

## CLOVIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 8, 2021

6:00 P.M.

Council Chamber

Meeting called to order by Mayor Bessinger  
Flag Salute led by Councilmember Whalen

Roll Call: Present: Councilmembers Ashbeck, Flores, Mouanoutoua, Whalen  
Mayor Bessinger  
Absent: None

6:04 - Mayor Bessinger unveiled the new City of Clovis flag.

### PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS 6:06

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION DECLARING FEBRUARY 14 - 20, 2021 NATIONAL SALUTE TO VETERAN PATIENTS WEEK.

Mayor Bessinger read a proclamation declaring February 14 – 20, 2021, as National Salute to Veteran Patients Week.

### CONSENT CALENDAR 6:12

Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Flores, that the items on the Consent Calendar, except item 3, be approved. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

1. Administration - Approved - Minutes from the February 1, 2021 Council Meeting.
2. Administration - Received and Filed – Economic Development Corporation Serving Fresno County Quarterly Report, October – December 2020.
4. Planning and Development Services - Approved – **Res. 21-24**, Submittal of a Rubberized Pavement Grant for the maintenance of various City streets; and Authorizing the City Engineer to execute all related grant documents.

6:13 – CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM 3 - ADMINISTRATION - APPROVED – 2021 STREET CLOSURE REQUESTS; AND APPROVAL - **RES. 21-25**, DECLARING CERTAIN EVENTS AS OLD TOWN SPECIAL EVENTS AND SETTING PRECISE BOUNDARIES FOR THOSE OLD TOWN SPECIAL EVENTS.

City Clerk John Holt indicated that staff had revised the resolution for this item by adding two paragraphs to allow the city manager discretion to approve special events that may need to be rescheduled due to the pandemic. There being no public comment, Mayor Bessinger closed the public portion. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Flores, for the Council to approve a resolution declaring certain events as Old Town special events and setting precise boundaries for those Old Town special events with the added provision to further amend the resolution to tie the resolution to the ordinance that governs street closure requirements.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

6:24 – ITEM 5 - APPROVED - **RES. 21-26**, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CLOVIS AND CALIFORNIA HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY (CHSU) ADDRESSING THE BUILDOUT OF THE CHSU CAMPUS. CHSU, APPLICANT.

Planning and Development Services Director Renee Mathis presented a report on a request to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Clovis and California Health Sciences University (CHSU) addressing the buildout of the CHSU Campus. Granville Homes and the Assemi Group, in their capacity as members of the CHSU Ownership Group (“CHSU Representatives”), are working with CHSU to update the vision and master plan for the CHSU campus, including campus affiliated housing in the area surrounding the University. At its November 9, 2020 meeting, the City Council considered information presented by staff and CHSU representatives, and provided direction for moving forward with the updated vision. Staff was directed to work with the CHSU representatives to further define the need and timing for campus housing, and the identification of appropriate mechanisms to tie campus housing to the University. In response to this direction, CHSU prepared a revised operational statement and worked with staff to develop the MOU which is currently under consideration. Christine Ligenfelter, Darius Assemi, and Florence Dunn, all spoke in support of the MOU and addressed questions of city council. Discussion by the Council.

Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Mouanoutoua, for the council to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Clovis and California Health Sciences University (CHSU) addressing the buildout of the CHSU Campus.

## **WORKSHOP - 7:36**

City Manager Luke Serpa presented city council an update on City of Clovis and Fresno County pandemic status and numbers.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS – 7:48**

Councilmember Whalen showed a picture of a tree in the city decorated for Valentines Day.

Councilmember Ashbeck reported out on a Measure C steering committee meeting regarding the 2022 ballot measure to renew. She also requested staff look into what the City of Davis has done which has led to a positivity rate of approximately 1%.

Councilmember Mouanoutoua thanked the mayor for the challenge coin and flag, thanked City Manager Luke Serpa for the COVID-19 graphs created last week, and provided some options for the city attorney to consider regarding making naming of city public facilities permanent.

Councilmember Flores commented on having staff consider rebranding the Research and Technology Park.

Mayor Bessinger adjourned the meeting of the Council to February 16, 2021

Meeting adjourned: 7:55 p.m.

  
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Mayor

  
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City Clerk

