

Item: B-1

Minutes for: 06/19/2024 Adopted: 07/03/2024

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

June 19, 2024 Council Chambers 6:00 p.m. City Hall

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

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Santos Garcia

Mayor Pro Tem Cece Gallegos, District 1 Councilmember Jose Rodriguez, District 2 Councilmember Steve Montes, District 3

Councilmember Anita Evans, District 4 (Arrived at 6:03 p.m.)

Councilmember Elsa Mejia, District 5 Councilmember Artemio Villegas, District 6

Others present were City Manager Arnoldo Rodriguez, City Clerk Alicia Gonzales, City Attorney Shannon L. Chaffin, Chief Building Official Rafael Magallan, City Engineer Keith Helmuth, Community Development Director Will Tackett, Director of Financial Services Michael Lima, Fire Battalion Chief Ralph Duran, Grants Administrator Marcela Zuniga, Director of Human Resources Wendy Silva, Director of Information Technology Gary Price, Director of Parks and Community Services Joseph Hebert, Chief of Police Giachino Chiaramonte, Public Works Director Ismael Hernandez, Deputy City Engineer Ellen Bitter, Assistant Engineer Alexis Raymundo, Administrative Analyst I (Engineering) Nicole Say, Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager Gabriel Bostan, Assistant Engineer Raquel Rios Cardenas, Police Officer II Joshua Gibbs and Communication Specialist Joseph Carrello.

<u>INVOCATION</u>: Councilmember Artemio Villegas

<u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u>: Councilmember Mejia

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ, THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED BY A 6/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBER EVANS. ABSTAIN: NONE.

**PRESENTATIONS:** None

Councilmember Evans arrived.

#### **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.

Crystal Austigen thanked the Councilmembers who attended the Juneteenth event. She stated it meant a lot to the residents of Madera and to the black community. She stated that the first Madera Pride event took place this past Saturday. They want the community to know they are supported and the event is a safe place for them.

Kyle Savage, Field Representative for Congressman Duarte stated the Juneteenth event was an amazing opportunity to recognize the community. He stated John Duarte and a bipartisan group of house colleagues passed HR 8580 the Military Construction Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2025.

No further Public Comment was presented. Public Comment was closed.

## A. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**:

A-1 Public Hearing to Approve the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2024/25 Annual Action Plan Final Funding Allocations and Sub-Recipient Agreements

#### **Recommendation:**

Conduct a Public Hearing to Receive Final Public Input on the 2024/25 Annual Action Plan and Adopt Resolutions Approving a 2024/25 CDBG Subrecipient Agreement for Services for:

- 1. \$177,899 with City of Madera 24-25 CDBG Administration; and
- 2. \$20,000 with Community Action Partnership of Madera County; and
- 3. \$5,000 with Madera Coalition for Community Justice; and
- 4. \$10,000 with Project Run Madera; and
- 5. \$10,000 with Pequeños Empresarios; and
- 6. \$11,165 with O.L.I.V.E. Charitable Organization; and
- 7. \$47,259 with Community Action Partnership of Madera County; and
- 8. \$65,000 with City of Madera Parks Department; and
- 9. \$642,172 with City of Madera Engineering Department (Report by Michael Lima)

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER EVANS AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM GALLEGOS, ITEM A-1 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

**RES 24-84** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MADERA,

CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A 2024/25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES (\$177,899)

WITH CITY OF MADERA FINANCE DEPARTMENT

RES 24-85 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MADERA,

CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A 2024/25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

	BLOCK GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES (\$20,000) WITH COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP OF MADERA COUNTY
RES 24-86	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A 2024/25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES (\$5,000) WITH MADERA COALITION FOR COMMUNITY JUSTICE
RES 24-87	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A 2024/25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES (\$10,000) WITH PROJECT RUN MADERA
RES 24-88	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A 2024/25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES (\$10,000) WITH PEQUENOS EMPRESARIOS
RES 24-89	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A 2024/25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES (\$11,165) WITH O.L.I.V.E. CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION
RES 24-90	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A 2024/25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES (\$47,259) WITH COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP OF MADERA COUNTY
RES 24-91	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A 2024/25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES (\$65,000) WITH CITY OF MADERA PARKS DEPARTMENT
RES 24-92	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A 2024/25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES (\$642,172) WITH CITY OF MADERA ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

# B. <u>CONSENT CALENDAR</u>:

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 EVANS, THE CONSENT CALENDAR WAS APPROVED BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

#### B-1 Minutes – June 5, 2024, June 12, 2024

**Recommendation:** Approve the City Council Minutes of June 5, 2024 and June 12, 2024

(Report by Alicia Gonzales)

## **B-2** Informational Report on Register of Audited Demands

**Recommendation:** Review Register of Audited Demands Report for May 25, 2024 to June 7,

2024 (Report by Michael Lima)

**B-3** Informational Report on Personnel Activity

**Recommendation:** This report is submitted for informational purposes only and there is no

action requested from the City Council (Council) (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-4 Continuing Declaration Proclaiming the Existence of a Local Emergency – January 2023 Winter Storms

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Continuing the Declaration Proclaiming the

Existence of a Local Emergency – January 2023 Winter Storms in accordance with Madera Municipal Code Title III, Chapter 2 (Report by

Wendy Silva)

RES 24-93 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA,

CALIFORNIA, CONTINUING THE DECLARATION PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY – JANUARY 2023 WINTER STORMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH MADERA MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE III, CHAPTER 2

**B-5** Sports Program Fee Assistance Initiative

Recommendation: Informational only. This report is intended to acknowledge donors

during the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023/24, as well as bring awareness of the City's Sports Program Fee Assistance Initiative (Report by Joseph Hebert)

B-6 Accepting Improvements for the Bellava and Berk Subdivision

Recommendation: 1. Adopt a Resolution Accepting Improvements for the Bellava and

Berk Subdivision; and

2. Authorize the filing of the Notice of Acceptance for Said Off-site

Improvements (Report by Keith Helmuth)

RES 24-94 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA,

CALIFORNIA ACCEPTING IMPROVEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE INSTALLED IN CONNECTION WITH THE BELLAVA AND BERK SUBDIVISION, AND AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE FOR SUCH

IMPROVEMENTS

B-7 Project List for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024/25 Funded by Senate Bill (SB 1) Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) – Local Streets and Roads Funding Program

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution Approving the City Project List for FY 2024-2025

Funded by the SB 1 RMRA Account of the Local Streets and Roads

Funding Program (Report by Keith Helmuth)

RES 24-95 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF MADERA PROJECT LIST FOR

FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2024/25 FUNDED BY SENATE BILL (SB 1) ROAD MAINTENANCE AND REHABILITATION ACCOUNT (RMRA) — LOCAL

STREETS AND ROADS FUNDING PROGRAM

B-8 Agreement with the Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission Local Conservation Corps.

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution Approving an Agreement at No Cost to the City with

the Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission for Assistance during

Waste Tire Amnesty Events (Report by Giachino Chiaramonte)

RES 24-96 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA

APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FRESNO ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITES COMMISSION FOR ASSISTANCE DURING WASTE TIRE

AMNESTY EVENTS

B-9 Memorandum of Understanding with the National Insurance Crime Bureau

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding with

the National Insurance Crime Bureau for Access to the Law Enforcement

ISO ClaimSearch Database (Report by Giachino Chiaramonte)

RES 24-97 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA

APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE NATIONAL INSURANCE CRIME BUREAU AND THE CITY FOR ACCESS TO

THE ISO CLAIMSEARCH DATABASE

C. WORKSHOP: None

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

D-1 Update on 2024 Emergency Repair of Avenue 13 Sewer Trunk Main Failures and Ratify and Continue a Finding of Emergency Relating to Emergency Response and Repairs Necessitating Emergency Contracts without Competitive Bidding

Recommendation:

- 1. Receive an update on the status of emergency repairs to the Avenue 13 sewer trunk main failures that occurred June 3, 2024 and June 10, 2024; and
- Adopt a resolution ratifying and continuing a finding of emergency relating to emergency response and repairs to the sanitary sewer main pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22050 (Report by Keith Helmuth)

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER VILLEGAS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER RODRIGUEZ, ITEM D-1 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

**RES 24-98** 

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, RENEWING AND RATIFYING A FINDING OF CONTINUING EMERGENCY RELATING TO MULTIPLE SEWER FAILURES ON THE SEWER MAIN AT AVENUE 13 WEST OF GRANADA DRIVE, AFFIRMING THE EMERGENCY ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE EMERGENCY REPAIRS ON THE SANITARY SEWER MAIN, AND RATIFYING THE AWARD OF EMERGENCY CONTRACTS WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE EMERGENCY REPAIRS ON THE SEWER MAIN

D-2 First Amendment to the West Coast Arborists, Inc. Agreement for City-wide Tree Management and Maintenance Services

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution Approving the First Amendment to Agreement for

Tree Management and Maintenance Services with West Coast Arborist,

Inc. (WCA) for \$18,800 (Report by Joseph Hebert)

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

RES 24-99 RESOLUTION APPROVING FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACTOR

SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MADERA AND WEST

COAST ARBORISTS, INC., FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$18,800

D-3 Continuing Resolution In Lieu of Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 Budget Adoption and Authorization of 60-day Extension to Prepare and Present the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget

Recommendation: Approve a Resolution to Continue Appropriations and Estimated

Revenues in Accordance with the FY 2023-2024 budget in lieu of FY 2024-2025 Budget Adoption (Continuing Resolution), and Authorization of a 60-day Extension to Prepare and Present the FY 2024-25 Budget

(Report by Michael Lima)

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

**RES 24-100** 

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA CONTINUING EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 CITY BUDGET IN LIEU OF FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 BUDGET ADOPTION

- D-4
  1. Engineer's Report for City Wide Landscape and Lighting Assessment District Zones of Benefit 1, 2, 3, 4, 6-A, 6-B, 7, 8, 9, 10-A, 10-B, 10-C, 10-D, 10-E, 10-F, 10-G, 10-H,10-I, 12, 13, 14, 15, 15-B, 15-C, 16, 17-A, 17-B, 17-C, 17-D, 18, 20-A, 20-B, 20-C, 21-A, 21-B, 21-C, 21-D, 23, 24, 25-C, 25-D, 26, 26-B, 26-C,26-D, 27, 27-B, 28, 28-B, 29, 29-B, 29-C, 29-D, 29-E, 30, 31-A, 31-B, 32-A, 32-B, 33, 34, 34-B, 34-C, 35, 36-A, 36-B, 36-C, 37, 39, 40, 41, 43-A, 43-C, 43-D, 43-E, 44, 45-A, 46, 50 & 51 For Fiscal Year (FY) 2024/25
  - Resolution of Intention to Levy and Collect Annual Assessments for City Wide Landscape and Lighting Assessment District Zones ff Benefit 1, 2, 3, 4, 6-A, 6-B, 7, 8, 9, 10-A, 10-B, 10-C, 10-D, 10-E, 10-F, 10-G, 10-H,10-I, 12, 13, 14, 15, 15-B, 15-C, 16, 17-A,17-B, 17-C, 17-D, 18, 20-A, 20-B, 20-C, 21-A, 21-B, 21-C, 21-D, 23, 24, 25-C, 25-D, 26, 26-B, 26-C,26-D, 27, 27-B, 28, 28-B, 29, 29-B, 29-C, 29-D, 29-E, 30, 31-A, 31-B, 32-A, 32-B, 33, 34, 34-B, 34-C, 35, 36-A, 36-B, 36-C, 37, 39, 40, 41, 43-A, 43-C, 43-D, 43-E, 44, 45-A, 46, 50 & 51 for FY 2024/25 And Setting Date For Public Hearing

Recommendation:

- Adopt a Minute Order Approving the Engineer's Report as Filed or with Modifications as Identified by the City Council (Council) during this Meeting; and
- Adopt a Resolution of Intention to Levy and Collect Proposed Annual Assessments for all City-Wide Landscape and Lighting

District Zones of Benefit Referenced in the Engineer's Report for FY 2024/25 or as may be Amended and set July 17, 2024, as the Public Hearing Date to Consider the Proposed FY 2024/25 Assessments for City Wide Landscape and Lighting District Zones of Benefit (Report by Keith Helmuth)

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

RES 24-101

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, TO LEVY AND COLLECT ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR CITY WIDE LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING DISTRICT ZONES OF BENEFIT 1, 2, 3, 4, 6-A, 6-B, 7, 8, 9, 10-A, 10-B, 10-C, 10-D, 10-E, 10-F, 10-G, 10-H,10-I, 12, 13, 14, 15, 15-B, 15-C, 16, 17-A, 17-B, 17-C, 17-D, 18, 20-A, 20-B, 20-C, 21-A, 21-B, 21-C, 21-D, 23, 24, 25-C, 25-D, 26, 26-B, 26-C,26-D, 27, 27-B, 28, 28-B, 29, 29-B, 29-C, 29-D, 29-E, 30, 31-A, 31-B, 32-A, 32-B, 33, 34, 34-B, 34-C, 35, 36-A, 36-B, 36-C, 37, 39, 40, 41, 43-A, 43-C, 43-D, 43-E, 44, 45-A, 46, 50 & 51 for FY 2024/25 AND SETTING DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

D-5 Contract Award for R-10 Phase III, Olive and Knox Street Widening and Intersection Improvements from Olive Avenue to Neplus Way

**Recommendation:** 

Adopt a Resolution Approving the Contract Award for Olive and Knox Street Widening and Intersection Improvements from Olive Avenue to Neplus Way, City Project R-000010 Phase III, in the amount of \$849,331.00 to Terra West Construction, Inc and a Contingency of 10 percent of the Contract Amount (Report by Keith Helmuth)

ON MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM GALLEGOS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTES, ITEM D-5 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

**RES 24-102** 

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE OLIVE AND KNOX STREET WIDENING AND INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, CITY PROJECT R-000010 PHASE III, AND AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCIES RELATING TO THE CONTRACT

## E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

E-1 Caltrans State Route 145 Yosemite Avenue Project Decorative Street Lighting

Recommendation:

This report is submitted to the City Council (Council) for direction relative to selection of decorative street lighting on the Caltrans State Route 145 Yosemite Avenue Project (Project) (Report by Keith Helmuth)

ON MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MEJIA, ITEM E-1 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY A 7/0 VOTE. NOES: NONE. ABSENT: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE.

## 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.

Mayor Pro Tem Gallegos stated she and Councilmember Rodriguez attended an MCTC meeting. She thanked the Parks Department for their work on the McCullough River Trail. The trail's ribbon cutting took place Saturday. She thanked Cal Trans for the Clean CA grant that made it possible. She has received many calls from concerned citizens asking what is going to happen to the Redwood and palm trees on SR99 once it gets widened. Those trees will be removed but CalTrans has secured property on the side of the highway where they will plant 15 Redwood trees and 15 palm trees with a well for irrigation to make sure they stay alive. This will continue to show the divide between Northern and Southern California. Mayor Pro Tem Gallegos stated that the reconstruction of the Avenue 12 off ramp will be completed in the Spring of 2025. The design on Yosemite Avenue will be complete in December with construction to start in the Summer of 2025.

Councilmember Rodriguez stated there are some highway safety improvement grants that may be available to the City. MCTC staff will contact City staff to see if any would be available to the City of Madera. He attended the Juneteenth celebration at Courthouse Park along with Mayor Garcia, Councilmember Villegas and Councilmember Evans. Councilmember Rodriguez attended the military information event that Congressman Duarte's staff coordinated. He stated that staff should see if Congressman Duarte or other senator could assist the City in getting that type of event in Madera. He reminded everyone of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event and invited everyone to attend. The City of Madera contributed \$5,000 to the event and he thanked the Police Department and community clubs for their work on this event.

Councilmember Montes had nothing to report.

Councilmember Evans thanked everyone who attended the Juneteenth event. She thanked Tyler and Wendy from the Tribune newspaper. She stated Juneteenth Day is a federal holiday and asked her colleagues to agree to have it on a future agenda to discuss making it a City of Madera holiday. A number of people from other cities attended because they had the day off. Mayor Garcia received four thumbs up (majority) who agreed to have this item on the agenda to discuss making it a City of Madera holiday.

Councilmember Mejia stated she was excited for the District 5 youth Recreation Fee Waiver which will help children in District 5 to participate in sports. She shared information about this topic on her Councilmember page and encouraged everyone in District 5 to participate in a drawing later this month.

Councilmember Villegas indicated that he's had many inquiries on the Gateway/Olive to Knox construction. He stated they will start soon. Councilmember Villegas stated that he attended and enjoyed the Juneteenth Day event.

Mayor Garcia stated he attended the Juneteenth Day event. It was a beautiful and diverse event with singing, etc. He stated it was a joyous celebration and commended Councilmember Evans for her efforts in bringing the event to the community. Mayor Garcia stated they are still a little short in funds for the Fireworks Display event and hopes they will be able to get promised

donation to cover the shortage. He stated that the Farmers' Markets has started and they are located at the Rotary Park on Gateway Drive every Thursday from 4:00 p.m. through 7:00 p.m. Local farmers bring fresh produce to sell. Vouchers will be provided to the elderly, so they can get some produce. Mayor Garcia stated the City had there first Neighborhood Watch since Covid. He mentioned that Evapco West recently celebrated their 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Madera.

#### G. CLOSED SESSION:

# G-1 Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(a)

One Case:

Madera Police Officers' Association; Randall Williams; Thomas Burns vs.

City of Madera (MCV 088246)

City Attorney Shannon Chaffin made the closed session announcement at 7:22 p.m. Mr. Chaffin and Council returned from Closed Session at 7:35 p.m. with all members of Council present. Mr. Chaffin stated there was no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

ALICIA GONZALES, City Clerk

SANTOS GARCIA, Mayor

MINUTES PREPARED BY

ZELDA LEÓN, Deputy City Clerk