



# CITY OF MENDOTA

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Chairperson

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Vice Chairperson

JOSEPH AMADOR  
Committee Member

Agenda  
Public Safety Sub-Committee Meeting  
City Council Chambers  
643 Quince Street  
Mendota, California 93640  
June 5, 2023  
12:00 PM

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## I. Introductions

## II. Approval of Minutes

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

## III. Business

1. Chairperson Alonso
  - a) Discussion of thefts in the City
  - b) Traffic issues during school hours
2. Vice Chairperson Lopez
3. Committee Member Amador
  - a) Discussion of homelessness in the City
  - b) Discussion of illicit drug issues
  - c) Discussion on vehicles exhibiting speed and having loud exhausts
4. Code Enforcement
  - a) Monthly update
5. Police Department
  - a) Monthly update

6. Other Business

IV. Adjournment

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Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City Clerk



MINUTES  
MENDOTA PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
May 1, 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: Vice Chairperson Libertad “Liberty” Lopez, and Committee Member Joseph Amador

Members Absent: Chairperson Jose Alonso

Staff Present: Cristian Gonzalez, City Manager; Jennifer Lekumberry, Director of Administrative Services; Kevin Smith, Chief of Police; Alexis Navarro, Community Service Officer; Frank Renteria, Police Sergeant; Brayden Grove Police Officer; Michael Osborn, City Engineer; Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City Clerk; and Antonio Pizano, Deputy City Clerk.

Others Present: Jose Ochoa, Mendota Unified School District; Maria Gavina, RCS Fresno – Carmen Meza Center; Maria Jacinto, RCS Fresno – Carmen Meza Center; Nicolas Esquivel, Caltrans.

**II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The minutes for the regular meeting of April 3, 2023, were approved based on a sub-committee consensus.

**III. BUSINESS**

1. Chairperson Alonso
2. Vice-Chairperson Lopez
  - a) Vehicles not stopping at the intersection of Divisadero and Lolita Streets

Vice Chairperson Lopez introduced the item and discussion was held on the results of a traffic survey that was conducted by the Mendota Police Department (“MPD”) at the intersection.

- b) Clarification on where community members can ride their all-terrain vehicles

Vice Chairperson Lopez introduced the item and discussion was held on various locations where community members can ride their all-terrain vehicles, such as outside City limits; and community members not being allowed to ride their all-terrain vehicles in the City or they will be subject to a citation.

- c) Issues with individuals drinking in public on the East side of the City

Vice Chairperson Lopez introduced the item and discussion was held on areas in the City where individuals are drinking in public; and ensuring that businesses do their part to limit individuals drinking in public.

### 3. Committee Member Amador

- a) Discussion of Community Oriented Policing

Committee Member Amador introduced the item and discussion was held on implementing community-oriented policing in the City.

- b) Discussion of the City's weed abatement process

Committee Member Amador introduced the item and discussion was held on the public nuisance abatement process, including the City's weed abatement process.

- c) Discussion of Animal Control Department equipment

Committee Member Amador introduced the item and discussion was held on the need for the Animal Control Department to have proper and modern equipment.

- d) Hours of operation of public and private parks

Committee Member Amador introduced the item and discussion was held on the hours of operation of public and private hours; and MPD's rapid response to calls for service.

### 4. Code Enforcement

- a) Monthly update

Chief of Police Smith provided the monthly update for the Code Enforcement Department including the status of the current weed abatement process; and provided an update on the Animal Control Department's efforts to catch loose dogs.

5. Police Department  
a) Monthly update

Chief Smith provided the monthly update for the Police Department including monthly statistics; and personnel.

6. Other Business

MPD Police Officer Grove provided an update on his experience with the MPD.

Nicolas Esquivel with Caltrans provided an update on upcoming projects on State Route 180, and other ongoing Caltrans projects near the City.

Discussion was held on the information provided by Mr. Esquivel, and the proposed roundabout at the intersections of State Routes 180 and 33 and McCabe Avenue.

Jose Ochoa with Mendota Unified School District provided an update on upcoming summer school programs, and thanked Officer Grove for his commitment to Mendota.

Discussion was held on the information provided by Mr. Ochoa, and the possibility of creating a new mariachi music program for students.

City Clerk Cabrera- Garcia provided an update on the Mendota Fireworks Show and, on the Silva Strong 5K Run and 2 Mile Walk event.

City Manager Gonzalez thanked all attendees for participating in the meeting.

Discussion was held on the upcoming AMOR Wellness Gala event.

Maria Jacinto with RCS Fresno – Carmen Meza Center provided an update on the services offered by the agency.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Libertad “Liberty” Lopez, Vice Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Antonio Pizano, Deputy City Clerk