



Item:	B-1
Minutes for:	05/12/2021s
Adopted:	07/07/2021

## Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Madera City Council

**May 12, 2021**  
**6:30 p.m.**

**Council Chambers**  
**City Hall**

This meeting was conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Governor's Executive Order which suspends certain requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act. The City Council meeting was live streamed on the City's website at [www.madera.gov/live](http://www.madera.gov/live). Members of the public were able to participate in the meeting remotely through an electronic meeting via phone by dialing (669) 900-6833 enter ID: 976 8719 3617# followed by \*9 on their phone to speak. Comments were also accepted via email at [citycouncilpubliccomment@madera.gov](mailto:citycouncilpubliccomment@madera.gov) or by regular mail at 205 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Madera, CA 93637.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 6:48 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Mayor Santos Garcia  
Mayor Pro Tem Artemio Villegas, District 6  
Councilmember Cece Gallegos, District 1  
Councilmember Jose Rodriguez, District 2  
Councilmember Steve Montes, District 3  
Councilmember Anita Evans, District 4

**Absent:** Vacant, District 5

Others present were City Manager Arnoldo Rodriguez, City Clerk Alicia Gonzales, Human Resources Director Wendy Silva, Information Services Manager Mark Souders, Planning Manager Gary Conte, and Communication Specialist Joseph Carrello.

**INVOCATION:** None.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** None.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS, THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED BY A 6/0 VOTE. ABSENT: DISTRICT 5 IS CURRENTLY VACANT. ABSTAIN: NONE.**

**THE MOTION PASSED WITH THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**YES: 6 –**  
**COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS**  
**COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ**  
**COUNCILMEMBER MONTES**  
**COUNCILMEMBER EVANS**

**MAYOR PRO TEM VILLEGAS  
MAYOR GARCIA**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Members of the public shall have an opportunity to address the City Council regarding matters on this Agenda at the time the agenda item is called. Speakers should limit their comments to three (3) minutes.

No Public Comment was submitted. Public Comment was closed.

**A. PETITIONS, BIDS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, AND AGREEMENTS:**

**A-1 Initiation of a Municipal Code Text Amendment (“Ordinance”) Relating to Cannabis Pursuant to Code Section §10-3.1502**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution Initiating a Text Amendment to the Zoning Regulations of the Madera Municipal Code Relating to Cannabis Activity in Certain Zone Districts (Report by Arnoldo Rodriguez)

**ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ, ITEM A-1 WAS APPROVED BY A 6/0 VOTE. ABSENT: DISTRICT 5 IS CURRENTLY VACANT. ABSTAIN: NONE.**

**THE MOTION PASSED WITH THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**YES: 6 – COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS  
COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ  
COUNCILMEMBER MONTES  
COUNCILMEMBER EVANS  
MAYOR PRO TEM VILLEGAS  
MAYOR GARCIA**

**RES 21-63 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MADERA INITIATING TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING REGULATIONS OF THE MADERA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO CANNABIS AS AUTHORIZED UNDER CODE SECTION §10-3.1502**

**B. CLOSED SESSION:**

**B-1 Conference with Labor Negotiators - Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6**

**Agency Designated Representatives:**  
Arnoldo Rodriguez, Wendy Silva, and Che Johnson

**Employee Organizations:**  
General Bargaining Unit/Madera Affiliated City Employees Association  
Mid-Management Employee Group  
Madera Police Officers’ Association  
Law Enforcement Mid Management

City Manager Arnaldo Rodriguez made the Closed Session Announcement at 7:01 p.m.

Council returned from closed session at 7:43 p.m. with six (6) Councilmembers present as District 5 is currently vacant.

City Manager Arnaldo Rodriguez announced that there was no reportable action.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m. Next regular meeting May 19, 2021.

**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.

  
ALICIA GONZALES, City Clerk

  
SANTOS GARCIA, Mayor

  
MINUTES PREPARED BY  
ZELDA LEON, Deputy City Clerk

