

**MINUTES**  
**WASCO CITY COUNCIL**  
and Successor Agency to the  
Former Redevelopment Agency  
**Tuesday, June 7, 2022**  
Regular Meeting – 6:00 pm.  
**City Council Chambers**  
**746 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Wasco, CA 93280**

**REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 pm**

**1) CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Reyna

Mayor Reyna called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**2) ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Reyna, Mayor Pro Tem Pallares, Council Members: Garcia, Lynch, Martinez

Staff members: City Manager M. Scott Hurlbert, Assistant City Manager Lara, Public Works Director Villa, Finance Director Perez-Hernandez, City Attorney Schroeter, Kern County Sheriff Sargent Shinn, Kern County Fire Chief Appleton, Deputy City Clerks: Monica Flores, Yolanda Tinajero

Late: Council Member Martinez arrived at 6:02 pm.

**3) FLAG SALUTE:** by students of Wasco Tigers TaeKwando; Kaitlyn Taberna, Elias Rios, Noemi Rios, Nataly Rios, and Jordan Mulato

**4) INVOCATION:** by Manuel Cantu, Lifehouse Church

**5) PRESENTATIONS:**

**a.** Recognition for Wasco Tigers TaeKwando.

Mayor Reyna presented the recognition to Brian Solorio, owner of Wasco Tigers Taekwondo and students Kaitlyn Taberna, Elias Rios, Noemi Rios, Nataly Rios, and Jordan Mulato performed a short demonstration.

**6) PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE**

**7) SUCCESSOR AGENCY BUSINESS: NONE**

**8) WASCO PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY BUSINESS: NONE**

**CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

**9) CONSENT CALENDAR:**

The Consent Calendar consists of items that, in the staff's opinion, are routine and non-controversial. These items are approved in one motion unless a Council Member or member of the public requests removal of a particular item.

**a.** Receive and file department payments totaling \$481,781.86

**b.** Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes for May 17, 2022, Regular Meeting.

- c. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Deferral of Certain Impact Fees for a 16,000 square foot Grocery Outlet as Approved in Site Plan Review (SPR) 21-436, Assessor's Parcel Number 487-040-07 and 487-040-38 as Provided for Under Title 13 of the Wasco Municipal Code and Government Code Section 66007.

**Reso#2022-3730**

- d. Adopt A Resolution Approving an Application For Funding and the Execution of a Grant Agreement and Any Amendments Thereto From The Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 6 of the State Department of Transportation.

**Reso#2022-3731**

- e. Approval of Travel and Training Expenses Exceeding \$500.00 per trip for one-half of City Attorney Thomas F. Schroeter's registration fees and one night's hotel stay to attend the League of California Cities Annual Conference held on September 7 – 9, 2022, in Long Beach, California, not to exceed \$539.00.

No public comments.

Mayor Reyna requested a minor correction to the minutes, item 9b.

**Motion** was made by Council Member Martinez, **seconded** by Council Member Garcia, to approve the Consent Calendar with the corrections of item 9b as mentioned by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	REYNA, PALLARES, GARCIA, LYNCH, MARTINEZ
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

**10) PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- a. Adopt a Resolution Accepting the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan in Accordance with the requirements of the California Department of Water Resources, Water Code Sections, 10610.

**Reso#2022-3732**

Oral presentation by Consultant Curtis Skaggs, from Dee Jasper & Associates.

Mayor Reyna opened the public hearing at 6:20 pm.

No public comments.

Mayor Reyna closed the public hearing at 6:23 pm.

**Motion** was made by Council Member Lynch, **seconded** by Council Member Garcia, to approve the Urban Water Management Plan by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	REYNA, PALLARES, GARCIA, LYNCH, MARTINEZ
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

**11) DEFERRED BUSINESS: None**

**12) NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Adopt a Resolution Accepting Two Awarded Grants for the Amount of \$5000 each from Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E") and California For All Animals Statewide Animal Shelter Assistance Program for City of Wasco Animal Control Services and Appropriating the Funds.

**Reso#2022-3733**

Oral presentation by Assistant City Manager Lara.

No public comments.

**Motion** was made by Mayor Reyna, **seconded** by Council Member Garcia, to approve the two awarded grants by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	REYNA, PALLARES, GARCIA, LYNCH, MARTINEZ
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

- b. Consider Adoption of A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or his Designee to use The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) Funds for the Promotion of COVID-19 Vaccination Event(s) to Incentivize Community Participation.

**Reso#2022-3734**

Oral presentation by City Manager Hurlbert.

No public comments.

The consensus of the council is to approve the five-hundred \$50 dollar generic gift cards for the Covid-19 Vaccination events and directed staff to ensure there will be one-hundred gift cards available for the next vaccination event scheduled on Sunday June 26, 2022.

**Motion** was made by Mayor Reyna, **seconded** by Council Member Lynch, to adopt a Resolution approving the purchase of five-hundred \$50 dollar gift cards using ARPA funds by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	REYNA, PALLARES, GARCIA, LYNCH, MARTINEZ
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

**13) REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES:**

- a. Kern Economic Development Corporation (Garcia)

**No reports**

- b. Kern Council of Government (Reyna)

**Mayor Reyna:**

City staff worked diligently to resolve an issue with two grants with Caltrans.

- c. Wasco Task Force (Martinez & Reyna)

**No reports**

**14) REPORTS FROM KC FIRE AND SHERIFF:**

- a. Kern County Fire Department

**Chief Appleton updated the council on the following:**

As of January 2022, data confirms 43% of fires are caused by homelessness, and they are currently collecting more information.

b. Kern County Sheriff Department

**Sargent Shinn presented a PowerPoint report on recent crimes.**

**15) REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER:**

**City Manager Hurlbert updated the council on the following items;**

- City has approved a training agreement with Kern County at the old farm labor camp. The SWAT team will try out a new machine called the ROOK on June 8, 2022, and the demonstration exercise will be held in the interior of the old farm labor camp.

**16) REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL:**

**Council Member Garcia:**

- Attended the Annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the Bakersfield National Cemetery on May 28, 2022.
- Requested staff to bring back the community lighting and the downtown landscaping projects for an update at a future meeting before the end of the fiscal year.
- Encouraged to invite the community to attend the upcoming Budget Workshops and requested for translation services to be provided when the dates are confirmed.

**Council Member Lynch:**

- Attended the Hillcrest Memorial Day Ceremony on May 30, 2022.

**Mayor Reyna:**

- Attended the Annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the Bakersfield National Cemetery on Saturday, May 28, 2022.
- Attended the Covid-19 vaccination event at St. John's Catholic Church on Sunday, May 29, 2022.
- Attended the Memorial Day Ceremony at the Wasco Cemetery on Monday, May 30, 2022.
- Attended the grand opening of Sun World on Friday, June 3, 2022.

Mayor Reyna adjourned the meeting for a five-minute recess at 7:32 pm.

Mayor Reyna adjourned into closed session at 7:37 pm.

Mayor Reyna adjourned out of Closed Session at 8:07 pm.

**17) CLOSED SESSION:**

a. Approved Closed Session meeting minutes for May 17, 2022.

- b. Public Employee Performance Evaluation – City Manager per Government Code Section 54957.

**18) CLOSED SESSION ACTION:**

**City Attorney Schroeter reported out.**

- a. Approved Closed Session meeting minutes for May 17, 2022.

**Motion** was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pallares, **seconded** by Council Member Garcia, to approve the May 17, 2022, Closed Session Meeting Minutes by the following roll call vote:

AYES: PALLARES, GARCIA, LYNCH, MARTINEZ  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: REYNA

- b. Public Employee Performance Evaluation – City Manager per Government Code Section 54957.

**No reportable action.**

**19) ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Reyna adjourned the meeting at 8:07 pm.


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Maria O. Martinez, City Clerk

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Gilberto Reyna, Mayor