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Approval of the Minutes of the June 9, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting, June 13, 2022 Budget Hearing Meeting, June 14, 2022 Budget Hearing Meeting, and the June 15, 2022 Budget Hearing Meeting.

Contents of Supplement:

Draft Minutes for the June 15, 2022 Budget Hearing Meeting

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City of Fresno

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

9:00 AM

Budget Hearings Continued From June 14, 2022.

Council Chambers (In Person And/Or Electronic)

City Council

President - Nelson Esparza

Vice President - Tyler Maxwell

Councilmembers:

Esmeralda Z. Soria, Mike Karbassi, Miguel Angel Arias, Luis Chavez,

Garry Bredefeld

City Manager - Georgeanne A. White

Interim City Attorney - Rina Gonzales

City Clerk - Todd Stermer, CMC

Budget Hearings - Commencing on June 13, 2022, the budget hearings will be considered one continuous meeting.

The City Council for the City of Fresno convened in budget hearing session on June 15, 2022, at 9:00 A.M.

9:16 A.M. ROLL CALL

Councilmember Chavez was absent during roll call and joined the meeting at 9:35 A.M.

Present: 7 - Council President Nelson Esparza
Vice President Tyler Maxwell
Councilmember Esmeralda Z. Soria
Councilmember Mike Karbassi
Councilmember Miguel Angel Arias
Councilmember Luis Chavez
Councilmember Garry Bredefeld

Monday, June 13, 2022 - 9:00 A.M.

- [ID 22-959](#) General Fund Overview by Budget and Management Studies Division
- [ID 22-960](#) Fire Department
- [ID 22-962](#) Finance Department
- [ID 22-961](#) Convention Center / Stadium
- [ID 22-963](#) Parks, After School, Recreation and Community Services (PARCS)
- [ID 22-965](#) Department of Public Utilities

Tuesday, June 14, 2022 - 9:00 A.M.

- [ID 22-966](#) Department of Transportation
- [ID 22-964](#) Information Services Department
- [ID 22-967](#) Planning and Development Department
- [ID 22-968](#) Personnel Services Department
- [ID 22-969](#) Public Works Department

[ID 22-970](#) General Services

Wednesday, June 15, 2022 - 9:00 A.M.

[ID 22-971](#) Economic Development

Interim Economic Development Director Trevino presented the Economic Development Department budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: John Leal, Jose Leon Barraza, Jose Luis Barraza, Gabriel Lozano, Kiel Lopez-Schmidt, Kimberly McCoy, Ashley Reyes, Brandi Nuse-Villegas, Sukhwinder Cheema, and Just Sales-Jackson.

Discussion was held between Council and the administration.

REQUEST FOR MORE INFORMATION WAS MADE DURING THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW:

Council President Esparza requested salary information for the Economic Development Director and how it compares to other like-cities.

THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WERE MADE DURING BUDGET HEARINGS:

Councilmember Karbassi motioned to carryover \$100,000 to fund Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). Councilmember Chavez seconded the motion.

Councilmember Soria motioned to allocate \$2 million to outsource the support of small business to assist businesses and avoid evictions. Councilmember Arias seconded the motion.

Councilmember Karbassi motioned to allocate \$100,000 to add a new position for Sister City liaison. Councilmember Chavez seconded the motion.

Councilmember Chavez motioned to have city officials sponsor Hmong New

Year, Pride Parade, Caesar Chavez March, and Juneteenth, include but not limited to. Councilmember Karbassi seconded the motion.

Councilmember Chavez motioned to add \$100,000 to provide for LGBTQ resource center. Councilmember Karbassi seconded the motion.

Councilmember Arias motioned to add \$50,000 to additional EDC's contract. Councilmember Soria seconded the motion.

[ID 22-972](#) Office of the City Clerk / Copy Center

City Clerk Stermer presented the Office of the City Clerk/Copy Center budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Brandi Nuse-Villegas, Lisa Flores, and Elizondo.

Discussion was held between Council and the administration. There was no direction or motions made at this time.

[ID 22-973](#) City Attorney's Office

Interim City Attorney Gonzales presented the City Attorney's Office budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Lesly Leon, Mohammad Al-Saber, Shaq Moseley, Christopher Washington, Brandi Nuse-Villegas, Gloria Hernandez, Alexandra Alvarado, Karla Martinez, Lisa Flores, Amber Crowell, Isabel Vargas, Ruben Espinoza, and Jessica Morales.

Discussion was held between Council and the administration.

REQUEST FOR MORE INFORMATION WAS MADE DURING THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE OVERVIEW:

Councilmember Arias requested a draft resolution to grandfather in Fiestas Patrias, Mexican Independent Day, and Sikh Celebration.

THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WERE MADE DURING BUDGET HEARINGS:

Vice President Maxwell motioned to approve all of City Attorney's budget additional requests. Councilmember Karbassi seconded the motion.

Councilmember Arias motioned to approve Code Enforcements requests of one F450 Flatbed Truck for a one-time cost of \$60,000 and \$1,000 ongoing after that and one Senior Community Revitalization Specialist at an annual salary of \$93,571 at and \$10,000 First Year. Vice President Maxwell seconded the motion.

City Council recessed for lunch at 12:02 P.M. and returned from lunch at 1:34 P.M.

Councilmember Soria left the meeting at 1:34 P.M.

[ID 22-974](#) Office of Mayor & City Manager / General City Purpose

City Manager White, Budget Manager Fierro, and Mayor Dyer presented the Office of the Mayor & City Manager/General City Purpose budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Tobaise Brookins, Brandi Nuse-Villegas, Gurdeep Shergill, Luvdeep Shergill, Raj Pannu, Raman Singh, Manpreet Singh, Sam Bal, Raj Sodhi-Layne, Deborah Lewis, Margarita Rocha, Yia Her, Vanise Curry, Raygan Baker, Darrel Jones, Tim Kutzmark, Susan Xiong, Lisa Flores, Navdeep Kaur, and Kiran Brar.

Councilmember Soria returned to the meeting at 2:02 P.M.

Discussion was held between Council and the administration.

REQUEST FOR MORE INFORMATION WAS MADE DURING THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR & CITY MANAGER/GENERAL CITY PURPOSE OVERVIEW:

Councilmember Arias requested a list of all the FTE staffing, total budget for the last five years including FY23 also include positions that were transferred to other departments but still do work for the City Manager's Office. He would like information on the unused funds for the Police Commission and requested deliverables of the Office of the Community Affairs within 60 days.

THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WERE MADE DURING BUDGET HEARINGS:

Councilmember Arias motioned to approve funding for the Accela software that was already included in the FY2023 budget, however, additional costs have been identified as necessary for the implementation (programming and training) of the Accela system and to extend the contract for the current system (OpenGov) until the records can be fully migrated to Accela. Vice President Maxwell seconded the motion.

Vice President Maxwell motioned to free-up \$50,000 of the \$200,000 from the City Manager's Office community engagement funds to reach out to the hard-to-reach communities to inform them of programs available through the City of Fresno. Councilmember Arias seconded the motion. Councilmember Arias seconded the motion.

Councilmember Arias motioned to fund \$50,000 for a city sponsored firework show at Chukchansi Stadium, or other possible venues as identified by the administration. Vice President Maxwell seconded the motion.

Councilmember Soria left the meeting at 3:44 P.M.

[ID 22-975](#) City Council Offices

Budget Manager Fierro presented the City Council budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Upon call, the following member of the public addressed Council: Lisa Flores.

Councilmember Arias left the meeting at 4:10 P.M.

There was no directions or motions made at this time.

**JOINT MEETING OF THE FRESNO REVITALIZATION CORPORATION
AND CITY OF FRESNO IN ITS CAPACITY AS HOUSING SUCCESSOR
TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

[ID 22-983](#) Receive Annual Report and Approve FY 2022-2023 Program Income Budget for the City of Fresno in its capacity as Housing Successor to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Fresno

Successor Agency Director Murphey presented the Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 program income budget.

Upon call, the following member of the public addressed Council: Brandi Nuse-Villegas.

APPROVED

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Vice President Maxwell, that the above Action Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Esparza, Maxwell, Karbassi, Arias, Chavez and Bredefeld

Absent: 1 - Soria

THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WERE MADE DURING BUDGET HEARINGS:

Councilmember Arias motioned to add \$100,000 to Planning & Development to fund the smoke shop amendment. Vice President Maxwell seconded the motion.

Councilmember Arias motioned to outsource \$2 million for the façade improvement program. Vice President Maxwell seconded the motion.

Councilmember Arias motioned add \$500,000 from façade improvement program to expand mobile food vendor safety security and development program. Vice President Maxwell seconded the motion.

City Council recessed the June 14, 2022, Budget Hearings at 4:15 P.M. The next Budget Hearings is scheduled for Thursday, June 16, 2022.

Thursday, June 16, 2022 - 9:00 A.M.

[ID 22-1016](#) Continued Budget Hearings

Monday, June 20, 2022 - 9:00 A.M.

[ID 22-982](#) Police Department

[ID 22-981](#) Airports Department (FYI)

Thursday, June 23, 2022 - 9:00 A.M. (Vote on Council Motions will be a part of the regular Council Meeting)

[ID 22-984](#) Vote on Council Motions

Thursday, June 30, 2022 - 9:00 A.M. (Vote on Budget will be a part of the regular Council Meeting)

[ID 22-985](#) Vote on Budget

ADJOURNMENT