

CLOVIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 20, 2026

6:00 P.M.

Council Chamber

Meeting called to order by Mayor Mouanoutoua at 6:00

Flag Salute led by Councilmember Basgall

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

Absent: Councilmember Ashbeck

PUBLIC COMMENTS – 6:01

Mayor Mouanoutoua noted for the record that a voice message was received from Megan Nash expressing concerns regarding “In God We Trust,” and a written public comment was submitted by Hilario Fuentes regarding LED lights being too bright and creating a safety hazard.

Bill Scott, resident, thanked staff for moving the survey forward, noted that fundraising was already underway and going well, in referenced to “In God We Trust.”

CONSENT CALENDAR – 6:03

Steven Trevino, resident, spoke on Consent Calendar Item 2 regarding the claim rejection on behalf of Sarah Borjas.

Motion by Councilmember Bessinger, seconded by Councilmember Basgall, that the items on the Consent Calendar be approved. Motion carried by 4-0-1, with Councilmember Ashbeck absent.

1. Administration - Approval - Minutes from the January 12, 2026, Council Meeting.
2. General Services – Approval - Claim Rejection of the General Liability Claim on behalf of Sarah Borjas.
3. Planning and Development Services – Approval – **Res. 26-06**, Accept the Quitclaim Deed to Abandon and Vacate an Unused Ten foot (10’) Public Landscaping Easement for Lots 4 through 7 of Final Map for Tract 5386 located at the southwest corner of Ashlan Avenue and Armstrong Avenue.
4. Planning and Development Services – Approval – Bid Award for CIP 25-07 ADA – Sidewalk Improvements Citywide to Platinum General Engineering LLC in the amount of \$125,422.79; and Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the City.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS – 6:12

6:12 ITEM 5 - Consider Approval – Final Draft Water Rate Study Report and Authorize Staff to Proceed with a Proposition 218 Public Hearing and Majority Protest Vote to Amend Water Charges, Fees, and Recycled Water Charges.

The following residents addressed the Council on the above item: Bill Scott, Brian Wilson, and Mike Prandini.

Motion for approval by Councilmember Basgall, seconded by Councilmember Bessinger. Motion carried by 4-0-1, with Councilmember Ashbeck absent.

7:04 ITEM 6 - Workshop: Public Utilities Department Update.

Councilmember Ashbeck joined the Council meeting at 7:38pm.

The following residents addressed the Council on the above item: Eric Rollins and Steven Trevino.

COUNCIL ITEMS – 6:05

6:05 ITEM 7 - Consider Appointment - Appointment to the Consolidated Mosquito Abatement District.

The following residents addressed the Council on the above item: John Varin and Steven Trevino.

Motion for approval by Councilmember Bessinger, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pearce. Motion carried by 4-0-1, with Councilmember Ashbeck absent.

7:53 ITEM 8 - Consider Appointment - Fresno County Transportation Authority Urban at Large Board Member.

Upon call, there was no public comment.

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

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS – 8:04

City Manager Haussler announced an upcoming Planning Commission meeting on January 22, 2026, a public meeting and Application Workshop, January 26, 2026, at 4:00 p.m., and the kickoff meeting of the General Plan Advisory Committee on January 29, which will begin discussions on land use and is open to the public.

COUNCIL COMMENTS – 8:05

There was consensus of the council to direct staff to develop and return with a formal process and policy for future recognition at Peg Boss Plaza before considering additional names.

CLOSED SESSION – 8:16

Bill Scott, resident, spoke regarding concerns with negotiating employees' raises.

ITEM 9 - GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES: ANDREW HAUSSLER, PAUL ARMENDARIZ, AMY HANCE, AND SCOTT CROSS EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS: CLOVIS POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, CLOVIS FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, CLOVIS PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, CLOVIS PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL ASSOCIATION, AND UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mouanoutoua adjourned the meeting of the Council to February 2, 2026.

Meeting adjourned: 9:05 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk



**Public Comment for
January 20, 2026**

Briana Parra

From: noreply@revize.com
Sent: Sunday, January 18, 2026 2:03 PM
To: CityClerk
Cc: Briana Parra; Rebecca Simonian; Andrew Haussler; Paul Armendariz
Subject: Council Meeting Public Comment

Council-Meeting-Date = 2026-01-20
Item-Number = 0
Full-Name = Hilario Fuentes
Email = packmanw20@gmail.com
Comment = L.E.D. lights too bright. Safety hazard.
Client IP = 107.193.46.149

**Public Comment for
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Megan Nash called on January 16, 2026, to express her concerns and opposition related to putting the motto "In God We Trust" in the Council Chambers and wanted to note that for the record.