

**KINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 3, 2020**

VIA TELECONFERENCE PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ISSUED BY GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM. THE COUNCIL CHAMBER WAS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC. PUBLIC HAD THE OPTION TO CALL 1 (559) 207-3003 PASSCODE 5821 TO PROVIDE COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS. WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE SUBMITTED BY MAIL OR EMAIL TO APALSGAARD@CITYOFKINGSBURG-CA.GOV. THE CUT OFF FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS WAS 6/2/2020 at 4:30pm. THEY WERE NOT BE READ OUT LOUD.

Invocation was given by Pastor Mark Thompson of Kingsburg First Baptist Church.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: Mayor Michelle Roman called the regular meeting of the Kingsburg City Council to order at 6:00 P. M.

Council Members present by teleconference: Jewel Hurtado, Vince Palomar, Sherman Dix, Laura North, and Mayor Michelle Roman.

Staff present by teleconference: City Attorney Michael Noland and City Engineer Dave Peters.

Staff present in person: City Manager Alexander Henderson, Finance Director Alma Colado, Police Chief Neil Dadian, and City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard.

Public Comments:

Adam Hughes stated that he would like access to the City pool for his swim team.

Sirena Resedenez, resident, spoke about holding a peaceful rally in support of people of color. Pastor Battle would be praying at the event.

Jenn Guerra, resident, stated that she supports a peaceful rally.

Approve Agenda: A motion was made by Council Member Hurtado, seconded by Council Member North, to approve the agenda, as published. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Consent Calendar: Council Member Dix moved to approve the Consent Calendar with Item No. 4.3 pulled. The motion was seconded by Council Member North and carried by unanimous voice vote.

- 4.1 Approval of City Council Minutes:** Approve the minutes from the May 20, 2020 Regular 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 May 14, 2020 through May 27, 2020 as prepared by Accounts Payable Clerk Grace Reyna.
- 4.3 Pulled**
- 4.4 Adopt Resolution 2020-034-** A Resolution of The City Council of The City of Kingsburg Approving Summary Vacation of Alley Along the Howard Street Alignment Between 18th and 19th Avenues. – Staff Report prepared by City Engineer Dave Peters.

- 4.5 Approve the Fire Department Communications and Dispatching Agreement with Fresno County.** Staff Report by Fire Chief Daniel Perkins.
- 4.6 Adopt the recommended wage scale of a prorated hourly rate for the Part-Time Paramedic positions needed to adequately operate a second ambulance.** Staff Report by Fire Chief Daniel Perkins.

Pulled Consent Calendar Item No. 4.3. Council Member Dix stated that he pulled it because he was not sure if this is a routine document. City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard said that it is. Council Member Dix moved to adopt Resolution No. 2020-033 as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Palomar and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

- 4.3 Adopt Resolution 2020-033-** A Resolution of The City Council of The City of Kingsburg Ordering An Election, Requesting County Elections To Conduct The Election, Requesting Consolidation of Election And Determining Payment For Candidate's Statements, And For The Appointment To Office If No One Or Only One Person Is Nominated.

Regular Calendar

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Update- Staff Report by City Manager Alexander Henderson

Council discussed sink costs for downtown and the potential of litter. They spoke about the number of handwashing sinks. Council discussed high touch areas like ATMS. Council asked for confirmation from the Health Care District. Council directed staff to move forward with looking into the sinks.

Discussion ensued about allowing restaurants to use public spaces like parking spots and privately owned parking lots that could not be used in the past for outdoor dining. It was pointed out that we would need formal action from Council to relax the regulations. Council agreed that it is a great idea to assist the restaurants and wants to make sure that businesses are contacted.

Public Comment: Jenn Guerra, resident, said that she supports having hand washing (stations) at the parks and playgrounds. She thanked Council and staff for being pro-business.

Approve Resolution 2020-035 – A motion was made by Council Member Hurtado, seconded by Council Member Dix, to approve Resolution No. 2020-035 which would allow temporary outdoor dining on public and private property. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget Introduction- Staff Report prepared by City Manager Alexander Henderson

City Manager Alexander Henderson reviewed the budget, stating that Property Taxes are in line with projections; Sales Tax is low due to Covid-19; and Planning fees are high due to building. He reviewed various funds, including Measure E, Landscaping and Lighting Districts, and CalPERS.

Council asked about T-Mobile. Mr. Henderson said that we are not including any assumptions right now. It depends on where they go in. Timing is unknown but when it comes to fruition there will be a positive impact to revenues. Council also asked about Public Safety Committee funding. Mr. Henderson said that it is up to the Committee on how they would like to spend the funds.

Madsen Avenue Bike / Ped Trail- Staff Report prepared by City Engineer Dave Peters

City Engineer Dave Peters reviewed the background and updates. He said that Council discussed the timetable of when they were contacted by the 3rd party right-of-way consultant. Council thought the property owners should have been brought into the conversation in 2016. Staff spoke about the adopted master plans.

Mary and Tim Brandon spoke. They purchased the grapes 25 years ago. They put in redwood trees for privacy and safety. They would like to keep their farm the way it is.

Mayor Roman asked what would happen if we do not approve the project? City Engineer Dave Peters said that we would have to return the money for the right-of-way and design, and we may score lower in the future.

Council Member North asked if we could keep negotiating with the property owner. She said maybe we could have someone from the City work with them. Dave Peters said that he can ask Caltrans. The project is Federally funded, and one of the rules is that cities cannot speak to the property owners. Council said that it is important to have a bike/walk trail about communities, but we also want to respect the property owner.

Council gave direction to staff to work with the property owners to reach a solution.

Council Reports and Staff Communications

- 6.1 Community Services Commission** - Council Member North reported that they have not met.
- 6.2 Public Safety Committee** – Council Member Palomar reported that it has not met. The camera project is moving forward with the Kingsburg Media Foundation.
- 6.3 Chamber of Commerce** – Council Member Hurtado reported that it is going to meet next week.
- 6.4 Economic Development Committee** -Council Member Dix reported that it met last week and discussed the outdoor dining. Mayor Roman said that it also discussed E-Gift Cards, a universal gift card for Kingsburg businesses.
- 6.5 Finance Committee**- City Manager Alexander Henderson reported that it has not met but the budget is what they have been working on.
- 6.6 Planning Commission** – City Manager Alexander Henderson reported that it is set to meet next Thursday.
- 6.7 South Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority (SKGSA)**- Council Member Dix reported that it met last week and discussed construction for storage projects.
- 6.8 City Manager’s Report**- City Manager Alexander Henderson reported that tomorrow night is the Kingsburg High School’s drive thru graduation ceremony and a family is renting the trolley.

Other Business that may come properly before the City Council

Council Member Dix stated that the pool is moving into stage 3 and being opened to the public. He would like to open it to TNT.

Mayor Roman thanked FCRTA for delivering meals to seniors. It was noted that she was elected as the Vice Chair of FCTRA.

Future Agenda Items

These items will be added to a future agenda with direction from Council.

Council Member Hurtado stated that the Pub and Sub owner will be retiring soon. She would like to honor Margie for helping the community for so many years. Council Member Dix agreed, stating that he is sad to see her go. He said that he would like to do it in July when we can do it in person.

Adjourn - At 8:34 P. M. Mayor Roman adjourned the Regular Kingsburg City Council Meeting.

Submitted by:

Abigail Palsgaard, City Clerk