

**MINUTES OF THE FOWLER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday April 5, 2022**

Mayor Pro-Tem Rodriquez called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Rodriquez, Kazarian, Mejia, Parra

City Staff Present: City Manager Quan, City Attorney Cross, Police Chief Alcaraz, Public Works Director Dominguez, Community Development Director Gaffery, Recreation Coordinator Hernandez, Fire Chief Lopez, Finance Director Moreno, City Engineer Peters, Deputy City Clerk Vasquez

5. CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS

Presentations in honor of Mayor David Cardenas were given by staff from Congressman David Valadao, Assemblyman Joaquin Arambula, Fowler Unified School District, and City of Fowler Councilmembers.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Patric Jones addressed the Council.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Kazarian made a motion to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Councilmember Parra. The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes: Kazarian, Parra, Rodriquez, Mejia.

8. CONTESTED CONSENT CALENDAR

N/A

9. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

9-A. City Attorney's Office

- i. APPROVE Resolution No. 2553, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fowler Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing for City Council Meetings and Commission Meetings During Declared State of Emergency in Accordance with Government Code Section 54953 as amended by AB 361.**

City Attorney Cross reported the State of California is still operating under a State of Emergency. He recommended the APPROVAL of Resolution No. 2553 Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing.

Councilmember Parra made a motion to APPROVE Resolution No. 2553, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Fowler Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing for City Council Meetings and Commission Meetings during Declared State of Emergency in Accordance with Government Code Section 54953 as amended by AB 361, seconded by Councilmember Kazarian. The motion carried by a Roll Call vote: Ayes: Parra, Kazarian, Mejia, Rodriquez

9-B. PUBLIC WORKS

- i. CONSIDER alternatives and provide staff direction regarding potential request to Caltrans to add median treatment to the State Route 99 improvement project.**

City Engineer David Peters presented three design concepts. Council selected design option 2 to be presented to Caltrans.

Councilmember Parra made a motion to APPROVE design option 2 for State Route 99 median treatment, seconded by Councilmember Kazarian. The motion carried by a Roll Call vote: Ayes: Parra, Kazarian, Mejia, Rodriquez.

9-C. CITY MANAGERS OFFICE

- i. COVID-19 update**

City Manager Quan reported staff continue to keep in close communication with FCDPH on any regulatory changes.

Various Councilmembers requested a special meeting be held to discuss filling the vacancy on the City Council. The City Council Special Meeting will be Monday, April 11, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

10. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS – (CITY MANAGER)

Community Development Director Gaffery announced the city was awarded a Caltrans Sustainable Communities Grant in the amount of \$125,000.

City Engineer Peters reported during Spring break there will be striping improvements to Sunnyside and Armstrong Avenues.

Recreation Coordinator Hernandez provided an update on the Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt.

Fire Chief Lopez provided an overview of year-to-date fire and medical statistics.

Police Chief Alcaraz announced there will be a Sunrise Community Fellowship Service at Panzak Park on April 17, 2022.

11. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

No reports or comments.

12. CLOSED SESSION

No reportable action was taken on the three items.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Mayor Pro-Tem Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.