

MINUTES OF MENDOTA REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular Meeting

July 12, 2022

Meeting called to order by Mayor Castro at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Members Present:

Mayor Rolando Castro, Mayor Pro Tem Jesus

Mendoza and Councilors Jose Alonso, Joseph

Riofrio, and Oscar Rosales

Council Members Absent:

None

Flag salute led by Police Officer Jurado

Invocation led by Police Chaplain Robert Salinas

FINALIZE THE AGENDA

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

Director of Administrative Services/Assistant City Manager Lekumberry announced that an amended agenda had been posted reflecting the two Closed Session items that were stricken out due to the City Manager being absent.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosales to adopt the amended agenda, seconded by Councilor Riofrio; unanimously approved (5 ayes).

PRESENTATION

1. Chief of Police Kevin Smith to introduce Police Officer Joshua Lane and Police Officer Luis Gutierrez Jr.

Chief of Police Smith introduced Police Officer Gutierrez and shared his background information.

Officer Gutierrez thanked the City and Council for the opportunity to serve.

The Council congratulated Officer Gutierrez.

Chief of Police Smith introduced Police Officer Lane and shared his background information.

Officer Lane thanked the City and Council for the opportunity to serve.

The Council congratulated Officer Lane.

At 6:19 p.m. Mayor Castro announced that there would be a recess.

At 6:26 p.m. the Council reconvened in open session.

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 28, 2022.
- 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 Riofrio; unanimously approved (5 ayes).

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. JUNE 22, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022
 WARRANT LIST CHECK NOS. 51925 THROUGH 51958
 TOTAL FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL = \$325,787.79
- 2. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 22-41**, approving Amendment 1 to the ITI Self-Service Terminal Services Contract.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosales to approve items 1 and 2 of the Consent Calendar, seconded by Councilor Riofrio; unanimously approved (5 ayes).

BUSINESS

1. Council discussion and consideration of **Resolution No. 22-42**, appointing Voting Delegates for the League of California Cities' Annual Business Meeting.

Mayor Castro introduced the item and City Clerk Cabrera-Garcia provided the report.

Discussion was held on the item.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza to appoint Councilor Alonso as the voting delegate and Councilor Rosales as the alternate voting delegate and adopt Resolution No. 22-41, seconded by Councilor Riofrio; unanimously approved (5 ayes).

2. Council discussion and consideration of **Ordinance No. 22-02**, amending Chapter 12.20 of the Mendota Municipal Code

Mayor Castro introduced the item and City Attorney Kinsey provided the report.

Discussion was held on the item.

Council consensus was reached to introduce and waive of the first reading of Ordinance No. 22-02 and set the public hearing for July 26, 2022.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Council to hold the Development Agreement Annual Review Hearing for Boca Del Rio Agriculture LLC.

Mayor Castro introduced the item and City Attorney Kinsey provided the report.

Discussion was held on the item.

Dustin Moore (Boca Del Rio Agriculture LLC) – provided information about its business.

Discussion was held on the item.

At 7:02 p.m. Mayor Castro opened the public hearing, and seeing no one willing to comment, closed it within the same minute.

Discussion was held on the item.

At 7:04 p.m. Councilor Rosales left the Council Chambers and returned at 7:05 p.m.

2. Council to hold the Development Agreement Annual Review Hearing for Odyssey Agricultural Development LLC.

Mayor Castro introduced the item and City Attorney Kinsey provided the report.

Discussion was held on the item.

At 7:05 p.m. Councilor Riofrio left the Council Chambers and returned at 7:06 p.m.

Alex Freedman (Odyssey Agricultural Holdings LLC) - provided a presentation and information on the project.

Discussion was held on the item.

At 7:28 p.m. Mayor Castro opened the public hearing, and seeing no one willing to comment, closed it within the same minute.

 Council discussion and consideration of Resolution No. 22-43, adopting the First Amended Groundwater Sustainability Plan for portions of the Delta-Mendota Subbasin.

Mayor Castro introduced the item and City Attorney Kinsey provided the report.

Discussion was held on the item.

Chris White (San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority) – provided information on the item.

Discussion was held on the item.

At 7:50 p.m. Mayor Castro opened the public hearing, and seeing no one willing to comment, closed it within the same minute.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosales to adopt Resolution No. 22-43, seconded by Councilor Riofrio; unanimously approved (5 ayes).

DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 1. Finance Director
 - a) Grant Update
 - b) Budget Update

Finance Director Banda provided an update on various grant projects, and the status of various grant applications.

Discussion was held on the various projects and grant applications.

Finance Director Banda provided the 4th guarter budget update.

Discussion was held on the budget update.

2. City Engineer

a) Update

City Engineer Osborn provided his report including the status of various engineering projects, planning projects, grant applications, and development projects.

Discussion was held on the status of local street projects that are planned; upcoming Caltrans projects; and issues related to housing.

3. City Attorney

a) Update

City Attorney Kinsey commented on the Closed Session items.

4. City Manager

Director of Administrative Services/Assistant City Manager Lekumberry provided the report for City Manager Gonzalez including the status of the honor wall at the sports fields; the status of the Belmont Estates housing development; that inspections are being conducted via Facetime; the status of the Pool Park Improvement project; and the status of the repairs for the splash park.

Discussion was held on the construction at the former Star Market location.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Council Member(s)

Councilor Alonso congratulated Chief Smith for his victory at the Firebaugh Derby event; reported on illegal fireworks being used in the community; and congratulated Danny Trejo.

Councilor Riofrio provided an update on Covid-19.

Councilor Rosales congratulated Chief Smith for his victory at the Derby event, and shared information about the upcoming golf tournament event.

Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza congratulated Chief Smith for his victory at the Derby event, and requested additional patrol throughout the community.

2. Mayor

Mayor Castro commented on past and upcoming events, and code violations throughout the City.

CLOSED SESSION

- 1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Potential initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9 (two potential cases).
- 2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

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

- a. Agency Designated Representative: Cristian Gonzalez, City Manager
- b. Employee Organization: American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees
- 3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

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

- a. Agency Designated Representative: Cristian Gonzalez, City Manager
- b. Employee Organization: Unpresented Management Employees

At 8:34 p.m. the Council moved into closed session.

At 9:47 p.m. the Council reconvened in open session and City Attorney Kinsey stated that in regard 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 9:47 p.m. by Mayor Castro, seconded by Councilor Alonso; unanimously approved (5 ayes).

Rolando Castro, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City