

COUNCIL / AGENCY /

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

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Council Member Harness.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Chief Thompson.

COMMUNITY RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION

1.1. Jackie Knoy – Citizens Oversight Committee

Mayor Smith on behalf of the Council presented Knoy with a certificate of appreciation for serving as a committee member on the Citizens Oversight Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT

5.1. Carl Mares, Para Los Niños 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinuba Christmas Fun Run – Request for Co-sponsorship, December 17, 2011

Carl Mares was present to request co-sponsorship and use of the entertainment plaza for the annual Fun Run to give away toys to children.

It was motioned by Council Member Morales/Gonzalez, to authorize the co-sponsorship and exclusive use of the entertainment plaza for the annual Fun Run toy giveaway.

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

5.2. Unscheduled

None

PUBLIC HEARING

6.1. Annual Impact Fee Report

Fiscal Analyst Patino presented the development impact fee report.

Mayor opened the public hearing. No comments from the public were brought forward and Mayor Smith closed the public hearing.

It was motioned by Council Member Gonzalez, second by Vice Mayor Hinesly, to approve the Annual Impact Fee Report as presented.

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

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

- 7.1. City Council / Redevelopment Agency Joint Meeting Minutes, November 22, 2011
- 7.2. Acceptance – Other Agency Meeting Minutes
  - a. Dinuba Economic Development Committee, November 3, 2011
  - b. Parks and Community Services Commission, October 18, 2011
  - c. Planning Commission, November 1, 2011
  - d. Police Advisory Commission, November 1, 2011
- 7.3. Master Development Schedule
- 7.4. Chelsea Investment Corporation – Extension of Option to Purchase
- 7.5. Set Hearing – Business Incentives, January 10, 2012
- 7.6. Set Hearing – Sale of Property, 6236 Avenue 408, Dinuba, January 10, 2012

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

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

#### WARRANT REGISTER

- 8.1. Approval – City Council, December 2, 9, 2011
- 8.2. Approval – Redevelopment Agency, December 2, 9, 2011

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

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

#### MAYOR'S / CHAIR'S MINUTE

- 9.1. Acceptance of Housing Element

Engineer Uota presented the report to the City Council and asked that the Council consider and approve the Housing Element as presented.

It was motioned by Vice Mayor Hinesly, second by Council Member Morales, to accept the Housing Element as presented.

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

- 9.2. Information Sharing

Mayor Smith commented on the Christmas Parade. Mayor Smith attended the Police Association Christmas party.

COUNCIL / AGENCY / AUTHORITY COMMENTS

10.1. Request for Excused Absence – Janet Hinesly, November 22, 2011

It was motioned by Council / Board Member Harness, second by Council / Board Member Gonzalez, to approve the request for excused absence by Janet Hinesly.

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

10.2. Presentation of Solar Energy Plant Awards

Mayor Smith presented the plaque and resolutions from the local legislators to Engineer Uota. City Manager Todd said Tioga and Chevron had top representatives of their organizations at the ribbon-cutting. They were excited about the project. Todd said the community will see the benefits of the project and it he pointed out it was a past Council goal.

Council discussion followed.

10.3. Reminder – City Council / RDA Meeting Cancelled, December 27, 2011

This was a reminder of meeting cancellation.

10.4. Reminder – Christmas Luncheon, December 20, 2011; 11:30 am

City Manager Todd said the luncheon will be held at the Community Center and asked the Council Members to attend.

10.5. Information Sharing

Council Member Harness reported information resulting from the neighborhood meeting held in November. Follow-up items were discussed.

Vice Mayor Hinesly said she attended the Council of Cities meeting; she attended Assembly Member Perea's open house event; and, the Fire Association dinner.

POLICE SERVICES

11.2. Project Listen Update

Lt. Popovich presented the Project Listen Update. Popovich explained how the data is gathered and categorized and shared the information with Council.

Council discussion followed.

11.1. Review Dog Nuisance Ordinance

Chief Olvera shared information in regard to dog nuisance as a result of the Council's request to discuss and evaluate the current ordinance relating to dogs. He explained that in survey results of 199/2000, results revealed that a high priority issue was stray dogs. At the time the Council acted by hiring an additional part-time animal control officer and, expanded the hours of those services. Steady growth of animal population has resulted and thus a need for animal control services especially because of barking dogs over the past 11 years.

Council discussion followed.

Council Member Gonzalez left the dais at 7:26 pm and returned at 7:27 pm.

City Manager Todd said staff will come back at a later date with ideas on modification of the ordinance for Council's consideration.

### 11.3. SPCA Update

Chief Olvera reported that for several years the city has utilized the animal shelter facilities located in Visalia and operated by the SPCA. Our current contract will expire at the end of June 2012.

Chief Olvera explained that due to poor conditions of the SPCA facilities, Visalia plans to construct a new \$7.2 million animal control facility that will be operated by the SPCA for animal shelter needs.

Council discussion followed in regard to putting money into a facility that the City won't own over a period of 20 years. It doesn't seem to be well suited to our community or likely any others. Todd suggested other arrangements than the proposed. We will be talking with other facilities to see what they do.

BREAK

Mayor Smith declared a break 7:48 pm.

RECONVENE

Mayor reconvened the meeting at 7:56 pm.

### 11.4. Information Sharing

Chief Olvera shared that there will occur DUI enforcements and saturation patrols throughout December.

Discussion followed.

PUBLIC WORKS

#### 12.1. Action of the Planning Commission, December 6, 2011

Director Beltran shared the action of the Planning Commission at the meeting of December 6.

#### 12.2. Information Sharing

Director Beltran shared that Monday received notification that Prop 1B funds for the transit center design made the list of projects. The design will be funded and we plan to use Measure R funds.

Beltran shared she attended the CWMA meeting and explained what occurred at the meeting. Council discussion followed.

Beltran shared an update on Hayes Avenue meeting that recently occurred saying that about ten of the homeowners were present and the rest will be contacted by staff.

Beltran shared that Council Member Harness recently questioned the traffic light cycles at Alta and El Monte and Beltran shared that she had them checked and they are working appropriately.

Beltran shared that staff received a federal grant to install lighted crosswalks along El Monte Way.

Council discussion followed.

ENGINEERING SERVICES

#### 13.1. Town Ditch Piping Update

Engineer Uota shared information in regard to town ditch piping. He spoke to duck banks. Our new piping needs to go deeper than the AT&T duck banks that are currently in place. Our window of opportunity is rapidly closing. Uota will be meeting with Bruno and AID to see if there are any options.

Council discussion followed.

#### 13.2. Information Sharing

Engineer Uota shared that the Hayes Avenue meeting was good as shared by Director Beltran; staff plans to make additional contact with remaining property owners. The construction schedule is the same as last reported. Staff is hopeful that the design will be completed in the next couple months and construction should be in spring and summer 2012.

Uota shared that the Whitney Street lights agreement with PG&E has been signed.

Uota shared that Sanger's street light project for 30 new lights will be funded by CDBG funds. He reported that while the project will be done in one piece it's funded over a two year cycle.

Uota shared that Perko's Restaurant will not open in mid-December as recently reported. He said he spoke with a PG&E representative who informed him the new and specified high efficiency equipment being installed in the restaurant runs at a slightly lower voltage than the equipment that is currently in place. Uota was advised that work on the transformer need to be completed for this reason and it is expected to be completed this week. This means that the completion of the restaurant will occur at a later date.

#### CITY ATTORNEY

##### 14.1. Information Sharing

None

#### CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

##### 15.1. Information Sharing

City Manager Todd shared that tonight's meeting is of three entities; City Council, Redevelopment Agency and Dinuba Housing Authority.

Discussion followed.

#### FINANCE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

##### 16.1. Information Sharing

Director Nunes shared her department felt the parade and tree lighting went well and staff is working at having an ice skating rink next year for the holidays.

Nunes shared that staff will send out an RFP for carnival services in January; sign-ups for basketball have begun and practice begins on 12/19; she attended Connie Conway's open house and reception who sends her best and is looking forward to having Dinuba in her district.

Nunes shared she attended the Municipal Finance Institute in Long Beach recently where a topic of discussion were areas of growth in California and she shared one of those was the science industry.

Nunes invited the Council to attend the Senior Center holiday party this Friday. She shared that she will to Stanford on Thursday.

Nunes shared she is waiting for the Building Official to receive building plans from Four Creeks for the Bob Barker building. Official Hartley received them but sent them back again for revisions.

She shared the School District wants to use the Bob Barker facility as they did last year.

Mayor Smith said he felt that part of the success of the tree lighting and parade was that it ended at the Entertainment Plaza.

Nunes shared that staff is looking for the old gingerbread house to use at next year's Christmas event.

#### FIRE SERVICES

##### 17.1. Information Sharing

Chief Thompson shared the Explorers program is up to 18 participants.

Council Member Gonzalez shared there is a 10K cancer run in Tulare on Saturday and he plans to run in Director Nunes' honor.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mayor / Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:48 pm.

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Mike Smith, Mayor / Chair

ATTEST:

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Linda Barkley, Deputy City Clerk / Secretary