

**KINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MINUTES
JULY 28, 2021**

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PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ISSUED BY GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM THE PUBLIC HAD THE OPTION TO CALL 1 (425) 436-6335 PASSCODE 5290024 TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT. WRITTEN COMMENTS CAN STILL BE SUBMITTED BY MAIL OR EMAIL TO APALSGAARD@CITYOFKINGSBURG-CA.GOV. THE CUT OFF FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS WAS 7/27/2021 at 4:00pm. THEY WILL NOT BE READ OUT LOUD.

6 P.M. WORKSHOP:

Call to Order and Roll Call: Mayor Laura North called the regular meeting of the Kingsburg City Council to order at 6:00 P. M.

Council Members present: Jewel Hurtado, Brandon Pursell, Jr. (virtually), Michelle Roman, Vince Palomar, and Mayor Laura North.

Staff Present: City Manager Alexander Henderson, City Attorney Michael Noland, Community Services Director Adam Castaneda, Director of Administrative Services Christina Windover, Public Works Director Daniel Galvez, Building Official Edward Jakubowski, Finance Director Alma Colado, Police Chief Neil Dadian, Fire Chief Daniel Perkins, and City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard.

Public Comments – None.

The American Rescue Plan- Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Use Discussion- City Manager Alexander Henderson presented that Kingsburg will receive \$2,896,491 (50% received in July 2021, 50% received July 2022). The City must obligated funds by 12/31/2024 and the funds must be spent by 12/31/2026. City Manager Henderson reviewed eligible usages and the U.S. Treasury Reporting Requirements.

Director of Administrative Services Windover asked if we have any water/sewer needs. City Manager Henderson said yes, Public Works Director Galvez and City Engineer Peters have recognized some. Council Member Roman asked if there are SKF pipes that need to be replaced. Public Works Director Galvez said we can submit projects to him and he can check availability.

Council Member Palomar would like to use some funds for the GSA- Recharge project, buying land; non-profits- youth sports programs- small business grants for future losses due to the Delta variant.

Council Member Hurtado would like to use the funds for Dala Dollars- engaging community program. Forgiving utility debts. Investment in city hall tech- better mikes, cameras, improving communication with the public.

Finance Director Colado would like city hall improvements.

Director of Administrative Services Windover would support using funds for loss revenue. Kingsburg resident Sherman Dix agrees.

Mayor North spoke about the non-profits that have loss money. KCAPS total loss \$154,624, PPP loan for \$40,000; \$106,624 is what they loss net. Chamber loss- \$100,000. The Police Department had lots of calls during covid for child abuse, she would like the soft interview room improvements- Dutch door, paint, backpacks with toiletries, tv mounted with a streaming service at a \$10,000 estimate. She also supports Police Department remodel- water damage. Would like to use ARPA money for remodel and save Measure E money for staff. Would like to get City Engineer Peters in to the Police Department in there and get an initial estimate.

Council Member Roman supports using the funds for other non-profits that loss revenue because they had to be closed like the Historic Train Depot and the Historical Park. Would like to use funds to assist with the downtown association plan and save funds for future responses.

Public Works Director Daniel Galvez would like to use the funds to replace flow meters at the well sites and water security at well sites.

Council Member Pursell, Jr. would like to use the funds for infrastructure, cost recovery, doesn't want to spend all the money right, would like to save due to the variants coming out.

Council Member Hurtado would like to have a lump sum for the Police Department and the Fire Department on the side for future responses. Also supporting the Youth Council.

Community Services Director Castaneda would like to use the funds for the senior center kitchen remodel to successfully prepare meals, meal program.

Building Official Edward Jakubowski would like to use the funds for online permitting for convenience for the customer.

Council Member Roman would also like to use the funds for park improvements and agri-tourism.

Chief Dadian would like to use the funds for irrigation at the dog park.

Resident Sherman Dix would like to use the funds for the City's Façade Grants, outdoor dining, and youth sport registration.

The below list is from comment cards turned in at the meeting:

Topic:	# of votes:
Small Business Grants	6
Senior Center	5
Loss Revenue	4
Non-Profits (KCAPS/Chamber/Train/Historic Park)	4
City Hall Remodel	3
Park Improvements	3
Permit/reservation Software	3
Sports Complex	3
Water SGMA	3
Youth Sports (loss revenue/registration fees)	3
Agritourism	2

Façade/Outdoor Dining	2
Future COVID Response	2
KPD Family Room	2
Utility Debt	2
Water Efficiency	2
Youth Council	2
BMX Park	1
City Hall Tech	1
Dala dollars	1
Dog Park Improvement	1
Downtown Strategic Plan	1
PD Signing Bonus	1
Premium Pay for City Employees	1
Solar	1
Sustainable Development- Eco-friendly initiatives	1
Water Security	1
Water Transmission/Stormwater	1

Adjourn Kingsburg City Council Workshop – Mayor North adjourned the meeting at 7:16 P. M.

Submitted by:

Abigail Palsgaard, City Clerk