

CLOVIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 16, 2026

6:00 P.M.

Council Chamber

Meeting called to order by Mayor Mouanoutoua at **6:00**
Flag Salute led by Councilmember Mayor Pro Tem Pearce

Roll Call: Present: Councilmembers Ashbeck, Basgall, Bessinger, Mayor Pro Tem Pearce
Mayor Mouanoutoua

PUBLIC COMMENTS – 6:01

Brian Wilson, resident, requested the city formally update and adopt its flag policy through Council resolution and public process.

Bill Scott, resident, offered to work with Brian Wilson to create a clear procedure to resolve the flag policy issue.

CONSENT CALENDAR – 6:04

Dez Martinez spoke regarding consent calendar item 3.

Motion by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Bessinger, that the items on the Consent Calendar be approved, including the waiver of the reading of the ordinance, with the exception of item 10. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

1. Administration - Approval - Minutes from the March 9, 2026, City Council Meeting.
2. Administration - Adopt - **Ord. 26-01**, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clovis Making Technical Amendments to Article 2 of Chapter 2.2 of Title 2 of the Clovis Municipal Code relating to the Personnel Commission. (Vote: 5-0)
3. Administration – Approval – Authorize City Manager, or designee, to commit additional affordable housing funds in the amount of \$1,310,988 to the 135 Osmun Senior Apartments project to support the project’s application to the State of California and the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee for Low-Income Housing Tax Credits.
4. General Services - Approval - **Res. 26-28**, Approving a Side Letter Agreement with the Clovis Professional and Technical Association (CPTA) Establishing a Unit Structure.
5. Planning and Development Services – Approval – Pre-Award for CIP 26-01 Rubberized Cape Seal 2026; and Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Contract on behalf of the City.
6. Planning and Development Services – Approval – Final Acceptance for CIP 14-30 Shaw Avenue Widening – Phase 1 from Leonard to McCall Avenues, for a final contract cost of \$12,495,196.95.
7. Planning and Development Services – Approval – Waive the normal purchasing process and authorize the City Manager to purchase new cubicle furniture from Core Business Interiors in the amount of \$68,777.53.

8. Public Utilities - Approval - **Res. 26-29**, a Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Annual Levy of Assessments for Landscape Maintenance District No. 1.
9. Public Utilities – Approval – Bid Award for CIP 25-12, Big Dry Creek Canal Trail Improvements at Letterman Park, to Ares Eng, LLC, in the Amount of \$185,718; and Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Contract on Behalf of the City.

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:

- 6:09** ITEM 10. Public Utilities Department – Approval – Bid Award for CIP 25-15, Reservoir 4 Tank Liner, to Polytech Industrial, Inc., in the Amount of \$817,455; and Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Contract on Behalf of the City.

The following members of the public spoke on the above item: Matt Hoose representing SoCal Pacific Construction Corporation.

Motion for approval by Councilmember Basgall, seconded by Councilmember Bessinger. Motion carried by 2-3, with Councilmember Ashbeck, Councilmember Bessinger, and Mayor Pro Tem Pearce voting no.

Motion to reject all bids and re-advertise the project by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pearce. Motion withdrawn by Councilmember Ashbeck.

Motion to continue the item and allow the rejected bid additional time for review and bring it back at the next available meeting or a special meeting if needed by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Bessinger. Motion carried by 2-3, with Councilmember Basgall, Mayor Pro Tem Pearce and Mayor Mouanoutoua voting no.

Motion to reject all bids and re-advertise the project by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pearce. Motion carried by 3-2, with Councilmember Basgall and Mayor Mouanoutoua voting no.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – 6:35

6:35 ITEM 11 - Consider Approval – **Res. 26-30**, A resolution approving the annual review and update to the Regional Housing Needs Zoning (RHN) Overlay Zone District, including approval of a map of parcels and associated list reflecting those parcels that qualify for development as a RHN Overlay project.

The following members of the public address Council on the above item: Dez Martinez.

Motion for approval by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Basgall. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS – 6:41

6:41 ITEM 12 - Consider Approval - **Res. 26-31**, A resolution accepting and authorizing the submission of the 2025 General Plan Annual Progress Report, including the 2025 Housing

Element Annual Progress Report (APR) to the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation and the California Department of Housing and Community Development.

The following members of the public address Council on the above item: Dez Martinez and Steven Trevino.

Motion for approval by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Bessinger. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

8:21 ITEM 13 - Provide Direction – 2026/27 Budget Priorities.

The following members of the public address Council on the above item: Eric Rollins and Neil Mallory.

During the budget presentation, Council provided direction to staff to prioritize increasing reserve levels to at least 25% in the near term, with a longer-term goal of about 35% based on best practices, continue emphasizing public safety staffing and support, invest in recreation and youth programs, maintain facility funding, and explore opportunities to support housing and economic development.

COUNCIL ITEMS – 7:10

7:10 ITEM 14 - Consider Approval — Res. 26-32, Acknowledging the upcoming expiration of Measure C in 2027, Recognizing the City's Benefit from Measure C Funds since 1986, and Expressing Support for a Citizen-Led Transportation Funding Measure for Fresno County.

The following members of the public address Council on the above item: James Kus, Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voter, Eric Rollins, Steven Trevino, Neil Mallory, Crystal Dumas, Dr. Jeni-Ann Kren, and Brian Wilson.

Mayor Mouanoutoua noted for the record that three written comments were received in support of the "Better Roads, Safe Streets" measure from Rachel Youdelman, Lawrence Howard, and Evelyn Howard.

Motion for approval for "Better Roads, Safe Streets" Fresno County Transportation Improvement Act Measure by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Bessinger. Motion carried by 4-1-0, with Mayor Pro Tem Pearce voting no.

8:41 ITEM 15- Consider Approval - Change of Council Meeting Schedule.

Upon call, there was no public comment.

Motion for approval by Councilmember Ashbeck, seconded by Councilmember Bessinger. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS – 8:42

City Manager Haussler announced the upcoming Planning Commission meeting on March 26, 2026, and invited the community to attend the Easter luncheon on April 5, 2026, noting that volunteers are needed and encouraging participation.

COUNCIL COMMENTS – 8:43

There was no formal Council direction for staff.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mouanoutoua adjourned the meeting of the Council to April 13, 2026.

Meeting adjourned: 8:53 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk

