



**MINUTES OF MENDOTA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Regular Meeting

June 22, 2021

Meeting called to order by Mayor Castro at 6:14 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Members Present: Mayor Rolando Castro, Mayor Pro Tem Jesus Mendoza, Councilors Jose Alonso and Joseph Riofrio

Council Members Absent: Councilor Oscar Rosales

Flag salute led by Mayor Castro

Invocation led by Police Chaplain Ophelia Lugo

FINALIZE THE AGENDA

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

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

PRESENTATION

1. Joseph Kalpakoff with Mid Valley Disposal to present information on the SB 1383 implementation program.

Joseph Kalpakoff with Mid Valley Disposal presented information about the SB 1383 implementation program.

Discussion was held on the information provided by Mr. Kalpakoff.

At 6:43 p.m. Mayor Castro left the Council Chambers and returned within the same minute.

CITIZENS ORAL AND WRITTEN PRESENTATIONS

None offered.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND NOTICE OF WAIVING OF READING

1. Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 8, 2021.
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 Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza to approve items 1 and 2, seconded by Councilor Riofrio; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Rosales).

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. JUNE 4, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 16, 2021
WARRANT LIST CHECK NOS. 50393 THROUGH 50443
TOTAL FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL = \$546,738.34
2. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 21-38**, approving fireworks stand permits for 2021.
3. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 21-39**, authorizing the submission of a Request of Authorization for construction funding for the 2021 Alley Paving Project.
4. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 21-40**, adopting a list of projects for fiscal year 2021-2022 funded by Senate Bill 1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.
5. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 21-41**, approving the submittal of a Letter of Intent to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the Floodplain Management Services Program.
6. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 21-42**, extending the date of repeal of the provisions of Mendota Municipal Code Sections 17.81.024 through 17.81.027 in the matter of Enhanced Economic Incentive Areas.

A request was made to pull item 6 for discussion.

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

6. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 21-42**, extending the date of repeal of the provisions of Mendota Municipal Code Sections 17.81.024 through 17.81.027 in the matter of Enhanced Economic Incentive Areas.

Discussion was held on the item.

A motion was made by Councilor Riofrio to approve item 6 of the Consent Calendar, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Rosales).

BUSINESS

1. Council discussion and consideration of water conservation measures in response to the ongoing drought conditions.

Mayor Castro introduced the item and City Manager Gonzalez provided the report.

Discussion was held on the item.

Council consensus was reached to direct staff to enact water conservation measures.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Animal Control, Code Enforcement, and Police Department
 - a) Monthly Report

Chief of Police Smith provided the report for the Code Enforcement Department including monthly statistics, and the status of the weed abatement process.

Discussion was held on the department addressing public nuisance issues.

Chief Smith provided the report for the Animal Control Department including monthly statistics, and the status of the animal control truck.

Chief Smith provided the report for the Police Department including crime statistics, trends, and significant cases.

Discussion was held on vehicles speeding in the City.

2. City Attorney
 - a) Update

City Attorney Kinsey reported that Nicolas Cardella would be rejoining Wanger Jones Helsley.

Discussion was held on the information provided by City Attorney Kinsey.

3. City Manager

City Manager Gonzalez reported on the upcoming Fireworks Show; that Finance Director Marquez was retiring soon; the OSHA guidelines concerning face masks; the status of the basketball court resurfacing project; and issues concerning locking and unlocking the restrooms at Rojas-Pierce Park.

Discussion was held on the maintenance of the new baseball field.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Council Member(s)

Councilor Riofrio reported on the upcoming Fireworks Show; and illegal fireworks in the community.

Discussion was held on enforcing illegal firework regulations.

Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza reported on the upcoming Fireworks Show and cornhole tournament.

Discussion was held on the Fireworks Show.

Councilor Alonso reported on an event he participated in; local youth participating in extracurricular activities and representing the City; and the upcoming Fireworks Show.

2. Mayor

Mayor Castro inquired on the status of the Little Cesar's project; reported on the Harvest Festival; and the enforcement of the noise ordinance.

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

- a. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9 (one potential case)

2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to CA Government Code §§ 54954.5(f), 54957.6

- a. Agency Designated Representative: Cristian Gonzalez, City Manager; Jennifer Lekumberry, Administrative Services Director
- b. Employee Organizations: Mendota Police Officers Association, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, and Unrepresented Management Employees

At 7:38 p.m. the Council moved into closed.

At 8:24 p.m. the Council reconvened in open session and City Attorney Kinsey stated that in regard to item 1 of the Closed Session, the Council directed the City Attorney's office to initiate litigation under the Health and Safety Code relating to 578 Lolita Street in the event that the order to abate is not complied with on or before July 8, 2021. In regard to item 2 of the Closed Session, there was no reportable action.

BUSINESS CONTINUED

2. Council discussion and consideration of **Resolution No. 21-34**, approving and adopting the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 operating budget for the City of Mendota.

Mayor Castro introduced the item and City Manager Gonzalez provided the report.

Finance Officer Diaz reported on the budget.

Discussion was held on the item.

A motion was made by Councilor Riofrio to adopt Resolution No. 21-34, seconded by Councilor Alonso; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Rosales).

3. Council discussion and consideration of **Ordinance No. 21-14**, amending Section 2.04.070 of Chapter 2.04 of Title 2 of the Mendota Municipal Code to increase the compensation of City Council members.

Mayor Castro introduced the item and City Attorney Kinsey stated that the item was tabled for further discussion.

City Engineer Osborn provided an update on the Mowry Bridge Replacement Project.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business to be brought before the Council, a motion for adjournment was made at 8:47 p.m. by Councilor Alonso, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Rosales).



Rolando Castro, Mayor

ATTEST:


Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City Clerk

