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# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MADERA CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA

August 17, 2016 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers City Hall

# **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting for 08/17/16 was called to order by Mayor Poythress at 6:00 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Robert L. Poythress

Mayor Pro Tem Charles F. Rigby Council Member Andrew J. Medellin Council Member Donald E. Holley Council Member Derek O. Robinson Sr.

**Council Member William Oliver** 

**Council Member Cece Foley Gallegos** 

Others present were City Administrator David Tooley, City Attorney Brent Richardson, City Clerk Sonia Alvarez, City Engineer Keith Helmuth, Director of Human Resources Wendy Silva, Planning Manager Chris Boyle, Director of Financial Services Tim Przybyla, Battalion Chief Jim Forga, Chief of Police Steve Frazier, Parks & Community Services Director Mary Anne Seay, Public Works Operations Director David Randall, Community Development Director David Merchen, Grants Administrator Ivette Iraheta, Chief Building Official Steve Woodworth and Police Commander Dino Lawson.

**INVOCATION:** Pastor Tim Echevarria, New Harvest Christian Fellowship

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Poythress 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.

Mayor Poythress asked if there were any members of the public who wished to address the Council. No comments were offered.

## A. WORKSHOP

There are no items for this section.

#### B. CONSENT CALENDAR

- B-1 Minutes 11/4/15, 5/18/16
- B-2 Information Only Warrant Disbursement Report
- B-3 Consideration of a Resolution Adopting Standards for Sidewalk, Curb and Repair Thresholds and Methods (Report by Dave Randall)
- B-4 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Attorney-Client Fee Contract with the Law Offices of Gregory L. Myers and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Contract on Behalf of the City (Report by Brent Richardson)
- B-5 Consideration of a Minute Order Rejecting a Claim filed by Junaid Lateef (Report by Wendy Silva)
- B-6 Consideration of a Minute Order Rejecting a Claim filed by Mirella Chavez (Report by Wendy Silva)
- B-7 Consideration of a Minute Order Rejecting a Claim filed by Christina Alvarez (Report by Wendy Silva)
- B-8 Consideration of a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Madera Accepting Easement Deed for Cul-de-Sac Right-of-Way on South 'H' Street at the Silva Ford Property (Report by Keith Helmuth)
- B-9 Consideration of a Minute Order Accepting the Sanitary Sewer and Storm Drain Improvements-Various Locations, Bid Package 2, Project No. S 10-01, CDBG-2014-2217-5072, and Authorizing the Recording of the Notice of Completion (Report by Keith Helmuth)
- B-10 Consideration of a Resolution Amending the City of Madera Classification Plan (Report by Wendy Silva)
- B-11 Consideration of a Written Request by the Madera South High School Seeking Council Approval to Waive Permit Fees and Cover the Cost of Police and Public Works Efforts in Association with their Homecoming Parade and Request for the City to Pay \$1,200 Towards the Rental of Barricades (Report by Steve Frazier)
- B-12 Consideration of a Resolution Allowing for the Gating of the South End of the Alley Between Flume and Lake Streets and 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Streets (Report by Dave Randall)
- B-13 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Reimbursement Agreement with Century 21 M&M and Associates for Sidewalk Repair at 2000 N. Schnoor Ave. and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Agreement on Behalf of the City (Report by Dave Randall)
- B-14 Weekly Water Conservation Report 8/1/16-8/7/16 (Report by Dave Randall)
- B-15 Consideration of a Resolution Appointing Tim Riche to the City of Madera ADA Advisory Council (Report by Wendy Silva)

Mayor Poythress asked if there were any items on the Consent Calendar that a Council Member would like to have pulled for further discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby asked that Item B-12 be pulled for further discussion.

ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER OLIVER, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLEY, THE CONSENT CALENDER, EXCLUDING ITEM B-12 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING STANDARDS FOR SIDEWALK REPAIR

	THRESHOLDS AND METHODS
RES. NO. 16-129	RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING AN ATTORNEY-CLIENT FEE CONTRACT WITH THE LAW OFFICES OF GREGORY L. MYERS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY
RES. NO. 16-130	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, ACCEPTING EASEMENT DEED FOR CUL-DE-SAC RIGHT-OF-WAY ON SOUTH 'H' STREET AT THE SILVA FORD PROPERTY

- RES. NO. 16-131 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA AMENDING THE EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION PLAN ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION No. 00-13
- RES. NO. 16-133

  A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH CENTURY 21 M&M AND ASSOCIATES FOR SIDEWALK REPAIR AT 2000 NORTH SCHNOOR AVE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY
- RES. NO. 16-134 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPOINTING TIM RICHE TO THE MADERA ADA ADVISORY COUNCIL
- B-12 Consideration of a Resolution Allowing for the Gating of the South End of the Alley Between Flume and Lake Streets and 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Streets (Report by Dave Randall)

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby asked that Chris Boyle, Planning Manager address the Council before proceeding with his thoughts.

Chris Boyle, Planning Manager stated that Item B-12 is a culmination of efforts that began with the closure of Flume Street and culminate now with the closure or gating of the alley between 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Flume Street.

Mr. Boyle stated that with the closure of Flume Street an enhanced number of vehicles were observed utilizing the alley as a primary drive aisle. Staff collaborated with concerned citizens in looking for resolution to that problem. Mr. Boyle stated that some heavy lifting was done by the Engineering, Public Works and Parks Departments. The Planning Department acted as an assistant throughout that process and in the end the item and the resolution before the Council tonight would provide for the installation of a gate.

Mr. Boyle stated it was a pleasure joining the Neighborhood Watch meeting last Thursday night with Councilman Medellin, Mayor Pro Tem Rigby and the neighbors and there was unanimous consent with the proposal to install the gate. Mr. Boyle asked if there were any questions.

Mayor Poythress asked if the Council had any questions or comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that he would just piggyback off of what Mr. Boyle put before them. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated this is sort of the final phase of the closing of Flume Street. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby

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stated that no way did they have any full knowledge of the type of traffic they would be getting going in and out of that alley way connecting 5<sup>th</sup> Street to Flume Street.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated he is really proud of the process that this took. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby thanked his colleague Council Member Medellin as well as Neighborhood Revitalization (they are not here tonight) for working hand in hand with the citizens of the John Wells Neighborhood Watch group. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby also thanked the Engineering Department, Mr. Boyle for being proactive on this and Mary Anne Seay, Parks & Community Services Director for her input.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that neighborhood responded the correct way. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated the City has been reaching out trying to allow neighborhoods to share their concerns with the Council. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated it was a minor oversight; the City did not know that by closing Flume Street so much traffic would go through that alley way. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that after talking with the Fire and Police Departments, this gate is going to serve its purpose.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated he doesn't see them in the crowd tonight but he just wants to commend Mary Lou Canu and Peter Gallegos for their work in that neighborhood and a job well done.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby thanked Mr. Boyle.

Council Member Medellin stated he echoes those comments. Council Member Medellin stated this is a perfect example of neighborhoods working together with City staff and electeds and coming to that decision.

Council Member Medellin stated that as Mayor Pro Tem Rigby said, that by closing Flume Street the City thought that was going to be the fix-all to mitigating traffic that Mary Anne Seay, Parks & Community Services Director witnessed almost every day kind of that Indy car take the turn and all it did was create another problem but as was said they came together as a neighborhood, there were quite a few people there, and they basically reached out and asked what could be done.

Council Member Medellin stated he too thanked staff and Mr. Boyle for being out there and Ms. Seay; that was her second maybe third or fourth meeting that afternoon for sticking around and fielding some questions. Council Member Medellin stated it was a fantastic job by all and thanked them.

ON MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RIGBY, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MEDELLIN, ITEM B-12, RES. NO. 16-132 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.

**RES. NO. 16-132** 

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING GATING THE SOUTH END OF THE ALLEY BETWEEN FLUME AND LAKE STREETS AND 4TH AND 5TH STREETS

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

C-1 Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution Approving the Formation of a Groundwater Sustainability Agency under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (Report by David Merchen)

Dave Merchen, Community Development Director stated that a GSA, Groundwater Sustainability Agency is a requirement of the State legislation that was adopted by the Legislature in 2014.

Mr. Merchen stated that City Council has taken action on a couple of different instances in support of the GSA formation. In December of last year, Council voted in support of a GSA structure where the City and each local agency in the Madera Groundwater Sub-basin would form an independent GSA and then those independent GSAs would work together on a coordinated GSP, Groundwater Sustainability Plan. Mr. Merchen stated they call that a Multi-GSA Single GSP Structure.

Mr. Merchen stated that in May of this year, a few months after that initial statement of preference on the structure, the City Council entered into an agreement with MID [Madera Irrigation District] to collaborate on the boundaries of the independent GSAs with the cities to be formed and he thinks MID's had just been formed at that point so the two agencies, City and MID, have already agreed to collaborate on boundaries.

Mr. Merchen stated he sees something like that as being within the realm of possibility as to the County as well and he has already approached their staff as to some standard language and they are looking at that right now so that's a possibility in the coming months.

Mr. Merchen stated the question at this point before the Council is whether they want to adopt the resolution to elect to become a GSA; it is consistent with the prior direction but the Council is not bound by doing so. Mr. Merchen stated that if Council does adopt the resolution electing to establish that City GSA staff would follow-up by submitting a notice to the State Department of Water Resources; there are some special requirements in the legislation to what would be included in that notice. Mr. Merchen stated staff would also maintain a list of parties that would or could be interested in participating in activities of the GSA and in the preparation of that Groundwater Sustainability Plan. Mr. Merchen stated the Plan itself is a requirement for the year 2020. Mr. Merchen stated those are the course of activities that have been done and the things that would be required in the future.

Mr. Merchen stated that noted in the staff report, they had a request from the Madera Valley Water Company to consider expanding the City's boundaries for the City GSA to encompass that service area of the mutual water company north of the City limits. Staff did look at that and staff held off bringing this item to Council while staff investigated that.

Mr. Merchen stated that while his opinion is that it would not be legally precluded from doing so; he believes there is wiggle room in legislation but it probably doesn't make sense for a couple of different reasons. Mr. Merchen stated it is not clearly consistent with the legislation and he thinks it raises some questions about governance and service area conflicts as well as how the City is going to be ultimately enforcing the requirements of the City's Groundwater Sustainability Plan into the future. Mr. Merchen stated that while they considered it; it was a worthwhile item to take a look at, it's staff's recommendation to proceed with a City limit only GSA.

Mr. Merchen stated there is a public hearing required as mentioned. Mr. Merchen stated that concluded his presentation unless the Council had any questions.

Mayor Poythress asked if there were any questions for Mr. Merchen before they open the public hearing. No comments were offered. Public hearing was opened. No comments were offered and public hearing was closed.

ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER OLIVER, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MEDELLIN, ITEM C-1 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.

RES. NO. 16-135 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING THE FORMATION OF A GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY UNDER THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT

C-2 Second Reading and Consideration of Adoption of an Ordinance of the City of Madera Enacting a Transactions and Use Tax to be Administered by the State Board of Equalization, Upon Adoption by the Voters (Report by Brent Richardson)

Brent Richardson, City Attorney stated that at the last meeting Council might recall that they adopted a resolution directing that a tax measure be put on the November ballot for consideration by the voters. Mr. Richardson stated that as part of that resolution, also introduced at that meeting was the ordinance before the Council for a second reading. Mr. Richardson stated that the ordinance like any other ordinance

requires a first reading, second reading and adoption even though the actual effective date of the ordinance would not occur until after an approval of the voters at the general election.

Mayor Poythress asked if there were any questions or clarifications necessary. No comments were offered.

Mayor Poythress asked that title be read.

The ordinance was read by title by the City Clerk.

ON MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RIGBY, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER OLIVER, FURTHER READING WAS WAIVED AND, ITEM C-2, ORDINANCE NO. 935 C.S. WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.

- ORD. NO. 935 C.S. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA ENACTING A TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION, UPON ADOPTION BY THE VOTERS
  - C-3 Second Reading and Consideration of Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Certain Sections of the Madera Municipal Code Pertaining to Water Regulations (Report by Dave Randall)

Dave Randall, Public Works Director stated this is a second reading of the ordinance. Mr. Randall stated that Council held a public hearing and listened to the description of the regulation changes at the last meeting. Mr. Randall stated that in general they are all housekeeping minor procedural issues and if Council liked he would go over them again or if the Council would like to introduce and adopt, they would be quite happy. Mr. Randall asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Richardson, City Attorney stated he thought Mr. Randall meant just to adopt.

Mayor Poythress asked if there were any questions for Mr. Randall. No questions were asked.

Mayor Poythress asked that title be read.

The ordinance was read by title by the City Clerk.

ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MEDELLIN AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM RIGBY, FURTHER READING WAS WAIVED AND, ITEM C-3, ORDINANCE NO. 936 C.S. WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.

ORD. NO. 936 C.S. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA AMENDING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 9 OF TITLE I AND CHAPTER 5, OF TITLE V OF THE MADERA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO WATER REGULATIONS

#### D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

There are no items for this section.

### E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

There are no items for this section.

#### F. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Poythress stated he would open up with Council Reports.

Mayor Poythress welcomed the City's friends from the Sister City delegation. Mayor Poythress stated they had members of the musical group [Formosa Melody Center] that was simply outstanding and the Mayor of Yilan, the first time ever that the Mayor of our Sister City has visited, Mayor Curtis Tsung-Yuan Chiang, always popular and crowd favorite Conductor Vincent Chien-Hsing Li and then four members of the Sister City staff, Jerry Chin-Chi Chen, Eric Yi-Chun Chang, Anderson Ming-Sien Ho and Stanley Shun-Chin Chou.

Mayor Poythress stated he was going to give the Mayor of Yilan an opportunity to address the City but he wanted to acknowledge all those who made this possible. Mayor Poythress stated they had a wonderful trip; they started out with an outstanding tour of City of Hall on Monday morning. Mayor Poythress stated that Sonia Alvarez, City Clerk worked hard to help organize that and then everybody involved in this particular building really pitched in and did a great job. Mayor Poythress stated that Tim Przybyla, Finance Director did a wonderful job of taking pictures, recording and really had a nice presentation, as well as everybody else. Mayor Poythress stated staff really made our friends feel very, very welcome.

Mayor Poythress stated that yesterday afternoon, their friends had an opportunity to tour the Police Station and Gino Chiaramonte, Police Lieutenant did a great job with that. Mayor Poythress stated that he thinks that if they'd had an opportunity, they would have stayed and of course, the Mayor of Yilan got arrested; he was in the back of one of the cars and had the bars up and everything. Mayor Poythress stated Mayor Chiang also had a chance to wear some of the protective gear as well as take a picture with some of the guns and others. Mayor Poythress stated they didn't have a chance to see everything as they still had other things to do; that was a lot of fun.

Mayor Poythress gave a special thanks to the Sister City organization. Chris Simonian, President of the Sister City organization did an outstanding job of getting everything coordinated. Mayor Poythress stated that Krystle Kidwell did a great job interpreting and so forth. Mayor Poythress stated they also had Julie, Mike Chen and others who couldn't make it here this evening but it was a great team effort and it was really wonderful to have that time.

Mayor Poythress stated that first of all he'd like to give the microphone to someone from the Sister City Committee who might like to say a few words and asked if Ms. Simonian would like to say a few words.

Chris Simonian thanked everyone and stated it has been a great time and they've had a lot of fun. Ms. Simonian stated it's been a fast and furious four days and she couldn't have done it without all the help from everyone. Ms. Simonian stated this is 22 years of a Sister City relationship and they really appreciate the Madera City Council for being supportive and helping them.

Ms. Simonian stated that next year they are hoping to take a delegation to Taiwan and they are going to start working on that now with the Major General. Ms. Simonian stated they are going to coordinate with him and if anyone is interested to please let her know as they would like to take a great delegation. Ms. Simonian thanked everyone.

Mayor Poythress thanked his colleagues on City Council for all the great work they did and participating. Mayor Poythress stated he knew everybody really enjoyed it. Mayor Poythress stated it seemed Council Member Robinson was a crowd favorite; they would all be there and everybody would be gathered around Council Member Robinson for some reason. Mayor Poythress stated he didn't know what was up with that but that was really good.

Mayor Poythress invited Mayor Curtis Chiang from Yilan to come up and say a few words and maybe somebody could help out with translation. Mayor Poythress asked if Mayor Chiang wanted Conductor Li or Anderson or.....

Krystle Kidwell stated that Mayor Chiang brought Anderson Ming-Hsien Ho who is English support staff and he is just too shy. Ms. Kidwell stated he is afraid he will translate wrong so she's going to help him; she is going to let Mr. Ho do his job.

Mayor Poythress stated that Mr. Ho is very good by the way.

Anderson Ming-Hsien Ho translated for Mayor Curtis Tsung-Yuan Chiang as follows:

Mayor Chiang stated that first of all his translator told him that he shouldn't say too much because he won't be able to translate.

Mayor Chiang stated he would like to thank Mayor Poythress, Deputy Mayor, all the Council Members and distinguished guests here attending this meeting. Mayor Chiang stated it's a great honor and he is very glad to be here and attend this meeting and learn from all of them.

Mayor Chiang stated that before he was a Mayor he worked as a County Council Member. Mayor Chiang stated that in Taiwan a City Mayor is at a higher level than a County Council Member and that when he knew Mayor Poythress was going to be a County Supervisor he was kind of surprised.

Mayor Chiang stated that he also has many friends who don't know the difference between County Council Member and a City Mayor. Mayor Chiang stated that he told them in Taiwan that if they were a County Council Member they don't need to be responsible for their remarks but if you are a City Mayor you need to keep your promises. Mayor Chiang stated that things might be different here but he just wants to learn from all of you. Mayor Chiang thanked the Council for having them.

Mayor Poythress stated that Mr. Ho had done a great job.

Mayor Poythress advised Mayor Chiang that things are quite a bit the same in their City [in Taiwan] as well as theirs [Madera] in regards to jurisdictions.

Mayor Poythress stated that Council Member Foley Gallegos had reminded him that one of the main attractions were the musicians and he'd like to ask their friends the musicians to talk about their time in Madera. Mayor Poythress asked Nini Yi-Ting Hsiao and the other musicians to approach the podium.

Nini Yi-Ting Hsiao stated she loved everybody, everybody is very nice, she loves it here and she wants to stay here.

Female Musician #2 didn't identify herself but stated the food is grateful and she like Nini, wants to live here too.

Female Musician #3 didn't identify herself but stated that everybody is friendly and she is so happy she's here. She stated she has a performance for everybody so she is very glad to meet everybody.

Yu-Liang Tsai stated he loves everybody.

Ms. Kidwell stated that Mr. Tsai is very nervous but it's ok. She told him to say anything he wanted and she translated as follows:

Mr. Tsai stated he didn't know what to say. He is too happy to talk right now. He is very excited to have the pleasure to be here. He's very happy to have the opportunity to be with everybody here. He stated he wants to thank his host family. They really take a lot of time to make them feel comfortable here.

Ms. Kidwell asked him if he is comfortable living here and he said yes.

Ms. Kidwell stated that Mr. Tsai is the youngest member of the group. Ms. Kidwell stated he is 17 years old and he is still in college as a music major.

Michael Hsun-Chi Cheng greeted everyone and stated he had a good experience here and he enjoyed everything. Mr. Cheng stated they had five performances here and he got a favorite yesterday. Mr. Cheng stated their performances are very hard and he hopes they liked his music and the performance. Mr. Cheng thanked everybody.

Female Musician who didn't identify herself stated she wanted to express her team's thanks to everybody in Madera and to the Major and their Yilan City's Mayor and their Teacher Li to give them the chance to come here [Madera] because it is the first time to come here to the USA. It is their first time to come here to perform because the music that us together was enjoy it. She thanked everybody.

Mayor Poythress stated "Xie Xie" [Thank you].

#### **OTHER COUNCIL REPORTS**

Council Member Robinson stated he attended the Fresno State Harambee. Council Member Robinson stated it was a student retreat and he started on Sunday and it lasted until today. Council Member Robinson stated that what it does is help African American freshmen students get situated in college. Council Member Robinson stated they had community leaders speak [at the event] and they were able to follow them on campus and give them the knowledge and teach them skills to graduate in four or five years. Council Member Robinson stated it was real nice. Council Member Robinson stated the best part was that they served soul food.

Mayor Poythress asked if Council Member Robinson had some Sunday night.

Council Member Robinson replied affirmatively.

Council Member Foley Gallegos stated she's been busy this week asking people to be appointed on her commissions and she thanked her colleague, Tim Riche for accepting the ADA [Committee] appointment. Council Member Foley Gallegos stated he will be a great asset to that group of people.

Council Member Foley Gallegos stated she has been busy selling tickets for the OLIVE Foundation that is going to have an event for the City's Police Department on August 28<sup>th</sup> and that stands for Overwhelming Limitations Intervention Value and Empowerment and that is what that program is for. Council Member Foley Gallegos stated that if they are available Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup>, tickets are \$30; it's a dinner/dance at the San Joaquin Winery.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated he'd like to continue to report that the City's Curb Stripe Initiative is going well; a second phase is going to be taking off momentarily. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated many of them would have gotten an email today from Ms. Christina Herrera from Neighborhood Revitalization. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that close to 100 to 150 new neighbors will have their blue stripe insignia on their curb; Mayor Pro Tem Rigby addressed Dave Randall, Public Works Director and stated hopefully by the end of the next couple of weeks.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated he'd also like to again congratulate those that are going to be receiving Lifetime Achievement Awards tomorrow evening from the Chamber of Commerce. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated there are two in particular that he is excited about and they are Pastor Roger Leach who signs his checks and the City's own Jim Taubert who is going to be receiving an award long overdue but definitely not under appreciated.

Council Member Holley thanked the group from Taiwan for being there. Council Member Holley stated he really enjoyed the music. Council Member Holley stated he heard the group came out a couple of years

ago but they didn't sound like this group tonight; they [musicians] really lit them up so he thinks they had a good time.

Council Member Holley thanked Ms. Simonian for hosting the event the other night. Council Member Holley stated his wife really enjoyed it; she doesn't get to go to a lot of places but she really enjoyed sitting around and just being comfortable in a nice area. Council Member Holley thanked Ms. Simonian for allowing them to be there.

Council Member Holley stated that as this week goes on as they know, he will be there another four years.

Council Member Medellin congratulated Council Member Holley.

Council Member Holley stated that as school has started again, he is back to doing his thing at Big Brothers Big Sisters and also with the Boy Scouts.

Council Member Holley stated that next week there is a soccer thing going on at the Millview [Sports] Complex so he's asking all to bring their kids out. Council Member Holley stated it's a soccer clinic put on by Big Brothers Big Sisters; it's free from ages 5 to 15 and [asked that they] bring the kids out and have a joyful time. Council Member Holley thanked them.

Council Member Medellin stated that he too would like to thank their family from Yilan Sister City. Council Member Medellin stated it was a pleasure meeting everybody, Conductor Li, the Mayor of Yilan, his staff and the wonderful performances they got to hear yesterday and the past few days. Council Member Medellin stated they arrived friends and are leaving family and he certainly hopes they can put a delegation soon to return the favor and visit them in their home town. Council Member Medellin thanked them.

Council Member Oliver stated he would love to visit their home town although he doesn't bring the talents they do so it might be a little disappointing in that regard.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby asked if Council Member Oliver would Zumba for Taiwan.

Council Member Oliver stated he would Zumba for Taiwan.

Council Member Oliver stated he really enjoyed the show last night and everyone just rocked out and the whole group in that audience appreciated it. Council Member Oliver thanked the Sister City delegates for sharing a little bit about their City and their community with them and as Council Member Medellin stated they are leaving here as family and they [Council] appreciate them making this trip; and obviously for the organizers here locally for making this a possibility. Council Member Oliver stated he looks forward to hopefully one of those delegations in the years to come.

Council Member Oliver stated he'd like to take a quick opportunity to talk about a group that's up and coming here in Madera; he's shared it with several staff members. Council Member Oliver stated that he and a few others including Mayor Pro Tem Rigby have organized a Young Professional Group in the City. Council Member Oliver stated it's really for an opportunity to take inventory of the young people that are working here and provide for networking opportunities for a career in professional development as well as channel that into community service. Council Member Oliver stated it is modeled after a similar group that exists in Fresno that he's been a member of.

Council Member Oliver stated that at their first networking mixer they had over 65 people in attendance; many that were very interested in getting more involved in the community.

Council Member Oliver stated their next mixer is going to be at Tijuana's Bar & Grill so it also serves as an opportunity to showcase many of the businesses throughout the City and different organizations. It will be on Thursday, September 1st at 5:45 p.m. and asked that they share the word with staff and other folks that

might be interested. Council Member Oliver stated it's something they are very excited about and hopefully it will be a success.

Mayor Poythress stated great job and that it was a great thing.

Mayor Poythress congratulated his colleagues Council Member Robinson, Council Member Holley and Council Member Medellin; they passed the filing deadline without any opposition for their positions. Mayor Poythress stated two will continue on as Council Members and Council Member Medellin will be their next Mayor.

Mayor Poythress stated that in honor of Virginia Rose there is going to be a groundbreaking ceremony tomorrow for a new school to be named after her; it's going to be at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Poythress stated that something she used to do is that every year she'd come around to their Council meeting and she'd sell them tickets to the Southeast Garden Club. Mayor Poythress stated that many of them might remember that. Mayor Poythress stated she's such a gracious woman you couldn't turn her down. Mayor Poythress stated that in her honor he bought six tickets to pass out to his colleagues and it's actually at the same time as the OLIVE Foundation dinner but if they can't go, then to feel free to give the tickets to somebody. Mayor Poythress passed the tickets down to the Council. Mayor Poythress stated he knew he had to do this in her honor and he could see her coming up there and encouraging them. Mayor Poythress stated that whoever could make it to the groundbreaking tomorrow would be really wonderful.

#### G. CLOSED SESSION

There are no items for this section.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Poythress at 6:38 p.m.

#### **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.

SONIA ALVAREZ, City Clerk

ZELDA LEÓN, Deputy City Clerk

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