

between March 2020 and June 2021. Staff is also estimating that approximately \$2 million in emergency reserves will be required to balance the fiscal year 2020-2021 budget, and potentially more the following fiscal year. At this point, staff is estimating an ending General Fund balance for June 30, 2020 of \$10.8 million, or 14.7% of the General Fund expenditures. Staff is estimating that reserve amount will drop to approximately 14% by June 30, 2021.

There being no public comment, Mayor Bessinger closed the public portion. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Whalen, seconded by Councilmember Mouanoutoua, for the Council to approve **Resolution 20-65**, adopting the 2020-2021 City of Clovis Annual Budget, Five year Capital Improvement Program, and information regarding the Clovis Successor Agency. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM 6 – 7:40 - APPROVED – A REQUEST TO INITIATE AN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO AMEND TITLE 6 OF THE CLOVIS MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW FOR BACKYARD CHICKENS.

Police Services Manager George Rodriguez presented a report on a request to modify the current City of Clovis Municipal Code which currently prohibits backyard chickens in the City of Clovis. On May 11, 2020, during council comments, Councilmember Whalen requested staff evaluate amending the city's current ordinance banning chickens in the city limits. Animal Services Division has prepared a brief report on this topic for Council discussion and consideration. Staff is seeking direction from Council to return with an ordinance amendment that would allow backyard chickens using certain constraints. George Rodriguez provided an overview of pros and cons of allowing backyard chickens. Sharon, resident, spoke in support of the request. Jacob Elum, resident, spoke in support of the request. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Whalen, seconded by Councilmember Mouanoutoua, for the Council to direct staff to initiate an ordinance amendment to amend Title 6 of the Clovis Municipal Code to allow for backyard chickens. Motion carried 4-1 with Councilmember Ashbeck voting no.

COUNCIL ITEMS

ITEM 7 – 8:08 - APPROVED - LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SB 1386 (MOORLACH): PROTECTING FIRE HYDRANT SYSTEM FUNDING.

City Manager Luke Serpa presented a report on a request for a letter of support for SB 1386. Water agencies, like the City of Clovis, that own and operate fire hydrant systems are facing recently filed lawsuits that seek to eliminate their ability to charge the residents and businesses they serve for the costs associated with the fire hydrant systems. Senate Bill 1386 will protect fire hydrant system funding - while preventing additional cost and financial burdens to individual fire departments.

There being no public comment, Mayor Bessinger closed the public portion. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Mouanoutoua, seconded by Councilmember Flores, for the Council to approve a letter of support for SB 1386. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM 8 – 8:13 - WORKSHOP – FOR THE CLOVIS CITY COUNCIL TO CONDUCT A WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS THE IMPACT ON ONGOING CITY OPERATIONS DURING THE COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY AS DECLARED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT,

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF FRESNO, AND CITY OF CLOVIS; AND TO EXPLORE ACTIONS THE CITY MAY TAKE IN RESPONSE TO THE CRISIS.

A. APPROVED – RES. 20-66, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING EMERGENCY ORDER 2020–14, ASSISTING RESTAURANTS SEVERELY IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 CRISIS BY ALLOWING RESTAURANTS THE OPTION TO TEMPORARILY EXPAND CAPACITY INTO PUBLIC AND PRIVATE COMMON AREAS UNDER SPECIFIED CIRCUMSTANCES.

Community and Economic Development Director Andy Haussler presented a report on a request to approve a resolution adopting Emergency Order 2020–14, assisting restaurants severely impacted by the COVID-19 crisis by allowing restaurants the option to temporarily expand capacity into public and private common areas under specified circumstances. Andy Haussler provided an overview of how the program would work allowing restaurants to use areas immediately adjacent their property in an effort to help them during 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 adopting Emergency Order 2020–14, assisting restaurants severely impacted by the COVID-19 crisis by allowing restaurants the option to temporarily expand capacity into public and private common areas under specified circumstances. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM 9 – 8:28 - APPROVED – CHANGE OF COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE.

City Manager Luke Serpa presented a report on a request to cancel the meeting of June 8, 2020. Staff is able to consolidate the agenda items to the first and third meetings in June 2020. Staff is recommending that City Council consider canceling the meeting of June 8, 2020. Given adequate notice, staff will be able to amend the timing of actions coming forward so that operations will not be affected by the cancellation.

There being no public comment, Mayor Bessinger closed the public portion. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Flores, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, for the Council to approve the cancellation of the June 8, 2020 council meeting. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS – 8:30

Councilmember Whalen commented on the numbers associated with the COVID-19 pandemic here in the County of Fresno, and noting how well the City of Clovis is doing compared to some of our sister cities.

Councilmember Mouanoutoua thanked the Police Department for all that they do and for the support provided during these trying times.

Councilmember Flores also thanked the Police Department.

Mayor Bessinger commented on how some other communities are much more severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic compared to the City of Clovis.

CLOSED SESSION – 8:40

10. Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
Desiree Martinez v. City of Clovis, et al.

11. Government Code Section 54956.9
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
1 case

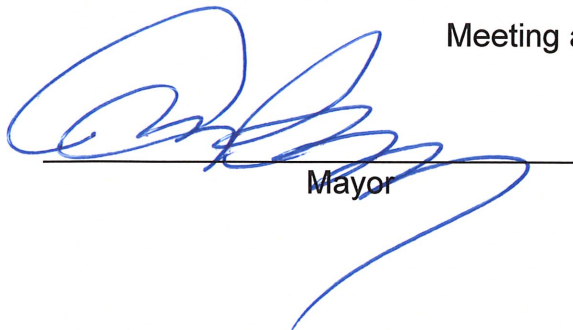
12. Government Code Section 54956.9
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
(Deciding Whether to Initiate Litigation)
1 case

13. Government Code Section 54957
PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
Title: City Manager

14. Government Code Section 54957.6
CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Agency designated representatives: City Attorney, David Wolfe
Unrepresented Employee: City Manager

Mayor Bessinger adjourned the meeting of the Council to June 15, 2020

Meeting adjourned: 9:45 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk

