



CITY OF HUGHSON
Special City Council Session
SAMARITAN VILLAGE ALMOND ROOM
7700 Fox Road, Hughson, CA

MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2016 – 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Matt Beekman

ROLL CALL:

- Present: Mayor Matt Beekman
Councilmember George Carr
Councilmember Harold Hill
- Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Jeramy Young
Councilmember Jill Silva
- Staff Present: Raul L. Mendez, City Manager
Daniel J. Schroeder, City Attorney
Jaylen French, Community Development Director
Larry Seymour, Chief of Police Services
Dominique Spinale Romo, Assistant to the CM/City Clerk
Sam Rush, Public Works Superintendent
Jaime Velazquez, Utilities Superintendent
Lisa Whiteside, Finance Manager
Martha Serrato, Accounting Technician
Michelle Roberts, Accounting Technician

FLAG SALUTE: Mayor Matt Beekman

INVOCATION: Reverend Ernest Spears

1. PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR (No Action Can Be Taken):

Jean Henley-Hatfield addressed the City Council and complemented their work and that of City staff. She also invited the City Council, City staff and residents to the Open Garden scheduled for April 30, 2016 at the Hughson Arboretum and Gardens which would include a special remembrance of founder Margaret Sturtevant.

2. PRESENTATIONS:

2.1: State of the City Address, Presented by Mayor Matt Beekman.

Mayor Beekman delivered the State of the City Address on the City of Hughson whose theme centered on maximizing the City's potential by proactively exploring possibilities. He discussed the City's fiscal condition and current economic development initiatives—including investment in the downtown. He also emphasized the City's effort to better integrate technology in municipal governance. Mayor Beekman also shared information regarding the countywide effort to support a transportation sales tax measure in November 2016 to ensure that local roads in Stanislaus County are adequately maintained and improved.

City Manager Mendez and Community Development Director French provided information on the City's financial strategies, community partnerships, advanced planning and enhanced infrastructure.

Mayor Beekman recognized Dominique Spinale Romo for her time of service with the City of Hughson and wished her well in her new position with the City of Escalon as their Development Services Manager.

ADJOURN TO A RECESS AND REFRESHMENTS (Approximately 30 Minutes) – 6:55 P.M.

RECONVENE TO THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING – 7:21 P.M.

2.2: Planning Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission Updates by Chairmen Alan McFadon and Matt House.

Chairman McFadon and Chairman House provided an update to the City Council and members of the public on their work, on behalf of the Planning Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission, in their respective areas.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

All items listed on the Consent Calendar are to be acted upon by a single action of the City Council unless otherwise requested by an individual Councilmember for special consideration. Otherwise, the recommendation of staff will be accepted and acted upon by roll call vote.

- 3.1: Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 8, 2016.
- 3.2: Approve the Warrants Register.
- 3.3: Review and Approve the City of Hughson Treasurer's Report:
 - (a) Investment Portfolio Report for October 2015.
 - (b) Investment Portfolio Report for November 2015.
 - (c) Investment Portfolio Report for December 2015.
- 3.4: Approve an Amendment to the Turlock Groundwater Basin Association Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to allow the City of Waterford to join as a New Party and to revise the method of adding new parties in the future, Adopt Resolution No. 2016-02, authorizing the above amendments to the Turlock Groundwater Basin Association Board Memorandum of Understanding, and authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents associated with this amendment.
- 3.5: Accept the Quarterly City of Hughson Legislative Report.

BEEKMAN/CARR 3-0 (YOUNG-Absent, SILVA-Absent) motion passes to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 4.1: Adopt Resolution No. 2016-03, Approving Mid-Year Adjustments to the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

Finance Director Esenwein presented the staff report reviewing the recommended budget adjustments totaling \$326,089 for a variety of anticipated expenditures including contract services, administration, community improvements and infrastructure projects with the City Council. She noted that budget adjustments in the General Fund totaled \$46,970 with \$29,206 offset by various budget reductions. Mayor Beekman inquired about the use of Public Facilities Fees to fund past eligible purchases that used other sources. City Manager Mendez stated that he would be discussing the item with the City Attorney to determine if it was permissible.

CARR/HILL 3-0 (YOUNG-Absent, SILVA-Absent) motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2016-03, Approving Mid Year Adjustments to the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

5. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: NONE.

6. NEW BUSINESS: NONE.

7. CORRESPONDENCE: NONE.

8. COMMENTS:

8.1: Staff Reports and Comments: (Information Only – No Action)

City Manager:	City Manager Mendez thanked the City Council for their leadership and support. He also complemented City staff for their dedication and thanked Dominique Spinale Romo for her service. He announced upcoming meetings: Love Hughson (2/23), Hughson Fruit and Nut Festival (2/23), Consolidated Emergency Dispatch Agency Commission (2/23) and Opportunity Stanislaus (3/1)
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City Clerk:	Dominique Spinale Romo graciously thanked the City Council and City staff for their support.
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Community Development Director:

Director of Finance:

Police Services:	Chief Seymour shared his Police Services Report and recapped the training that his staff had been provided in cooperation with local agencies and businesses.
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City Attorney:

8.2: Council Comments: (Information Only – No Action)

Councilmember Hill wished Dominique Spinale Romo well and thanked her for the assistance that she provided to him and the rest of the Council. He also shared that he had attended the City/Fire 2+2 meeting and also a local Chinese New Year Celebration in Modesto.

Councilmember Carr also thanked Dominique Spinale Romo for her service and wished her good luck in the City of Escalon.

8.3: Mayor’s Comments: (Information Only – No Action)

Mayor Beekman thanked the City Council, City staff, partners and residents that had attended the State of the City Address and stated that it was a privilege to serve the community.

9. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING: NONE.

ADJOURNMENT:

HILL/CARR motion passes to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm



MATT BEEKMAN, Mayor



LISA WHITESIDE, Temporary City Clerk