

MINUTES MENDOTA PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING March 2, 2020 12:00 NOON Mendota City Hall

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Martinez at 12:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Chairperson Victor Martinez, Vice-Chairperson Oscar

Rosales, and Committee Member Joseph Amador.

Staff Present:

Cristian Gonzalez, City Manager; Gregg Andreotti, Chief of

Police; Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City Clerk.

Others Present:

Kendy Villa, Marjaree Mason Center; Nicolas Esquivel,

Caltrans.

Kendy Villa with the Marjaree Mason Center stated that she has assumed the duties of Stacey Gomez and provided information on the services that the center offers.

II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The minutes for the meeting of October 7, 2019 were approved based on a motion made and seconded, and unanimous approval.

III. BUSINESS

1. Chairperson Martinez

Chairperson Martinez reported on complaints that he has received regarding speeding and reckless driving throughout the City.

Discussion was held on a situation in which an officer witnessed an incident of reckless driving, and subsequently made a traffic stop; officers addressing reckless driving at Pool Park; the importance of the public reporting these issues; other types of driving violations; and the possibility of requesting the presence of the California Highway Patrol in Mendota.

2. Vice-Chairperson Rosales

a) Reckless Driving at Mendota Pool Park

Vice-Chairperson Rosales stated that his item had already been discussed under business item 1.

- 3. Committee Member Amador
 - a) Update on Itinerant Food Vendors
 - b) Update on Animal Control

Committee Member Amador reported on complaints he has received regarding people operating unlicensed businesses.

Discussion was held on the Code Enforcement Department reaching out to the unlicensed businesses; the types of licenses and permits that these businesses need in order to conduct business in the City; and the various regulations that they need to follow.

Committee Member Amador reported on complaints he has received regarding loose dogs throughout the City; and inquired about the process that staff follows for dogs that are captured.

Discussion was held on the process that staff follows for dogs that are captured; the possibility of requiring dog owners to microchip their dogs; officers being able to use a dart gun under specific circumstances; the personnel of the Animal Control and Code Enforcement Departments; the possibility of installing a suggestion box at City Hall; the failure of the local tax measure that was placed on the ballot a few years ago; the status of the Rojas-Pierce Park Expansion Project; the status of the roundabout at the intersection of Derrick Avenue and Oller Street; traffic problems throughout the City; the possibility of constructing a road access near the railroad crossing at 2nd Street; and the possibility of installing lighted crosswalks on Oller Street.

- 4. Code Enforcement
 - a) Monthly update

Chief of Police Andreotti provided a personnel update and reported on significant cases.

- 5. Police Department
 - a) Monthly update

Chief of Police Andreotti provided a personnel update and commented on the reckless driving occurring at Pool Park.

Discussion was held on ways to beautify Pool Park; the possibility of having an event where City staff and members of local organizations can discuss general issues relevant to the City; and the upcoming Earth Day event.

Other Business

Nicolas Esquivel with Caltrans stated that his crew has completed the striping project near the Latino Market; that road signs along Highway 33 were updated; and ways to

speed up the construction of the roundabout at the intersection of Derrick Avenue and Oller Street.

Kendy Villa with the Marjaree Mason Center provided information on the services that the center offers.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

At the hour of 1:08 p.m., with no more business to be brought before the Committee.

Oscar Rosales, Vice Chairperson

ATTEST:

Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City