

**MINUTES**  
**WASCO CITY COUNCIL**  
and Successor Agency to the  
Former Redevelopment Agency  
**Tuesday, August 16, 2022**  
Regular Meeting – 6:00 pm.  
**City Council Chambers**  
**746 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Wasco, CA 93280**

Pursuant to AB 361, the City Council meetings are presented in a hybrid format and in-person and virtually via Zoom webinar.

**REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 PM**

**1) CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**2) ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Reyna, Mayor Pro Tem Pallares, Council Members: Lynch, Martinez  
(Joined remotely Council Member Martinez)

Staff Members: City Manager Hurlbert, City Attorney Tom Schroeter, Assistant City Manager Lara, Deputy City Clerk Flores, Deputy City Clerk Garcia, Public Works Director Villa.

**3) FLAG SALUTE:** by Miss Wasco 2021 Rose Queen and 2022 Rose Queen Candidates; Nevaeh Snow, Makenna Gebhardt, Sabrina Miramontes, Daniela Ruiz, Ensley Mehlberg, Grace Derington, Noelia Valera

**4) INVOCATION:** By Mayor Reyna, A Moment of Silence

**5) PRESENTATIONS:**

- a. A Recognition for the Miss Wasco Rose Queen Community Organization.  
Mayor Reyna presented the recognition to The Miss Rose Queen Community Organization.
- b. Presentation by the Health Ambassadors.  
Presentation Cancelled

**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 the removal of a particular item.

- a. Receive and file department payments totaling \$452,217.35
- b. Approval for Training Expenses Exceeding \$500.00 per trip for the Finance Director to attend the 2022 Kern Leaders Academy from September 1<sup>st</sup> through November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, in Bakersfield, CA.
- c. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the Certifications and Assurances forms required to participate in the State of Good Repair program (SGR). The City proposes using its FY 2022-2023 SGR apportionment of \$161,073 to supplement funding for transit EV Charging Infrastructure.  
**Reso#2022-3784**
- d. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or designee to approve a Purchase Order and to Execute an Agreement to Purchase One Ram Promaster Utility Van in the amount of \$55,079.46 for the Facilities Maintenance Department from Haddad Dodge.  
**Reso#2022-3785**
- e. Adopt A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or his designee to Submit a Grant Application and to Execute a Grant Agreement and any Amendments thereto for The Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 11 to the California Transportation Department.  
**Reso#2022-3786**
- f. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or his designee to Make a Budget Amendment to the Adopted FY 2022-2023 Capital Improvement Plan in the amount of \$7,020.95 for the Palm Avenue & Margalo Street Intersection Project and for Nagle Earthworks to be paid by the Measure X Funds.  
**Reso#2022-3787**
- g. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or his Designee to Vote in Favor of the Proposed Rate Structure from the Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District (SWID) Increase Official Ballots  
**Reso#2022-3788**
- h. Authorize the City Manager or his designee to reinstate the membership with Innovating Commerce Serving Communities (ICSC) in the amount of \$125.00 per staff member annually and Approval of Travel for the City Manager and Assistant City Manager to attend the ICSC Conference scheduled for September 28 -30, 2022 in San Diego CA.

Mayor Reyna requested to remove item 9h for further discussion.  
No public comments.

**Motion** was made by Council Member Lynch, **seconded** by Mayor Pro Tem Pallares, to approve the Consent Calendar with separate consideration on item 9h for further discussion by the following roll call vote:

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

**Mayor Reyna pulled item 9h for further discussion:**

- Stated he would like Council Members to obtain a membership and attend the ICSC Conference.

**City Manager Hurlbert:**

- Informed the policy of the ICSC was previously an organizational membership, and now it is individually; he stated he would work on securing the membership.

**Motion** was made by Mayor Reyna, **seconded** by Council Member Lynch, to approve item 9h with Membership to be paid for Council Members to attend the ICSC Conference by the following roll call vote:

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

**10)PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE**

**11)DEFERRED BUSINESS: NONE**

**12)NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Discussion and Possible Minute Action determining the City's position regarding the proposed League of California Cities Bylaws Amendment.

Oral presentation by City Manager Hurlbert.

No public comments.

**Motion** was made by Council Member Lynch, **seconded** by Mayor Pro Tem Pallares, to vote the affirmative for all proposed amendments by the following roll call vote:

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

- b. Approve a Community Grant Application submitted by the Orange Heart Foundation requesting funds for the Wasco Rose Festival Event in the amount of \$2,000.00 and Authorize the City Manager or his designee to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$10,000.00 allocating General Revenue Funds for the Community Grant Program.

**Reso#2022-3789**

Oral presentation by City Manager Hurlbert.

No public comments

**Motion** was made by Mayor Reyna, **seconded** by Council Member Lynch, to Adopt the Resolution by the following roll call vote:

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

- c. Discussion and Possible Minute Acton for the Tuesday, September 6, 2022, City Council meeting Cancellation.

Oral presentation by City Manager Hurlbert informed the council due attending the California Cities Conference on September 7, 2022, and advised canceling the September 6, 2022, Council Meeting.

No public comments.

**Motion** was made by Pro Tem Pallares, **seconded** by Council Member Lynch, to cancel the September 6, 2022, City Council meeting by the following roll call vote:

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

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

- a. Kern Economic Development Corporation

**No reports**

- b. Kern Council of Government (Reyna)

**Mayor Reyna:**

The meeting was cancelled this week, no reports.

- c. Wasco Task Force (Martinez & Reyna)

**Mayor Reyna:**

The Task Force has not met, although the Steering Advisory Committee will meet on Tuesday, August 23, 2022, with City Manager Scott Hurlbert and Chief Zimmerman from Shafter Police Department.

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

- a. Kern County Fire Department (Appleton)

**No reports**

- b. Kern County Sheriff Department (Shinn)

**No reports**

**15) REPORTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER:**

**City Manager Hurlbert:**

- Thanked staff and Assistant City Manager Maria Lara for filling in during his time out of the office.

**16) REPORTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL:**

**Mayor Pro Tem Pallares:**

- Thanked the Public Works Department for handling the excessive leak on Poso Avenue and D Street on August 15, 2022.

**Mayor Reyna:**

- Reported on an ongoing meeting with Kern Cog, Caltrans, and Staff regarding two dangerous crossings in Wasco.

Mayor Reyna read Closed Session items 17a and b and opened for public comments.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Reyna adjourned into a closed session at 6:35 pm.

Mayor Reyna adjourned out of Closed Session at 6:58 pm.

**17) CLOSED SESSION:**

- a. Approve Closed Session Minutes for June 27, 2022
- b. **THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES** per GC SECTION 54957(a)  
Consultation with City Manager

**18) CLOSED SESSION ACTION:**

**City attorney Schroeter reported out.**

- a. Approve Closed Session Minutes for June 27, 2022

**Motion** was made by Council Member Lynch, **seconded** by Mayor Pro Tem Pallares, to approve the June 27, 2022, Closed Session Meeting Minutes by the following roll call vote:

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

- b. **THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES** per GC SECTION 54957(a)  
Consultation with City Manager  
**No reportable action.**

**19) ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Reyna adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

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*Claudia Garcia*

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Claudia Garcia, Deputy City Clerk

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*Gilberto Reyna*

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Gilberto Reyna, Mayor