

CLOVIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 3, 2023

6:00 P.M.

Council Chamber

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

Roll Call: Present: Councilmembers Basgall, Bessinger, Mouanoutoua, Pearce
Mayor Ashbeck

PRESENTATION – 6:02

6:02 ITEM 1 - PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL AS COMMUNITY COLLEGE MONTH.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – 6:08

Nathan Inan, resident, shared concerns regarding a transition home in his neighborhood near Freedom Elementary.

Jessica Brough, resident, shared concerns regarding a transition home in his neighborhood near Freedom Elementary.

June Vehn, resident, shared concerns regarding a transition home in his neighborhood near Freedom Elementary.

Eric Vehn, resident, shared concerns regarding a transition home in his neighborhood near Freedom Elementary.

Charlene Tringali, resident, shared concerns regarding a transition home in his neighborhood near Freedom Elementary.

Erica Inan, resident, shared concerns regarding a transition home in his neighborhood near Freedom Elementary.

CONSENT CALENDAR – 6:33

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

2. Administration - Approved - Minutes from the March 20, 2023, Council Meeting.
3. Fire - Received and Filed – 2022 Fire Department Annual Report.

4. General Services – Approved – **Res. 23-22**, Amending the City’s FY 2022-2023 Position Allocation Plan by deleting one (1) Principal Office Assistant and adding one (1) Staff Analyst position within the Public Utilities Department.
5. General Services – Approved – Contract Award to Compass Energy Solutions to Implement Energy Efficiency Projects for \$962,625; and Approved - **Res. 23-23**, Authorizing a Loan Application through the California Energy Commission for Project Funding.
6. General Services – Approved – **Res. 23-24**, Authorizing the General Services Manager to Apply for and Administer the Public Benefit Grants Program – New Alternative Fuel Vehicle Purchase Through San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District.
7. Planning and Development Services – Approved – Final Acceptance for CIP 19-15, Gettysburg/Norwich Alley Reconstruction – Villa Avenue to Gettysburg Avenue.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS – 6:35

- 6:35 ITEM 8 - CONSIDERED – FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER OPTIONS TO SEEK ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR POLICE, FIRE, STREETS, AND PARKS.

It was the consensus of the City Council to direct staff to include funding for a consultant in the 2023/24 Budget to evaluate funding options and return for Council consideration.

- 7:01 ITEM 9 - CONSIDERED – A REQUEST FROM THE 500 CLUB LOCATED AT 771 W SHAW AVE, CLOVIS, CA 93612, TO HAVE THE CITY CALL A SPECIAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 7, 2023, TO PLACE ON THE BALLOT FOR VOTERS TO CONSIDER AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF ALLOWED GAMING TABLES FROM 20 TO 51.

It was the consensus of the City Council to support the expansion and to return to Council for consideration if the 500 Club chose to pursue an election at the expense of the 500 Club.

- 7:21 ITEM 10 - RECEIVED AND FILED – GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT UPDATE.

COUNCIL ITEMS – 7:42

- 7:42 ITEM 11 - APPROVED – TO SUBMIT A LETTER OF OPPOSITION FOR ASSEMBLY BILL 742– JACKSON, LIMITING THE USE OF POLICE CANINES.

It was the consensus of the City Council to submit a letter of opposition for Assembly Bill 742.

- 7:45 ITEM 12 – APPROVED – TO SUBMIT A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ASSEMBLY BILL 1067– GAVIN’S LAW (HIT-AND-RUN PENALTIES).

It was the consensus of the City Council to submit a letter of support for Assembly Bill 1067.

7:46 ITEM 13 – APPROVED – TO SUBMIT A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ASSEMBLY BILL 1708 – MURATSUCHI, AMENDING PROPOSITION 47 TO INCREASE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR REPEAT THEFT OFFENDERS.

It was the consensus of the City Council to submit a letter of support for Assembly Bill 1708.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS – 7:47

COUNCIL COMMENTS – 7:47

It was the consensus of the City Council to submit a letter in opposition to Assembly Bill 558 – Arambula, changing the makeup of the Fresno County Transportation Authority (FCTA) Board.

It was the consensus of the City Council to reconsider, on a future agenda, a request to amend the General Plan to re-designate approximately 1.04 acres of land located on the north side of Alluvial Avenue, between Sunnyside and Fordham Avenues from the Low Density Residential (2.1-4.0 DU/Ac) classification to the Medium High (7.1-15.0 DU/Ac) classification that was denied without prejudice at the March 6, 2023 Council Meeting.

CLOSED SESSION – 8:01

14 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(D)(2) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION THREE POTENTIAL CASES BASED ON CLAIMS RECEIVED FOR THE SUNNYSIDE AVENUE WATER MAIN BREAK AND PROPERTY FLOODING INCIDENT ON JANUARY 3, 2022.

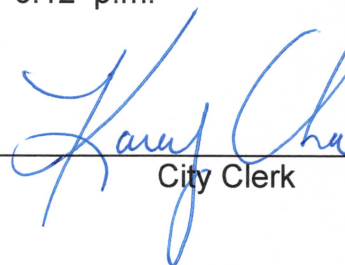
No action was taken by the City Council during the closed session.

Mayor Ashbeck adjourned the meeting of the Council to April 10, 2023

Meeting adjourned: 8:12 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk



Rebecca Simonian

From: Public Comments <email@cityofclovisca.us>
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 5:50 PM
To: Karey Cha; Andrew Haussler; Rebecca Simonian
Subject: [External] Public Comment for City Council

Council Meeting Date: 2023-03-22

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

Full Name: Crystal Reed

Email: reedcl67@yahoo.com

Comment: We do not need a group home that would house sex offenders in it and that we need to keep our people and kids safe!!!

Supporting Files (2 Max.):

Date: March 22, 2023

Time: 4:49 pm

Remote IP: 98.255.246.173

Public Comments
April 3, 2023

Rebecca Simonian

From: John Holt
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2023 7:40 AM
To: Rebecca Simonian
Subject: FW: [External] Chickens in city limits.

Council comment for Monday please

-----Original Message-----

From: Michael D Seamons <mseamons@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 7:42 PM
To: John Holt <johnh@ci.clovis.ca.us>
Subject: [External] Chickens in city limits.

Dear John:

I understand that the council is going to have hearings in April or May regarding chickens being allowed in city limits. Please don't you remember the chickens ranch at Shepherd Fowler in Clovis the foul smell that permeated the area please don't let that happen again and vote No to this happening. Please send this message to other council members also.and

Sent from my iPhone

Rebecca Simonian

From: John Holt
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2023 7:41 AM
To: Rebecca Simonian; Diana Belden
Subject: FW: [External] Backyard Chicken Policy

Council Comments for Monday

From: Jeff Lundeen <jnlundeen@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2023 7:22 AM
To: John Holt <johnh@ci.clovis.ca.us>
Cc: jnlundeen@sbcglobal.net
Subject: [External] Backyard Chicken Policy

Good morning John

I've heard a petition is being circulated to revisit the current policy and have it reversed by the current council. I wrote to council members last on 7-7-20 requesting they vote 'No' and thankfully the ordinance was reversed. A vote 'No' this time around by the current council is my request if this petition is successful.

Chickens are a bad idea for Clovis! They smell, attract flies, create noise pollution and possible viruses because people will not give them the proper antibiotics or care required... The list goes on!

Thank you for your service to our community! Stay safe and healthy.

Regards

Jeff and Kim Lundeen
2251 Escalon Ave
Clovis
559-575-4158

Rebecca Simonian

From: John Holt
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2023 2:05 PM
To: Diana Belden; Rebecca Simonian
Subject: FW: [External] No Chickens in Clovis:

Comment for Monday

From: Ron Neault <rondar57@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2023 1:44 PM
To: John Holt <johnh@ci.clovis.ca.us>
Subject: [External] No Chickens in Clovis:

I live at 477 Laverne Av. Clovis. and I don't want the smell, and the noise of Chickens around me or my neighbors

Besides they draw other critters around them to get their food.

Ron Neault