

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick

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

WORK SESSION

The work session was called to order at 5:40 pm.

Council / Board Member Payan arrived at 5:45 pm.

1.1. Measure R Update

Engineer Uota presented Ted Smalley, Executive Director of the Tulare County Association of Governments. He introduced Ramon Lara and Tulare County Supervisor Worthley, also a member of the TCAG Board.

Smalley presented the update to the City Council. Smalley said the City Council stepped up with \$1.8 million and got the ball rolling. They took the risk and he commended them.

Mayor Wallace thanked the Dinuba citizens for backing Measure R and said because of the commitment this will be possible.

Smalley reviewed the following points of the Measure R update with the City Council.

- 2010 Strategic Work Plan Update
- Regional Projects in Construction
- Regional Projects Going Out to Bid in 2010/11
- Financing Issues
- Dedicated Bonding Capacity
- Funding Options
- Solutions
- Dinuba Regional Projects
- Comments

1.2. East Side Business Plan (Railway Plan)

Smalley talked about how the Railway Plan came to be. Businesses asked government for help. The Tulare County EDC said 40 percent of all businesses that want to come to Tulare County ask about railroad services. This is one of their top priorities if not the top priority. The effort to look forward is not decided by the Board of Supervisors, it's decided by the TCAG Board. The Board has gone through many challenges over the years. At one point the Board decided it needed to have a professional business plan so they proposed this to college students who then took the job to write one. Smalley stated that the business plan was not funded with Measure R money but with federal planning dollars. They did a major presentation and some criticized certain things about the plan but the object was to focus on potential users; it does not mean the potential users are going to use it. It's obscene to marginalize the three main businesses impacted by the potential loss of the railroad because in fact it impacts our communities by \$3 to \$4 million dollars in lost revenue if just those three were to close and in turn directly affect approximately 100 employees and their families.

Vice Mayor Morales said Richard Best told him that if the railroad is successful they would like to open another business locally.

Council Member Smith asked who will own the railway. Smalley said the end goal is for Railway Authority to own it.

The Council thanked Smalley for sharing the important and informative information.

BREAK

Mayor Wallace declared a break at 6:36 pm.

RECONVENE FROM BREAK

Mayor Wallace reconvened the break at 6:52 pm.

CALL TO ORDER

The joint meeting was called to order at 6:52 pm.

INVOCATION

Pastor Bill Nicolay

FLAG SALUTE

Fire Chief Thompson

COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

5.1. Dinuba Senior Citizens Inc

Mayor Wallace presented the Dinuba Senior Citizens Board of Directors with a certificate of recognition. Board Members present were Edith Allensworth, President; Kelly Martin; Shirley Mello; Pat Carter; Nobi Takashira; Debbie Carter was not present.

Allensworth thanked the City of Dinuba for the assistance offered to the Senior Center. She said the Center's bills are paid, there's money in the bank, and they have a certificate of deposit in the bank that they don't have to cash. She added that the Center is planning a yard sale; spaghetti luncheon; a Thanksgiving program; and their annual Christmas bazaar.

Shirley Mello said she is working on finding a three-door refrigerator to help the Center preserve more than one day worth of gleanings.

Mayor Wallace said a year ago we were all very concerned about where this was going to go and the Board has been very instrumental in turning things around and making the center successful.

Allensworth said she recently heard from a Fresno area doctor who wants to come serve the Senior Center.

Director Nunes said it's been her pleasure to work with the Board for the last couple of months and she said the Board Members are hard-working team players.

PUBLIC COMMENT

6.1. Letter of Intent – Property Acquisition, 199 North L Street, Ruiz Foods Inc

City Manager Todd said Ruiz Foods recently informed him that because of their need for a corporate office they started searching and looked at a number of locations throughout the city. Staff lost touch of them after that and a couple of months ago Todd was told that Ruiz was searching in the Visalia area. Todd said he contacted Bryce Ruiz and he was told that none of the facilities were suitable for their needs. Todd said he told Ruiz that the vocational center might be considered for their corporate center.

Todd said we have never been able to fill the building because of the nature of the economy. We did not want to lose the opportunity to provide Ruiz Foods with a building for corporate headquarters. We talked to them about the vocational center. They looked at it a couple times and met many times and tonight they are ready to address the Council and present a formal intent to purchase the building. This is a tremendous benefit for our community not to mention the fact that we keep Ruiz Foods corporate family in Dinuba. They have been here since the early 90's and it would be a huge

loss for our community to force them to go somewhere else. Another item is that moving them downtown is a great boost as it is one of those positive economic stimuli that we could never plan but it would be a tremendous boost to the downtown. It would give the merchants a great boost and it would be a great anchor on the south end of L Street. It fits into previous plans for the downtown. It allows expansion opportunities for Ruiz Foods and it gives them a facility for them and would also convert to additional jobs in the community. There are some downsides, we would give up public parking; we would lose a presence in the downtown but those losses are outweighed significantly by what we gain. Staff has meet or talked with all the tenants of the building and even though this means they would be out of this facility, we reaffirmed our commitment to Proteus in Dinuba and will be working to find them another location. We have also met with the college and are going to continue the college presence in the community. Just the ability to keep the major corporate presence in our town is most something to consider.

Bryce Ruiz said if you drive by Ruiz facility there are portable offices and its come to a point that growth and needs of the facility and their company to maintain doing business in the long term must facilitate all components of doing business. It's potential for a wonderful relationship and ongoing demonstration of Ruiz' presence in Dinuba.

Ruiz presented a rendering of what is involved. He said the biggest factor is parking and making the grounds safe for their team members. Ruiz presented a rendering of a proposed park site situated on what is now a portion of Fresno Street between M and L Streets. The rendering depicts a park-like setting intended for Ruiz employees to repose.

Council discussion followed.

Ruiz said the offices are intended for marketing sales, finance, corporate human resources and research and development.

Mayor Wallace asked how many employees would be lost if they had to move the corporate offices from this area.

Ruiz said he prefers to keep the information confidential at this time.

Vice Mayor Morales thanked Ruiz for pursuing the project and added that we want to keep the Corporate Headquarters in Dinuba. He asked about the "Tornado" race car. Ruiz said it has been instrumental in marketing the Tornado brand products for Ruiz Foods.

Discussion followed.

Mayor Wallace said Proteus has been very gracious about this endeavor. He explained that in discussions about the vocational center and its possible sale, it was very important to us to keep Proteus' presence in the city.

John Delamontierre, Proteus, said this is their fourth move within Dinuba. He explained how they came to be located in the vocational center. He said they are a nonprofit organization and that the organization has no funds to put up front. He said that Mike McCann, Jesus Gamboa and Delamontierre are more than willing to work with the city in doing what they can to support Ruiz to keep them in the city. Proteus has already been looking at some possibilities for relocation. Delamontierre said that as a private citizen and it being so close to 9/11 he would like to recognize the first responders present this evening.

Mayor Wallace said some of the sites being considered for Proteus relocation are in the downtown area.

Pablo Contreras, 500 North L Street, said he loves the idea of Ruiz being downtown. He asked Ruiz if moving the headquarters expands the plant's capacity and does it mean additional jobs.

Ruiz said it is too early to tell right now.

Pat Gabriel, Chamber of Commerce President said the Chamber is ready and able to help in any way it can to assist with this progress.

Dan Meinert, 868 Sequoia, Dinuba EDC Chair, recently addressed council to do what it takes to keep Ruiz Foods in the community. It keeps the presence of one of the largest corporations in Dinuba and in the heart of the community. It shouts what this community is all about. He congratulated the council for its vision and encouraged to make this deal for Ruiz Foods and the community.

Scott Harness, 653 North Hayes, congratulations and thank you for this opportunity in Dinuba. He said let's not stop until mercantile row is built out. He added, "a message to the EDC and Chamber, let's keep the momentum going until mercantile row is built up."

City Manager Todd said there are vacancies in mercantile row that certainly could accommodate Proteus but there are also some in the downtown. He said he would like to see Proteus remain downtown and maybe put them back across the plaza where they started 26 years ago.

Ray Millard said, "We worked real hard to get Ruiz Foods in our community. So many cities wanted them to locate in their cities." Ruiz Foods was the first tenant of our industrial Park; Patterson, Best Buy, Ed Dena's are there now. It is a win/win situation with their corporate office in our community." He added, Proteus is a good organization" and he said he hopes that they will stay here.

Mayor Wallace said going back to that it was one of the reliefs in speaking with Mike and Jesus, they said they know they have to remain here. For several years now, the Council has worked to get the second story of the vocational center built and it has not been possible. At one point we didn't know what the future of the building was going to be with all the cutbacks and the state of the economy. He commended staff for what they do.

Mayor Wallace thanked Ruiz for being present and sharing their plans with the Council.

It was moved by Council Member McKittrick, second by Vice Mayor Morales, to direct staff to identify the legal procedural steps to begin the sale of the property; to meet with the tenants for the relocation plan and set public hearings necessary to sell the property and to authorize the use of the partial road closure for Ruiz Foods.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

6.2. Dinuba Chamber of Commerce, Request for Co-Sponsorship and Exclusive Use of Vuich Park for Raisin Day Event, September 24-26, 2010

Sandy Sills, Executive Director Dinuba Chamber of Commerce, clarified that the request for use of the park actually begins with church night on September 22, youth night at the park on September 23 and then Raisin Day event begins on the 24 and 25. The parade is on Saturday and the carnival will be there Thursday through Sunday; Kiwanis will host the annual pancake breakfast on Saturday.

Sills said that the Kiwanis Club refurbished the community float and it was also made possible by a generous donation from Dr. Thutsu. She said the old fire engine will be in the parade and there will be a ribbon-cutting unveiling of float on Saturday morning where Miss Dinuba Taylor Wolfe will bid farewell. Sills said that Miss Dinuba has done a wonderful job representing Dinuba throughout the last year.

Sills added that there is a mixer tomorrow at Rabobank.

Sills requested approval to use the park and that the City of Dinuba cosponsor the event from September 22-26.

It was moved by Council Member Smith, second by Vice Mayor Morales, to authorize exclusive use of Vuich Park for the event dates of September 22-26, 2010 and to cosponsor the event.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

6.3. Unscheduled

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 7.1. City Council / Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes, August 10, 2010
- 7.2. City Council Special Meeting Minutes, August 31, 2010
- 7.3. Other Agency Meeting Minutes
 - A. Parks and Community Services, July 20, 2010
 - B. Planning Commission, August 3, 2010
- 7.4. Pro-Youth Commission Draft Agenda, September 16, 2010
- 7.5. Parks and Community Services Draft Agenda, September 21, 2010
- 7.6. A Resolution Certifying to the County of Tulare the Validity of the Legal Process used to Place Certain Special Assessments on the Tax Roll, Resolution No 2010-43
- 7.7. Amending Resolution No 2010-42 of the City Council of the City Of Dinuba Ordering the Formation of Lincoln-McKinley Estates as a New Landscape and Lighting District and Levying the Proposed Assessment Beginning Fiscal Year 2010/2011, Resolution No 2010-49
- 7.8. Claim for Consideration – Laura Cachu
- 7.9. Alcoholic Beverage License(s), 1150 E El Monte Way, Daljeet Kaur
- 7.10. Master Development Schedule
- 7.11. Set Hearing Date, COPS Grant, September 28, 2010
- 7.12. Set Hearing Date, Housing Element, September 28, 2010

It was moved by Vice Mayor / Vice Chair Morales, second by Council / Board Member McKittrick, to approve the consent calendar as presented.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

WARRANT REGISTER

- 8.1. Approval – City Council Warrant Register, August 13, 20, 27; September 3, 10, 2010
- 8.2. Approval – Redevelopment Agency Warrant Register, August 13, 20, 27; September 3, 10, 2010

It was moved by Vice Mayor / Vice Chair Morales, second by Council / Board Member McKittrick to approve the warrant register as presented.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

MAYOR'S / CHAIR'S MINUTE

- 9.1. Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Proclamation No 2010-09

Mayor Wallace directed the Deputy City Clerk to forward the proclamation to the appropriate organization.

- 9.2. Information Sharing

Mayor Wallace encouraged everyone to attend the Miss Dinuba pageant.

He said that he, Council Member McKittrick, staff will be at the League of Cities annual conference in San Diego starting tomorrow through Friday.

COUNCIL / AGENCY COMMENTS

10.1. Request for Excused Absence, August 10, 2010 - Emilio Morales

It was moved by Council / Board Member McKittrick, second by Council / Board Member Payan to approve the request for excused absence by Council / Board Member Morales.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

10.2. Information Sharing

Council Member Smith said he and his wife celebrated 33 years of marriage a few weeks ago. He said in the past he was critical of TFJ but he and his wife had their anniversary dinner at TFJ and he was pleased with the experience.

Council Member McKittrick said he and City Manager Todd attended the LOCC South San Joaquin Division executive board meeting recently held in Reedley . McKittrick said it was his last meeting and he will miss his involvement with the organization. He said he also met with Proteus and staff and he felt it was an excellent meeting. He said, "We want to keep Proteus here."

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

11.1. Extension of Option Agreement, Senior Housing Project

Assistant City Manager Anderson said this item is in regard to Senior Housing complex on M Street. Chelsea Investment Corporation has an agreement with the Redevelopment Agency to construct a complex for senior housing along the 300 block of M Street. An option agreement was executed in August 2009. Chelsea is requesting an extension to the option agreement in order to reapply for tax credits in 2011. If Chelsea Investment is approved the funds will not be received until March or April 2011. The extension to the option agreement accommodates the timing of that funding.

Anderson requested that the Dinuba Redevelopment Agency authorize staff to enter into an Option Agreement with Chelsea Investment Corporation which extends the expiration of the original Option Agreement from January 31, 2010 to December 31, 2011.

It was moved by Board Member McKittrick, second by Vice Chair Morales to authorize staff to enter into an Option Agreement with Chelsea Investment Corporation which extends the expiration of the original Option Agreement from January 31, 2010 to December 31, 2011.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

11.2. Information Sharing

City Manager Todd said staff received an invitation from the City of Farmersville for "Dinner Under the Stars" event to be held on October 2 at 6:30 pm where their city will be celebrating their 50th anniversary.

Todd said there will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony of the recently restored community float on September 17, at 9:00 am.

City Manager Todd said that in his absence this week Chief Olvera will be Acting in Charge.

CITY ATTORNEY

12.1. Conflict of Interest Biennial Update, Resolution No 2010-51

City Attorney McCloskey presented the biennial update to the conflict of interest. He requested the Council adopt Resolution No 2010-51 as presented.

It was moved by Council Member Smith, second by Council Member McKittrick to adopt Resolution No 2010-51.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

12.2. Amending Title 2, Chapter 2.26 of Dinuba Municipal Code Relating to Dinuba Pro-Youth Commission, Ordinance No 2010-06, First Reading, Read Title, Waive Reading in Full

City Attorney McCloskey said the proposed amendment amends the code regarding the Pro Youth Commission and provides for the separation of the Dinuba Pro-Youth 501 (c)(3) non-profit public benefit corporation from the commission created by the ordinance. The commission would still carry on its' intent to provide for the youth of the community. The ordinance also changes the meeting dates from monthly to once every four months.

He recommended that the Council amend the code by introduction of the ordinance by directing the deputy city clerk to read the title into the record and waive reading in full.

The Mayor directed that the first reading of Ordinance No 2010-06 be conducted.

Deputy City Clerk Barkley read the title of Ordinance 2010-06 into the record.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Morales, second by Council Member McKittrick to accept the introduction and first reading of the ordinance and waive reading in full.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

12.3. Information Sharing

None

CITY ENGINEER

13.1. Engineering and Traffic Survey Findings, Resolution No 2010-50

City Engineer Uota reported that a Traffic Speed Survey was last completed in 2004. The California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CaMUTCD) provides specific guidance regarding the preparation of a Engineering and Traffic Survey (E&TS). The Ca MUTCD specifies that the establishment of posted speed limits be based upon field surveys that determine the 85th percentile speed of the driving public, representing the upper bound of the preferred driving speed. The 85th percentile speed also corresponds to the upper bound of speed ranges where crash rates are lowest. The 2004 California Supplement to the CaMUTCD provided guidance that "When a speed is to be posted, it should be established at the nearest 5 mph increment of the 85th percentile speed of free-flowing traffic." The 2004 California Supplement provided additional guidance that "The posted speed may be reduced by 5 mph from the nearest 5 mph increment of the 85th percentile speed, where engineering study indicates the need for a reduction in speed to match existing conditions with the traffic safety of the community." The 2006 Ca MUTCD provided mandatory guidance that "The speed limit SHALL be established at the NEAREST 5 mph increment of the 85th percentile speed. Additionally, the 2006 Ca MUTCD added that "If the 5mph reduction is applied, the Engineering and Traffic Study SHALL DOCUMENT IN WRITING the conditions and justification

for the reduced speed limit and be approved by a registered Civil or Traffic Engineer.” A Technical Review Committee reviewed the draft Engineering and Traffic Study and made recommendations for several 5mph reductions based upon localized conditions and concerns.

Council discussion followed.

Engineer Uota requested that the Council review the 2009 Engineering and Traffic Study; approve the recommended speed limits; authorize the Chief of Police to sign the Survey and thereby adopt Resolution 2010-50.

It was moved by Council Member McKittrick, second by Vice Mayor Morales, to adopt Resolution No 2010-50 as presented.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

13.2. Planning Commission Action, September 7, 2010

A. Conditional Use Permit – 150 E Tulare St

Engineer Uota said the Planning Commission received public testimony and provided comments for Application No. 2010-07; a Conditional Use Permit to establish a church, at 150 E. Tulare Street. The Planning Commission approved Resolution No. 969 approving Application No. 2010-07, allowing the proposed church.

The Planning Commission received public testimony and provided comments for Application No. 2010-04; a parking, screening, and improvements variance submitted by Otis Denney. Pursuant to staff's request the Planning Commission continued the hearing to a future date.

B. Annual Conditional Use Permit Review

1. Sandoval's Restaurant, 493 E Tulare Street

The Planning Commission conducted an annual review of the Conditional Use Permit for Sandoval's Mexican Restaurant. The Planning Commission took no action to modify or revoke the Conditional Use Permit, recommending a review within 1 year.

2. Mariscos Mi Vallarta, 1517 E El Monte Way

The Planning Commission conducted an annual review the Conditional Use Permit for Mariscos Mi Vallarta restaurant. The Planning Commission took no action to modify or revoke the Conditional Use Permit, recommending a review within 1 year.

3. Magnolia Market, 1185 E Magnolia Way

The Planning Commission conducted an annual review of the Conditional Use Permit for the Magnolia Market. The Planning Commission took no action to modify or revoke the Conditional Use Permit, recommending a review within one year.

13.3. Authorization to Execute an Agreement with Kings River Conservation District to Closeout the Groundwater Recharge Basin Project

Engineer Uota reported that in 2006 the Kings River Conservation District (KRCD) and the State of California Department of Water Resources executed an agreement that granted the City of Dinuba \$1,405,643 to construct a groundwater recharge basin through Proposition 13 funding.

Over the course of the project, the City has had to front construction expenditures for up to six months at a time. As a result, cash flow difficulties have been a consistent problem. The project is currently on hold because staff has been unable to receive confirmation from the State that Proposition 13 funding continues to be a safe and reliable funding source. The Kings River Conservation District has offered to loan the City of Dinuba the estimated \$125,000 necessary to complete the remaining construction scope (which is proposed to be modified slightly for Basin #3

subject to DWR approval) and complete this project. KRCD has also offered to complete all DWR administrative project close out requirements. In exchange for this loan the City would pay KRCD 4% interest. Additionally, an \$11,000 administration fee required by the Prop 13 Agreement will need to be paid to KRCD bringing the total to approximately \$16,000. Staff believes that the terms offered by KRCD are fair and reasonable and that the proposed plan is the most efficient and cost effective way to complete the Groundwater Recharge Basin project.

Engineer Uota requested that the City Council authorize staff to execute an agreement with KRCD to close-out the Proposition 13 grant and complete the Groundwater Recharge Basin project.

It was moved by Council Member McKittrick, second by Vice Mayor Morales, to authorize staff to execute an agreement with KRCD to close-out the Proposition 13 grant and complete the Groundwater Recharge Basin project.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

13.4. Real Property Negotiations, 597 W El Monte Way

Engineer Uota requested that this item be considered at the next Council meeting.

Council concurred.

13.5. Information Sharing

City Engineer Uota said he attended a special meeting of the UKBIRWA, at which the Board awarded a consulting contract to update the IRWMP which is necessary as triggered by Prop 84. The biggest element of the update has to do with green house gas emissions. There were other less onerous items addressing disadvantaged communities discussed. Uota explained that the firm of Provost and Pritchard was selected for the update and the cost is \$250,000.

FINANCE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

14.1. Investment Report

Finance Manager Cook presented the investment report to Council. He noted that we are building our reserve which is good. LAIF funds are highly liquid to meet the City's daily cash flow requirements while maintaining a high degree of safety and a higher rate of return over other suitable liquid investments. LAIF rates are low when we do borrow although the yield is not high right now.

Cook recommended that the Council accept the City of Dinuba Cash and Investment Report for the quarter ending June 30, 2010.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

14.2. Information Sharing

Director Nunes congratulated Cook and finance department for reaching and receiving a certificate for their work on the 2009 CAFR and added that it's the 16 or 17 year in a row.

Nunes reported that the Auditors will be here on Monday next week.

Nunes reported that on the Community Services side staff is in the middle of the after school program at 5 school sites with approximately 300 children enrolled.

Discussion followed in regard to the after school program.

Mayor Wallace asked if there is a cost to this service.

Nunes said the charge is \$1.50 per day per child and it is subsidized through our utility users tax. Other communities cover the whole cost and the cost is close to \$10 per child.

Nunes reported there are currently 24 youth soccer teams. Registration for basketball begins tomorrow. The Park rentals are in heavy demand. Staff is gearing up for Raisin Day. The carnival will set up early next week in time for Raisin Day activities. Nunes said she plans to attend the Senior Center Board meeting.

FIRE SERVICES

15.1. Authorization to Accept Heritage Program Grant

Chief Thompson reported that the purpose of the Heritage Program is to provide grant funds to local fire departments to aid in the purchase of equipment, training, and fire prevention programs. Fire departments are nominated by local insurance agencies and Mr. David Ysusi of Dibudo & Defendis Insurance has nominated the Dinuba Fire Department as a potential recipient of \$10,500 to be utilized for firefighting equipment.

If granted the funds it would be used to purchase some much needed turn-outs for paid-call firefighters. We will soon be recruiting additional paid-call firefighters to supplement our full-time staff and there is a big need for new turnouts for the new personnel. The City of Dinuba Fire Department is not required to provide any matching funds, however if the program is not fully funded through the grant, the fire department may need to acquire the balance of the funding from another source to complete the project.

Chief Thompson requested authorization from the Council to accept the Heritage Grant.

It was moved by Council Member McKittrick, second by Council Member Morales, to approve the request as presented.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

15.2. Authorization to Apply for 2010 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant

Chief Thompson presented a request to the Council for authorization to apply for the 2010 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program. If successful, the grant award will fund an additional firefighter. This would fill a position that has been left vacant due to current economic issues. The grant program will fund the salary and benefits for a new firefighter for 2 years. The City would then be required to fund the position 100% starting in the third year. Furthermore, there are no cost share requirements during the first two years.

Council discussion followed.

It was moved by Vice Chair Morales, second by Council Member Smith, to authorize staff to apply for the 2010 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, Morales, McKittrick
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

15.3. Information Sharing

Chief Thompson said last week we sent a fire fighter paramedic to the Cedar Grove fire as a dedicated paramedic for the Hot Shot Crew. Throughout the county there are other fire fighters that also have paramedics but our staff was specifically requested.

Council discussion followed.

POLICE SERVICES

16.1. Zero Tolerance Cell Phone Enforcement

Chief Olvera reported that the CHP offices throughout the Central Division, including Fresno, Tulare and Kern Counties, will be conducting a zero tolerance campaign against drivers violating the "hands free" cell phone law. The campaign will be conducted on September 21-22, 2010. As part of the campaign, all local allied agencies have been asked to participate.

Discussion followed.

The item was presented as information to the Council.

16.2. Information Sharing

Chief Olvera said staff is preparing for Raisin Day.

PUBLIC WORKS

17.1. Signatory Authority for CDBG, NSP, HOME and CALHOME Grants, Resolution No 2010-48

Director Beltran reported to the City Council that the City of Dinuba has received funding from the Department of Housing and Community Development through the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), the Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and the California Home Investment Partnership Program (CalHOME) to provide homeownership assistance and/or housing rehabilitation assistance to qualified applicants. Applications for funding must include a resolution authorizing City job title(s) to have responsibility to act on behalf of the City in matters pertaining to the grants.

She explained that at the time applications were submitted for the City's open CDBG, NSP, HOME, and CalHOME Grants, the City Council had authorized the City Manager and/or the Deputy City Manager and/or the Education, Resources, and Housing Services Director to sign contracts and other documents related to the Grant Programs and to have responsibility to act on behalf of the City in matters pertaining to the Grants. On February 23, 2010, Council approved the addition of the job title "Development & Engineering Services Director/City Engineer" as a designated signer. Since the time of the Council's authorization, City job duties and job titles have been reassigned. Consequently, new or additional job titles to act on behalf of the City in matters pertaining to the Grant Programs is necessary

Beltran requested that the Council adopt Resolution No. 2010-48 authorizing the City Manager, the Assistant to the City Manager, the Public Works Director and the Fiscal Analyst II to enter into and sign grant agreements, amendments thereto, and documents necessary with the State of California for the City's CDBG, NSP, HOME, and Cal HOME grants and to act on the City's behalf in all matters pertaining to these grants.

It was moved by Council Member McKittrick, Council Member Smith, to adopt Resolution No 2010-48 authorizing the City Manager, the Assistant to the City Manager, the Public Works Director and the Fiscal Analyst II to enter into and sign grant agreements, amendments thereto, and documents necessary with the State of California for the City's CDBG, NSP, HOME, and Cal HOME grants and to act on the City's behalf in all matters pertaining to these grants.

AYES: Payan, Smith, Wallace, McKittrick, Morales
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

17.2. Information Sharing

Mayor Wallace said people are dropping off rat infested furniture and junk in downtown alleys and he asked who is responsible for the cleanup.

Director Beltran said people can call Public Works and staff will pick it up and dispose of the items properly.

Council discussion followed.

CLOSED SESSION ACTION

18.1. Real Property Negotiations, 597 W El Monte Way

This item will be conducted at the September 28, 2010 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Mark Wallace, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Barkley, Deputy City Clerk / Secretary