

Item:

B-1

Minutes for:

11/16/2022 02/15/2023

Adopted:

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Madera City Council

November 16, 2022 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers City Hall

The Council Chambers will be open to the public. This meeting will also be available for public viewing and participation through Zoom. Members of the public may also observe the live streamed meeting on the City's website at www.madera.gov/live. Members of the public may comment on agenda items at the meeting or remotely through an electronic meeting via phone by dialing (669) 900-6833 enter ID: 840 2977 4103#. Comments will also be accepted via email at citycouncilpubliccomment@madera.gov or by regular mail at 205 W. 4th Street, Madera, CA 93637.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mayor Santos Garcia

Mayor Pro Tem Anita Evans, District 4 Councilmember Cece Gallegos, District 1

Councilmember Jose Rodriguez, District 2 (Zoom)

Councilmember Steve Montes, District 3 Councilmember Elsa Mejia, District 5 (Zoom) Councilmember Artemio Villegas, District 6

Others present were City Manager Arnoldo Rodriguez, City Clerk Alicia Gonzales, City Attorney Hilda Cantu Montoy (Zoom), City Engineer Keith Helmuth, Community Development Director Will Tackett, Interim Director of Financial Services Kingsley Okereke, Division Fire Chief Matt Watson, Fire Battalion Chief Robert Duran, Grants Administrator Marcela Zuniga, Director of Human Resources Wendy Silva, IS Manager Mark Souders, Director of Parks and Community Services Joseph Hebert, Planning Manager Gary Conte, Chief of Police Dino Lawson, Interim Public Works Director Jamie Hickman, Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager Gabriel Bostan, Senior Planner (Consultant) James Troyer, Senior Planner Robert Smith and Communication Specialist Joseph Carrello.

INVOCATION: Mayor Pro Tem Anita Evans

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember Villegas

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS, THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

THE MOTION PASSED WITH THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

YES: 7 - COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS

COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ COUNCILMEMBER MONTES MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS MAYOR GARCIA

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The first 15 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, but are not required, to identify themselves and state the subject of their comments. 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.

DJ Becker of the ADA Council gave an update and example (pedestrian flags for visibility) of how they are using City funds. Ms. Becker stated she is alarmed pedestrians are worried about using crosswalks due to not feeling safe from vehicles.

Division Fire Chief Matt Watson introduced new Fire Battalion Chief Robert Duran.

Cynthia Ortegon of the ADA Council stated that she is alarmed for pedestrian safety as there used to be 10 traffic officers and now there is just one traffic officer. She asked that Council consider having more traffic officers.

Brandon Gerard Robuchon stated he recently relocated here from another state. He is a military veteran and asked Council to support the VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) and American Legion, so they can support not just veterans but the community.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. Proclamation Recognizing Small Business Saturday Ortiz Western Wear and GBS Hardware
- 2. Proclamation Recognizing National Injury Prevention Day Valley Children's Hospital

INTRODUCTIONS: NoneA. WORKSHOP: None

B. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, a member of the public or a member of the Council may request an item be removed from the Consent Calendar and it will be considered separately.

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS, THE CONSENT CALENDAR WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 – COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS
COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ
COUNCILMEMBER MONTES

MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS MAYOR GARCIA

B-1 Minutes – August 3, 2022, August 17, 2022, August 24, 2022

Recommendation: Approve the City Council Minutes of 8/3/22, 8/17/22, 8/24/22

B-2 Informational Report on Register of Audited Demands for October 22, 2022 to November 4, 2022

Recommendation: No Action Required (Report by Kingsley Okereke)

B-3 Informational Report on Personnel Activity

Recommendation: No Action Required (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-4 Award of Agreements for Medical Services

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Approving Medical Services Agreements with Occu-

Med (Report by Wendy Silva)

RES 22-187 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA

APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR MEDICAL SERVICES WITH OCCU-MED

B-5 Remote City Council Meetings Under Brown Act Requirements (AB 361)

Recommendation: Council to decide to adopt a Resolution Reauthorizing Remote

Teleconference Public Meetings by the City Council and All Boards, Commissions, and Standing Committees of the City in Accordance with Assembly Bill 361 for a Period of 30 Days (Report by Arnoldo Rodriguez)

RES 22-188 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA

REAUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND ALL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE CITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASSEMBLY BILL 361 FOR A PERIOD OF

THIRTY DAYS

B-6 2022 Downtown Christmas Light Parade Entry for City Participation

Recommendation: Approve a Minute Order Authorizing the City Manager to execute documents necessary or any City entries in the Downtown Christmas Light

Parade scheduled on December 1, 2022 (Report by Alicia Gonzales)

B-7 Letter Supporting the Madera Unified School District's (MUSD) Application for Funding

ASSETs Program and CLC

Recommendation: This report is submitted to provide the City Council an informational report

on the request by MUSD to the City for letters of support regarding their application for funding for the After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens (ASSETs) Program and Community Learning Centers (CLC) (Report

by Joseph Hebert)

B-8 Adoption of Updated Conflict of Interest Code for the City of Madera

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Adopting the Conflict of Interest Code for the City of

Madera and Rescinding Resolution 20-124 (Report by Alicia Gonzales)

RES 22-189

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA ADOPTING THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE FOR THE CITY OF MADERA AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 20-124

C. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

C-1 Public Hearing Regarding Annexation No. 13 (Tract 21-S-02 & S1-S-03/TSM 2020-04 Vineyard Estates Subdivision) into Community Facilities District No. 2005-1 (Public Services) Under the Mello Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982 and Related Actions

Recommendation:

- 1) Hold the Public Hearing; and
- 2) Adopt a Resolution Authorizing Annexation (Annexation No. 13) of Territory to Community Facilities (CFD) District No. 2005-1; Authorizing the Levy of a Special Tax; and Submitting the Levy of Tax to the Qualified Electors; and
- 3) Conduct the Election of the Qualified Electors of Annexation No. 13; and
- 4) Adopt a Resolution Making Certain Findings, Declaring and Certifying the Results of an Election, Adding the Territory Identified as Annexation No. 13 to CFD 2005-1 (Public Services), Annexation No. 13 (Report by Will Tackett)

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS, ITEM C-1 (2) WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 – COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS

COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ COUNCILMEMBER MONTES MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS

MAYOR GARCIA

RES 22-190 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA,

CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY (ANNEXATION NO. 13) TO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2005-1 (PUBLIC SERVICES), AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF A SPECIAL TAX, AND

SUBMITTING THE LEVY OF TAX TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS, ITEM C-1 (4) WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 – COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS

COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ COUNCILMEMBER MONTES MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS

MAYOR GARCIA

RES 22-191

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS, DECLARING AND CERTIFYING THE RESULTS OF A SPECIAL ELECTION, AND ADDING THE TERRITORY IDENTIFIED AS ANNEXATION NO. 13 TO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2005-1 (PUBLIC SERVICES)

C-2 Vacation of a Portion of Clark Street Right-of-Way Between Owens Street and Taylor Street (ABN 2022-01)

Recommendation: Hold a Public Hearing and Adopt a Resolution adopting a Categorical Exemption Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15305 (Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations) and Approving the Vacation of a Portion of Clark Street Between Owens Street and Taylor Street (Report by Will Tackett)

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS, ITEM C-2 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 -

COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ COUNCILMEMBER MONTES MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS MAYOR GARCIA

RES 22-192

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA ADOPTING A CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15305 (MINOR ALTERATIONS IN LAND USE LIMITATIONS) AND APPROVING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF CLARK STREET BETWEEN **OWENS STREET AND TAYLOR STREET**

C-3 Vacation of a Portion of Noble Street (Alley) along the east side and corner of Noble Street and Maple Street at southeast corner of right-of-way vacation (ABN 2020-02 and ABN 2021-01)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Adopting a Categorical Exemption Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15305 (Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations) and Approving the Vacation of a Portion Noble Street (Alley) along the East side and corner of Noble Street and Maple Street at southeast corner (Report by Will Tackett)

Mike Hamsey of Harbison International Inc., the civil engineering company on this project spoke on behalf of the project.

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES, ITEM C-3 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 -

COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ **COUNCILMEMBER MONTES** MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS

COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS MAYOR GARCIA

RES 22-193

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA ADOPTING A CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15305 (MINOR ALTERATIONS IN LAND USE LIMITATIONS) AND APPROVING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF EAST NOBLE STREET ALLEY AND SOUTHEAST CORNER OF NOBLE STREET AND MAPLE STREET

C-4 Vacation of a Portion of Grove Street right-of-way South of Maple Street (ABN 2020-01)

Recommendation: Hold a Public Hearing and Adopt a Resolution adopting a Categorical Exemption Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15305 (Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations) and Approving the Vacation of a Portion of Grove Street south of Maple Street (Report by Will Tackett)

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS. ITEM C-4 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 -

COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ COUNCILMEMBER MONTES MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS MAYOR GARCIA

RES 22-194

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA ADOPTING A CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15305 (MINOR ALTERATIONS IN LAND USE LIMITATIONS) AND APPROVING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF GROVE STREET

C-5 Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) Grant Application

Recommendation: Conduct the Public Hearing and Adopt a Resolution Authorizing Submittal of a Grant Application for the PLHA Program (Report by Kingsley Okereke)

Brandon Gerard Robuchon recommended that veterans be a priority and asked that Council move funds into applying for foreclosed houses and then turning them into mental health centers.

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS. ITEM C-5 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 -

COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ COUNCILMEMBER MONTES MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS

MAYOR GARCIA

RES 22-195

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMANENT LOCAL HOUSING ALLOCATION PROGRAM

D. PETITIONS, BIDS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, AND AGREEMENTS:

D-1 Employee Wage Adjustments to Offset Inflation, Minimum Wage Compaction, and Recruitment and Retention of Full-time Employees

Recommendation: Adopt Resolutions:

- 1) Approving Side Letter Agreements effecting additional cost-of-living (COLA) increases and certain salary range adjustments as a direct result of minimum wage increases for the following employee bargaining units:
 - a. Madera Affiliated City Employees' Association, representing the General Bargaining Unit
 - b. Mid Management Employee Group
 - c. Madera Police Officers' Association
 - d. Law Enforcement Mid Management Employee Group
- 2) Approving revised Standard Terms and Conditions for Employment Agreements of Unrepresented Department Head Positions effecting additional COLA increases
- 3) Approving amendments to the City of Madera Classification Plan removing job classifications no longer utilized, adding the Parks Manager classification, and modifying salary range assignments for certain job classifications as a direct result of minimum wage increases (Report by Wendy Silva)

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS, ITEM D-1 WITH REVISED EXHIBITS FOR ITEM D-1(1)(a) WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 – COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS

COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ
COUNCILMEMBER MONTES
MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS
COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA
COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS

MAYOR GARCIA

RES 22-196 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING

SIDE LETTER AGREEMENTS WITH MADERA AFFILIATED CITY EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION, MID MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEE GROUP, MADERA POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT MID MANAGEMENT GROUP PROVIDING ADDITIONAL COST-OF-LIVING INCREASES AND

MAKING CERTAIN SALARY RANGE ADJUSTMENTS

RES 22-197 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA

APPROVING STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS OF UNREPRESENTED DEPARTMENT HEAD POSITIONS

RES 22-198 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA AMENDING

THE CITY OF MADERA CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND SETTING THE ASSIGNED

SALARY RANGE FOR CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS

D-2 Award of Contract for Hearing Officer Services for Cannabis Permitting Process

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Approving a Contract with Nastich Law, a Profession

Corporation to serve as Hearing Officer for Cannabis Permitting Appeals and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Agreement (Report by

Will Tackett)

ON MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES, TO CONTINUE ITEM D-2 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 - COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS

COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ
COUNCILMEMBER MONTES
MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS
COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA
COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS

MAYOR GARCIA

RES 22-199 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA

APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH NASTICH LAW, A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION FOR OFFICER SERVICES ON CANNABIS PERMITTING APPEALS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE

AGREEMENT

D-3 Improvement Agreement Amendment No. 1 for the Rancho Santa Fe Subdivision (Tract No. 19-S-06) Allowing Reimbursement for Park Improvements

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Improvement

Agreement Authorizing Construction of a Park Improvements Within the Rancho Santa Fe Subdivision and Reimbursement for Park Improvements Proposed to be Constructed by Subdivider (Report by Keith Helmuth)

Brandon Robuchon stated he lives in this new subdivision area. He is concerned with pedestrian safety and would like Council to know that Encantada Avenue is also an area of concern due to vehicle speed. He recommended that the park include not just shade trees, but fruit trees or a small community garden that the community would be responsible for.

ON MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES, TO CONTINUE ITEM D-3 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 – COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS

COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ
COUNCILMEMBER MONTES
MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS
COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA
COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS

MAYOR GARCIA

RES 22-200

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF PARK IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE RANCHO SANTA FE SUBDIVISION AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROPOSED TO BE CONSTRUCTED BY SUBDIVIDER

D-4 Improvement Agreement Amendment No. 1 for the Iveywood I Subdivision (Tract No. 19-S-03) Allowing Reimbursement for Park Improvements

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Improvement

Agreement Authorizing Construction of a Park Improvements Within the Iveywood I Subdivision and Reimbursement for Park Improvements Proposed to be Constructed by Subdivider (Report by Keith Helmuth)

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS, TO CONTINUE ITEM D-4 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 -

COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS
COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ
COUNCILMEMBER MONTES
MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS
COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA
COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS

MAYOR GARCIA

RES 22-201

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF PARK IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE IVEVWOOD I SUBDIVISION AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROPOSED TO BE CONSTRUCTED BY SUBDIVIDER

E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

E-1 Seek Direction Regarding the 2023 Regular City Council Meeting Schedule

Recommendation: Deliberation and Direction Given from Council (Report by Arnoldo Rodriguez)

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS AND SECONDED BY MAYOR GARCIA, ITEM E-1 WHILE REMOVING THE MEETINGS FOR JANUARY 4^{TH} AND JULY 5^{TH} FROM THE MEETING SCHEDULE WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

YES: 7 -

COUNCILMEMBER GALLEGOS
COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ
COUNCILMEMBER MONTES
MAYOR PRO TEM EVANS
COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA
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MAYOR GARCIA

E-2 Inform Council of the Request for Proposal for the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) conversion for Madera Metro

Recommendation: No action is being requested, informational item only (Report by Kingsley Okereke)

F. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

This portion of the meeting is reserved for the Mayor and Councilmembers (i) to make brief reports on boards, committees, and other public agencies, and at public events, (ii) to request updates, (iii) to initiate future agenda items., and (iv) to take action on matters initiated under this section of the agenda. Under this section the Council may take action only on items specifically agendized and which meet other requirements for action.

Councilwoman Gallegos reminded the public of the Downtown Christmas Parade on December 1st and acknowledged the Police Department and Public Works for their contributions to the event. She then recognized Yuba County for their assistance in recovering stolen property and helping to return \$140,000 worth of items back to their rightful owner. She also wished those going out of town for Thanksgiving, safe travels, and a happy Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Montes wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Rodriguez had nothing to report.

Mayor Pro Tem Evans wished the community a happy and safe Thanksgiving. She mentioned her participation in the Ruby Bridges Walk to School event in which students and attendees walked from Alpha Elementary to Madera High School South Campus. She highlighted Veterans Day events held at Tesoro Viejo and Madera County Courthouse and thanked all veterans for their service and sacrifices. She invited the public to attend the upcoming Christmas Extravaganza at Madera Fairgrounds on December 18th in which toys are collected for charity.

Councilwoman Mejia had nothing to report.

Councilmember Villegas had nothing to report.

Mayor Garcia thanked everyone who participated in and ran for the recent midterm elections and highlighted the importance of voting as a civic duty. He mentioned that he joined the City Manager and Chief Lawson in attendance at the State Attorney General's (AG) public forum regarding the Madera Community Hospital and St. Agnes Healthcare affiliation. He brought attention to the importance of voicing public opinion and felt optimistic that the AG would approve the affiliation so that Madera has a viable healthcare institution to continue to serve the community.

G. <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>:

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

Agency Designated Representatives: Mayor Garcia

Unrepresented Employees: City Clerk

City Attorney Hilda Cantu Montoy made the closed session announcement at 8:00 p.m.

Council returned from Closed Session at 8:30 p.m. with all members of Council present.

City Manager stated there was no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

- Wednesday, December 7, 2022
- Wednesday, December 21, 2022

ALICIA GONZALES, City Clerk

MINUTES PREPARED BY

ZELDA LEON, Deputy City Clerk

SANTOS GARCIA/Mayor