### MINUTES OF MENDOTA SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular Meeting Tuesday June 10, 2014

Meeting called to order by Mayor Robert Silva at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Members Present: Mayor Robert Silva, Mayor Pro Tem Joseph Amador, and Councilors S. Leo Capuchino, Joseph Riofrio, and Sergio Valdez.

Council Members Absent: None.

Flag Salute led by Mayor Pro Tem Amador

## FINALIZE THE AGENDA

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

A motion was made by Councilor Riofrio to adopt the agenda, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Amador; unanimously approved (5 ayes).

# **CITIZENS ORAL AND WRITTEN PRESENTATIONS**

None offered

### BUSINESS

1. Fiscal Year 2014/2015 Budget Workshop.

Mayor Silva introduced the item and City Manager DiMaggio reported on the major aspects and changes of the 2014/2015 budget including the different funds the City has, their purpose, and limitations; the projected revenues and expenditures of accounts in the general and enterprise funds; deficits, surpluses, and the use of fund balances; the need to consider future incremental increases in the amount charged for sewer services; proposed changes in the planning, community and economic development, City Clerk, and public utilities departments; the re-classifying of the Chief Plant Operator position; projects and equipment for public utilities and public works; the importance of having a Capital Improvement Plan; the need to amend the Municipal code for

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compliance and clarity; and the merit increases and COLA's that are due this year for employees.

Discussion was held on how surplus monies are identified and used: the deficit-surplus balance in the sewer and water funds; City wells of which there is an agreement for agricultural uses; repairing or replacing fire hydrants; the addition of employees in the public utilities department; the vehicles to be purchased for the public works department; shade structures that will be purchased for Rojas-Pierce Park: Potholes on Black Street; bringing up Impact Fees at a later meeting to consider the possibility of changing them: merit increases and COLA's: the businesses in Mendota that are closing: the funds that the City will receive from Measure C; the lack of a new vehicle for the police department in the proposed budget and how the department uses its current vehicles; progress on working with the Mendota Unified School District (MUSD) to get a school resource officer; the problems that come from the drought that is currently being experienced; the salary received by City employees and from which accounts those salaries are paid out of; the employees that would be hired for the public utilities department; the purchase of two 4x4 trucks; the use of vehicles by employees, especially using them to commute to and from work; the different streets projects that could be done; having 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Streets as priorities for maintenance work; the fund balance from LTF and Measure C; the money that will come out of the 2013/2014 budget to complete repair work on the water treatment plant; the retrofitting of street lights on 7<sup>th</sup> Street; and direction from Council to consider the purchase of a police vehicle.

(At 5:35 p.m. Councilor Riofrio stepped out of the Chambers).

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At the hour of 5:36 p.m., with no more business to be brought before the Council, a motion for adjournment was made by Mayor Pro Tem Amador, seconded by Councilor Capuchino; unanimously approved (4 ayes; absent: Riofrio).

Robert Silva, Mayor

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