

City of Madera ADA Advisory Council
City Council Chambers, 205 W. 4th Street
Madera, CA 93637

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 19, 2019, 3:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Madera ADA Advisory Council was scheduled for 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 19, 2019, in the City Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:

DJ Becker, Chairperson
Tim Riche, Vice Chair
Cynthia Ortegon
Muhammad Latif
Dennis Smith
Dianna Robbins
Emmanuel Gomez

Staff

Diana Rosas
Wendy Silva

OTHERS PRESENT: Vidal Medina, Resources for Independence Central Valley;
Council Member Derek Robinson

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

Public Comment: None

Business Matters

1. Approval of Minutes – October 15, 2019. Vice Chairperson Riche moved to approve the minutes; motion seconded by Chairperson Robbins. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Oral Report: HUD monies that were set aside for low income and disabled housing and how they will be used in Madera-

Martha Ramirez and Eva Vargas Madera Housing Authority Managers from Madera MORES program are currently working on veterans and family housing on C Street and 5th Street that holds 48 units and will be affordable and ADA compliant. Another program that is in the works is a grant that is being submitted for 6th Street and E Street which will be 20 studios and 23 one-bedroom units and will also be affordable and ADA compliant. The Housing Authority is also applying for a \$112 million grant

that is nationwide for section 811; it is in hopes of getting some of those funds. The housing developments will have specific priorities for the unit vacancies.

3. Oral Report: Update on the status of implementing an app for citizens to report issues-

Becky McCurdy with the City of Madera spoke regarding a new software called Tyler 311. Becky stated that the software will be built by the 1st quarter of 2020 with an app that will be supported by Apple and Android cell phones. The software will make it easier to report issues around the City; it will directly go to the appropriate department and allow the department to see the location of the issue.

4. Discussion on State Route 145 project planning meeting attendance and ADA related concerns-

Chairperson Becker attended the meeting and shared her concerns regarding what needs to be a priority in the downtown Yosemite area. After getting input from the ADA Council Members the board decided that the priorities need to be crosswalks, pedestrian safety, walkable quarters, street lights, benches, and shade (not trees). This was a discussion item only and will be brought back to the next meeting as an action item.

5. Discussion on the cost of promotional items for California Department of Motor Vehicles Campaign on Disabled Person parking Placard Awareness-

Wendy Silva Reached out to Creative Copy and Office Depot to see the cost to print the posters. Office Depot .40/copy, Creative Copy .70/copy. The ADA Advisory Council agreed on 100 copies from Office Depot. Each Council Member will distribute 10 to local business.

6. Advisory Council Reports/Announcements/Requests for Future Agenda Items

This portion of the meeting is reserved for the Advisory Council members (1) to make brief reports on attendance at other boards, committees, public agencies, and/or public events, (2) to request updates, (3) to initiate future agenda items.

Councilmember Diana Robbins attended the 2020 Census meeting on 10/23/19. She stated that the Census needs workers to assist on getting information out to the public and counting each person. The Census will begin in March.

Councilmember Gomez attended a black carpet event and met Magic Wheelchair, a group and fabrication warehouse that is in Fresno and Visalia. They partner up with foundations and organizations to assist with dressing up

wheelchairs at events such as Comicon. He indicated it is good to hear that these organizations are right in our backyard.

Chairperson Becker stated that she has seen abuse in handicapped parking spots. Wendy Silva stated to email her hotspots and she will forward it to the Police Department.

The Advisory Council agreed that no meeting will be held in December due to the Holidays.

Meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Accepted,



Diana Rosas
Human Resources Technician II

DJ Becker, Chairperson

Date: _____

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