



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Kerman City Hall, 850 S. Madera Avenue, Kerman, CA 93630

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

- A. Call to Order - **6:01 p.m.**
- B. Roll Call - **All members present**
- C. Invocation - **Performed by Mayor Pacheco**
- D. Flag Salute – **Performed**

2. AGENDA APPROVAL/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Yep, Seconded by Councilmember Dhaliwal

Ayes: Yep, Dhaliwal, Hall, Herrera, Pacheco

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passes 5-0-0-0

3. PRESENTATIONS/CEREMONIAL MATTERS

- A. Proclamation - African American History Month - **Presented, Councilmember Hall shared a few words.**
- B. Proclamation - KHS Football - **Presented to Coach Jenkins and present KHS football players.**

4. PUBLIC FORUM *(for matters not on agenda)* – **None**

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, a member of the audience or a Council Member may request an item be removed from the Consent Calendar and it will be considered separately.

- A. **SUBJECT:** Minutes - January 8, 2025

RECOMMENDATION: Council to approve minutes as presented.

B. **SUBJECT:** Payroll (JA)

12/08/2024 to 12/21/2024: \$252,406.25; Retro Pay & Other: \$3,787.87; Overtime: \$9,655.74; Standby: \$2,012.91; Comp Time Earned: 22.50

RECOMMENDATION: Council approve payroll as presented.

C. **SUBJECT:** Monthly Investment Report

RECOMMENDATION: Council accept monthly investment report as presented.

D. **SUBJECT:** Municipal Financial Advisor and Selection of Consultant (JA)

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that Council adopt resolution approving Municipal Financial Advisor contract with Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$38,500 for conducting the financial advisor services for proposed lease revenue bond public offering to finance new capital improvement projects (new Police Station and Resiliency Center) and authorize the City Manager to sign the Consultant Agreement. – **Res. 25-03**

Motion made by Councilmember Hall, Seconded by Councilmember Herrera

Ayes: Hall, Herrera, Dhaliwal, Yep, Pacheco

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passes 5-0-0-0

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS - Opened 6:21 p.m.**

A. **SUBJECT:** Public hearing regarding General Plan Amendment (GPA 2023-03), Rezone (REZ 2023-04), Tentative Subdivision Map (TSM 2023-04), Annexation (ANX 2023-04), and an Environmental Impact Report (SCH No. 2024031008) (ENV 2023-08) pertaining to three (3) parcels located on the north side of Whitesbridge Road (State Route 180) between North Siskiyou and North Madera Avenues (APNs 020-120-29S, 020-120-30S and 020-120-28ST).

RECOMMENDATION: The Kerman City Council conduct a public hearing, deliberate, and by motion:

1. Adopt a resolution of the City Council of the City of Kerman (1) adopting the findings required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Section 15091; (2) certifying the Environmental Impact Report (SCH No. 2024031008); (3) adopting the proposed Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; (4) adopting a Statement of Overriding Considerations, pursuant to the CEQA (ENV 2023-08); and (5) approving General Plan Amendment 2023-03 to amend the 2040 Kerman General Plan planned land use designations for Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 020-120-29S (24.24 acres) and 020-120-30S (24.14 acres), to MDR – Medium Density Residential and HDR – High Density Residential, with a corresponding reduction in land designated GC – General Commercial

(northwest corner of North Del Norte Avenue and West Whitesbridge Road (State Route 180); and – **Res. 25-04, Res. 25-05, Res. 25-06**

2. Waive full reading and introduce by title only an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Kerman approving Rezone 2023-04 to amend the official zoning map of the City of Kerman for three (3) parcels identified as Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 020-120-29S (24.24 acres), 020-120-30S (24.14 acres), and 020-120-28ST (23.91 acres), pre-zoning the parcels consistent with the proposed land use designations, resulting in approximately 38 acres within the Smart Development Combining District – Residential – minimum 5,000 square feet (SD-R-5.0), 10.96 acres within the Two-Family Residential (R-2), four (4) acres within the Multi-Unit Residential (R-3), and 18.95 acres within the General Commercial (CG) zoning districts, totaling approximately 72.29 acres located on the north side of Whitesbridge Road (State Route 180) between North Siskiyou Avenue and North Madera Avenue (Rezone 2023-04). - **Ord. 25-01**

Public Comment from Michael Cheney and Cory Molloy

Closed 7:10 p.m.

Motion made by Councilmember Herrera, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Yep

Ayes: Herrera, Yep, Dhaliwal, Hall, Pacheco

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passes 5-0-0-0

7. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- A. **SUBJECT:** Presentation by Reclaim our Power (JAJ)

RECOMMENDATION: Council hear a presentation by Reclaim our Power about their Utility Justice Campaign, and their next steps in seeking legislation in support of their proposal, with possible direction to staff.

Presentation by Colin Cook-Miller and Inoyoko Young. Public comment from Ray Cody with Stop PG&E.com and Jose Verduzco.

Council would like to wait to do more research before making any decisions.

- B. **SUBJECT:** Local Law Enforcement Interaction with Undocumented Immigrants (SW)

RECOMMENDATION: City Council receive a presentation addressing Local Law Enforcement's Interaction with Undocumented Immigrants.

Information presented by Chief Wilkins. Public comment received by Yazmine Enriquez.

- C. **SUBJECT:** Request by Mayor Pacheco to discuss “Sanctuary Cities” with the City Council, with possible direction to staff. (JAJ)

RECOMMENDATION: City Council discuss the subject of “Sanctuary Cities”, with possible direction to staff.

Information provided by City Manager. Public comment received by Jasmine Ibal.

Motion by Councilmember Herrera, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Yep for Staff to create and bring back a draft resolution of support to distribute to the community via several outlets.

Ayes: Herrera, Yep, Dhaliwal, Hall, Pacheco

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passes 5-0-0-0

- D. **SUBJECT:** Public Street Right-of-Way for the Vineland Avenue Widening Project from Whitesbridge Road to 660’ to the South (JG)

RECOMMENDATION: Council by motion adopt a resolution:

1. Approving an agreement with The J. S. and S. K. Sidhu Family 2009 Revocable Trust in the amount of \$53,600 for the purchase of public street right-of-way for the Vineland Avenue Widening Project from Whitesbridge Road to 660’ to the South and;
2. Approving the Certificate of Acceptance and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same on behalf of the City. - **Res. 25-07**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Yep, Seconded by Councilmember Herrera

Ayes: Yep, Herrera, Dhaliwal, Hall, Pacheco

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passes 5-0-0-0

- E. **SUBJECT:** Appointment of Members to the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission and to the Planning Commission (TJ & JJ)

RECOMMENDATION: Council by motion:

1. Adopt resolution approving appointments by Mayor Pacheco of two applicants to the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission; and – **Res. 25-08**
2. Adopt resolution approving appointment by Mayor Pacheco of one applicant to the Planning Commission. - **Res. 25-09**

Motion made by Councilmember Hall, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Yep

Ayes: Hall, Yep, Dhaliwal, Herrera, Pacheco

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passes 5-0-0-0

F. **SUBJECT:** City Council Appointments to Committees, Commissions and Boards (JAJ)

RECOMMENDATION: Council by minute order approve;

1. The appointment of a City Councilmember to serve as the primary representative to the Upper Kings Basin Water Authority, and appoint one City Councilmember to serve as the alternate City Council representative to the Upper Kings Basin Water Authority and;
2. The appointment of Mayor Pro Tem to serve as Kerman City Council alternate representative to the Fresno County Council of Governments (FCOG).

Mayor Pro Tem Yep nominated to serve as representative for the Upper Kings Basin Authority, with City Engineer Jesus Gonzalez as alternate.

Mayor Pro Tem Yep nominated as alternate for FCOG.

All nominations accepted.

Motion made by Councilmember Dhaliwal, Seconded by Councilmember Herrera

Ayes: Dhaliwal, Herrera, Hall, Yep, Pacheco

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passes 5-0-0-0

8. CITY MANAGER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

9. MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pro Tem Yep asks Staff to look into providing a stipend for Rec Commissioners at a future agenda.

Staff given the directive to bring the KHS girls' Cross Country and Soccer teams to a future meeting to be recognized for their achievements.

Mayor Pacheco requests the discussion of hosting a Town Hall/Community Forum regarding the topic of sanctuary cities and KPD's interaction with the undocumented community at a future meeting.

10. CLOSED SESSION - None

11. ADJOURNMENT - 9:07 p.m.

MINUTES CERTIFICATION

I, Josie Camacho, City Clerk for the City of Kerman, do hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the above minutes are a true depiction of all actions taken at the City Council meeting held on the first date above written at Kerman City Hall, 850 S. Madera Ave, Kerman, CA.

Date: January 23, 2025 /s/ Josie Camacho, City Clerk