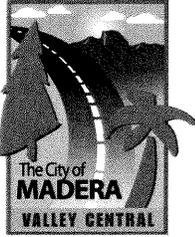


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## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MADERA CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA

December 2, 2015  
6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers  
City Hall

### CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting for 12/02/15 was called to order by Mayor Poythress at 6:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL:

**Present:**  
Mayor Robert L. Poythress  
Mayor Pro Tem William Oliver  
Council Member Charles F. Rigby  
Council Member Sally J. Bomprezzi  
Council Member Andrew J. Medellin  
Council Member Donald E. Holley  
Council Member Derek O. Robinson Sr.

Others present were City Administrator David Tooley, Acting City Attorney David Hale, City Clerk Sonia Alvarez, Director of Community Development David Merchen, Director of Financial Services Tim Przybyla, City Engineer Keith Helmuth, Public Works Operations Director David Randall, Chief of Police Steve Frazier, Director of Parks and Community Services Mary Anne Seay, Director of Human Resources Wendy Silva, Chief Building Official Steve Woodworth, Information Services Manager Ted Uyesaka, Planning Manager Chris Boyle, Public Works Administrative Analyst Jason Rogers and Division Fire Chief David Allen.

### INVOCATION:

Pastor Lance Leach, Valley West Christian Center

The invocation was given by Pastor Tim Echevarria from New Harvest Community Church in place of Pastor Leach who was unable to attend.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Pro Tem Oliver 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.

No comments were offered.

Mayor Poythress announced that David Hale will serve as the acting attorney at this meeting due to the City Attorney being away on vacation.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **1. Proclamation Recognizing the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Community Action Partnership of Madera County**

Mayor Poythress announced that the first presentation is for Community Action week. He commented that it was interesting, when he read the proclamation, noting they have heard a lot about the Community Action Partnership (CAPMC) over the years and the great contributions but, he had no idea that it was borne out of Lyndon Johnson's Economic Act of 1964, also known as the War on Poverty so it actually has its roots in that Act. Mayor Poythress invited Mattie Mendez, Executive Director, and Donna Tooley, Chief Financial Officer of the Community Action Partnership to join him at the podium. Mayor Poythress asked Ms. Mendez to tell them a little bit about the Community Action Partnership, some of the things that they do, and maybe some ways that we could help out in the war on poverty.

Mattie Mendez, Executive Director of the Community Action Partnership, stated she was appointed in 2011. She added that Donna Tooley is the pillar of the organization. She noted that Mrs. Tooley has been in her position for a very long time. They were talking yesterday. She explained that yesterday was the official date that the articles of incorporation were filed, December 1, 1965. She noted that she asked Mrs. Tooley, how did you start, and she said she was supposed to be a 30-day contract. Ms. Mendez commented that is how they all kind of started with the organization. M.J. Nabors would call them in. They would have short term periods and then they stayed.

Ms. Mendez stated that Community Action has served many areas. They have over 340 employees. They serve in four counties. She noted that the majority of the services are provided here in Madera County but, they also service families in Fresno, Merced, and Mariposa counties. They provide services from head start to community services, assistance with water and PG&E, to victim services, to supportive services for childcare and family childcare homes. She commented that the City has supported them every step and for 50 years, the City has been there. Currently they collaborate with the Chief for their Victim Services Department, with Housing Authority to operate some of their head start programs, a City facility near Millview School to operate another Head Start Center, and they are always looking for ways to support the City of Madera. Ms. Mendez thanked the Council for their support. Everyday their staff, in their role, meet their mission of helping people, changing lives, and making their community a better place to live. She has often said to everyone that she comes in contact with that this is the City of Hope; this is the County of Hope and here is where they will come together and find solutions to serve their families and children.

Ms. Mendez stated on a personal note that she would like to thank the City Administrator David Tooley for sharing Donna Tooley (his wife) with them for 22 years. She noted that there are many sacrifices that the family has had to endure because of the agency but, they thank him. They love Mrs. Tooley and they respect her for her role within the agency. They would not pass their audits without Donna Tooley and the board members that have been on their board, they know that. She thanked Mrs. Tooley.

Mayor Poythress commented that Ms. Mendez's enthusiasm is infectious. He added that they just appreciate her so much and everything that the Community Action Partnership has done here in Madera, is doing, and is going to do because they know that there is a great future, a great team, and a great spirit there. He congratulated her.

Mayor Poythress presented to Ms. Mendez the proclamation declaring this week Community Action Week. He added that he has signed on behalf of the City. He congratulated them again.

Ms. Mendez thanked Mayor Poythress for the presentation and added that they will display it proudly in their agency.

### **2. Highway Safety Improvements Program Grant Award**

Mayor Poythress invited the Director of Financial Services Tim Przybyla to join him at the podium and requested that he explain a little bit about what this check is all about.

Tim Przybyla, Director of Financial Services, stated he has some talking points that were given to him by Sonia Hall, the Interim Grants Administrator. Mr. Przybyla stated that this award is from the Highway Safety Improvements Program (HSIP) in the amount of \$310,590. He noted that this is the first one that Ms. Hall has secured for the City as their Interim Grants Administrator. He added that Ms. Hall has finalized some that were started by the Grant Administrator Daniel Abdella. He noted that Ms. Hall is really proud to have obtained this grant and they are happy to be able to present it this evening. Mr. Przybyla advised that Ms. Hall was not able to be here due to a family situation.

Mr. Przybyla stated that the project location is on Sunset Avenue from Granada to Foster Avenues. He noted that the project will install pedestrian, median islands and ADA compliant sidewalks. He noted that the HSIP program is made up of federal funds to be expended on safety projects. He added that all proposed projects are evaluated based on the benefit/cost ratios. He noted that the applications submitted in all the previous cycles demonstrate that there are many high crash concentration spot locations and corridors that can be addressed using safety countermeasures with proven crash reduction factors which will result in overall project benefit to cost ratio well over 5.0. Mr. Przybyla added that with this cycle, Caltrans raised the minimum benefit/cost ratio to 5.0 or greater to reduce the number of applications submitted, to minimize the state and local resources invested in preparing and reviewing projects with low benefit cost ratios, to focus local agency efforts on locations or corridors with the greatest safety needs and lower cost counter measures, and to maximize the number of lives saved and serious injuries prevented with limited local HSIP funding. He added that this project has a benefit/cost ratio of 11.6. As a side note, they actually had three projects that they wanted to do but only one met the threshold of 5 or greater. It really met it with an 11.6 ratio.

Mr. Przybyla advised that this project was chosen by careful examination of their actual experiences, crash data, and collaboration with the school district and parents. He noted that crash data revealed that most of the accidents involved students traveling to school and drivers commuting to work. He added that the project reduces the risk of accidents and fatalities by providing students with ADA compliant sidewalks and median islands in front of Thomas Jefferson Middle School which will remove the pedestrians from the flow of traffic along Sunset Avenue. Mr. Przybyla advised that this project complements that Safe Routes to School Grant that the City obtained in 2010 for sidewalks and warning lights in front of Thomas Jefferson Middle School. He noted that the City subsequently identified additional deficiencies in the area that needed remedying and this grant addresses those deficiencies.

Mayor Poythress thanked Mr. Przybyla for a great presentation. He added that they have a big check which is non-negotiable but it is symbolic.

**A. WORKSHOP**

There are no items for this sections.

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR**

B-1 Minutes – There are no minutes for consideration.

B-2 Information Only – Warrant Disbursement Report

B-3 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Agreement with Smart Utility Systems for Web Portal Software and Services and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Agreement on behalf of the City of Madera (Report by Dave Randall)

- B-4 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to the 2015/2016 Budget to Cover the Cost of Fish and Wildlife Filing Fees for the City of Madera Climate Action Plan (Report by David Merchen)
- B-5 Consideration of a Resolution Approving Amendment No. 1 to Agreement with Harbison International Inc. for Professional Construction Surveying Services to the City of Madera for the Pine Street/Pecan Avenue Improvement Project (Report by Keith Helmuth)
- B-6 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing a New Grants Program Manager Position for the Grants Department of the City of Madera (Report by Tim Przybyla)

Mayor Poythress asked if there are any items on the consent calendar that a Council Member would like to have pulled for further discussion. No requests were made and Mayor Poythress announced that he would accept a motion to approve the items on the consent calendar.

**ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER BOMPREZZI, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ROBINSON, THE CONSENT CALENDAR WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.**

**RES. NO. 15-231 RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH SMART UTILITY SYSTEMS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF WEB PORTAL SOFTWARE AND SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY**

**RES. NO. 15-232 A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2015/2016 BUDGET TO COVER THE COST OF FISH AND WILDLIFE FILING FEES FOR THE CITY OF MADERA CLIMATE ACTION PLAN**

**RES. NO. 15-233 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AGREEMENT WITH HARBISON INTERNATIONAL INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSTRUCTION SURVEYING SERVICES TO THE CITY OF MADERA FOR THE PINE STREET/PECAN AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT**

**RES. NO. 15-234 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA AUTHORIZING A NEW GRANTS PROGRAM MANAGER POSITION FOR THE GRANTS DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF MADERA**

**C. HEARINGS, PETITIONS, BIDS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, AND AGREEMENT**

**C-1 A Noticed Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Madera Amending the 2016-2024 Housing Element of the Madera General Plan. An Addendum to the 2009 General Plan Environmental Impact Report has also been prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 and 15164**

Planning Manager Chris Boyle stated that on September 16, 2015, the Council took action and adopted a resolution approving the 2016-2024 Housing Element. He noted that upon submittal to the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), a clerical error was identified which would require the re-adoption and revised resolution from the Council. Mr. Boyle stated that staff recommends that the Council adopt the resolution.

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

Mayor Poythress opened the public hearing and asked if there are any members of the public who would like to comment on this particular item. No comments were made. Mayor Poythress closed the public hearing and brought the item back for action.

**ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLEY, AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM OLIVER, ITEM C-1, RES. NO. 15-235, WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.**

**RES. NO. 15-235      RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 2015-04, ADOPTING THE 2016-2024 HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE CONSISTENCY WITH THE STATE HOUSING ELEMENT LAW**

**D.      WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**D-1      Written Communication from Joe Conway Requesting Support for an Airshow**

**And**

**Informational Report on the Proposal Submitted by Triton Flight for Heroes, Inc. to Promote an Airshow at the Madera Municipal Airport and Request for Direction from the City Council on How to Proceed (Report by Dave Randall)**

Joe Conway with Triton Flight for Heroes thanked the Council for giving them the opportunity to be here to talk to them about bringing an airshow back to Madera. They know that airshows can be very beneficial for a City. They can bring a lot of people into the area. They can get a lot of community support so they are excited to have the opportunity to do that and to share a little bit about what they want to do. He stated that once again it is their hope that it goes a long way to solidifying the City of Madera as a year round destination. That is one of the things they have heard is very important with the Vision of the City and the County, and everybody around, is that each month, every week, if they can get it to that point, where they have something coming into town that not only can be a feather in the cap and the group can be proud of but, that it brings people into the City. He added that when people come into the City and they are spending money and they are staying in the hotels and eating in the restaurants and those types of things, that is always good for economic spikes. He hopes that their event, while it is pretty large in scale at times, is a big positive for everybody. Mr. Conway stated that this is a family fun event. People from all over California will come in to do this. They had a lot of people at the airshows they have done in the past.

Mr. Conway commented that the reason that they are coming back and wanting to do a show is that Triton Flight for Heroes is a non-profit organization. Their parent company is Triton PEO out of Fresno California. He noted that when Triton PEO started, it was always their goal, so in 2013 they started with Triton Flight for Heroes. He commented that when soldiers were coming back from battle, when they are spending 6 months, 9 months, 12 months in hospitals recuperating from serious injuries, a lot of the time, the families of these soldiers cannot get out to the hospital. They cannot travel because of financial difficulties to be with their loved ones during the process while they are trying to heal and recover. While there is a lot of regional support with different organizations flying military and some of their families to medical appointments, there is nobody that is really taking over that long distance haul. Their goal is to get a corporate jet aircraft that they will operate on a full time basis and they will be working with all of the military services and having families that need to get out to different hospitals. They will fly them out there free of charge back and forth. They will work with the Fisher Houses which are similar to Ronald McDonald Houses. They are at the Veterans Affairs (VA) hospitals and hospitals around the country. That is where these families can stay free of charge. What they are trying to do here, an airshow is going to be their major fundraiser for this particular non-profit organization so they are excited about that.

Mr. Conway stated they are here tonight in the spirit of cooperation. They want to bring this event back into Madera. They are going to ask at the end of this that they have support from the City. He noted that it is important, if they are going to take the time and effort and pick the great City of Madera to have this particular

event that they prove to the Council that they can do it in a safe manner; that they can do it in a manner that includes everybody that wants to be involved in this particular event. They know that Madera was famous for great airshows in the past. They want to make this a year round, a year to year destination as far as an airshow. They want this to be a feather in the cap of the community. They are going to start out slow. It is not going to be a one and done event. They are not going to get ahead of themselves in this first event. They have already made some changes. He noted that the Council has copies in their hands of some of the things and he will go over a couple of changes they have already made as they go through this in a timely fashion.

Mr. Conway stated he is the Executive Director of the non-profit organization Triton Flight Team. He was a corporate pilot and in airline management. He has been in the aviation game a long time. He has a lot of experience in the airshow world; all facets of the airshow world. He advised that Steve Herz is going to be the Operations Director and Ramp (Director) boss if they get to do the show back here in this area here. He advised that Mr. Herz has a tremendous amount of airline experience, FedEx experience. He is also a professional baseball player. They are excited to have that type of experience.

Mr. Conway advised that some of the other folks that are involved with Triton also have some experience. Clyde Ford, for example, is their Business Professional. Mr. Ford has Fort Washington Financial, Cal-Pac Advisor, and he is the President of Triton PEO which is their parent company. His dad was the Commander up at Merced Castle Airforce Base. Mr. Ford is a pilot and loves all that good stuff so he is 100% behind what they are trying to do.

Mr. Conway stated that in this particular thing, when they first started, they anticipated 30,000 spectators and that has changed. They were going to do the show as a Friday, Saturday, Sunday show. They have already sat down as a group and said look we need to walk before we run with this so they've said Friday is going to be strictly a practice day. Friday will not be open to the public so when they take a look at the numbers, all of their numbers were based off of 20,000 people, 10,000 a day. They have heard in the past, and remember in the past, that because of traffic flow situations coming off of 99, parking issues and other things they deal with, 10,000 is about the cap so that is what they are going to strive for. They expect to see 50 different aircraft; everything from World War II aircraft on up to the current modern day fighters. He referred to 2010, noting that was part of a show here and they actually had the United States Airforce A-10 Warthog and an F/A-18 on the ramp which actually flew. That was a really neat thing to see in Madera to have that happen.

Mr. Conway advised that they are going to have about four hours of flying. That will be acrobatic flying. They are going to have other ride opportunities for people that want to go up and do a ride in an airplane with some of the guys in the B-25's and the bombers if they do sell rides at that particular time. That is always a fun thing to do. They are going to invite all of the local regional vendors that want to participate to come in. He noted that if they've got financial difficulties, noting they are a non-profit organization, so they want to work with them. He commented that just because a booth fee may be \$200 or \$300, if the group doesn't have that and they still want to participate, they are going to find a way for them to do that. It is not something where they want to see anybody turned away from this particular event. He added that there a lot of other fun things. Just to bring to families out, it is usually hot during that time so they will have some cool zones out there. They will have bounce houses for the kids in the shady area so those things don't get to be about 1,000 degrees. They will have car shows, motorcycle shows. They even talked a little bit about maybe having some antique tractors on display and some fun stuff like that. He stated that really, there is going to be something for everybody to do. There are a lot of options for things that people can spend their money on. They are going to try to keep the ticket prices down in that \$12 to \$15 range for adults, \$10 for kids. They are not sure if it is 5 or 6 years old to get in free at this point and time. They haven't got to any of that until they get through the first step here and make sure that they can actually do this event.

Mr. Conway referred to the display which shows a couple of the airplanes that they have had here in Madera in the past and named some. He added that they are going to try to work with a sponsor and get the Patriots to come. They are the black jets in the center top there. They are very similar to the Thunderbirds and the

Blue Angels. He stated that they are a lot of fun to watch; very exciting. They actually have ex-Thunderbird and ex-Blue Angel pilots that fly with them. When they were here in 2009, they flew as a four jet team and now have six aircraft so they are a lot of fun. He named some of the other aircraft displayed. As they can see, they are going to have a lot of fun out there to take a look at.

Mr. Conway referred to the economic impact information and advised that they have had some meetings with the Yosemite Sierra Tourism Board. He commented that Rhonda Salisbury, the CEO of that group, was very excited about the opportunity for this show to come back into the area here. He advised that she offered to do an economic impact study. He noted that on the back page of the Council's information packet is the full page report that Ms. Salisbury did. He added that Ms. Salisbury has offered that anybody that would like to talk to her about how she derived at the numbers and that she is more than welcome to either take a phone call or even come down and chat with you about that. As they can see, they took some of the highlights of the lodging, the attendee demographics and the possible economic impacts to the area noting that it could be substantial if done properly.

Mr. Conway commented on the request for the in-kind support from the City. He noted that they are going to provide a tremendous positive impact for the area. In the spirit of cooperation partnership, they are going to request that the City of Madera Police consider and approve some in-kind support. He commented that in the past, as they see at the bottom, the December 2, 2009 Council agenda report. They looked back at the same information for City Police, private security, fire engine, ambulance, parking barricades, Public Works staff, traffic control signage, and at that point in time, totaled about \$42,400. They know that times have changed. Things are probably a little more expensive and there will be some research, he is sure, on the City's part to do due diligence of what it is actually going to cost for that type of support but, that is really what they need. He added that it is very important to making the show run smooth for them and they hope that this is going to be something that the City supports 100%.

Mr. Conway stated, in conclusion, that they look forward to working with the City for many years. He was a part of the two other events. He thinks that there was a gigantic learning curve on a lot of those events. They stepped out with gigantic shows, gigantic budgets. Then they tried to go out and find the money to do that. With the non-profit and the mission, and what they are trying to here, it is a totally different ballgame. He noted that the show is going to be as good as the sponsorship is for the show. They go out and talk to people. People want to support this particular project and this fundraiser for them then they start plugging the ax in as they get the money from different companies and sponsorships to do it. They know that they have a great deal of support already. They know of certain teams. For the F-18 Team, he will find out on December 7<sup>th</sup> if the Navy Lemoore jets will be available to them. He noted that they have been very positive and want to do the show. They will be at the International Council of Air Shows (ICAS) out in Las Vegas talking with them and hopefully they will have a positive so that could be really exciting to get the F-18 jets back here. They are going to join the Chamber of Commerce. They look forward to building relationships with the Chamber. He referred to the third item on the display and stated that he really is going to make sure that anybody, whether it is a volunteer situation, whether it is the marketing budget for a smaller company, whether it is \$500 or \$100, that they are going to be a part of the event in some way, shape, or form if they want to do it. And if somebody just wants to walk up and say, hey, you know what, we really don't have anything but here is \$10, put it in the kitty or buy some kid a ticket to come to the show, they are going to do that. He noted that is really tailoring plans to fit anybody and everybody's need. He is excited to work with anybody and everybody to do it.

Mr. Conway stated that is pretty much quickly what they are trying to do, what they need from the City to move forward and to enjoy what they are going to try to do, and to try to establish this long term relationship. He offered to answer any questions.

Mayor Poythress asked if there are any questions for Mr. Conway at this time.

Mayor Pro Tem Oliver stated he attended the Legends Over Madera event several years ago with his father who is a Royal Airforce Veteran. His father forced him to go out there and he was really appreciative that he did. He enjoyed it a great deal so he appreciates the discussion tonight. Certainly he thinks it is good

timing especially on the heels of the success of the Pomegranate Festival and years that have built up to that success so he appreciates this opportunity and Mr. Conway for sharing this proposal.

Mayor Pro Tem Oliver stated he was not here during 2009/2010. He understands it was done under a different kind of makeup or operation. As Mr. Conway mentioned, they now have a non-profit status. He asked Mr. Conway to elaborate a little bit more as to his non-profit organization. He knows they go back to 2013 and asked that he maybe discuss some of the good work they have been doing since that time.

Mr. Conway replied that they are technically a new organization. They did start the non-profit back in 2013 but they did not do any fundraising for it. They wanted Triton PEO, the professional private organization, to build up and start getting credibility and the ability to help out with the non-profit. Finally, they are in a position where they can do that. He advised that this will be their first major fundraiser. They have had some donations in the \$2,500 range and the \$5,000 range in the past. This is going to be their big shoot it out and go. He stated that part of the budget for this particular show will be to fly their first and their second missions. As they are raising money for that, by the time the show rolls around, they will have hopefully, a representative from each of the families that they are able to fly out to the destination and back. They can be out at the airshow with them, talk about the experience, and how they did things, and how it might have differed from some of the experiences that they may have had trying to fly commercial or trying to do some other issues along the way. He noted that it has been strictly very small donations at this point in time. Now they are at the opportunity. It came to them. They were asked by a couple of individuals to consider coming back to Madera and doing a show. They said, you know what, this is the time to really jump out and go ahead and make this a go. While they have not flown a mission, they haven't been active doing it.

Mayor Pro Tem Oliver stated he thinks the mission is definitely a good purpose. He personally has a friend that has benefitted from a similar service and getting them out to surgery out in the east coast so he thinks it is definitely appreciated. He noted that obviously they are in December. This month is pretty much wiped out. They are going into January. He asked Mr. Conway, in his experience, if it is feasible to get something like this off the ground to be a success and not bite off too much that they can chew within really less than three months of time. He kind of wants to hear of Mr. Conway's experience in that regard.

Mr. Conway agreed that it is. He noted that the very first one they did, they didn't even get started until late January. They had the same time frame end of May for the show. He commented that an airshow is a tremendous amount of work. They don't want to discount that but, as far as the performers and the pilots, and those guys being hired, they are not going to show up until Thursday prior to the show. He advised that everything they need to do is making sure that all of their safety briefings with Fire, the Police, with everybody else, the City, getting all of their permits and following that checklist for the airshow that they have, that is the important factor. If they just plot along every day and make sure that they are crossing something off every day or getting a couple of things crossed off, it is not an overwhelming task. He added that the airshow, as far as the air boss, the air boss they had in 2009/2010 has already agreed, if they have the show, to come back and do that. That air boss has already worked with the Fresno Flight Safety District Office on two different airshows, has all of the paperwork from all of those events, and doesn't have to come in and reinvent the wheel as far as that goes. He commented that all of their safety items are briefing items. Everything that they have done in the past that they need to do, noting that nothing has really changed at the airport as far as ingress or egress out of the area right there, but they need to take a look again at what roads they need to close for the aerobatic box. When the performers are going, they have to close down certain roads so they need to meet with the proper groups of the encroachment permits. They typically rent the airport for Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday so they have checklists they have to follow to make sure all of those checkmarks are done. His response is no. It is not overwhelming to get it done. They just have to stay on top of it.

Council Member Rigby stated his appreciation to Mr. Conway for what they are trying to do. He thinks, partnering with military families to help them in times when they need it the most is definitely admirable. He advised that he has a couple of questions. He commented that Mr. Conway had mentioned that though it would be the first one as a non-profit that this is not his first airshow. He asked if that airshow was in a city with demographics similar to Madera, Madera County.

Mr. Conway replied that they had two major ones here in Madera in 2009 and 2010.

Council Member Rigby apologized for the misunderstanding.

Mr. Conway added that for the first one in 2009 they had the Patriot Jet Demo (Demonstration) Team in and they had probably 50 aircraft on the ramp. He thinks they had about five hours of flying total that day and it worked out real well.

Council Member Rigby asked if their airshow serves just the Central Valley specifically.

Mr. Conway replied that it does not. In fact, one of the organizations they will be working a lot with is called Veterans Airlift Command. It is an organization that has a list of flights that are in need from different people from different services all over the country. He noted that what they will do is take a look at that list and they will take the furthest distance flights that nobody else is picking up. He commented that, in fact, when they do get the corporate jet, they will be keeping it at Madera Jet Center and flying it out of here. If they have to transition down to San Diego to pick up a family and fly them out to Virginia, they will do that. He noted there is no problem to reposition an aircraft to do it.

Council Member Rigby referred to Mr. Conway's comment that they want to start small, walk before we run, car show, bike show, airshow, possibly ag show. Council Member Rigby noted that sounds like a lot going on. He asked if the numbers do increase or decrease, will that change the amount of in-kind support they are seeking from the City.

Mr. Conway replied that he thinks that the items that they are looking from the City are going to remain a constant. When they do an event like this they will always need to have an ambulance on standby and personnel. They will always have to have a fire truck and the personnel. They will always have to have support from the Parks and City departments. He reply is no. He thinks that will remain stable as they go through this. He thinks if they can provide the City with an event of this magnitude that can support an economic spike anywhere near what the Yosemite Sierra Visitors Bureau thinks they can do, he thinks it would be a worthy partnership for everybody.

Council Member Rigby stated he has noticed the projections to benefit not only the City of Madera but also Madera County and Chowchilla City. He asked if these entities have been approached with the same presentation that Mr. Conway has.

Mr. Conway replied this is his first presentation here.

Council Member Rigby asked if there is a chance that Mr. Conway will get a chance to present this to them.

Mr. Conway replied that he hopes they can. He would love to. They plan on talking to a lot of different people. Today they came up early. They sat down with the Hampton Inn. They sat down with the Holiday Inn. They talked to them about the room availability. They talked to them about how they are going to impact those guys and they were all thrilled. They remembered the show before. They went over and talked to Cool Hand Lukes. He commented that Tom over there had sponsored their pilot's dinner at the previous airshow. He stated that when they walked in the door, Tom's eyes got big and he goes, 'I'll take care of your dinner if you do it. He thinks it resonates with people that they did a good job as far as making sure that they brought a lot of people to town.

Council Member Medellin stated that he too wants to echo the comments of his colleagues. He remembers the airshow years ago noting that it is a wonderful event. He added that as a matter of fact, the best place to be is playing golf when they had the practice days and they fly in because there is no better seat in the house so if you get a chance to go to Madera Municipal Golf Course and play golf that is great.

Council Member Medellin stated he is a little concerned about some of the numbers but more importantly, there are a couple of questions he has. He referred to other airshows in California and asked if there is kind of a circuit and the competition.

Mr. Conway replied that there is swing through the State that takes place. He noted that the interesting thing right now, for example, Salinas used to have a really big show every year. Hollister used to have a really big show every year. Porterville had a show. He stated that all of those shows are pretty much gone now. It is just a matter of whether the group that was doing the particular show got old and tired of doing it, got frustrated with it, weather changed a lot of dates for the shows. He is thinking all the way from Bakersfield on up through north of Modesto, they are going to be the only game in town. They are going to have the only airshow that is going to be operational through that entire corridor. He noted that the reason they called it the Central Valley Airshow is because they realized that nobody else in an area of 100 to 150 miles would have an event during the year. So, if somebody wants to see a great airshow and enjoy it in a safe environment, they are going to encourage them to come up and spend some time up here. When they do that, he hopes that they get to see information for the wine trails or go to ApCal or go up to Yosemite and see the areas up there, and that it encourages them to come back and spend more time even if it is not airshow weekend for some of the other great events.

Council Member Medellin stated, on the heels of Councilman Rigby's comments, he agrees that this is going to be an economic impact to not just the City but to the entire County but yet, the in-kind support is coming from the City; their City Police Department, ambulance, fire, Parks Department. He would like to pursue a possible sharing of that impact. He added that he would like to hear from City staff. He doesn't know if now is the time, directing his comment to Mayor Poythress, if they are prepared to come forward, but he would like to know what their Chief of Police and possibly their Parks Director, how they feel. He knows there are some folks here in the audience that also represent their airport to see how they feel. They are short staffed in pretty much every department in the City of Madera so now they are talking about not just those two days but he thinks prior to and overtime and shifting of schedules and things like that. That is one of his biggest concerns, if it is even feasible on the City's end, no matter what the cost. Before he has other questions, he thinks that is where he would like to go.

Mayor Poythress stated he has a couple of questions in regards to the organization. He is looking at their mission which is really, really good. He asked how much a corporate jet costs because that is their plan.

Mr. Conway asked if he means to fly it or buy it.

Mayor Poythress asked Mr. Conway if he is talking about buying it.

Mr. Conway replied that what they are looking at right now is they've got a couple of groups that are working with them at this time. He advised that an individual or a corporation would actually buy the aircraft and then lease it back to the non-profit organization to operate the aircraft therefore they can see the tax benefits from that, and then they can fly the aircraft and do their mission with it.

Mayor Poythress stated that was his question because he heard Mr. Conway talk about obtaining a corporate jet so he was sitting there thinking how much do you plan on making on this airshow.

Mr. Conway added that as an old corporate pilot he sure wishes they could just buy one and go do whatever they want to do on it. They thought, when they first started this, there is a lot of heavy iron laying around fields out there and a lot of people wanting to get rid of airplanes so they thought they could find somebody to perhaps donate one to them and do that but that didn't pan out the way they had hoped to. So, they have been going out to groups, talking to them about their usage of corporate aircraft and as they've found out hey, there are groups out there that have the money that can use the tax benefits to buy an aircraft. They don't need the aircraft that much so they would schedule some time with them that they could fly the aircraft one or two hours a week if that is what they need to do, schedule it around their mission so they will work together to make sure the airplane is available for them (corporate) and to make sure it is available for their (non-profit) mission.

Mayor Poythress added that there are still going to be significant costs on their (non-profit) part in terms of leasing the plane, flying it, fuel, and so forth.

Mr. Conway agreed and noted that the typical corporate jet aircraft hard costs could be anywhere from \$1,300 an hour up to about \$1,800 an hour.

Mayor Poythress asked Mr. Conway if he has developed any kind of a budget for this airshow in terms of projected income and so forth.

Mr. Conway replied yes and advised that he could certainly provide that to them.

Mayor Poythress stated he would like to see that.

Mr. Conway stated he would provide tomorrow morning.

Mayor Poythress stated he did a little research last night on the web on different airshows around the nation and it seems like the successful ones have really good, high, big name, high powered sponsors like the one over in Salinas and different places. He noted that it is like a who's who of sponsorships and asked Mr. Conway if he has anybody like that, any companies or entities.

Mr. Conway replied that they are working on a sponsorship to get the Patriot Jet Demo Team back here. As far as the world jet demonstrations go, they are top notch in the civilian world. They rank right up there with the Blue Angels and the Thunderbirds. He added that they would try to go after Blue Angels or Thunderbirds but the problem is that they can't land those particular jets at Madera. They can land the Patriots there and do that. He noted that a single ship F-18 like they had in 2010 for that event, they were able to get a waiver to land but, the Blue Angel Team can't do it. They want to have the pilots from that particular team taxi by, take off, taxi back, get out, shake hands, be around, do all that good stuff. That makes more sense for them to do it. He noted that the Patriots are world class.

Mr. Conway commented that when they talk about the people that they've had in the past and the folks he has talked to about coming back, Bill Cornick, Spencer Suderman, these are phenomenal pilots that have been in the ballgame for a long, long time. They are world class talents. He advised that Bill Cornick just won what they call the Wilbur Wright Award for 50 years in aviation and he is just a phenomenally talented guy. He added that Mr. Cornick is a guy that goes out and teaches everybody how to do it. He has talked to Sean Tucker. They would love to get him out here with the Oracle aircraft. They will see how his schedule works. He will get to talk to him next week at ICAS. He added that they had Julie Clark out here. He noted that she is absolutely hall of fame world class. They will talk to her about coming back again. He will put his line up against most of the airshows out there. He stated that it is very hard for him as a promoter or an event organizer to go out and compete with the military teams. He advised that the military shows get all of the big performers. For example, Miramar gets a million people a weekend. So the big, big time hall of fame guys that are being sponsored by the Breitling and the Breitling Jet Demo Teams, the watch teams, they are going to those events and picking those events. Unfortunately, until they provide a great place for them and they say hey, look we know we are going to get x-amount of people there to show off our product and our services, they won't pick us until they can prove themselves time and time again.

Mayor Poythress mentioned that as far as a city council or any city for that manner, who could turn down an airshow. He thinks the paper mentions something that they were going to be talking about approving an airshow. He doesn't think the question is approving an airshow. He thinks the question is the cost that the City is kicking out there. That is the issue. Back in '09, it was roughly \$42,000 of in-kind services and it is going to be north of that now who knows, \$50,000, \$60,000. He noted that he and Council Member Bompreszi were on the Council back in '09, '10, and '11 and they heard the same spiel about we are going to put this money out and we are going to have this great show and it is going to come back here year after year after year. He thinks he is going to have to be convinced, after they get the information, that something

is going to be done differently if they were to put the money out so they would see this return rather than putting the money out and then it kind of falls flat. It is just to be frank.

Mr. Conway stated he thinks the big difference, hopefully when they talk about this amongst themselves, is the difference between companies coming in as a for-profit entity and going out to try to fight for dollars from companies that are pretty tight fisted in tough times. He added that when you come in here with a mission like Triton Flight for Heroes has, they are going to be going out there and not just year to year to year and hoping they can get the money. Right now, they are gearing up to go out and talk to people to have a title sponsor of \$250,000 for 5 or 10 years. He noted that is the way you make these particular shows happen and happen year round. He could put absolutely the best world class line up out there every year and it is not going to cost him more than \$300,000 to do it. He added that if he's got a title sponsor at \$250,000 that is willing to commit for 10 years that is the way it goes. What he needs to do, after six years of a layoff of doing this, is they need to go out there with this first show. They went from thinking they were going to do Friday, Saturday and Sunday, being open all those days, but no, they are going to step back and they are going to walk. They are going to get those sponsors in there. They are going to hire the pilots as they get these sponsors so they are not having to worry about being short at the end of the day. When you do that, that is when Triton Flight for Heroes is successful. They are going to raise some money. They are going to be able to step up and do more for their mission and they are going to come back and do it again next year; step up a little more so it is a big difference between a non-profit organization and how corporations and individuals are wanting to help you on a yearly basis. He added that he doesn't want to do this where he has to fight it every single year for every single dollar to bring every performer in.

Council Member Rigby referred to Mr. Conway mentioning the promotion. He is just trying to wrap his head around the numbers and he kind of agrees with Councilman Medellin that the numbers don't add up really for him. He added that his wife is a Superintendent at the Madera County District Fair. Their numbers were well under \$45,000 and they are open for four days in a row. Their costs of admission are around \$6 per head and he would say that they are predominantly getting people from the Hispanic community which makes up close to 80% of Madera. He is curious if a \$15 ticket would be attractive to a Hispanic family. He noted that Mr. Conway is popping off names like he should know who they are and he is sure they are the LeBron James and Kobe Bryants of aviation but to him, he is not impressed. He wants to go because he grew up with the Warbirds and he loved them. He asked Mr. Conway how does he promote something like this if you don't have some of the sponsors that, and he agrees with Mayor Poythress, that they don't see yet that are onboard with this.

Mr. Conway replied that the reason they call it the Central Valley Airshow and that is what they want to do, is that they are going to have an outreach beyond just Madera. They are going to start in Madera and they are going to grow out from Madera to Fresno, up to Chowchilla, beyond Merced and keep it going. When they talk about the fact that there is not any other competition for an airshow within a very, very long distance away from here, you are going to attract those aviation fans to come into town to see the event. He added that the aviation fans that are going to drive in here and spend time and money are going to know those names. Hopefully after the first show is done, he (Council Member Rigby) is going to know those names because those pilots are going to be out there signing autographs. They are going to be doing great things in the air. It is going to be a safe show and he is going to enjoy it. He added that the next time it shows up in the Madera Tribune and they see Bill Cornick or Spencer Suderman, you'll go oh yeah, I remember that guy, the Big Green Machine, he is the guy that did all that stuff. He stated that is fun but they have to reach out not only within the very local area, they have to reach out and get people to come in. He advised that Rhonda out at the Yosemite Sierra Tourism Board said, look, any press releases that you need, any of our marketing that you need, anything that you need. He added that they are already talking with Channel 30, Channel 47, Channel 24, and George Takata. He commented that one of the anchors out there said, look, whatever you need us to do on television for you, we will do it. Mr. Conway stated they have to get out there and just promote it and that is what they intend to do because not only are they promoting the airshow, they are promoting Triton Flight and that is really what is near and dear to his heart. He stated that he loves the airshow. As a pilot he loves it. He loves the Warbirds. He loves hearing them go by. He loves

everything about it but it has to make sense for everybody. He thinks these are the names now. For some they are not household names. They are rock solid.

Council Member Robinson agreed with Council Member Medellin about a partnership maybe with the County Supervisors to share some of the expenses and they get some more taxes. He was also thinking about insurance coverage. He is sure that is a big cost.

Mr. Conway replied that surprisingly it is not. In 2010, through Shannon and Luchs who does the airshow insurance, for the entire airshow, it was about \$3,200. He added that they looked at the forecast and on one day it was going to possibly rain on them so if you get rain insurance, that is where they really nail you. They ended up having to pay about \$2,200 for one day of rain insurance to make sure they didn't get stomped on with that.

Council Member Robinson stated he thinks airshows give their community more activities like added value for the Central Valley. He added, maybe, if they could add some monster trucks there for the youth.

Mr. Conway commented that one group they are talking to is a group called Metal Militia and they are the motorcycle guys that go out and they actually perform on the ramp and it is just absolutely crazy to watch what they do. They will take their RV (recreational vehicle), they will set up their ramps and they will do double flips and things like that on the ramp as a performance and it is like wow. He added the interesting points with the insurance, the pilots, the aircraft, the show, is insured. Everybody that is out there flying and operating an aircraft and doing things, they've got three different layers of insurance and protection on everything they are doing out there. He added that the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) does not let, as soon as you hit the ground when you arrive at an airshow, they go through all of your paperwork. They make sure everything is up to date, they make sure your t's are crossed and your i's are dotted. If you don't have everything done, you don't fly. He stated it is a very safe environment.

Mayor Poythress stated that the recommendation from staff was to direct staff to work with Mr. Conway and his group to determine what true costs might be or at least an estimate of what costs might be for the City to provide the requested services. He thinks that is kind of what Council Member Medellin is looking at to know what that would mean as far as stresses on services and so forth.

Council Member Medellin agreed. He stated that Mayor Poythress had touched on it before, any kind of partnership, he would expect a business plan so he thinks they would ask for that before the exact costs from "my" departments and again the impact not only to the City budget but to manpower; possibly looking at sharing expenses. If Mr. Conway is going to make a pitch to the County, or even to the Yosemite Visitors Bureau is an idea, and then from this point forward he would like to add or change to the name. He thinks Central Valley Airshow is a great name in Madera. He asked Mr. Conway to make sure he puts "in Madera".

Mr. Conway referred to the first page that they had on their title which said Triton Flight for Heroes Central Valley Airshow Madera 2016. He advised that will be on every piece of paper they do, posters, websites, and flyers.

Council Member Medellin added same size letters.

Mr. Conway stated the biggest print is Madera. He added that they talk about what it takes to really make a good airshow, it starts here and it starts at the County. It starts with the support and the trust, and the partnership and agreement between everybody that they will all work together to provide a good safe event and everything is done properly. Once again, you can have all the great names in the world but, if the City Council doesn't believe that Triton can do something good for the City, all he can do is try. He thinks they can do a great job for the City. Like he said, they are working on long term relationships; not one of them.

Council Member Medellin stated this is a good start where they are right here. He thinks they understand what Triton is doing. From what he is hearing, and the Mayor had said it best, it is not about approving the

airshow. If that was the question, that is a done deal. It is just getting there and just making sure it is best for both of them.

Mayor Poythress asked Mr. Tooley if staff has direction. He thinks that they are looking pretty much at what the recommendation was in the staff report.

City Administrator David Tooley stated that there appears to be a head nodding consensus that Council would like staff to work with the proponents, bring back a specific action item for the Council. He added that importantly, the proponents don't have an airshow if they don't have the City. He thinks they would need to do this in a very expeditious fashion, make sure that they are in total sync, and then bring back something for final Council action. He asked if that is consistent with Council's expectations.

Council agreed.

Mr. Tooley asked if that will work for the proponents.

Mr. Conway replied yes.

Mr. Tooley stated that if that is the Council's desire, staff can do that.

Mr. Conway thanked the Council.

## **E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **E-1 Weekly Water Conservation Reports**

Public Works Operations Director Dave Randall stated this evening he has more information for the Council on water. He advised that the information in the Council's packet showed that the last week's conservation results were 20%. Mr. Randall referred to the display which shows the latest information that they just completed from the previous week. They are up a little bit to 22%. Overall for November that puts them at 25% which is 3% below the State's target for the City of 28%. He added that the trend remains a little bit strange as they said before. They can see it is the same sort of up and down but it is sort of what they expected; nothing has really changed. They are hopeful, as they are going forward, they are though making some headway. As they discussed at their last meeting, there is some new signage that will be put up both here at City Hall and over on Cleveland by Baskin Robbins. He showed a mockup of the signage that should be ready. They were hoping today but evidently not. It is to be put up so people can see exactly what they are doing in that month in terms of their results.

Mr. Randall advised that the other good news is that two videos for water conservation have been completed. Unfortunately, he didn't have them quite in his hands to bring to the Council tonight. They were done quite well and they will be going out for distribution shortly. The other thing is that the conservation and watering day information is out in the newsletter and it will be followed up with a direct mailing. Overall, they are continuing to make that public education primary and they think they are going to continue to keep their numbers close to the goals if not make them. He added that the other information they may already know because they approved it already tonight is that they have finally secured a vendor for a water portal. He advised that it is going to take a little longer to implement than they originally told them but it will be here in time for when they really start having that irrigation season in place when people really need that information. He stated that it will provide people with both a website they can go to and an app for their smart phones. He restated that they approved that as part of the consent item and they should be finished in about 14 weeks. Mr. Randall offered to answer any questions they might have.

Council Member Medellin stated that he doesn't have any questions but it seems like the entire State of California kind of fell below that threshold.

Mr. Randall agreed.

Council Member Medellin stated so they are not really sticking out to Sacramento that they are the only ones.

Mr. Randall replied no. They are well in the middle of the herd if a little bit near the front. He commented that the Governor is still not sure what he is going to do with the extension that he is saying he is going to extend but he hasn't pulled the trigger. Mr. Randall added that staff is just waiting.

City Administrator David Tooley stated that oddly, changes in weather patterns are apparently a mystery in Sacramento.

## **E-2 Nominations and Election of Mayor Pro Tempore**

City Clerk Sonia Alvarez stated that every year, the first meeting in December, the Mayor Pro Tem position is rotated amongst the Council Members serving. In order to qualify to serve as Mayor Pro Tem, it is the individual who has not served as Mayor Pro Tem in the longest period of time. Ms. Alvarez advised there is one individual on the dais who has not served at all and that would be Council Member Charles Rigby so he is qualified. She requested that the Council make a motion to nominate him and appoint him as Mayor Pro Tem for the year.

Mayor Poythress opened the nominations.

**COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLEY MADE A MOTION TO NOMINATE COUNCIL MEMBER RIGBY TO BE APPOINTED AS MAYOR PRO TEM. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ROBINSON AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.**

Mayor Poythress congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Rigby.

Mayor Poythress asked outgoing Mayor Pro Tem Oliver if he has any comments.

Council Member Oliver congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Rigby. He knows he is going to do a great as Mayor Pro Tem and that he will dutifully serve when needed and fill the Mayor's shoes.

Council Member Oliver thanked Mayor Poythress for the opportunity. He would not trade the experiences for anything even some of the more scary moments in that chair and not quite knowing what is going to happen or how the votes might take place. He stated that it was an incredible experience. He added that it was certainly an honor to fill the Mayor's shoes up here on the dais and also out in the community but most importantly, he just wanted to extend his sincere gratitude that he was able to serve as Mayor Pro Tem this past year. As most of them know, he lost his father earlier this year and he knows that his father drew a tremendous amount of pride to see him be able to fill in that position even if it was because who picked the larger pencil. He stated, as Oliver's we'll take it, we will take it however we can get it. He really is just deeply humbled and grateful that he was able to serve over this past year. Again, he thinks that Mayor Pro Tem Rigby is going to do a fantastic job. He thinks he is going to put his own stamp on the Mayor Pro Tem. He looks forward to seeing him fill those shoes.

Mayor Poythress commended Council Member Oliver and added that he set a great example.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby thanked his colleagues for the nomination and the opportunity to serve. He looks forward to being officially Mayor Poythress' right hand man now. He looks forward to serving Madera in any way he can. He just wants to take the chance to thank his wife for all her support in allowing him to do that, taking nights away from home. He sees his son didn't make it through this night; that's ok and also to his number one fan his dad who probably comes to more of these meetings than he does. He appreciates their support and he looks forward to serving Madera as Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Poythress stated he knows Mayor Pro Tem Rigby will do a great job.

Council congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Rigby.

## **F. COUNCIL REPORTS**

Council Member Robinson reported that from November 18<sup>th</sup> through November 20<sup>th</sup> he attended the League Leadership Orientation in Sacramento to concentrate on what goals they were planning to concentrate on in 2016. He advised that he will bring the results at the next Council meeting.

Council Member Bompreszi reported that she had the opportunity to attend the first neighborhood watch meeting on Royal Drive, off of W. Park Drive, between W. Park and Jefferson. She stated that it was very well attended.

Council Member Bompreszi thanked Wendy Silva, Director of Human Resources, because, for those that didn't know, there was some CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) first aid training available. If they read their employees email that comes through, there was a flyer in there. It was wonderful. She noted that the instructors were from Sacramento. The training was held at the John Wells Youth Center. It was very valuable information. Council Member Bompreszi thanked Ms. Silva for offering that.

Council Member Holley thanked Chief of Police Steve Frazier for giving his time to a little young man, Kevin Walters, during Red Ribbon Week. Kevin called him up one day and asked him if he can get ahold of the Chief and see if he can do an interview with him. Kevin is only like 12 years old and Chief Frazier sat down with him and did that from his school. He advised that there were about four questions that he asked him. He thought it was kind of funny. He doesn't know if the Chief knew how to answer them. He added that there was a nice little flyer that was put out at the school. Council Member Holley told Chief Frazier that he won't tell what the questions were. He will give him a break. He thanked Chief Frazier for doing that for Kevin. Council Member Holley stated that Kevin was really happy about it and told Council Member Holley to thank Chief Frazier. He added that what makes him feel good about that is that is what their force is about. That is what they serve. They serve kids one at a time and somewhere down the line, somebody will come back and remind you about it. Kids always let you know what you did for them. He thinks this little young man will have that in his heart for a long time.

Mayor Poythress reported that on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November he attended a Technical Advisory Committee meeting for the Road Charge. The State will start a Road Charge Pilot Program in 2017. It was their second to the last meeting and they reviewed some of the reports and so forth. Their last meeting will be on the 11<sup>th</sup> this month in Riverside. They are looking for volunteers, people to sign up to be part of the Road Charge Pilot Program. He advised that they can go on the Road Charge California website. There is a real easy link to sign up for it. He noted that it should be pretty interesting. He stated that it is something that they have to look at alternative ways to raise money for their roads in their State. They've got a lot of high mileage cars that are not paying much at the pump in terms of sales tax and they are still using the road. They are looking at ways to capture some of those funds. Some of their friends that were proactive and bought higher mileage cars are going to get to contribute in other ways for the roads.

## **G. CLOSED SESSION**

### **G-1 Closed Session Announcement – City Attorney**

Acting City Attorney David Hale announced that the Council will be going into closed session to discuss conference with legal counsel in existing litigation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) in one case, as described under item G-2.

The Council adjourned to closed session at 7:08 p.m.

### **G-2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation. Subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code §54956.9**

One case: Corrina Gallardo v. City of Madera, MCV 069724

**G-3 Closed Session Report – City Attorney**

The Council returned from closed session at 7:17 p.m. with all members present.

Acting City Attorney David Hale announced that the Council met in closed session to discuss conference with legal counsel in existing litigation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) in one case, as described under item G-2, and reported that no reportable action was taken.

Robert Jeffers asked Mayor Poythress if he can make a comment on behalf of the County regarding the airshow.

Mayor Poythress allowed comment.

Robert Jeffers stated he is the Chief of Staff for Supervisor Rick Farinelli at the County. He wanted to thank the Council for taking this item up and discussing it. They have had the opportunity to talk to Joe Conway and Steve Herd and the other members of Triton Flight about this. They are pretty excited about it. In particular, they think this is going to be real good for not only the City but for the entire County as the numbers showed. He added that while it may be too soon at this point to talk about in-kind collaboration, things of that nature, they are willing to work with the City and the airshow organizers to the degree that they best can help with this. He offered to answer any questions.

No questions were asked and Mayor Poythress thanked Mr. Jeffers.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Poythress at 7:18 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.

  
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SONIA ALVAREZ, City Clerk

  
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ROBERT L. POYTHRESS, Mayor

