



**Government Affairs Committee
Business Council Meeting
Dinuba Chamber of Commerce**

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

April 20th, 2022

In-Person Only at

Alta District Historical Society

289 S K Street Dinuba Ca 93618

12:00pm Meeting Starts

Vision Statement: Collaborative partnership between business, government, community organizations, and the public - all working together for a better more prosperous community.

Mission Statement - It is our mission to promote, retain, and educate the business community, ensure stability and growth, and strengthen our local economy to make Dinuba a better place to live, work, and play.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Octavio Montejano, Chair of GAC
2. **ROLL CALL / INTRODUCTIONS** Octavio and Anthony introduced themselves. Present for the meeting were BOD members: Octavio, Anthony, Veronica, Linda, and Reda. Committee members: Armando, Jose, Joe, Melissa, and Sandy. Political partners present: Daniel, Eric, Racheal, Maribel Absent: Eddie Valero
3. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - I. **Representatives Reports**
 - a. Senator Melissa Hurtado's office – Eric Coyne brought to our attention that there is a Water Summit meeting happening May 6th in Visalia.
 - b. Assemblyman Devon Mathis' office – Rachael Ray informed us that Peter would be our new rep and that she would continue on as the person to attend our meetings. Also brought to our attention information regarding AB-2932 a bill that would limit the workweek to 32 hours for employers that have over #500 employees.
 - c. Tulare County Supervisor - Eddie Valero was absent due to a meeting in Sacramento.
 - d. City of Dinuba Report – Daniel James spoke about cameras downtown. Habit has signed a lease to move into Dinuba. Chipotle is an option but not confirmed. The city is working on a general plan update for the next 20 years. Agreed to give us a presentation regarding plans for downtown.
 - e. Dinuba Chamber Report- Heathe Jones gave a report about the status of the Downtown Association and the Branding of the new BEE for downtown. Chamber has worked with City and Dutch Bros to help with traffic communications. The city has been very responsive to downtown's requests.

Committee Member Bennani asked Political partners to leave.

4. **Notification of proposed GAC Annual Budget: \$2,500 for July 2022 to June 2023**
 - a. Octavio asked Heathe to explain the breakdown of how this budget was proposed.
 - i. \$1,500 for meals for meetings \$1,000 for training, travel, and conference participation

5. **Notification of proposed changes to GAC Planning Sessions**
 - a. Octavio explained that moving the GAC meetings to the 2nd Wednesday of the month to bring meetings current with the Policy previously put in place.
 - b. Octavio directed Heathe to offer an explanation regarding the proposal for quarterly focus areas and meeting structure. There would still be 12 meetings a year. Each 3 month quarter would include:
 - i. #1 zoom planning meeting for committee and partners (set goals for the quarter)
 - ii. #1 In-person (open to the public) speaker and or program related to quarterly goals
 - iii. #1 In-person working session for committee members to work through any targeted goals that have been set for the quarter
6. Discussion took place regarding the processes of discussing budgets/meeting structure in front of political representatives and agenda structure. There was a decision made by the Chair and Co-Chair to take that discussion to the BOD per oversight of the GAC policy.
7. Vote to approve writing a letter of opposition or to sign onto the CAL Chamber's Job Killer opposition letter passes with all committee members approval.
8. **Adjourn meeting at 1:15pm**