

CITY COUNCIL/HOUSING AUTHORITY/PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY

DATE: March 7, 2018

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:

Mayor Leon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was answered by Mayor Leon, Mayor Pro-Tem Tamayo, Councilmember Pimentel and Councilmember Solorio. Councilmember Plasencia was excused. Flag salute led by Mayor Leon.

II. REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

III. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA: None.

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Adoption of Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 17, 2018
- B. Adoption of Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 21, 2018
- C. Approval of Warrant Register for the Period 12-6-17 to 3-1-18 in the Amount of \$2,271,832.60

MOTION: To approve the consent calendar by Councilmember Tamayo, seconded by Councilmember Solorio.

VOTE: Ayes: Tamayo, Solorio, Pimentel, Leon
Noes: 0
Absent: Plasencia

V. PRESENTATIONS:

A. Working on Climate Change Solutions – **Devin Carroll**

Ms. Estefania Avalos, Tranquility High, addressed Council on climate change and asked they encourage Congressman David Valadeo to support their plea. Ms. Emily Salazar, Roosevelt High, said a Carbon O Dividend or \$15 fee per vehicle would provide funds for the public not the government. She referenced www.CalDA which showed four days of temperatures over 105° in Huron in past years that could reach to 45 days in the future. Ms. Salazar asked Council join their caucus of 72 members by sending a letter to their Congressman and endorse their plea.

Darin Carroll, Climate Change Solutions, introduced Miguel Avalos, Rebecca Peterson from Three Rivers and asked Council to support their cause and read aloud the proposed letter. This would be the first from the Central Valley and time was of the essence. Mayor Leon stated climate change results have been death and drought and asked this item be placed on the

following agenda. Mr. Leon asked for a public meeting or a bilingual workshop. After a short discussion on the best approach the item would be added to next meeting's agenda.

B. Senate Bill 623 Safe and Affordable Drinking Water - **Johnathan Nielsen**

Mr. Nielsen, Community Policy Water, Visalia, CA, a social justice non-profit entity, addressed Council on Senate Bill 623 Safe and Affordable Drinking Water and the trailer bill that could assist with city's \$2.7 Million economic loan for the \$7 Million new water treatment plant. The bill was geared for low-income communities with contaminated water, high costs of water treatment and unaffordable water rates which Huron has experienced. There was no guarantee the city would receive funding as Huron's median income was higher than the threshold; however, every city had a right to safe drinking water. A \$.95 per month charged for everyone except for those exempt which were under the 1.5% of the median household income. Mr. Nielsen requested Council's support with letter or resolution as time was of the essence because budget hearings on SB 623 were scheduled for next week.

MOTION: To add to the agenda an item to Approve a Letter to Support the legislation for Senate Bill 623 Safe and Affordable Drinking Water and its Trailer Bill by Councilmember Leon, seconded by Councilmember Pimentel.

VOTE: Ayes: Leon, Pimentel, Tamayo, Solorio,
Noes: 0
Absent: Plasencia

MOTION: To approve in advance a letter of support prepared by the City Attorney and circulated among Council to the city's effort adding facts based on tonight's vote by Councilmember Leon, seconded by Councilmember Solorio.

VOTE: Ayes: Leon, Solorio, Pimentel, Tamayo
Noes: 0
Absent: Plasencia

VI. ADMINISTRATION:

- A. *Subject: Consideration and Necessary Action on Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huron Authorizing City Manager to Sign Financing Agreement, Amendment, and Certifications for Funding Under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF); Authorizing City Manager to Approve Claims for Reimbursement; Authorizing City Manager to Execute Budget and Expenditure Summary; Authorizing City Manager to Sign the Final Release Form and City Manager to Sign the Certification of Project Completion; and Pledging and Dedicating Net Water Revenues Towards Payment of DWSRF Financing - **Neal Costanzo, City**

Attorney/Jack Castro, City Manager/Alfonso Manrique, AM Engineering

City Manager Castro reported city had done this a year ago but DWSRF needed an updated resolution.

MOTION: Council to adopt Resolution No. 2018-1978 - Consideration and Necessary Action on Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huron Authorizing City Manager to Sign Financing Agreement, Amendment, and Certifications for Funding Under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF); Authorizing City Manager to Approve Claims for Reimbursement; Authorizing City Manager to Execute Budget and Expenditure Summary; Authorizing City Manager to Sign the Final Release Form and City Manager to Sign the Certification of Project Completion; and Pledging and Dedicating Net Water Revenues Towards Payment of DWSRF Financing by Councilmember Pimentel, seconded by Councilmember Solorio.

VOTE: Ayes: Pimentel, Solorio, Tamayo, Leon,
Noes: 0
Absent: Plasencia

B. *Subject: Consideration and Necessary Action on Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huron Authorizing Application for the Fresno Council of Governments Measure C TOD Program Cycle VI in Amount Not to Exceed \$288,248.00 for Class VI Bikeways – **Neal Costanzo, City Attorney/Jack Castro, City Manager/Alfonso Manrique, AM Engineering**

City Manager Castro asked that items VI.B. through VI.E. be acted upon jointly as they were all regarding the Measure C TOD Programs and each application would be submitted separately for a better chance of being funded.

C. *Subject: Consideration and Necessary Action on Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huron Authorizing Application for the Fresno Council of Governments Measure C TOD Program Cycle VI in Amount Not to Exceed \$156,950.00 for Improved Pedestrian Crossings - **Neal Costanzo, City Attorney/Jack Castro, City Manager/Alfonso Manrique, AM Engineering**

D. *Subject: Consideration and Necessary Action on Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huron Authorizing Application for the Fresno Council of Governments Measure C TOD Program Cycle VI in Amount Not to Exceed \$310,193.00 for 13th Street, Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter - **Neal Costanzo, City Attorney/Jack Castro, City Manager/Alfonso Manrique, AM Engineering**

E. *Subject: Consideration and Necessary Action on Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huron Authorizing Application for the Fresno Council of Governments Measure C TOD Program Cycle VI - **Neal Costanzo, City Attorney/Jack Castro, City Manager/Alfonso Manrique, AM Engineering**

MOTION: Council to bundle items VI.B, VI.C, VI.D, and VI.E noted above and act on them as one by Councilmember Pimentel, seconded by Councilmember Tamayo.

VOTE: Ayes: Pimentel, Tamayo, Solorio, Leon
Noes: 0
Absent: Plasencia

MOTION: Council to adopt Resolution No. 2018-1979 - Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huron Authorizing Application for the Fresno Council of Governments Measure C TOD Program Cycle VI in Amount Not to Exceed \$288,248.00 for Class VI Bikeways; **and**

Resolution No. 2018-1980 - Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huron Authorizing Application for the Fresno Council of Governments Measure C TOD Program Cycle VI in Amount Not to Exceed \$156,950.00 for Improved Pedestrian Crossings; **and**

Resolution No. 2018-2081- Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huron Authorizing Application for the Fresno Council of Governments Measure C TOD Program Cycle VI in Amount Not to Exceed \$310,193.00 for 13th Street, Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter; **and**

Resolution No. 2018-1982 – Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huron Authorizing Application for the Fresno Council of Governments Measure C TOD Program Cycle VI in Amount Not to Exceed \$310,193.00 for 13th Street, Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter by Councilmember Tamayo, seconded by Councilmember Solorio.

VOTE: Ayes: Tamayo, Solorio, Pimentel, Leon
Noes: 0
Absent: Plasencia

F. * Subject: Consideration and Necessary Action on Resolution of the City Council Authorizing Application for Repair of Certain Alley Ways in the Amount of \$114,000 from Measure C Funds - **Neal Costanzo, City Attorney/Jack Castro, City Manager/Alfonso Manrique, AM Engineering**

City Manager Castro corrected the amount of funding for the project as \$114,000 not \$114,000,000. City Attorney Costanzo clarified that one of the alleys was within the vicinity of Mayor Leon's house but he would not have to reclose himself from voting as the project would not benefit him any more than the rest of the neighbors.

MOTION: To adopt Resolution No. 2018-1983 - Resolution of the City Council Authorizing Application for Repair of Certain Alley Ways as designated by #13 on the Project Map List in the Amount of \$114,000 from Measure C Funds by Councilmember Tamayo, seconded by Councilmember Pimentel.

VOTE: Ayes: Tamayo, Pimentel, Solorio, Leon
Noes: 0
Absent: Plasencia

G. *Subject: Consideration and Necessary Action on Request to Support the San Joaquin Valley Mayors Stand on Immigration and Authorize Mayor Leon to Sign the Letter on Behalf of the City – **Neal Costanzo, City Attorney/Jack Castro, City Manager**

Mayor Leon asked this letter be signed by Council to show city's support for undocumented workers. A short discussion followed.

MOTION: To authorize the Mayor to execute the letter of support on behalf of the City for San Joaquin Valley Mayors Stand on Immigration by Councilmember Leon, seconded by Councilmember Pimentel.

VOTE: Ayes: Leon, Pimentel, Solorio
Noes: 0
Abstain: Tamayo
Absent: Plasencia

H. *Subject: Consideration and Necessary Action on Resolution Authorizing Execution of License with USBR to Access Right of Way for Irrigation with Treated Effluent – **Neal Costanzo, City Attorney/Jack Castro, City Manager**

MOTION: Council to adopt Resolution No. 2018-1984 - Resolution Authorizing Execution of License with USBR to Access Right of Way for Irrigation with Treated Effluent by Councilmember Solorio, seconded by Councilmember Tamayo.

VOTE: Ayes: Solorio, Tamayo, Pimentel, Leon
Noes: 0
Absent: Plasencia

VII. **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:** None

VIII. **CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT:** Chief Turegano announced the Community with a Cop event on March 11th at 6 p.m. at JPCC. The Police Dept. has not worked with ICE for the five years he has been with city except to confirm that they are legitimate.

IX. **PUBLIC WORKS' DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Mr. Escandon reported AWOP is working out and worked on extensive water leaks and sewer plugs thus put JPCC alley lighting project on hold. Mr. Escandon announced that SUSP had donated \$1,000 towards the HPD memorial.

X. **FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** City Manager Castro reported Dept. of Finance had chosen Huron as an Opportunity Zone and would be following up on what the benefits were.

XI. **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** City Attorney Costanzo is working on many projects.

XII. **CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT:** City Engineer Serrano reported on the many projects they are working on including grants. Next week is the bid opening for the Main Water Project on 3-12-18.

XIII. **SENIOR CENTER SITE COORDINATOR:** Seniors enjoyed their trip to Artes Americas, in Fresno on Saturday, March 10th.

XIV. **CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS/COMMENTS:** Councilmember Tamayo would not be in attendance at 3/21st meeting as he would be in Chile, South America. Mayor Leon thanked staff for their assistance and shared his excitement about the Dept. of Forestry Tree Grant application for 1,000 trees as well as all other applications.


XV. **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting by Councilmember Leon, seconded by Councilmember Tamayo.

VOTE: Ayes: Leon, Tamayo, Solorio, Pimentel

Noes: 0

Absent: Plasencia


Rey Leon, Mayor

ATTEST:


Juanita M. Veliz, City Clerk