

## CLOVIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 16, 2021

6:00 P.M.

Council Chamber

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

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

### PUBLIC COMMENTS – 6:01 P.M.

RESIDENT JAN TROTTER EMAILED CITY COUNCIL A REQUEST FOR COUNCIL TO RECONSIDER ALLOWING BACKYARD HEN CHICKENS IN THE CITY LIMITS.

### CONSENT CALENDAR – 6:03 P.M.

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

1. Administration - Approved - Minutes from the February 8, 2021 Council Meeting.
2. Administration - Received and Filed - Business Organization of Old Town (B.O.O.T.) Second Quarter Report, October through December 2020.
3. General Services – Approved – Claim Rejection of the General Liability Claim for George Beal.
4. Planning and Development Services - Approval – Final Acceptance for Final Map for Tract 6202, located at the southeast area of Alluvial and Fowler Avenues (Wilson Premier Homes, Inc.)
5. Planning and Development Services - Approved – Final Acceptance for Final Map for Tract 6127, located at the northeast area of Leonard Avenue and Barstow Avenues (Woodside Homes).
6. Planning and Development Services - Approved – Final Acceptance for Final Map for Tract 6197, located at the northeast area of Leonard Avenue and Barstow Avenue (Woodside Homes).
7. Public Utilities – Approved – **Res. 21-27**, A Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Annual Levy of Assessments for Landscape Maintenance District No. 1.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 6:05 - ITEM 8A - APPROVED - **RES. 21-28**, A RESOLUTION ANNEXING TERRITORY (ANNEXATION #67) (T6284-SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SUNNYSIDE AND TEAGUE) TO THE CITY OF CLOVIS COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2004-1 (POLICE AND FIRE SERVICES) AND CALLING A SPECIAL LANDOWNER ELECTION TO ANNEX TERRITORY (ANNEXATION #67) TO CITY OF CLOVIS COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2004-1 (POLICE AND FIRE SERVICES); AND ITEM 8B - APPROVED - **RES. 21-29**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CLOVIS DECLARING THE RESULTS OF

A SPECIAL LANDOWNER ELECTION AND DIRECTING RECORDING OF THE NOTICE OF SPECIAL TAX LIEN FOR CITY OF CLOVIS COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2004-1 (POLICE AND FIRE SERVICES).

Finance Director Jay Schengel presented a report on actions related to annexation of Territory (Annexation #67 (T6284-Southeast Corner of Sunnyside and Teague) to the City of Clovis Community Facilities District No. 2004-1 (Police and Fire Services). Since the condition to establish a CFD was imposed on the developments being processed by the City, developments proceeding after March 8, 2004 must petition to be annexed to the existing CFD. This action is required to begin the process of annexation provided by the conditions of approval of the development entitlements. Jay Schengel provided an overview of Annexation #67. 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 **Resolution 21-28**, for the Council to approve a resolution annexing territory Annexation #67 (T6284-Southeast Corner of Sunnyside and Teague) to the City of Clovis Community Facilities District (CFD) No. 2004-1 (Police and Fire Services) and calling a special landowner election to annex territory (Annexation #67) to City of Clovis Community Facilities District No. 2004-1 (Police and Fire Services). Motion carried by unanimous vote.

City Clerk John Holt reported out that he was in receipt of one ballot representing 32 votes all in favor and noted unanimous passage of the ballot measure. There being no comment, Mayor Bessinger closed the public portion. Discussion by the Council.

Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Flores, for the Council to approve **Resolution 20-29**, a resolution of the City of Clovis declaring the results of a special landowner election and directing recording of the Notice of Special Tax Lien for City of Clovis Community Facilities District No. 2004-1 (Police and Fire Services). Motion carried by unanimous vote.

## ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

6:10 – ITEM 9 - APPROVED - **RES 21-30**, APPROVING AN INTERFUND LOAN BETWEEN THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES FUND AND THE WATER SERVICE FUND TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE STATION 6.

Finance Director Jay Schengel presented a report on a request to approve an interfund loan agreement between the General Government Services Fund and the Water Service Fund to finance the construction of Fire Station 6 for an amount not to exceed \$7,500,000. On January 11, 2021, the City Council authorized staff to develop an agreement memorializing a \$5,000,000 Interfund loan from the Water Fund to the General Government Services Fund to finance the construction of Fire Station 6. At the January 11, 2021 meeting City Council approved in concept the loan amount of \$5,000,000 which was for the actual construction cost of Fire Station 6. Subsequent to January 11, 2021, staff has analyzed total costs of Fire Station 6 including the building construction as well as land cost, architectural, construction management, station equipment and furnishings, and project contingency costs. The total cost to construct Fire Station 6 is approximately \$7,900,000 when all costs are considered.

There is approximately \$400,000 on hand to pay for project costs leaving the need to finance an increased amount of \$7,500,000 via an interfund loan. Annual payments will be approximately \$800,000 with the average annual Local Agency Investment Fund rate on a ten year term. Staff is recommending that City Council authorize the Public Utilities Director to execute the Loan Agreement on behalf of the Water Service Fund and the City Manager to execute the Loan Agreement on behalf of the General Services Fund.

There being no comment, Mayor Bessinger closed the public portion. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, for the Council to approve an interfund loan agreement between the General Government Services Fund and the Water Service Fund to finance the construction of Fire Station 6 for an amount not to exceed \$7,500,000.

## **WORKSHOP**

City Manager Luke Serpa provided an update to council on the numbers associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Debbie and Chrystal Nakacio, residents, commented on the problems with homeless near the corner of Ashlan and Clovis Avenues as well as along the freeways.

## **CITY MANAGER COMMENTS**

City Manager Luke Serpa indicated that the flooring in the foyer of city hall is currently being replaced and will be used for the March 2, 2021 election for the 11 day period beginning February 20, 2021. He also indicated that staff would be coming back to council a review of SB-9 on March 1, 2021.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Whalen commented on the Landmark Square groundbreaking today and thanked staff for a job well done.

Councilmember Ashbeck complemented staff for the Landmark Square groundbreaking today.


Councilmember Mouanoutoua commented on seeing kids going back to school and how that brought him joy. He also complemented staff for the Landmark Square groundbreaking today.

Councilmember Flores complemented staff for the Landmark Square groundbreaking today and talked about the history of that location.

Mayor Bessinger complemented staff for the Landmark Square groundbreaking today and discussed the legacy of Landmark Square and movement of the Tom Stearns trail station.

Mayor Bessinger adjourned the meeting of the Council to March 1, 2021

Meeting adjourned: 7:13 p.m.

  
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Mayor

  
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City Clerk



## John Holt

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**From:** Public Comments <email@cityofclovis.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 11:04 PM  
**To:** John Holt; Karey Cha  
**Subject:** Public Comment for City Council

Council Meeting Date: 2021-02-16

Item Number (put "0" if your comment is not regarding an item on the agenda): 0

FullName: Jan Trotter

Email: jan.trotter@att.net

Comment: Hello, I wish to comment and request a revisiting of the prior issue of chickens being acceptable in backyards. I recently read the minutes on why the issue was tabled instead of voted on. There were comments about checking with a neighbor for approval of chickens prior to purchase. I am a health conscious individual who is interested in housing 2-3 chickens for their eggs. Not one time has my neighbors asked me if it is ok for them to have a dog or numerous dogs in their backyards or the cats who use my garden boxes as litter boxes and yet the stipulations for a couple of chickens is a bit much. Barking dogs and cat feces disturb my neighborhood, but I am not able to have chickens in order to provide my body with eggs that have not been processed? It's not like I'm asking for a cow or pig. Please reconsider putting this issue back in the docket and allow for chickens to be a "pet" just as dogs and cats are allowed. It seems to me as though chickens are the lesser of the pet evils. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jan Trotter

Supporting Files (2 Max.):

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Date: February 12, 2021

Time: 12:04 am

Remote IP: 99.20.222.194

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Public Comment

A comment from resident Jan Trotter requesting  
City Council put back on the agenda for consideration  
of the allowance of hen chickens.