

MINUTES OF MENDOTA SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Special Meeting

June 16, 2015

Meeting called to order by Mayor Silva at 10:01 a.m.

Roll Call

Council Members Present:

Mayor Robert Silva, Mayor Pro Tem Sergio Valdez,

Councilors Joseph Amador and Rolando Castro.

Council Members Absent:

Councilor Joseph Riofrio.

Flag salute led by Mayor Silva.

FINALIZE THE AGENDA

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

A motion was made by Councilor Amador to adopt the agenda, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Valdez; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Riofrio).

CITIZENS ORAL AND WRITTEN PRESENTATIONS

None offered.

BUSINESS

 Council discussion and consideration to adopt Resolution No. 15-40, approving and adopting the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 operating budget for the City of Mendota.

Mayor Silva introduced the item and City Manager DiMaggio reported that Firebaugh Dispatch receives the funds for the 911 system since they are the ones that receive the calls for service; explained that Council would receive a report at the July 14th City Council meeting in regards to how to enhance airport revenues; staff investigating the possibility of renting City-owned land to interested persons in order to generate revenue; the funds available that go towards the repairs of various street segments; and the resolution to adopt the proposed budget being available for adoption.

Discussion was held on the timeline for the 6th Street reconstruction; the importance of contacting the references of the contractor that is awarded the contract for the 6th Street reconstruction project; the bidding process; a portion of the road at the intersection of 6th Street and Stamoules Street that was destroyed due to City crew's possibly needing to repair a sewer line leakage; the amount of funds received by the Firebaugh Dispatch through 911 funding; the type of radio equipment that Mendota Police Officers are currently using; the contract between the City of Firebaugh and the City of Mendota regarding dispatch services; the different options the City has in regards to dispatch services; the possibility of Mendota having a dispatch center and City-owned police station; the issue of determining the ownership of the Community Center; the possibility of Corrections Corporation of America creating a detention center in which various communities can benefit from; the funds in various line items; issues regarding possible police officer turnover due other agencies having various position openings and offering signing bonuses; the benefit package that the City has to offer; the status of the police department's current vehicles; the need to replace older vehicles in the upcoming fiscal year's; the possibility of utilizing funds received from the Westside Cable Authority to purchase a new vehicle; the status of the City offering CalPERS; designating the reserve fund for emergencies only; having staff prepare a resolution which defines what the reserve fund can be used for; the possibility of creating an industrial park; the possibility of obtaining Proposition 1a funding to build a municipal well due to the continuance of the drought; the possibility of utilizing monies from the reserve fund to build another well; the process and options available to increase water/sewer rates; the need to increase water/sewer rates in order to fund current operations; various items included within the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP); adjusting the priority of items on the CIP if needed; equipment needed in various City departments; the possibility of having the high school's auto shop class repair City equipment but liability being an issue; and possibly purchasing surplus equipment from other organizations.

A motion was made to adopt Resolution No. 15-40 by Councilor Amador, seconded by Councilor Castro; unanimously approved (4 ayes, absent: Riofrio).

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business to be brought before the Council, a consensus was reached to adjourn at 10:46 a.m.

Robert Silva, Mayor

ATTEST:

Matt Flood, City Clerk