

**MINUTES OF MENDOTA
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Regular Meeting **Tuesday June 17, 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 and Joseph Riofrio.**

Council Members Absent: **Councilor Valdez.**

Flag Salute led by Finance Director Marquez

FINALIZE THE AGENDA

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

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

PRESENTATION

1. Raj Rakkar from the office of Assemblymember Henry Perea to provide an update on recent bills and legislation.

Mrs. Rakkar summarized the key points of and provided an update on Assembly Bills authored by Assemblymember Perea, including AB1693, AB1717, and AB2672, and asked for the City of Mendota's support on these through a letter.

Discussion was held on how pre-paid phone fees would be collected; 9-1-1 fees that are charged to landlines and cell phone plans through major carriers; how AB2672 was watered down; and a brief update on the water bond Assemblymember Perea is working on.

Council directed staff to prepare and send letters of support.

CITIZENS ORAL AND WRITTEN PRESENTATIONS

None Offered.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and will be considered separately.

1. Council Adopt **Resolution No. 14-12**: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mendota in the matter concerning Local Transportation Purpose Funds (Measure "C" extension funds).
2. Council consideration and approval of applications for permits to sell fireworks.

City Clerk Flood provided a brief update that all applications for fireworks are complete.

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

BUSINESS

1. Council discussion and consideration to renew the policy for the waiving of sidewalk repair fees for residential properties. [City Manager, DiMaggio]

Mayor Silva introduced the item and City Manager DiMaggio reported that this was a topic of interest at a recent meeting of the Public Safety Sub-Committee. Mayor Pro Tem Amador reported that there has been concern with trees lifting up the sidewalk and causing hazards on the public right-of-way; that fees to fix sidewalks in residential areas were waived for a year and no one took advantage of it; and stressed the importance of extending that policy so that the City can enforce owner responsibility, thereby protecting the City.

Discussion was held on the exact type of fees that are waived; and the property owner's responsibility in State and local law to repair the sidewalk.

Council directed staff to prepare a resolution to be considered at a future meeting.

2. Fiscal Year 2014/2015 Budget Workshop.

Mayor Silva introduced the item and City Manager DiMaggio presented the adjustments made in the budget since the last meeting due to Council's desire to change some items, as well as correcting some minor clerical mistakes.

Discussion was held on the amount of trucks to be bought for the Public Works and Public Utilities Departments; shade structures for Rojas-Pierce Park; the amount of

funds allocated for Community Promotions; the amount of funds allocated for Council training and meetings; Council's direction to purchase a new vehicle for the Police Department; the contingency for purchasing a third truck; the payroll allocations for employees in Public Works, Public Utilities, and the Police Department; the cost of dispatch services from Firebaugh compared to contracting with the Sheriff's Department; and the use of the Firebaugh shooting range by the Mendota Police Department.

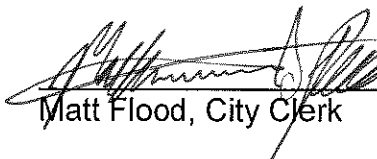
ADJOURNMENT

At the hour of 4:57 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: Valdez).



Robert Silva, Mayor

ATTEST:


Matt Flood, City Clerk

