



MINUTES

Regular City Council Meeting

Council Chambers, Chowchilla City Hall
130 S. Second Street, Chowchilla, CA 93610

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Closed Session: 6:00 p.m.

Open Session: 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: 6:04 p.m.

Mayor: John Chavez (arrived at 7PM)

Mayor Pro Tem: Ray Barragan

Council Members: Waseem Ahmed, Diana Palmer (arrived at 7PM), Kelly Smith

City staff and contract employees present: City Administrator Rod Pruet, City Attorney Mary Lerner, Police Chief David A. Riviere, Jr., Fire Chief Fred Gaumnitz, Public Works Director Jason Rogers, Community & Economic Development Director Mark Hamilton, Recreation & Community Outreach Manager Stacy Wisener, IT System Administrator Carlos Berrocal, City Clerk Joann McClendon

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions and/or Deletions:

Motion by Council Member Ahmed, Seconded by Council Member Smith to Approve the Agenda as Presented. Motion assed by roll call vote with Council Member Palmer and Mayor Chavez absent.

PUBLIC ADDRESS – CLOSED SESSION

No one present.

CLOSED SESSION – 6:06 PM

- 1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION** – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
Title: Police Chief
- 2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT** – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
Title: Police Chief

OPEN SESSION – 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION: John Absher

CLOSED SESSION REPORT: No reportable action.

PRESENTATIONS/WORKSHOP - Section 1

1.1 Certificate of Recognition – Stella Jain**1.2 Oath of Office – Kerri Williams, Finance Director****PUBLIC ADDRESS**

Mr. Steve Burke addressed the City Council regarding opposing vaccine mandates for children.

Paige Hill, Treasurer of the Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce, announced that they are recruiting a Chamber Manager.

COUNCIL AND STAFF VERBAL REPORTS – Section 2**2.1 COUNCIL VERBAL REPORTS**

Legislative, Collaborative Agency, Ad Hoc

Council Member Smith judged the speech contest for the Rotary.

Council Member Palmer met with Public Works staff over the Beautify Chowchilla project and Earth Day activities. She met with MCTC staff to go over regional projects, attended the Chowchilla Task Force meeting and the CESD safety meeting.

2.2 STAFF VERBAL REPORTS

City Administrator Pruettt is continuing to work with NBS regarding bonding/assessments, completed more assumptions for the development fee update; attended a Mid Valley Disposal meeting with Director Rogers regarding the contract and SB1383; attended a few economic development loan meetings; attended the CalCities Annual City Managers conference; and, tomorrow will be at the Tulare Ag Show.

Recreation & Community Outreach Manager Wisener is continuing training of new website software; collaborating with Public Works on the Ed Ray Park recreation building improvements; working on a facility use agreement for the science program, Annual Easter event and the February 26 Ed Ray Day social. She also announced that this year the annual fair parade is going to be held in May.

Public Works Director Rogers and staff met with PG&E to go over the restoration work for the roadway, all the sidewalk and curb and gutter that was disturbed during the work that took place on N. Front St. and Kings Avenue. We went over and reviewed the scope of repairs that still need to be made. The PG&E representative stated that he is waiting on their contractor to provide a schedule and was not able to provide a timeline for the repairs. Staff is and will continue pushing for timeline. We've even reached out to our PG&E government liaison in order to get a schedule for the repairs.

Humboldt Storm Drainage and Road Reconstruction Project Update: He and the City Administrator have been working with HCD to get their authorization to use funds. We were informed yesterday that they are working on an expedited review and approval and should have our authorization in a couple of weeks. We will then be able to advertise the project so that we can begin it this summer.

We completed and submitted Clean California Local Grant Application. Caltrans expects to announce grant awards in March, and have completed and submitted for a CalRecycle grant related to SB 1383 to assist with the procurement requirements of SB 1383.

Community & Economic Development Director Hamilton reported that the O'Reilly's project had to stop construction due to issues with PG&E; a wall behind Cornerstone Church that separates the new home construction is being built; and, the ABC30 interview with the Mayor went well.

Finance Director Williams hired a temporary, full-time employee to cover for an employee who is out until May; still working on the Tyler software implementation; and, the auditors are on location.

Fire Chief Gaumnitz reported about weed abatement and is wrapping up the specs for the new fire engine.

Police Chief Riviere announced the April 9 K-9 Dinner, looking for donations for the auction/raffle prizes.

CONSENT CALENDAR – Section 3

- 3.1 Approval of the January 25, 2022 City Council/Redevelopment Successor Agency Meeting Minutes (McClendon)**
- 3.2 Consideration and Approval of the January 2022 Check Register Report (Pruett)**
- 3.3 Consideration and Adoption of a City Council Resolution (08-22) Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions (AB 361 and Government Code Section 54953) (McClendon)**
- 3.4 Consideration and Adoption of a City Council Resolution (09-22) Approving a Lease Agreement with the Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce (Wisener)**

Motion by Council Member Palmer, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barragan to Approve the Consent Calendar as Presented. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Section 4

- 4.1 Introduction, First Reading with Option to Waive the First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Title 6, Animals, of the City of Chowchilla Municipal Code (Hamilton)**

Mayor Chavez opened the public hearing at 7:30 p.m.

No one came forward for or against the item.

Mayor Chavez closed the public hearing at 7:31 p.m.

Motion by Council Member Ahmed, Seconded by Council Member Smith to Waive the First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Title 6, Animals, of the City of Chowchilla Municipal Code. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

The item will be on the next agenda for the Second Reading and Adoption.

DEFERRED BUSINESS – Section 5

NEW BUSINESS – Section 6

6.1 Consideration and Adoption of a City Council Resolution (10-22) Authorizing the Submittal of Application(s) for all CalRecycle Grant and Payment Programs for Which the City of Chowchilla is Eligible (Rogers)

A revision was made to the resolution, adding, *“The City Administrator, or designee, is hereby authorized and empowered to execute in the name of the City of Chowchilla, all documents, including but not limited to applications, agreement, amendments and requests for payment, necessary to secure funds and implement the approved grant or payment project”.*

Motion by Council Member Palmer, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Barragan to Approve City Council Resolution #10-22, Authorizing the Submittal of Application(s) for all CalRecycle Grant and Payment Programs for Which the City of Chowchilla is Eligible, as amended. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

6.2 General (Verbal) Update Regarding the State of Emergency and COVID-19; Direction and/or Action (Pruett)

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Section 7

- FEB 16 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING, CITY HALL, 7:00 PM
- FEB 22 CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CITY HALL, 7:00 PM
- FEB 26 EDWARD RAY DAY
CAF HALL OF FAME DINNER, CHOWCHILLA FAIRGROUNDS, 7:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT

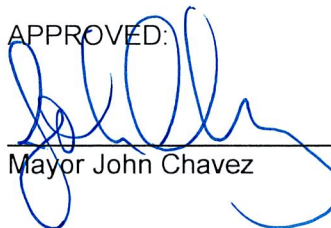
Mayor Chavez adjourned the Tuesday, February 8, 2022 City Council Meeting at 7:38 p.m.

ATTEST:



Joann McClendon, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED:



Mayor John Chavez