A regular meeting of the Madera ADA Advisory Council was scheduled for 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 16, 2019, in the City Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:
DJ Becker, Chairperson
Tim Riche, Vice Chair
Diana Robbins
Muhammad Latif
Dennis Smith
Cynthia Ortegon

ABSENT:
Emmanuel Gomez

OTHERS PRESENT: Jack Porter

Chairperson DJ Becker called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

Public Comment: None.

Business Matters

1. Approval of Minutes – June 18, 2019. Vice Chairperson Riche moved to approve the minutes; motion seconded by Council Member Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Discussion and direction on the purchase of promotional materials for the 2019 Madera District Fair- Wendy Silva

Council Member Smith made a motion to purchase the coloring books, motion seconded by Vice Chairperson Riche. Motion passed unanimously.

3. 2019 Madera District fair set up/booth staffing/tear down schedule sign-ups-Wendy Silva
Wendy advised that she requested to be next to the City’s Water Conservation booth. Council Member Riche and Council Member Robbins stated that they can assist with the set up of the booth. Council members indicated that they were not able to sign up for booth times yet and asked that the matter be brought back.

4. Discussion on responses received to the letter regarding accessibility concerns at the Post Office that were sent to Senator Feinstein and Congressman Jim Costa - Wendy Silva

With both cases Chairperson Becker signed a release with the City’s information. Both offices said they will advocate on our behalf. Council Member Riche stated that we should make City Council aware. Wendy stated that she will provide the City Council with a copy of the initial correspondence.

5. Discussion on Participation in the Old Timers Day Parade - Wendy Silva

The Council unanimously voted to participate in the Old Timers Day parade on September 28th and will pass on setting up a booth after the parade. Council Member Smith will be providing his personal vehicle and placing the ADA magnets on it.

6. Oral reports by Staff and Advisory Board Members

Council Member Smith expressed his concerns about the sidewalk that has been closed due to the fire on Yosemite and E street. Wendy will follow-up with Engineering.

Chairperson Becker stated she attended the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) meeting and had a brief interaction with some personnel from HUD and was made aware of permanent supportive care that qualifies under CDBG. She was told that it would be a good way to address immediate needs for rental assistance programs and something the Council should look into.

Chairperson Becker stated she wanted to give a person on a power chair a flag but he wouldn’t accept because it was too long. The individual also indicated he was riding on the road because it was too dark for him to see the cracks and gaps on the sidewalk.

Council Member Ortegon expressed concerns regarding City Hall driveways being too steep. Wendy will follow-up with Engineering.

Council Member Latif stated that he has issues with putting flags on wheelchairs. It was suggested that he could direct individuals to GBS Hardware for assistance in securing the flags. He stated that he attended the Madera Veteran and Family Housing reception.
Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,                      Accepted,

Diana Rosas                                DJ Becker, Chairperson
Human Resources Technician II

Date:___________                                Date:___________