

**MINUTES OF MENDOTA
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Special Meeting

June 19, 2024

Meeting called to order by Mayor Martinez at 12:05 p.m.

Roll Call

City Council Members Present: Mayor Victor Martinez, Mayor Pro Tem Libertad “Liberty” Lopez, and Council Members Jose Alonso, Joseph Riofrio and Oscar Rosales

City Council Members Absent: None

Flag salute led by Council Member Rosales

FINALIZE THE AGENDA

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

A motion was made by Council Member Riofrio to adopt the agenda, seconded by Council Member Rosales; unanimously approved (5 ayes)

CITIZENS ORAL AND WRITTEN PRESENTATIONS

Sergio Valdez with Mendota Youth Recreation (“MYR”) inquired on the status of the MYR’s facility use deposit; shared his concerns of the City’s Facility Use Policy; and commented on the upcoming Tribute to Ray Camacho event.

Discussion was held on the comments made by Mr. Valdez.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. MAY 22, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 5, 2024
 - a. WARRANT LIST CHECK NOS. 54887 THROUGH 54937
 - b. TOTAL FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL = \$765,834.07
2. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 24-29**, approving a Successor Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Mendota and Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3, on behalf of the Mendota Police Officers' Association.
3. Proposed adoption of **Resolution No. 24-30**, revising the Management Benefit Resolution applicable to the City of Mendota's unrepresented management employees.

A motion was made by Council Member Rosales to approve items 1 through 3 of the Consent Calendar, seconded by Council Member Alonso; unanimously approved (5 ayes).

BUSINESS

1. Council discussion and consideration of the City of Mendota's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Mayor Martinez introduced the item and Finance Director Valdez provided the report.

Discussion was held on the purchase and installation of additional street lights; the fund that the cannabis-related public benefit fees are allocated to; the City's ongoing contract with Townsend Public Affairs ("TPA"), the services that TPA provides to the City, and the City Council discussing and considering the terms of the contract at a future meeting; the State and Federal Advocacy Trips that the City attend; the quality of the Fresno County Sheriff's dispatch service; the City Council discussing and considering other options for dispatch services at a future meeting; the City's allowance of Accessory Dwelling Units; the Planning Commission's recent recommendation to the City Council for the consideration of a zoning text amendment that would eliminate Mendota Municipal Code subsection 17.24.080(G); the condition of some of the uniforms for the Public Works and Public Utilities Departments; the status of new Mendota Police Department ("MPD") vehicles; the condition of the firearms for the police officers; the status of the Mendota Police Officers Association's firearm raffle; the condition of the City's aerators at the Wastewater Treatment Plant ("WWTP"); whether the City needs to build berms or levies at the WWTP; locations where unhoused people have relocated to; MPD arresting the individual who vandalized the trees on Naples Street; the condition of the water tanks at the Water Treatment Plant; the frequency that the City's water and wastewater is tested; enforcing illegal dumping regulations; enforcing SB 1383 provisions; enforcing the Facility Use Policy; and the need for the Public Utilities Department to inspect the Lozano Lift Station.

A motion was made by Council Member Rosales to allocate funding in the amount of \$40,000.00 to \$50,000.00 for benches, cement slabs for the benches, and barbecue grills for Pool Park, seconded by Council Member Alonso; unanimously approved (5 ayes).

Mayor Martinez reported that due to work commitments, he would not be able to attend regular City Council meetings and requested that the City Council consider changing the days and times of regular City Council meetings.

Discussion was held on the request made by Mayor Martinez, including adding an item to a future City Council meeting agenda to further discuss and consider the item; and on the naming of the New Baseball Field at Rojas-Pierce Park.

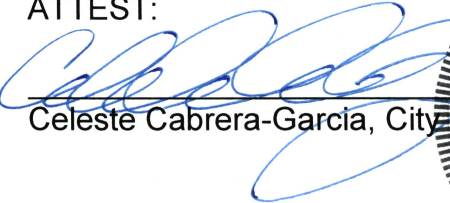
ADJOURNMENT

With no more business to be brought before the Council, a motion for adjournment was made at 1:02 p.m. by Council Member Alonso, seconded by Council Member Rosales; unanimously approved (5 ayes).



Victor Martinez, Mayor

ATTEST:



Celeste Cabrera-Garcia, City Clerk

