

MINUTES OF THE FOWLER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, May 2, 2023

Mayor Parra called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Parra, Mejia, Gill, Hammer, Kazarian (via teleconference)

City Staff Present: City Manager Tucker, Deputy City Attorney Lear, Interim Public Works Supervisor Aranda, Community and Economic Development Director Gaffery, Recreation Supervisor Hernandez, City Planner Marple, Finance Director Moreno, City Engineer Park, Police Chief Reid, City Clerk Vasquez

City Clerk Vasquez announced changes to the agenda as follows:

- *Item 6-F should read in the amount of \$30,000 for an adjusted total on-call contract amount of \$150,000 from the original \$120,000.*
- *Closed session Item 11-A is being removed in its entirety.*

The changes to the agenda were accepted by Council by roll call vote: Ayes: Parra, Mejia, Gill, Hammer, Kazarian

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Two members of the public spoke.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve Items 6-A through 6-G and 6-I through 6-L of the consent calendar, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Mejia. The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes: Gill, Mejia, Hammer, Kazarian, Parra

7. CONTESTED CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Kazarian pulled Item 6-H for further discussion.

Council directed staff to return with an amendment to the Fire Academy Training Grant Resolution to include additional training providers.

Councilmember Hammer made a motion to approve Item 6-H, seconded by Councilmember Gill. The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes: Hammer, Gill, Kazarian, Mejia, Parra

8. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

8-A. Finance Department

- i. **WORKSHOP to introduce the proposed FY 2023-24 budget – No action to be taken**

8-B. Public Works Department

- i. **APPROVE an Agreement with Dewberry Engineers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$111,516 for the Elevated Water Storage Tank Rehabilitation project, and authorize the City Manager to negotiate such agreement**

Councilmember Hammer made a motion to APPROVE an Agreement with Dewberry Engineers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$111,516 for the Elevated Water Storage Tank Rehabilitation project, and authorize the City Manager to negotiate such agreement, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Mejia. The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes: Hammer, Mejia, Gill, Kazarian, Parra

9. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Updates were provided by City Manager Tucker, Police Chief Reid, City Engineer Park, and Community and Economic Development Director Gaffery.

10. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Updates were provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Mejia, Mayor Parra, and Councilmember Gill.

11. CLOSED SESSION

This item was removed.

12. ADJOURN

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.