

CLOVIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 4, 2024

6:00 P.M.

Council Chamber

Meeting called to order by Mayor Ashbeck **at 6:01**
Flag Salute led by Councilmember Pearce

Roll Call: Present: Councilmembers, Basgall, Bessinger, Mouanoutoua, Pearce
Mayor Ashbeck

PUBLIC COMMENTS – 6:02

Steve Trevino, resident, expressed concerns about the speed and condition of Bullard Avenue, stating that 40 mph is too fast near a school zone, and suggested adding crosswalks at Bullard and Stanford Avenue and Bullard and Renn Avenue, while also pointing out issues on Fifth Street related to a bench and a wooden fence.

Judy Johnson, resident, raised concerns about traffic safety near Clovis Elementary School, noting the lack of a crosswalk and crossing guard, and called for a volunteer to assist with traffic and ensure safe crossing for students around Armstrong and Barstow.

CONSENT CALENDAR – 6:12

Upon call, there was no public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Bessinger, seconded by Councilmember Mouanoutoua, that the items with the exception of item 3, on the Consent Calendar be approved. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

1. Administration - Approval - Minutes for the October 14, 2024, Regular Council Meeting and the October 28, 2024, Special Council Meeting.
2. Administration – Receive and File – Economic Development Corporation Serving Fresno County Quarterly Report, Q1 July - September 2024.
4. Administration - Approval of various actions related to a proposed general tax ballot measure for the November 5, 2024, Municipal Election. Adoption of the two ordinances will be contingent upon voter approval of the Measure at the November 5, 2024, election. (A) Consider Adoption - Ord. 24-14, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clovis Adding Article 7 to Chapter 3.3 of Title 3 of the Clovis Municipal Code Pertaining to the Imposition of a one percent (1.0%) Transactions and Use Tax for General Government Use; and (B) Consider Adoption - Ord. 24-15, (uncodified) – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clovis Imposing a one percent (1.0%) Transactions and Use Tax for General Government use to be Administered by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration. (Approved: 5-0)

5. Administration - Approval - **Res. 24-112**, A Resolution of the City Council for the City of Clovis Confirming Assessment for Administrative Penalties for Property Nuisances, 2718 Villa Ave. (Formerly 2736), Clovis, California 93612, APN No.: 499-100-26.
6. Finance – Approval – **Res. 24-113**, Amending the 2024-25 Budget to reappropriate carryover funding from the 2023-24 Budget.
7. Planning and Development Services – Approval – Final Acceptance for CIP 23-13, Bullard Avenue Street Improvements.
8. Planning and Development Services – Approval – Final Acceptance for CIP 23-29, Armstrong Avenue Street Rehabilitation.
9. Planning and Development Services – Approval – Bid Award for CIP 24-13, New Bus Stops: B1 to Dave Christian Construction Co., Inc., in the amount of \$181,372.18; and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the City.
10. Planning and Development Services - Approval – Final Acceptance for Final Map for Tract 6263, located at the southeast corner of Shepherd and N Preuss Avenues (Lennar Homes of California, Inc.).
11. Public Utilities – Approval – Bid Award for CIP 23-24, Palmina Park Playground Improvement in the Total Amount of \$129,860.00, and Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Contract on Behalf of the City.
12. Public Utilities – Approval – **Res. 24-114**, Authorizing the Submittal of an Application Under the SJVAPCD Public Benefit Grant Program - New Alternative Fuel Vehicle Purchase and Authorizing the City Manager to be the Contract Authority; and Approval – Waive Formal Bidding Requirements and Authorize the Purchases of Two (2) 2024 Chevrolet Silverado 3WT EV Crew Cabs from Hedricks Chevrolet in the Amount of \$150,780 and One (1) 2024 Ford Lightning EV Crew Cab from Future Ford of Clovis in the Amount of \$71,294.05.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

- 6:13 ITEM 3. Administration - Receive and File – Business Organization of Old Town (BOOT) First Quarter Report, July through September 2024.

Mayor Pro Tem Mouanoutoua gave direction to staff to collaborate with BOOT over the coming months to increase the city's share of funding, integrate it into the five-year forecast, and present it to the council during the budget process.

Upon call, there was no public comment.

Motion for approval by Councilmember Mouanoutoua, seconded by Councilmember Bessinger. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – 6:22

- 6:22 ITEM 13 - Consider Approval - **Res. 24-115**, GPA2024-005, A Resolution of the Clovis City Council: (1) Approving an addendum to the City's General Plan Environmental Impact Report; (2) Approving General Plan Amendment 2024-005 for the adoption of the City of Clovis Sixth Cycle Housing Element; and (3) Authorizing staff to submit the Housing Element to the California Department of Housing and Community Development.

Upon call, there was no public comment.

Motion for approval by Councilmember Basgall, seconded by Councilmember Pearce.
Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS – 7:00

7:00 ITEM 14 - Consider Introduction – **Ord. 24-16**, Amending Section 2.1.01 of Chapter 2 of Title 2 of the Clovis Municipal Code Relating to City Council Meeting Day and Time.

Upon call, there was no public comment.

Councilmember Bessinger requested that the change take effect on February 1, 2025, with Councilmembers Bessinger, Basgall, and Pearce supporting a shift to Tuesday night meetings. However, Mayor Ashbeck expressed concerns about implementing the change before appointing the next City Manager, suggested postponing the decision, and emphasized exploring ways to make the meetings more effective and opposing any immediate action.

Motion for approval by Councilmember Pearce, seconded by Councilmember Basgall. The motion, as amended to begin February 1, 2025, carried by a 3-2 vote with Mayor Ashbeck and Mayor Pro Tem Mouanoutoua voted no.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS – 7:13

None.

COUNCIL COMMENTS – 7:14

None.

CLOSED SESSION – 7:17

ITEM 15 - GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(D)(2) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION ONE POTENTIAL CASE

No action taken.

ITEM 16 - GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(D)(1) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION CASE NAME: DESIREE MARTINEZ V. CITY OF CLOVIS, ET AL., CASE NO. F082914

No action taken.

**RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION
ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Ashbeck adjourned the meeting of the Council to November 12, 2024.

Meeting adjourned: 8:50 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk