MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE MADERA CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA

December 13, 2017
6:00 p.m. Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER – The special meeting of the Madera City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Madera City Council as the Successor Agency to the Former Madera Redevelopment Agency, the special meeting of the Madera City Council as the Successor Housing Agency, and the regular meeting of the Housing Authority of the City of Madera were also called to order.

ROLL CALL – Roll was called for all agencies.
Present: Mayor Andrew J. Medellin
          Mayor Pro Tem Jose Rodriguez, District 2
          Council Member Cece Foley Gallegos, District 1
          Council Member William Oliver, District 3
          Council Member Derek O. Robinson Sr., District 4
          Council Member Charles F. Rigby, District 5
          Council Member Donald E. Holley, District 6

Others present were City Attorney Brent Richardson, City Clerk Sonia Alvarez, Director of Community Development David Merchen, Director of Financial Services Tim Przybyla, and City Engineer Keith Helmuth.

INVOCATION: Pastor David Dougherty, Harvest Community Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Medellin led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
The first fifteen minutes of the meeting are reserved for members of the public to address the Council on items which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council. Speakers shall be limited to three minutes. Speakers will be asked to identify themselves and state the subject of their comment. If the subject is an item on the Agenda, the Mayor has the option of asking the speaker to hold the comment until that item is called. Comments on items listed as a Public Hearing on the Agenda should be held until the hearing is opened. The Council is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters discussed that are not on the Agenda, and no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the Council does not respond to public comment at this time.

Public comment was opened for all agencies.

Renee Benoit, local realtor, referred to the Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal closed session item and requested that the Council not lay off or furlough rank and file employees. She also expressed concerns regarding executive salaries and asked that the City spend taxpayer dollars on services not salaries.

Eddie Block, residing in Madera, California, stated he was told by the Downtown Association that the proper venue to address downtown revitalization is at the council meeting. He also shared concerns regarding unlicensed vendors in the downtown area.
April Molina, residing in Madera, California, referred to the marijuana discussion at the last meeting. She expressed concerns regarding the $1,000 fine for those who break the rules. She fears that it will increase homelessness. She also announced that Love Madera is April 21, 2018.

Khalid Chaudhry, business owner in Madera, California, referred to the Pistoressi article and spoke regarding high salaries and the retaliation against his tenant being given the run around. He offered $100,000 of his own money to investigate city managers and others who are involved.

Velvet Rhoads, business owner in Madera, California, stated she won’t retire like a lot of folks that work for city and state. She referred to past requests by the Friends of the Madera Animal Shelter for funding and none was granted.

Mayor Medellin moved to the Housing Authority meeting (6:13 p.m. – 6:50 p.m.), followed by the Successor Agency meeting (6:52 p.m. – 7:16 p.m.). The special City Council meeting was called back to order at 7:16 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS – None.

INTRODUCTIONS – None.

A. WORKSHOP

There are no items for this section.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the consent calendar are adopted with a single motion and vote of the council. Items pulled from the consent calendar for further discussion are adopted under separate action.

No items were pulled from the consent calendar.

ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER RIGBY, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER OLIVER, THE CONSENT CALENDAR, WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.

B-1 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Local Update of Census Addresses Operation (LUCA) Application on Behalf of the City of Madera (Report by Chris Boyle)

RES. NO. 17-192 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE 2020 LOCAL UPDATE OF CENSUS ADDRESSES OPERATION

C. HEARINGS, PETITIONS, BIDS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, AND AGREEMENTS

There are no items for this section.

D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

There are no items for this section.

E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

There are no items for this section.

F. COUNCIL REPORTS
No reports were given.

G. **CLOSED SESSION**

G-1 Closed Session Announcement – City Attorney

The Council adjourned to closed session at 7:17 p.m. to discuss items G-2 and G-3 as listed on the agenda.

G-2 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release - Pursuant to Government Code §54957

G-3 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release - Pursuant to Government Code §54957

G-4 Closed Session Report – City Attorney

The Council returned from closed session at 8:19 p.m. with all members present.

Item G-2 – The Council unanimously approved an agreement concerning resignation for purposes of retirement for the City Administrator.

Item G-3 – No reportable action.

**ADJOURNMENT** - Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. Next regular meeting 12/20/17.

**CONSISTENCY WITH THE VISION MADERA 2025 PLAN**

Approval of the minutes is not addressed in the vision or action plans; the requested action is also not in conflict with any of the actions or goals contained in that plan.

[Signatures]

SONIA ALVAREZ, City Clerk

ANDREW J. MEDELLIN, Mayor