

**MINUTES OF THE FOWLER CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 1, 2016**

Mayor Cardenas called the meeting to order at 7:01 p. m.

Councilmembers Present: Cardenas, Parra, Hammer, Monis, & Simonian

City Staff Present: City Manager Elias, City Clerk Davis, City Attorney Wolfe, Finance Director McDonald, Police Chief Brand, Public Works Director Weisser, Fire Chief Lopez

The Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance were followed by an invocation given by Mayor Cardenas. Roll call was taken.

**PRESENTATION: SEBASTIAN SILVEIRA, REPRESENTATIVE FOR CONGRESSMAN DAVID VALADAO**

Mr. Silveira invited the Council to a community event with Congressman Valadao on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at the Edwin Blayney Senior Center. A presentation on Federal and local matters will be given, followed by a question and answer session. Special guest, Fresno County District 4 Supervisor Buddy Mendes, will be in attendance.

**PRESENTATION: SECOND CHANCE ANIMAL SHELTER**

Sarah Chambless of the Second Chance Animal Shelter in Selma, gave a presentation on shelter operations and the history and mission of the organization. She provided statistical information on animal intake and adoptions taking place over the past year, and answered questions about services provided to the City.

**PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

Mike and Stephanie Bedrosian of Fowler, spoke to the Council about problems with a backyard fence being constructed by a neighbor. The Council directed them to work with City staff on the matter.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

City Clerk Davis mentioned that the FPPC Form 700 Statements are due before the end of the month.

**ADJOURN TO CITY COUNCIL AND FOWLER PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY SPECIAL JOINT MEETING**

The meeting adjourned to City Council and Public Financing Authority Special Joint Meeting at 7:42 p. m. The City Council meeting reconvened at 8:21 p. m.

## **STAFF REPORTS:**

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

- **Consider and approve Youth Sports Funding request from Fowler-Malaga Youth Football League**

City Manager Elias asked that the item be tabled until the next meeting, as he is awaiting further information.

### **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

No report was given.

### **FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Finance Director McDonald stated that if the Council has questions regarding the audits or City finances, to contact him.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Chief Brand gave a statistical report for January 2016, showing a total of 97 case numbers issued.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Chief Lopez gave a report of emergency calls, training, and events for January 2016, totaling 56.

### **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

City Attorney Wolfe reported on City of Fresno code enforcement issues recently in the news.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

The Consent Calendar consisted of: A) Ratification of Warrants - March 1, 2016; B) Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting - February 2, 2016; and C) Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into Outside Agency Boundary Wastewater and Water Service Agreement (Jose M. Luevanos and Diana R. Munoz).

Mayor Pro-Tem Parra made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Monis, to approve items A and B of the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote: Ayes: Cardenas, Parra, Hammer, Monis & Simonian. Noes: None. Abstain/absent: None.

After discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Parra made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Hammer, to approve item C of the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote: Ayes: Cardenas, Parra, Hammer, Monis & Simonian. Noes: None. Abstain/absent: None.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mayor Cardenas reported on an S.K.F. meeting where they discussed agency goals, including capital improvement plans.

Councilmember Monis attended a Fowler Unified School District bond oversight committee meeting where they discussed an upcoming bond measure for upgrading various school facilities.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, Councilmember Monis made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Parra, to adjourn. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.