

## MINUTES OF MENDOTA SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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**Special Meeting**

**February 2, 2016**

**Meeting called to order by Mayor Silva at 1:06 p.m.**

**Roll Call**

**Council Members Present:** Mayor Robert Silva, Councilors Joseph Amador and Rolando Castro.

**Council Members Absent:** Mayor Pro Tem Valdez and Councilor 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 Councilor Castro; unanimously approved (3 ayes, absent: Riofrio and Valdez).

### **CITIZENS ORAL AND WRITTEN PRESENTATIONS**

None offered.

### **BUSINESS**

1. Receive report from City Manager DiMaggio on attainment of 2015 goals.

Mayor Silva introduced the item and City Manager DiMaggio summarized the various staff and City Council goals that were established for 2015; reported on which goals were achieved; and explained why certain goals are still ongoing.

Discussion was held on different ways to create a comprehensive storm drain system and the possibility of selling City-owned properties.

2. Discussion between City staff and Council on 2016 goals.

City Manager DiMaggio reported on goals that staff has proposed for 2016 including modifying the noise ordinance in order for it to comply with the General Plan; eliminating the deposit system for development permits; staff continuing to pursue Proposition 1 funding for disadvantaged communities; moving forward with the proposed tertiary treatment project at the Waste Water Treatment Plant; completing the economic development of the Young property; utilizing the provisions of AB 2 to form a Community Revitalization District; researching the financial feasibility of converting City Hall into a police station; expanding public safety assessment district to city-wide; explained that employee healthcare costs has a negative effect on the budget; and summarized Councilor Riofrio's proposed goals.

Discussion was held on the importance of moving forward on revenue generating projects such as the proposed tertiary treatment project at the Waste Water Treatment Plant; improving road access on Black Street; having John Liu from Caltrans attend a future City Council meeting in order to discuss the proposed roundabout at the intersection of Oller and Derrick Avenues; verifying that businesses maintain their buildings in order to comply with the building code; continuing the development of the Young property; the City supporting local businesses; the City increasing its involvement with the Chamber of Commerce; researching possible airport land usages; reducing the amount of drugs paraphernalia and gangs within the City; an upcoming joint meeting with the Mendota Unified School District Board of Trustees; the importance of resolving the ownership of the Community Center; moving forward with enlarging Rojas-Pierce Park by creating additional baseball and soccer fields; the benefits of converting City Hall into a police station; hiring additional police officers; decreasing the amount of public intoxication; training staff in regards to permits and City policies; repairing various streets throughout the City; the possibility of having the public complete a survey in regards to which street they would like to have repaired; the benefits of expanding the public safety assessment district city-wide; ensuring that businesses update their business information; ensuring that property owners maintain their properties; and encouraging community involvement.

**Dino Perez (Westside Youth Inc.)** – explained the benefits of an increase of collaboration between the City and the Chamber of Commerce and reported on various ways to increase community involvement.

**Marissa Navarro** – stated that streets in residential areas should be repaired.

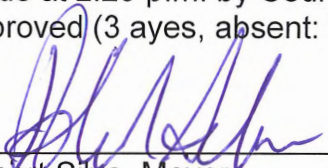
Discussion was held on the City's five year street repair plan; the possible reduction of Measure C funds; the possibility of reconstructing Naples Street; various ways to receive funding to reconstruct Naples Street; different streets throughout the City that need to be repaired; staff researching airport land uses; ensuring that businesses are

constructed or expanded properly and also comply with the building code; updating the process for the issuance of business licenses; and the possibility of entering into the Stage III water conservation measure.

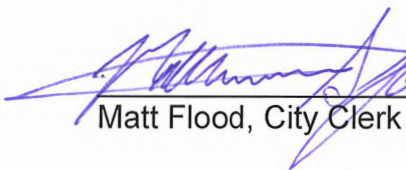
Chief of Police Andreotti reported that Judge Hilary Chittick will be in Firebaugh for a joint meeting with various organizations and agencies on February 25<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no more business to be brought before the Council, a motion for adjournment was made at 2:29 p.m. by Councilor Castro, seconded by Councilor Amador; unanimously approved (3 ayes, absent: Riofrio and Valdez).

  
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Robert Silva, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Matt Flood, City Clerk

