

## CLOVIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 6, 2020

6:00 P.M.

Council Chamber

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

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

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

### CONSENT CALENDAR – 6:03

Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Flores, that the items on the Consent Calendar be approved, including the waiver of the reading of the ordinance. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

1. Administration - Approved - Minutes from the March 16, 2020 Council Meeting.
2. Administration – Adopted- **Ord. 20-06**, Amending Chapter 6.5 of the Clovis Municipal Code to Establish the Water Supply Fee to Pay for Water Supply for New Development. (Vote: 5-0)
3. Planning and Development Services - Adopted– **Ord. 20-07**, OA2020-001, A request to amend the City of Clovis Sign Ordinance to allow video and LED changeable copy signs in the R-T (Research and Technology Park) and C-R (Commercial Recreation) Zone Districts. California Health Sciences University and Clovis Rodeo Association, applicants. (Vote: 5-0)
4. Planning and Development Services - Approved - **Res. 20-33**, Resolution ratifying prior vacation of public walkway and summarily vacating a public right of way for property located west of Clovis Avenue between San Gabriel and DeWitt Avenues, pursuant to the provisions of the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law.
5. Planning and Development Services – Approved – Authorize City Engineer to enter into a Consultant Services Agreement with McPheeters & Associates, Inc. for surveying services related to establishing Geographic Information Systems (GIS) control points in the Northeast Growth Area Sphere of Influence.
6. Planning and Development Services - Approved - Bid Award for CIP 19-20, ADA Curb Return Ramp Replacement 2020; and Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the City.
7. Public Utilities - Received and Filed – Status Report for January – March 2019.
8. Public Utilities - Received and Filed – Status Report for April – June 2019.
9. Public Utilities - Received and Filed – Status Report for July – September 2019.
10. Public Utilities - Received and Filed – Status Report for October – December 2019.

## COUNCIL ITEMS

### ITEM 11 – 6:06 - APPROVED - **RES. 20-34**, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLOVIS CONFIRMING THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES' ORDERS

City Manager Luke Serpa presented a report for the City Council to approve Emergency Services Director Order 2020-06 related to waiving late fees on business license payments and utility payments; and Order 2020-07 related to waiving municipal code restrictions against parking a recreational vehicle under specific circumstances. The declaration of emergency authorizes the Director of Emergency Services certain additional authorities beyond the role of City Manager. These actions are accomplished by way of Orders and Declarations approved by the Director of Emergency Services. Subsequent to approval of these orders, the Director of Emergency Services must bring the items back to City Council for confirmation.

Staff is now returning for the City Council to confirm the Director of Emergency Services' Orders:

1. 2020-06 related to waiving late fees on business license payments and utility payments; and
2. 2020-07 related to waiving municipal code restrictions against parking a recreational vehicle under specific circumstances.

Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Flores, for the Council to confirm Emergency Services Director Order 2020-06 related to waiving late fees on business license payments and utility payments; and Order 2020-07 related to waiving municipal code restrictions against parking a recreational vehicle under specific circumstances. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

### ITEM 12 – 6:09 - 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.

City Manager Luke Serpa provided Council an update on COVID-19 State of Emergency related City activity since the last meeting on March 30, 2020. Luke Serpa presented an update on possible impacts on the budget during the state of emergency. Luke Serpa indicated that it is likely that general fund revenues will take a significant reduction over the next eighteen to twenty four months. Luke Serpa provided an overview of possible steps he is recommending to reduce spending as much as practical as well as the use of a portion of emergency reserves. Luke Serpa indicated that he would return to City Council in May to update council and provide options to deal with the budget. There being no public

comment, Mayor Bessinger closed the public portion. Discussion by the Council. Council provided staff direction, but no formal action was taken during the workshop.

### COUNCIL COMMENTS – 7:51

Councilmember Whalen commented on working with council and staff during this emergency and thanked both for how all are responding.

Councilmember Ashbeck thanked Chad McCollum for all of his work and getting the messages out keeping our residents informed.


Councilmember Mouanoutoua reported out on a League of California Cities virtual meeting he attended last week.

Councilmember Flores commented on focusing on how we can assist our community when we begin to recover from the pandemic.

Mayor Bessinger commented on how some businesses are adjusting and demonstrating their resilience.

Mayor Bessinger adjourned the meeting of the Council to April 13, 2020

Meeting adjourned: 8:07 p.m.

  
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Mayor

  
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City Clerk

