

KINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2018

6 P.M. REGULAR SESSION MEETING:

Invocation was given by Pastor PJ Lewis of the Well Kingsburg, 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, Bruce Blayney, Sherman Dix, and Mayor Michelle Roman.

Staff present: City Manager Alexander Henderson, City Attorney Michael Noland, City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard, and Kingsburg Police Sgt. Hardin Weaver.

Public Comments: Kingsburg resident Charlie Soto spoke about sphere-of-influences and how close Council Members live. He stated that he still believes that all Council Members will be receptive to all citizens.

Consent Calendar: Mayor Roman stated that staff requests that Items 4.5 and 4.6 be pulled from the Consent Calendar. A motion was made by Council Member Blayney, seconded by Council Member Dix, to approve the Items appearing on the Consent Calendar except for items 4.5 and 4.6 which are pulled. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- 4.1 Approval of City Council Minutes:** Approve the minutes from the March 7, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting and the March 13, 2018 Special City Council Meeting as prepared by City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard.
- 4.2 Check Register:** Ratify/approve payment of bills listed on the check register for the period February 15, 2018 through March 14, 2018 as prepared by Accounts Payable Clerk Grace Reyna.
- 4.3 Approve Agreement for Donation of Real Property and Escrow Instruction** by and between John P. and Kathleen A. Koster and the City of Kingsburg for a portion of property located in Tulare County on Kern Street (Ave 396).
- 4.4 Treasurer's Reports**– Approve the Treasurer's Reports from March 31, 2017 to June 30, 2017 and from July 31, 2017 to September 30, 2017 as prepared by Finance Director Alma Colado.
- 4.5 (PULLED) Adopt the Negative Declaration for the Fresno County Regional Active Transportation Plan through Fresno Council of Governments Resolution 2018-03**
- 4.6 (PULLED) Approve Fresno Council of Governments Resolution 2018-04, adopting the Fresno County Regional Active Transportation Plan**

- 4.7 Adopt Resolution 2018-025-** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Kingsburg Extending the Reduction of the Amount of City of Kingsburg Capital Facilities Fees.
- 4.8 Adopt Resolution 2018-026-** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Kingsburg updating the Master Fee Schedule to add a Horse Shoe Rental Deposit fee.

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 Clerk Abigail Palsgaard

Open Public Hearing – At 6:07 P. M. Mayor Roman opened the public hearing.

City Attorney Michael Noland explained that this is the second public hearing to allow the community the opportunity to comment and provide suggestions on the composition of the soon to be formed Council Electoral Districts. At the first hearing the demographers did a presentation and at this public hearing we are considering draft maps. The deadline for maps to be turned into City Hall is April 5, 2018. There will be a third public hearing on April 18th where draft maps will be presented to the public.

Council Discussion – Mayor Roman asked if we have received any draft maps. City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard said that we have received about 5.

Open Public Comment – At 6:09 P. M. Mayor Roman opened for public comment. Being none, the Public Comment period was closed at 6:09 P. M.

Continued Council Discussion – Council Member Dix stated that there are going to be districts and he appreciates the comment that there is a value. He said that it is an added expense and is an unknown. It is a little hard to swallow when it is forced by litigation and not by citizens.

Mayor Roman commented about all 5 districts having downtown or commercial included. She said that it is tough the way our town is made.

Council Member Blayney commented that Council agrees to work together for the benefit of our citizens. We must have faith that whoever comes next will put the City above the district; it will be okay.

Close Public Hearing – At 6:14 P. M. Mayor Roman closed the Public Hearing. Informational—No Council action necessary.

Crime Statistics Report for the Month of February 2018 and General Police Department Update – Crime Statistics Report prepared by Kingsburg Police Department Records Supervisor Corina Padilla and presented by Kingsburg Police Sgt. Hardin Weaver.

Sgt. Weaver briefly highlighted the report. Informational- No action necessary.

Micro Grant Application Review- Staff report prepared by City Manager Alexander Henderson

City Manager Alexander Henderson stated that in December we discussed an application submitted by Kingsburg High School which requested matching funds to provide a new signage marquee to replace the existing sign at the High School. Council asked for additional information and to have the sign match our new “Wayfinding” style. Since then staff and Mayor Roman have met with the High School officials to discuss questions/issues raised by the Council.

Council discussion ensued with Council Member Blayney stating that he is worried that the sign is only 4 feet tall. Council Member Dix stated that he would like to see a small representation that the City was a part of the sign. He said that he would like to add when sports leagues have registration and City Council Meetings. Council Member North discussed how local sports benefit the community and the high school. She also suggested having the KCAPs food drive included. Following further comments and suggestions, Council Member Dix moved to approve the Micro Grant Application, subject to all sports league registration dates being posted on the sign and future items not to be unreasonably withheld. The motion was seconded by Council Member Blayney and carried by unanimous voice vote.

Argument in Favor of June 5, 2018 Ballot Measure regarding Public Safety Sales Tax– Staff Report Prepared by City Manager Alexander Henderson

City Manager Alexander Henderson stated that on March 7, 2018, the Council voted to move forward with the Public Safety ballot measure requiring a 2/3rds vote. Staff has compiled a proposed Argument in Favor that would be sent to Fresno County for inclusion in voter information documents. The Council can amend this language but should note that the word limit is 300. The current one is 295.

In Council discussion, Council Member Blayney stated that he would like to add flexibility to the language to show our intent to have more public safety personnel on the street. Council Member North stated that she would like it to include “One School Resource Officer”.

Council Member Blayney made a motion to move forward with the Argument in Favor with the added verbiage. The motion was seconded by Council Member Smith and carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council Reports and Staff Communications

- 6.1. Community Services Commission** – City Manager Alexander Henderson reported that they met last week and discussed the Athwal Park Master Plan.
- 6.2. Public Safety Committee-** Council Member Dix stated that they discussed the change to the Public Safety Sales Tax Ballot Measure voter requirements.
- 6.3. Chamber of Commerce** – Council Member North reported that the Car Show is coming up on April 20th and 21st.
- 6.4. Economic Development Committee** – City Manager Alexander Henderson reported that they have not met.

- 6.5. **Finance Committee** – Council Member Blayney reported that they have not met.
- 6.6. **Planning Commission**- Council Member Blayney reported that they have not met.
- 6.7 **South Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority** – Council Member Blayney reported that they have not met. Next meeting is on 4/11 in Del Rey.
- 6.8. **City Manager’s Report**- None

Other Business that may come properly before the City Council

Paul Kruper, speaking as a citizen, spoke about wanting Mariposa Street to go through if the Hash Development is built.

At 7:07- P. M. Mayor Roman adjourned the Kingsburg City Council Regular Meeting into Closed Session to discuss the following items:

1. **Public Employee Evaluation** – Government Code Section 54957
Title: City Manager
2. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957(B)(1);**
Conference with Legal Counsel—Anticipated Litigation
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to
Subdivision (B) Of California Government Code Section 54956.9
(One Potential Case)
3. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION**
California Government Code Section 54956.9 (a)
Robert M. Johnson v. City of Kingsburg
Fresno County Superior Court Case No: 17 CE CG 03532

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

Report Out of Closed Session - None

At 7:55 P. M. Mayor Roman adjourned the Regular Kingsburg City Council meeting.

Submitted by:

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