

CLOVIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 1, 2021

6:00 P.M.

Council Chamber

Meeting called to order by Mayor Bessinger
Flag Salute led by Clovis Exchange Club President Rick Snow

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

It was the consensus of City Council to add an item to the agenda for a presentation and proclamation recognizing the history and accomplishments of the Clovis Exchange Club. Councilmember Ashbeck presented a proclamation to the member of the Clovis Exchange Club for all of their accomplishments over the years.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - 6:14 P.M.

Paul Pearce, commented on concerns he has with the traffic at the shopping center at the southwest corner of Fowler and Herndon Avenues, due to the new Dutch Bros. coffee shop and inability to access the Employees Educational Credit Union.

Mayor Bessinger commented on the events that took place last week with campaign signs in the city.

CONSENT CALENDAR – 6:23

Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, that the items on the Consent Calendar, except item 5, be approved, including the waiver of the reading of the ordinance.

1. Administration - Approved - Minutes from the January 19, 2021 Council Meeting.
2. Administration - Adopted - **Ord. 21-01**, R2020-004, A request to amend the P-C-C Zone District to establish the Loma Vista Marketplace P-C-C Zone District Standards for approximately 23 acres of property located at the southwest corner of Shaw and Leonard Avenues. Loma Vista Marketplace, LP, applicant; Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group, representative. (Vote: 5-0)
3. Administration – Approved – **Res. 21-16**, Approving procedures to resolve a tie vote in a City of Clovis general municipal election.
4. General Services – Approved – **Res. 21-17**, Approving the Reallocation of Proposition 1B Transit Modernization, Improvement, and Service Enhancement Account (PTMISEA) Bond Program Funds.
6. Planning and Development Services - Approved – **Res. 21-18**, Amending the Official List of Designated Special Speed Zones.
7. Planning and Development Services - Approved – **Res. 21-19**, Annexation of Miscellaneous Properties to the Landscape Maintenance District No. 1.

8. Public Utilities – Approved – **Res. 21-20**, Authorizing the submission of an application to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for City Payment Program Funds.

6:24 – CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM (5) - General Services - Approved – **Res. 21-21**, Amending the FY2020-2021 Transit Budget to Add \$156,230.00 in Capital Expenditures; and Approve the Receipt of Grant Fund Revenue in the Amount of \$156,230.00; and Waive the City's Usual Purchasing Procedures and Authorize the Purchase of Security Cameras from Surveillance Systems Incorporated Utilizing Pricing from a Competitive Bid Award Through the General Services Department/Federal Acquisition Services.

Councilmember Flores indicated he would abstain from consideration on this item due to a potential conflict of interest due to property ownership within 1,000 feet of the Landmark Square project. There being no public comment, Mayor Bessinger closed the public portion. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, for the Council to approve a resolution amending the FY2020-2021 transit budget to add \$156,230 in capital expenditures; and approve the receipt of grant fund revenue in the amount of \$156,230; and waive the city's usual purchasing procedures and authorize the purchase of security cameras from surveillance systems incorporated utilizing pricing from a competitive bid award through the general services department/federal acquisition services. Motion carried 4-0-0-1 with Councilmember Flores abstaining.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6:25 ITEM 9 - APPROVED – RES. 21-22, ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FY 2019-2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN; AND AMENDING THE FY 2020-2021 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN.

Community and Economic Development Director Andy Haussler presented a report on a request for Council to approve a resolution amending the FY 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan to reinstate the ADA Improvements activity in the amount of \$60,000; and amend the FY 2020-2021 CDBG Annual Action Plan to reinstate the Dennis/Beverly Alley Reconstruction activity in the amount of \$140,000. Demand for the Emergency Housing Payments Program was greater than funding previously made available. Council previously approved cancelling the ADA Improvements and the Dennis/Beverly Alley Reconstruction activities in order to provide more funding for the Emergency Housing Payment Program. Staff has identified availability of CDBG funds remaining from previous allocations to reinstate these activities. To further fund the Emergency Housing Payment Program, only CDBG funding from either the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 Annual Action Plans could be utilized. This was due to a waiver provided through the federal CARES Act that the cap on CDBG Public Service activities was lifted. As such, the amendments were made to cancel CDBG projects from those funding years and redirect them to the Emergency Housing Payment Program. The ADA Improvements and the Dennis/Beverly Alley Reconstruction activities could then be reinstated using remaining pre-2019 CDBG funds. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that grantees follow their adopted Citizen Participation Plan when a substantial change is proposed to the allocation priorities or a substantial change in the method of distribution of funds for activities funded in the City's Annual Action Plan. This includes notification to the public of the

proposed amendment with a period of review and comment. On January 1, 2021, the proposed amendment notice was published for public review and comment in The Business Journal for the required 30-day period.

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 amending the FY 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan to reinstate the ADA Improvements activity in the amount of \$60,000; and amend the FY 2020-2021 CDBG Annual Action Plan to reinstate the Dennis/Beverly Alley Reconstruction activity in the amount of \$140,000. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

6:30 – ITEM 10 - APPROVED - NAMING THE NEW TRANSIT FACILITY THE WILLIAM “HARRY” ARMSTRONG TRANSIT CENTER; AND NAMING THE NEW SENIOR CENTER THE CLOVIS SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER – A SMITTCAMP FAMILY LEGACY.

General Services Director Shonna Halterman presented a report on a request to approve the naming of the new transit center as The William H. “Harry” Armstrong Transit Center, and to approve the naming of the new senior center as The Clovis Senior Activity Center – A Smittcamp Family Legacy. Staff is requesting the formal approval of naming the new transit facility as The William “Harry” Armstrong Transit Center, and naming the new senior center as the Clovis Senior Activity Center – A Smittcamp Family Legacy, as befitting the notable contributions of their namesakes to the Clovis community. Tom Armstrong, son of William H. “Harry” Armstrong, commented on and spoke in support of the naming request. Councilmember Ashbeck read into the record a letter from Diane Armstrong, spouse of William H. “Harry” Armstrong. Discussion by the Council. Motion by Councilmember Whalen, seconded by Councilmember Flores, for the council to approve a request to approve the naming of the new transit center as The William H. “Harry” Armstrong Transit Center, and to approve the naming of the new senior center as The Clovis Senior Activity Center – A Smittcamp Family Legacy. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

6:55 ITEM 11 - RECEIVED AND FILED – 2020 CLOVIS TRAIL COUNT REPORT

Colleen Vidinoff, Engineer II, presented a report on the 2020 Clovis Trail Count Report. The City of Clovis Trail Count is performed annually to document the volume of trail usage and to extrapolate the actual usage to determine annual estimated projection. The trails and paseos are an important part of the Clovis Way of Life and were obviously invaluable during this past year of difficulty in our community. The Clovis Trails provided outdoor space where residents could be physically active at a safe social distance during the COVID-19 pandemic, keeping the mind and body healthy. There is data to confidently indicate that the trails of Clovis were visited by over 3 million trail users in 2020. Usage will continue to increase with improved connectivity, amenities, and destinations.

There being no public comment, Mayor Bessinger closed the public portion. Discussion by the Council. It was the consensus of City Council to receive and file the 2020 Clovis Trail Count Report.

COUNCIL ITEMS

7:24 ITEM 12 - APPROVED – A REQUEST FOR A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR AB 262 TO AMEND THE PENAL CODE TO IMPROVE THE RECORD CLEARING PROCESS FOR VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

City Manager Luke Serpa presented a report on a request from Assemblymember Patterson's office to approve a letter of support for AB 262 to amend the Penal Code to improve the record clearing process for victims of human trafficking. Luke Serpa summarized the bill and how it could assist victims of human trafficking. 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 request from Assemblymember Patterson's office to approve a letter of support for AB 262. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

7:30 ITEM 13 - APPROVED – RES. 21-23, ADOPTING EMERGENCY ORDER 2021-01, SUSPENDING CERTAIN CITY TRANSIT SERVICE RIDER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR COVID-19 VACCINATION APPOINTMENT TRANSPORTATION

City Manager Luke Serpa presented a report on a request for the Council to adopt Emergency Services Order 2021-01, suspending certain City transit service rider eligibility requirements for COVID-19 vaccination appointment transportation. Staff is bringing forth for Council to adopt by resolution Emergency Order 2021-01, related to transportation to/from COVID-19 vaccination sites for Clovis seniors age 65+. 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 Emergency Services Order 2021-01, suspending certain City transit service rider eligibility requirements for COVID-19 vaccination appointment transportation for Clovis seniors age 65+. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

WORKSHOP

City Manager Luke Serpa provided City Council an update on the numbers in Clovis and Fresno County due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

7:50 - CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Luke Serpa provided an update to City Council on the schedule for the five year forecast and summary of initial numbers.

8:00 - COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Whalen showed a picture of Machinehead Brewing Company and commented on the creation of what is being termed "Ale Trail" due to the number of breweries along the city's trail system.

Councilmember Ashbeck commented on the use of Clovis Emergency Response Team (CERT) volunteers during the pandemic.

Councilmember Mouanoutoua commented on and reported out on a recent League of California Cities Housing and Community Development meeting he attended.

Councilmember Flores commented and reported out on North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency meeting and questioned staff about the County of Fresno dashboard being used to report out on the pandemic.

Mayor Bessinger reported out on a San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District Governing Board meeting he attended; the Presidential Order, which was signed Wednesday, Jan. 20, requires "on-duty or on-site federal employees, on-site federal contractors, and other individuals in federal buildings and on federal lands should all wear masks, maintain physical distance, and adhere to other public health measures, as provided in CDC guidelines; he also commented on the recent passing of John Rivera.

Mayor Bessinger adjourned the meeting of the Council to February 8, 2021

Meeting adjourned: 8:12 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk



John Holt

From: Public Comments <email@cityofclovis.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 6:49 PM
To: John Holt; Karey Cha
Subject: Public Comment for City Council

Council Meeting Date: 2021-01-19

Item Number (put "0" if your comment is not regarding an item on the agenda): 10

FullName: Art Quintero

Email: aql81@yahoo.com

Comment: Good evening council members. I write to please ask that we not allow any fast food restaurants, chain coffee shops, or dollar tree type stores into the Loma Vista Marketplace. These types of businesses will only hurt the local economy by bringing low wage jobs. Let's ensure that small businesses have the chance to thrive in our community especially after such a difficult year with Covid-19. I would like to see family owned restaurants, coffee shops, and the like. I also ask that we please keep the walk ability by using trails to give pedestrians and bicyclists the right of way in the Loma Vista Marketplace. Thank you and have a good evening.
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PUBLIC COMMENT

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