

**KINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 7, 2018**

**6 P.M. REGULAR SESSION MEETING:**

Invocation was given by Pastor Jeff Nathan of the Kingsburg Assembly of God, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Michelle Roman.

**Call to Order and Roll Call:** At 6:00 P. M. Mayor Michelle Roman called the regular meeting of the Kingsburg City Council to order.

**Council Members present:** Laura North, Staci Smith, Sherman Dix, Bruce Blayney, and Mayor Michelle Roman.

**Staff present:** City Manager Alexander Henderson, City Attorney Michael Noland, City Finance Director Alma Colado, and City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard.

**Public Comments:**

Steve Grusis updated the Council on next month's bike race.

**Approve Agenda:** City Attorney Michael Noland explained the necessity for adding an item to the agenda pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2) dealing with revisions to Resolution 2018-017 which were received from the Fresno County Clerk after the posting of the Agenda. A motion was made by Council Member Blayney, seconded by Council Member Dix, to approve the Agenda with the additional item as explained by the City Attorney. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

**Consent Calendar:** A motion was made by Council Member Blayney, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve the following items appearing on the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- 4.1 Approval of City Council Minutes:** Approve the minutes from the February 21, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting, the February 24, 2018 Strategic Planning Workshop, and the February 28, 2018 Special City Council Meeting, as prepared by City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard.
- 4.2 Approve Purchase and Sale Agreement and Escrow Instruction by and between Tenth Avenue Legacy Project, LLC and the City of Kingsburg for approximately .53 acres of property located on 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue.**
- 4.3 Adopt Resolution 2018-020, 2018-021 and 2018-022 for the 2017-2018 Mid-year Budget Amendment-** Staff Report prepared by Finance Director Alma Colado
- 4.4 Approve the City of Kingsburg entering into a Letter of Agreement with the National Demographics Corporation for Demographer Services.**
- 4.5 Continued Item from 2/21/2017 City Council Regular Meeting: Decline second reading of Ordinance 2018-001 Regarding a General Sales Tax.**

## **REGULAR CALENDAR**

**PUBLIC HEARING- To Receive Public Input Regarding the Composition of Districts for a District-Based Electoral System for City Council Elections-** Staff Report Prepared by City Attorney Michael Noland

**Open Public Hearing** – At 6:10 P. M. Mayor Roman opened the public hearing.

City Attorney Michael Noland explained that on February 21, 2018 the City Council adopted Resolution 2018-14 declaring its intention to change from at-large to district-based elections. We must hold 2 public hearings to provide opportunity for the community to comment and provide suggestions on the composition of the districts. We will also have a presentation by National Demographics Corporation (NDC) who will prepare the documents necessary. We will hold another public hearing on March 21 to get community input. Then we will have hearings about proposed maps.

Dr. Justin Levitt from National Demographics Corporation explained the districting process with the basic timeline. They will prepare the public outreach publications and will release proposals by April 11. April 18 will be the first public hearing on draft maps. He stated that in 2021 districts may have to be redrawn to reflect the 2020 census data.

**Council Discussion** – At 6:25 P. M. Mayor Roman called for Council discussion. It was clarified that the map being shown on the PowerPoint is percentages of voters, not number of voters. Concern for continuity and respecting voters' wishes was expressed. Mr. Levitt said that this is something that we can take into account when we come up with draft map options.

**Open Public Comment** – At 6:39 P. M. Mayor Roman opened for public comment.

Wayne Osborne asked, if a seat cannot be filled, can we appoint someone? Mr. Levitt said that whomever is appointed would have to live in the district.

**Close Public Comment** – At 6:41 P. M. Mayor Roman closed the public comment period.

**Continued Council Discussion** – At 6:41 P. M. Mayor Roman called for any further Council discussion. City Manager Alex Henderson said that there is a general feeling that there is an east side and a west side of the community. As our council is, it makes decisions for the whole community and we would want to try to keep it that way.

Mayor Roman commented that it is unfortunate that this is coming about from someone other than a local citizen. She said that getting input from the community is important, and we must move forward.

**Close Public Hearing** – At 6:44 P. M. Mayor Roman closed the public hearing.

This item is informational at this time. No Council action necessary

**Support of AB 1 and Prop 69 Regarding Transportation Funds** – Staff Report Prepared by City Manager Alexander Henderson

City Manager Alexander Henderson explained that the League of Cities is asking that all City Councils consider Proposition 69. The League is aware that not all Councils are not in support of SB1 because of the taxes.

Following brief Council comment, a motion was made by Council Member Dix to adopt Resolution 2018-018 supporting Proposition 69 to prevent new transportation funds from being diverted for non-transportation purposes. The motion was seconded by Council Member North and carried by unanimous voice vote.

A motion was made by Council Member Blayney, seconded by Council Member Smith, to join the Prop 69 Coalition by signing the signup form. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council Member Blayney said that California has a problem in funding transportation and he doesn't believe SB1 is the proper method to do that. We need to acknowledge this problem.

### **Immigration Reform Letter**

Council Member Bruce Blayney stated that out of a meeting that he attended 2 weeks ago comes this letter that tries to address the immigration problem. Council Member Dix said that there are points in the letter that he doesn't agree with. Council Member Blayney said that the committee felt that if the language was stronger the legislators wouldn't come to the table. Council Member Dix said that he agrees it needs to be addressed, but he has an issue on how it should be resolved. A motion was made by Council Member Blayney, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve Mayor Roman signing the letter. The motion carried, four in favor, Council Member Dix opposed.

### **Extension of Economic Development Incentives– Staff Report Prepared by City Manager Alexander Henderson**

Economic Development Consultant Jolene Polyack explained that back in 2012 the Council decided that Kingsburg is "open for business" and so we started to offer new incentives. She commented on the different incentives that we offer including streamlining plan checking and tax rebates. In 2015 we extended the incentives and added the Business Development Zone. She stated that she would like it to not have a sunset and we cancel it when it is not needed.

Following brief discussion, a motion was made by Council Member Dix, seconded by Council Member North, to adopt Resolution 2018-023 Extending the Temporary Rebate of a Portion of Real Property Taxes and Sales Taxes. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Blayney, to adopt Resolution 2018-024 Extending the Policy Granting the City Manager the Authority to Reduce Selected City Capital Facilities Fees for Commercial Development Projects that Create New Jobs, Increase Assessed Property Valuation, and Promote Economic Development. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

### **Award Consultant Contract for Design of TCP Treatment Plants at Wells 12 & 13– Staff Report Prepared by City Manager Alexander Henderson**

City Manager Henderson briefly reviewed the background related to this item. A motion was made by Council Member Blayney to approve staff's recommendation to award the Consultant Services

Contract to Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group for the subject project in the amount of \$335,000.00. The motion was seconded by Council Member Dix and carried by unanimous voice vote.

### **Approval of Revision of Resolution 2018-017**

A motion was made by Council Member Blayney, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve revisions to Resolution 2018-017 as amended by the request of the Fresno County Clerk. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

### **Urgency Ordinance 2018-002 Regarding a Public Safety Sales Tax-**

A motion was made by Council Member North, to waive the second reading and adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 2018-002 Adding Section 3.14 to Title 3 of the Kingsburg Municipal Code Enacting a Public Safety Transactions and Use Tax to be Administered by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration Upon Adoption by the Voters, with the following recital constituting reading of the title of the Ordinance:

“AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KINGSBURG, CALIFORNIA  
ENACTING A PUBLIC SAFETY TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX TO BE  
ADMINISTERED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TAX AND FEE  
ADMINISTRATION UPON ADOPTION BY THE VOTERS AND ADDING  
CHAPTER 3.14, TO TITLE 3 OF THE KINGSBURG MUNICIPAL CODE”

The motion was seconded by Council Member Smith and carried by unanimous voice vote.

### **Council Reports and Staff Communications**

**Community Services Commission-** Mayor Roman reported that it will meet on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Safety Committee-** Council Member Dix reported that it has not met.

**Chamber of Commerce-** Council Member North reported that it has not met.

**Economic Development Committee-** Economic Development Consultant, Jolene Polyack, reported that Kingsburg is in the running for a rural transit facility. She referred to a letter to Moses Sites saying why they should choose Kingsburg. Ms. Polyack also reported that the Safe Food Alliance located in the Business Park will be having its grand opening on April 25 at 2:00 P. M. She said that it will provide 80 jobs.

**Finance Committee-** Council Member Blayney reported that it met and discussed the budget amendments and CalPERS. We are under-funded like all other cities.

**Planning Commission-** Council Member Blayney reported that it will not meet tomorrow.

**South Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority-** Council Member Blayney reported that it has not met.

**City Manager’s Report** – No report.

**Other Business that may come properly before the City Council - None**

**At 7:21 P. M. Mayor Roman adjourned the Kingsburg City Council Regular Meeting into Closed Session to discuss the following item:**

**(1) Public Employee Evaluation – Government Code Section 54957**

Title: City Manager

**At 7:55 P. M. Mayor Roman adjourned out of Closed Session into the Regular Kingsburg City Council Meeting.**

**Report Out – None**

**At 7:56 P. M. Mayor Roman adjourned the Regular Kingsburg City Council Meeting.**

**Submitted by:**

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**Abigail Palsgaard, City Clerk  
City of Kingsburg**