

MINUTES OF MENDOTA REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular Meeting

August 27, 2019

Meeting called to order by Mayor Silva at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Members Present:

Mayor Robert Silva, Mayor Pro Tem Rolando

Castro, Councilors Jesse Mendoza and Oscar

Rosales

Council Members Absent:

Councilor Victor Martinez

Flag salute led by Mayor Silva

FINALIZE THE AGENDA

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

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Castro to adopt the agenda, seconded by Councilor Rosales; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Martinez).

CITIZENS ORAL AND WRITTEN PRESENTATIONS

Kevin Romero – provided an update on the Mendota High School football team.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND NOTICE OF WAIVING OF READING

- 1. Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of August 13, 2019.
- 2. Notice of waiving of the reading of all resolutions and/or ordinances introduced and/or adopted under this agenda.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosales to approve items 1 and 2, seconded by

Councilor Mendoza; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Martinez).

CONSENT CALENDAR

- AUGUST 09, 2019 THROUGH AUGUST 22, 2019 WARRANT LIST CHECKS NO. 45703 THRU 45761 TOTAL FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL
- = \$754,958.95
- 2. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 19-59**, approving an update to the Westamerica Bank signature card.
- 3. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 19-60**, appointing delegates for the League of California Cities' Annual Business Meeting.
- 4. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 19-61**, approving a Medical Expense Reimbursement Plan between the City of Mendota and Administrative Solutions, Inc., and authorizing the City Manager to execute same.
- 5. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 19-62**, approving the modified City of Mendota 401(K) profit sharing plan to exclude non-CalPERS participants, deferring less than 3% from the Employer matching contribution.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosales to adopt items 1 through 5 of the Consent Calendar, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Castro; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Martinez).

BUSINESS

1. Council discussion and consideration to provide a letter of support for Enrique Noyola of the Mendota Boxing Club.

Mayor Silva introduced the item and City Clerk Cabrera-Garcia stated that Mr. Mark Banuelos previously asked the City Council to provide the Mendota Boxing Club with a letter of support in order to assist Mr. Enrique Noyola to attend the USA Boxing Olympic qualifiers; and Mr. Banuelos and Mr. Noyola were present in the audience.

Mark Banuelos of the Mendota Boxing Club stated that the letter of support is to assist Mr. Noyola with acquiring donations.

Discussion was held on staff preparing the letter.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosales to direct staff to prepare the letter of support for Mr. Enrique Noyola of the Mendota Boxing Club, seconded by Councilor Mendoza; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Martinez).

2. Introduction and first reading of **Ordinance No. 19-09**, amending the City's cannabis ordinance to modify the location requirements for commercial cannabis retail businesses.

Mayor Silva introduced the item and City Attorney Kinsey summarized the report including the modifications that the Council approved to the cannabis ordinance to allow commercial cannabis retail businesses within the City; the status of the cannabis zoning code amendments; the Planning Commission's recommendation to the City Council to modify the location requirements; that the purpose of the proposed ordinance is to reduce the buffer zone to 500 feet; and the various options that the Council has in regards to taking action on the item.

Discussion was held on how the two location buffers affect the amount of properties that are available to house a commercial cannabis retail business.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosales to waive the first reading of Ordinance No. 19-09, and set the public hearing for the September 10th City Council Meeting, seconded by Councilor Mendoza; approved (3 ayes, no: Castro, absent: Martinez).

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public hearing of **Resolution No. 19-63**, authorizing the placement of special assessments on the 2019/2020 tax roll for the 2019 nuisance abatement costs.

Mayor Silva introduced the item and Chief of Police Andreotti summarized the report including the amount of properties that were forcefully abated.

Discussion was held on whether the weed abatement process is an ongoing process; and which contractor performed the abatements.

At 6:22 p.m. Mayor Silva opened the hearing to the public and, seeing no one present willing to comment, closed it in that same minute.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosales to adopt Resolution No. 19-63, seconded by Councilor Mendoza; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Martinez).

DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 1. Administrative Services
 - a) Monthly Report

Director of Administrative Services Lekumberry summarized her report including the duties she fulfilled within her human resources capacity; one worker's compensation claim; one dog bite appeal hearing; the average number of Senior Center attendees; and special projects.

2. Finance Officer

a) Grant Update

Finance Officer Diaz provided her grant update.

Discussion was held on the California Aide to Airports program; potential grants that may support airport improvements; and the status of the Automated Meter Reader grant funds.

3. City Attorney

a) Update

City Attorney Kinsey provided a status update for the translation services policy.

4. City Manager

City Manager Gonzalez provided an update on the AMOR project, the Canna-Hub development, and the La Colonia development.

Discussion was held on the status of the Rojas-Pierce Park Expansion project, including adding grass at the sports fields; and residents performing oil changes on the public right of way.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Council Member(s)

Councilor Rosales thanked the members of the audience for attending the meeting.

Councilor Mendoza commented on the AMOR groundbreaking ceremony.

Mayor Pro Tem Castro thanked staff for repainting a crosswalk, and the police department for their presence around schools during high traffic hours.

2. Mayor

Nothing to report.

CLOSED SESSION

- 1. Conference regarding real property negotiations pursuant to Government Code §54956.8.
 - a) Addresses:
 - a. 195 Smoot Street, Mendota, CA 93640
 - b. 415 Sorensen Avenue, Mendota, CA 93640

c. 437 Sorensen Avenue, Mendota, CA 93640

b) Negotiator: Cristian Gonzalez

c) Negotiating Party: Mendota Unified School District

d) Under Negotiation: Terms of payment

At 6:38 p.m. the Council moved into closed session.

At 6:48 p.m. the Council reconvened in open session and City Attorney Kinsey stated that in regards to item 1 of the closed session, there was no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business to be brought before the Council, a motion for adjournment was made at 6:48 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Castro, seconded by Councilor Rosales; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Martinez).

Robert Silva, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City Cler