



MINUTES OF MENDOTA SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Special Meeting

June 5, 2018

Meeting called to order by Mayor Castro at 3:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Members Present: Mayor Rolando Castro, Councilors Jesse Mendoza (at 3:02 p.m.), Oscar Rosales, and Robert Silva.

Council Members Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Victor Martinez.

Flag salute led by Mayor Castro.

FINALIZE THE AGENDA

1. Adjustments to Agenda.
2. Adoption of final Agenda.

A motion was made by Councilor Silva to adopt the agenda, seconded by Councilor Rosales; unanimously approved (3 ayes, absent: Martinez and Mendoza).

CITIZENS ORAL AND WRITTEN PRESENTATIONS

None offered.

BUSINESS

1. Fiscal Year 2018/2019 Budget Workshop.


Mayor Castro introduced the item and City Manager DiMaggio stated that the proposed budget is the most fiscally sound budget that the City has had in the last five years and thanked Finance Officer Marquez and Finance Administrative Supervisor Diaz for their work on the budget (at 3:02 p.m. Councilor Mendoza entered the Council Chambers).

City Manager DiMaggio summarized the report including how the different funds generate revenue; that the City has had to use funds from the unrestricted fund balance in the past to balance the budget, however that the proposed fiscal year 2018-2019 declined use of the fund balance and has achieved balanced; highlighted the City's revenues, including the increase of property tax revenue and sales tax revenue; that the strong growth of property taxes is due to the build out of Las Palmas and the commercial property developments have paid one full year of property taxes; the various threats that can adversely impact the budget such as the increase in healthcare premiums; the total annual healthcare costs including that 1/3 of City staff account for 53% of the costs while the remaining 2/3rds accounts for the rest of the costs; the agreement that the City has reached with the Mendota Unified School District to provide for three School Resource Officers; establishing a façade improvement program; the positive condition of the Enterprise Funds; the various expenditures for the Enterprise Funds such as the proposed capital improvement projects for fiscal year 2018-2019; the City unexpectedly received funding to complete the Fleming, Black, and McCabe reconstruction project; the potential effects that will occur of SB1 is repealed in November; the potential revenue from Canna-Hub not being included in the budget; and encouraged the Council to consider moving forward with placing a measure on November's election ballot for a 1% general purpose sales tax increase.

Discussion was held on the impact that the increase in costs for health care premiums has; when the façade improvement program will be established; the decrease in revenue for General Fund Revenues line item 01-3300-3340; whether the water rates will decrease if the City receives a grant to replace the Mowry Bridge; the possibility of deferring the next water rate increase for one year; having Assistant City Engineer Osborn present an update on the Capital Improvement Plan under the assumption that the City receives the grant to replace the Mowry Bridge; the possibility of requiring employees to remain employed with the City for a specified amount of time if they request that the City pay for the fees to attend the training; adding amenities to local parks; the status of creating the development agreement for La Colonia; the possibility of creating an additional walkway at the proposed La Colonia subdivision; the anticipated amount of revenue that will be received from selling surplus property; proposed road projects for the upcoming years; the status of the Waste Water Treatment Plant project; the condition of Street Funds; and Sonia Hall with Granted Solutions and Tim McGraw with Canna-Hub presenting at the June 12th City Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business to be brought before the Council, a motion for adjournment was made at 3:55 p.m. by Councilor Mendoza, seconded by Councilor Rosales; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Martinez).



Rolando Castro, Mayor

ATTEST:



Matt Flood, City Clerk

