SUBJECT:** Rejection of Bids for the Roosevelt Park Sports Lighting Project (DU)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Council reject bid proposals for the installation of the Roosevelt Park Sports Lighting Project.

Associate Engineer Aguirre presented a request to reject bid proposals for the installation of lighting at Roosevelt Sports Park citing ADA improvements to the Community Center were a higher priority. Staff requested that the State approve an amendment to the scope of the grant to include ADA improvements in lieu of ballfield lighting; the State agreed.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, second by Council Member Reynosa, to reject bid proposals for the installation of the Roosevelt Park Sports Lighting Project.

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

**6.4. SUBJECT:** Collection of Utility Users Tax (UUT) on Prepaid Phone Service (CC)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Council consider canceling the agreement with the State Board of Equalization (BOE) for the collection of utility users' tax charges on prepaid mobile telephone services.

Director Cook said this is a request authorization to cancel the UUT charges on prepaid mobile telephone services. In Tulare County only Tulare and Dinuba collect that UUT. A concern was raised that collection of the UUT would present an unfair shift on local businesses. He referred to State regulation that went into effect in January 2016. Cook said the current surcharge is 6.5%.

Robert Cervantes spoke in opposition of the City's Utility Users Tax.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, second by Council Member Thusu, to cancel he agreement with the State Board of Equalization (BOE) for the collection of utility users' tax charges on prepaid mobile telephone services.

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

Vice Mayor Harness commented in regard to an earlier statement by Robert Cervantes that there was no misunderstanding on how the UUT is collected nor how it was written.

**6.5. SUBJECT:** Request for Approval of Installation of Handicap Parking Along Sierra Way (BB)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Council adopts Resolution No. 2016-10 approving the designation of a handicap parking space on Sierra Way in front of the Dinuba High School (DHS) South Campus offices.

Director Beltran presented the request for approval of a handicap parking space on Sierra Way in front of Dinuba High School South Campus offices.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, second by Vice Mayor Harness, to adopt Resolution 2016-10 as presented.

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

**6.6. SUBJECT:** First Annual Blessing of the Bikes Event on April 9, 2016 (BB)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Council receive information on the first annual Blessing of the Bikes event in Dinuba on April 9, 2016.

Director Beltran said the Council need not approve the request as it is presented for informational purposes only. She noted this is the first time the event will occur in Dinuba.

**6.7. SUBJECT:** Selection of HEDRON Architecture for the design of Fire Station No. 2 (CT)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Council select HEDRON Architecture for the design of Fire Station No. 2, direct staff to prepare an Agreement for Professional Services, and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the Agreement.

Chief Thompson presented a request that the Council direct staff to prepare an agreement for professional services and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the agreement with HEDRON Architecture.

A motion was made by Council Member Thusu, second by Council Member Smith to direct staff to prepare an agreement for professional services and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the agreement with HEDRON Architecture.

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

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

**7.1.** Items from Mayor.

Mayor Morales said he attended the League Division meeting in Visalia earlier this month.

**7.2.** Items from Council Members.

Vice Mayor Harness only some of the crosswalks are visibly painted on Crawford traveling west on Sierra Way. He asked staff to look at the crosswalks and to look at the crosswalks around schools. He noted there are many traffic jams around schools.

Harness asked that the Tree Ordinance be reviewed. He noted there are many old trees growing in sidewalks that have lifted concrete and have become a danger.

Council Member Thusu said he attended the League Division meeting.

Thusu commented that trains do pose a problem as Mr. Wazdatskey noted earlier in the meeting.

Council Member Smith said he attended the Seniors' luncheon.

**8. CITY MANAGER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

**8.1. Items from City Manager.**

City Manager Patlan reported that there will be a Tulare County EDC Board Meeting tomorrow at 7:30 am hosted by Dinuba.

Patlan said the Dinuba Senior Board will meet with him next week to discuss the Senior Center's future.

**8.2. City of Dinuba Spring Fling Event, March 19, 2016, Roosevelt Park (JC)**

Director Carrillo stated information in regard to the annual Spring Fling event which will be held at Roosevelt Park.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

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Emilio Morales, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda Barkley, Deputy City Clerk