



MINUTES
MENDOTA PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMITTEE
MEETING
January 4, 2021
12:00 NOON
Mendota City Hall

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Rosales at 12:01 p.m.

Members Present: Vice-Chairperson Oscar Rosales and Committee Member Joseph Amador

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Cristian Gonzalez, City Manager; Kevin Smith, Chief of Police; Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City Clerk; and Michael Osborn, City Engineer.

Others Present: John Liu, CALTRANS; Anthony Barrios, CALTRANS; Maria Jacinto, RCS Fresno; Gabriela Estrada; John Martinho; and Nicolas Esquivel, CALTRANS.

II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The minutes for the meeting of November 2, 2020 were approved based on a motion made and seconded, and unanimous approval.

III. BUSINESS

1. Vice-Chairperson Rosales

Vice-Chairperson Rosales thanked staff and Mr. Amador for their work and stated that he would like to hold monthly Public Safety Sub-Committee meetings.

2. Committee Member Amador
a) Traffic enforcement

Committee Member Amador introduced the item and inquired about potential projects to improve the safety of roadways in the community and reported on a fatal accident that recently occurred.

Discussion was held on the item.

b) Update on any Caltrans projects

Committee Member Amador introduced the item.

John Liu with Caltrans provided an update on the proposed roundabout at the intersection at Oller Street and Derrick Avenue; and reported on proposed improvements of Oller Street to mitigate the traffic concerns at the intersection of 7th Street and Oller Street.

Discussion was held on Mr. Liu's comments.

c) Discussion on body cameras for police officers

Committee Member Amador introduced the item.

Discussion was held on the costs associated with purchasing and maintaining body cameras for police officers; and a fatal accident that recently occurred.

Committee Member Amador thanked the Police Department for attending the Toy Giveaway event at Mendota Smog.

Vice-Chairperson Rosales inquired as to whether additional lighting can be installed near the intersection of Highway 33 and Bass Avenue.

3. Code Enforcement

a) Monthly update

Chief of Police Smith provided an update on the Code Enforcement department, including the status of the replacement Animal Control truck.

4. Police Department

a) Monthly update

Chief Smith provided an update on the Police Department including vandalism cases; the launch of the motorcycle units; and provided a report on the New Year's Eve police detail.

5. Other Business

Maria Jacinto with RCS Fresno provided information on the upcoming state certified sexual assault training and other learning opportunities with the organization.

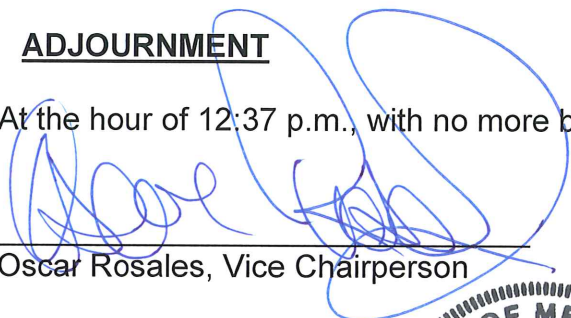
John Liu with Caltrans introduced Nicolas Esquivel and Anthony Barrios with Caltrans.

Nicolas Esquivel with Caltrans stated that he has been on temporary assignment with Caltrans headquarters.

Gabriela Estrada with RCS Fresno introduced herself.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

At the hour of 12:37 p.m., with no more business to be brought before the Committee.



Oscar Rosales, Vice Chairperson

ATTEST:



Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City Clerk

