



# CITY OF MENDOTA

*“Cantaloupe Center Of The World”*

## Agenda

### Public Safety Sub-Committee Meeting

City Council Chambers

643 Quince Street

May 1, 2023

12:00 PM

JOSE ALONSO  
Chairperson

LIBERTAD “LIBERTY” LOPEZ  
Vice Chairperson

JOSEPH AMADOR  
Committee Member

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### I. Introductions

### II. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Minutes of the April 3, 2023, Regular Public Safety Sub-Committee Meeting.

### III. Business

1. Chairperson Alonso
2. Vice Chairperson Lopez
  - a) Vehicles not stopping at the intersection of Divisadero and Lolita Streets
  - b) Clarification on where community members can ride their all-terrain vehicles
  - c) Issues with individuals drinking in public on the East side of the City
3. Committee Member Amador
  - a) Discussion of Community Oriented Policing
  - b) Discussion of the City's weed abatement process
  - c) Discussion of Animal Control Department equipment
  - d) Hours of operation of public and private parks
4. Code Enforcement
  - a) Monthly update


- 5. Police Department
  - a) Monthly update

- 6. Other Business

IV. Adjournment

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Antonio Pizano, Deputy City Clerk



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MENDOTA PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
April 3, 2023  
12:00 PM  
Mendota City Hall

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Alonso at 12:03 p.m.

Members Present: Chairperson Jose Alonso, Vice-Chairperson Libertad “Liberty” Lopez, and Committee Member Joseph Amador

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Cristian Gonzalez, City Manager; Jennifer Lekumberry, Director of Administrative Services; Kevin Smith, Chief of Police; Alexis Navarro, Code Enforcement Department; Frank Renteria, Mendota Police Department; Shahab Yaghoubi, Mendota Police Department; Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City Clerk; and Antonio Pizano, Deputy City Clerk.

Others Present: J. Gomez, FCI Mendota; Maria Arviza, FCI Mendota; Jose Ochoa, Mendota Unified School District; and Maria Gavina, Carmen Meza Center.

**II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The minutes for the regular meeting of February 6, 2023, were approved based on a sub-committee consensus.

**III. BUSINESS**

1. Chairperson Alonso
  - a) Intersection on Quince Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Street

Chairperson Alonso introduced the item and provided positive feedback that he has received from community members on the installation of stop signs at the intersection on Quince and 6<sup>th</sup> Streets.

- b) ATVs disturbing traffic

Chairperson Alonso introduced the item.

Discussion was held on ATVs disturbing traffic during evening hours; regulations and laws pertaining to ATVs; and possible locations where community members can ride ATVs.

## 2. Vice-Chairperson Lopez

Vice-Chairperson Lopez commented on the need to address speeding and other traffic violations in the City; illegal parking occurring throughout the City; and on the possibility of using an empty lot near Inez and I Streets to assist with the homelessness issue.

Discussion was held on the comments made by Vice-Chairperson Lopez.

## 3. Committee Member Amador

### a) Speeding vehicles

Committee Member Amador introduced the item.

Discussion was held on the need to address speeding vehicles in the City and the need for community members to report speeding vehicles to Mendota Police Dispatch.

### b) Music late at nights

Committee Member Amador introduced the item.

Discussion was held on loud music being played on Derrick Avenue and on the need for community members to report loud music to Mendota Police Dispatch.

### c) Staff to give a briefing regarding the number of mobile food vendors

Committee Member Amador introduced the item.

Discussion was held on the different types of vendors in the City, including regulations on each type of vendor.

## 4. Code Enforcement

### a) Monthly update

Chief of Police Smith provided an update on the Code Enforcement department, including an update on the role the department.

Discussion was held on the update provided by Chief Smith.

## 5. Police Department

### a) Monthly update

Chief Smith provided an update on the Mendota Police Department (“MPD”), including personnel issues; the School Resource Officer Program; and the Council’s recent approval of California Public Employees’ Retirement System benefits for MPD.

Discussion was held on the update provided by Chief Smith.

6. Other Business

Jose Ochoa with Mendota Unified School District provided an update on issues being faced by schools; their plan to combat vaping; and a new emergency management system that will be implemented.

Discussion was held on the update provided by Mr. Ochoa.

Maria Arviza with Federal Correctional Institute – Mendota (“FCI Mendota”) provided an update on projects and issues being faced by FCI Mendota and commented on the possibility of working with MPD to address future issues they may have.

Discussion was held on the update provided by Ms. Arviza.

Maria Gavina with the Carmen Meza Center provided an update on services offered by her organization.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

At the hour of 12:49 p.m., with no more business to be brought before the Committee.

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Jose Alonso, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Antonio Pizano, Deputy City Clerk