MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
And
A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE MADERA CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA

June 15, 2016
6:00 p.m.                Council Chambers
                          City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting and special meeting for 06/15/16 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

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, Director of Parks & Community Services Mary Anne Seay, Public Works Operations Director David Randall, Director of Community Development David Merchen, Grants Manager Ivette Iraheta, Chief Building Official Steve Woodworth, Project Development Coordinator Ellen Bitter, Unit Fire Chief Nancy Koerperich, Battalion Chief Matt Watson, Commander Dino Lawson, Successor Agency Executive Director Jim Taubert, Neighborhood Preservation Supervisor Viola Rodriguez and Neighborhood Preservation Specialist I Fabela Rodriguez

INVOCATION:  Pastor Randy Brannon, Grace Community Church

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 opened Public Comment for both meetings.

No comments were offered.
PRESENTATIONS:  PG&E Sponsorship Check for Movies in the Park and Cooling Centers

Ann Koose, PG&E Senior Public Affairs Representative stated she was excited to be there again and it was kind of like Groundhog’s Day as she’s back again supporting the Movies in the Park and the summer programs, but it’s like a good kind of Groundhog’s Day. Ms. Koose shared with the Council that they’ve been at this for a while, and the reason is as the Council knows, that the City has an absolutely fantastic Parks & Community Services Department; they are stellar. Ms. Koose stated that under the leadership of the City’s team, the City pulls off stuff and make parks happen.

Ms. Koose stated that the thing she is excited about is that they’ve been doing the Cooling Center grant since 2008 and the total grant that they’ve given to the City of Madera Parks & Community Services Department for the Cooling Center Grant is $64,000.

Ms. Koose stated that they have been doing PG&E Movies in the Park since 2013 and that’s $23,000 that PG&E has given. Ms. Koose stated that the thing that Director of Parks & Community Services, Mary Anne Seay didn’t even know yet is that she [Ms. Koose] just received approval to support Movies in the Park for 2017 as well. So, she is very excited to announce that due to Ms. Seay and her diligence, PG&E leadership is going to support 2017 as well.

Ms. Koose stated that all those numbers mean, added up together, that program support from PG&E for the City’s summer programs is up to $92,000. Ms. Koose congratulated the Parks & Community Services Department for pulling that off. Ms. Koose stated that she is here today to give the City the 2016 installment in the form of the big check.

Ms. Koose stated that there was a funny story regarding the beach balls. Ms. Koose stated that when PG&E came last year and did Movies in the Park and part of the Backpack Giveaway, they had PG&E volunteers out there making connections with the City’s constituents, singing people up for energy audits, making sure they had all the discounts that they are entitled to; they brought beach balls just for fun. They had kind of a beach ball party where the City did the PG&E Spell Out, the City did a chant and they knocked beach balls into the crowd and whipped up a frenzy. It was so exciting for them that they decided to do it again this year. Ms. Koose stated that they are going to do it again on August 5th when the City has the Backpack program. PG&E is going to come out and re-create the whole thing, because it was so much fun and excitement last year. They are going to knock beach balls into the crowd and it’s going to have the City of Madera’s Park logo and the PG&E logo, so that everybody knows just what an important partnership it is.

Ms. Koose stated that last night on the news, she saw that the City was collecting backpacks for the program, so she ran to Kohl’s and shopped, because she loves to shop and she got a backpack which she’d like to go ahead and donate to get the Backpack Giveaway started. Ms. Koose stated that somebody’s going to be “styling” next year. Ms. Koose stated that she wanted to start that off because she did see that on the news last night and it gave her an excuse to go to Kohl’s.

Mayor Poythress asked if Ms. Koose had been watching Channel 30 and Ms. Koose replied affirmatively.

Ms. Koose stated that she does have the check, as she’d mentioned, for this year’s installment and she can’t wait to come back next year and plan to do it again.

Mayor Poythress suggested [doing the presentation of the check] up at the dais with all of the Council Members and the beach balls. Mayor Poythress stated that it was so festive and exciting. The Council and Ms. Koose posed for a picture. Mayor Poythress thanked Ms. Koose.

Mayor Poythress stated that they would now be moving into the Special Meeting.
E. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

E-1 **Update on the Status of Emergency Repairs for the Sanitary Sewer Main on Schnoor Avenue**

And

**Request for Authorization to Proceed with Proposed Emergency Repairs (Report by Keith Helmuth)**

Keith Helmuth, City Engineer stated that it had been eight weeks since the Council approved an emergency declaration intended to expedite design, investigations, repairs and possible replacement of the sewer line on Schnoor Avenue that is suspect at the moment.

Mr. Helmuth stated that following the emergency declaration, staff began working with a contractor that installs a Cured In Place Pipe (CIPP). Mr. Helmuth stated that the process was unfortunately delayed by about four weeks, but they are back on track now. The contractor that staff was working with used something called a “boiler” to heat up the pipe and that failed. Mr. Helmuth stated that the contractor had a sub-contractor on the project that was going to do the larger portion of the pipe. There are two different sizes of pipe on the project; one is a smaller pipe and one is a larger pipe. Mr. Helmuth stated that with the contractor’s boiler going down and needing to bow out, the sub-contractor came online as they had some time and were available to help the City. Mr. Helmuth stated that the City is set to go with that contractor.

Mr. Helmuth asked what the plan was for the installation of that liner. Mr. Helmuth stated that the City has two different sections of liner that will be going in. One section is at 4th Street. Mr. Helmuth stated there’s a small section in there that staff couldn’t get replaced. Staff would have replaced the pipe immediately, but the City has bypass pumps in there and it caused staff not to be able to get in there. Mr. Helmuth stated that there is another section that starts at 5th Street and goes all the way to a little bit south of Industrial Avenue. Mr. Helmuth stated that piece is about 1,600 feet long.

Mr. Helmuth stated that the project that staff has planned has a cost of about $925,000. The contractor’s price is about $840,000 and there is about $80,000 planned to manage the project. Mr. Helmuth asked how this price compares to a design bid build contract. Mr. Helmuth stated that staff looked at various different components of the project and then looked at a couple of bids that the City’s contractor won in Fresno. Those bids are pretty close and when all is said and done, Peters Engineer was about equal in price. Mr. Helmuth stated that staff has a project that’s about the same price and staff is able to get on it now rather than waiting for wet weather.

Mr. Helmuth stated that if the City goes into a wet weather situation, what staff knows is that the pipe is thinner than it was when it went in, and that the pipe that failed happened about two days after a major rain. Staff prefers not to go into a situation where the City goes into wet weather, pipes surcharges and water fills up to the surface and starts putting pressure on the pipe. Mr. Helmuth stated that staff also could not get into a piece of that pipe, actually a larger piece of pipe, as there is still debris in there from the failure. Mr. Helmuth stated that they couldn’t get that out as it would have cost a pretty penny, so staff was proposing to move forward with this project.

Mr. Helmuth stated that the City currently has $605,000 for a lining project through there which was primarily intended to go ahead and basically give additional life to a pipe that staff thought had more life in it; that’s been proved wrong, so the liner that is proposed is now a structural liner. Mr. Helmuth stated the other liner was to protect the pipe from erosion and hydro sulfide gases. The structural line will also go ahead and hold the pipe in place and it will be good to go for 20, 30, 40 years. Staff has $605,000 planned for that; that is in the Sewer Fund. Mr. Helmuth stated staff also has savings on Sewer Bid Package 2 which is a project that staff recently completed and which will be going to Council either in the next meeting or the meeting after that for acceptance. Mr. Helmuth stated that there is sufficient savings in the budget from that to pay for the rest of this lining project.
Mr. Helmuth stated that staff’s recommendation is to move forward with the CIPP project as it is proposed. Mr. Helmuth stated that Project Development Coordinator Ellen Bitter, would walk the Council through a little bit of what the project will be like moving forward with the CIPP project. Mr. Helmuth stated that it is not something that the Council has seen before in Madera. It has been done before in Fresno, but not in Madera.

Ellen Bitter, Project Development Coordinator stated that she’s been working closely with the contractor, SAK. Ms. Bitter referred to a presentation slide and stated that it pictured the bypass pumping plan.

Ms. Bitter stated that as the Council may recall, when the City repaired the first segment, the City had a pretty significant pumping operation going with pumps set up in the street and about a 10-inch diameter pipe running along the top surface of the street. Ms. Bitter stated that the City needs that because staff needs to completely bypass the flow so they can get in there and work on the pipe. This is a major trunk line and there is no alternate route to divert the flows into so staff has to deal with the bypass operation. Ms. Bitter stated that the good news as compared to last time where there were two pumps set up at the intersection of 4th Street and Schnoor Avenue, staff is now only going to need one pump so it will be a little quieter. The bad news is that it is going to be in place probably 3-4 weeks while staff works through the project.

Ms. Bitter stated that there will be a pump set up at 4th Street and the discharge pipe which is what the affluent is being pumped into will run down the middle of the street. Ms. Bitter stated that on the previous project as Council may recall, it went in the gutter line and it blocked people’s driveways and they weren’t able to get in and out. Mr. Bitter stated that staff won’t have that issue this time as it will be down the middle of the street. People won’t be able to make left turns across it but they will be able to go down to the next available block and make a U-turn if they had to do so.

Ms. Bitter stated that 5th Street will be closed to left turns like it was before; right in and right out, so if someone is exiting Starbucks they can still go out 5th Street like they did before. Ms. Bitter stated that traffic into the bank [Citizens Business Bank] will probably have to be closed off and people will have to be diverted to the back entrance to that building.

Ms. Bitter stated that at Howard Road, where some of the costs are coming in is that staff doesn’t want to run the pipe at the surface level through the intersection because staff would have to close the intersection for 3-4 weeks. Another sub-contractor is coming in to construct a shallow trench just deep enough to put the discharge pipe in and to put some temporary asphalt over the top so that staff can still run traffic through the intersection, but the discharge pipe is going underneath. Ms. Bitter stated the pipe will come back up to the surface on the south side of Howard Road and continue to run down the middle of Howard Road.

Ms. Bitter stated that staff would have a similar situation at Modoc Street on 5th Street where it will be right in / right out only.

Ms. Bitter referred to a point on the presentation diagram and stated that the point indicated temporary road crossing that would allow northbound traffic on Schnoor Avenue to cross the pipe. Ms. Bitter stated that staff had one of those set up on the project; it’s like a giant ramp and basically the pipe attaches to that, the flow goes through it and then it comes out. Ms. Bitter stated that at this point, they shift the pipe to the east side of the street where it will continue south on Schnoor Avenue down near the fire station and the pipe will discharge into an existing manhole.

Ms. Bitter stated that staff would probably end up trenching across Schnoor Avenue so that it doesn’t inhibit the fire trucks coming in and out, so that they can go both directions. She stated that is what the bypass pipe will look like. Ms. Bitter stated there will be traffic control on 5th Street and at Modoc Street. She stated that while this is being set up, there will be some traffic detours in place, but not for more than a day or two while trenching across Howard Road to get in there. Ms. Bitter stated that throughout the life of the lining process, traffic will be open on Howard Road.
Ms. Bitter stated that the process of setting up the piping and the bypass pump is going to take probably a week, almost two weeks. Once the bypass is in place, then they will be able to get in there and completely clean the line, get all the debris out, flush it and run a camera through it again that way staff won’t miss any other failures that need to be repaired. Ms. Bitter stated that staff is pretty sure there are no service laterals coming in that would need to be addressed, but this will be a double check of that, because once it is lined, staff will not have a chance to get back in there again.

Ms. Bitter stated that if the City moves forward, the contractor is prepared to start setting up the bypass pump within a week or two so activity would be seen towards the end of this month. Ms. Bitter stated that the contractor came out a couple of weeks ago, took measurements and gathered some information; they are ready to order the liner as soon as the City says, “go” so the contractor is going to get the material on order. Ms. Bitter stated that it would take the contractor about a week to do the cleaning and the video. Once that is completed, then they would move in and install the liner. Ms. Bitter stated that is the neat part of this process; that it is going to go quick. Ms. Bitter stated the contractor has six days total and the new line will be in and ready to open back up. The contractor would then dismantle the pumping system and they’ll be finished by the end of July with this process.

Ms. Bitter stated that staff has a three minute video on how the liner process works if the Council was interested in seeing it. Mayor Poythress asked if the video was available to play now. David Tooley, City Administrator recommended that the Council see the liner process as it was a neat technology. The video was played. Ms. Bitter asked if anyone had any questions on the process or the plan.

Council Member Oliver asked what the City’s game plan was for noticing the nearby property owners and businesses as he guessed there was going to be some disruption in the area especially for those who have retail outfits and depend on the foot traffic. Council Member Oliver wanted to know when the City would start noticing those folks and engaging them.

Ms. Bitter stated that staff would be prepared to send notices letting people know that this project is coming within the next week. There won’t be any interruption to their sewer service, much like before, so staff would alleviate that concern. Ms. Bitter stated that like any other construction project, the phone is open to them [the residents].

Mayor Poythress stated that it would mainly be 1930 Howard Road [that would be affected].

Council Member Medellin asked Mr. Helmuth to clarify the longevity [of the pipe liner] as he [Mr. Helmuth] had been a little vague when referencing 20, 30 or maybe 40 years; as it was a huge gap.

Mr. Helmuth stated that a typical PVC pipe will last 60-80 years. Mr. Helmuth stated that this is really the same material and everything that he has read and heard about it is that the PVC liner goes in and once it goes in, it’s the same as the other. Mr. Helmuth stated that when the liner goes in, it is flexible and what they do is that they bring it in cold and when they start to heat it up, it starts to cure on itself. When it does that, it cures, it turns hard and it’s pretty much like a PVC pipe. Mr. Helmuth stated that he did say 20, 30, 40 years, but it’s probably on the order of 40-50 years. Mr. Helmuth stated that the City’s Master Plan shows that the City is good to go in terms of capacity on that line so he expects a very long life out of it.

Council Member Medellin thanked Mr. Helmuth.

David Tooley, City Administrator stated that this technology has been used for something over 30 or 40 years. Mr. Tooley stated that he saw it as a young professional and it is a time proven technology that is very, very cost effective.

Mayor Poythress asked if there were any questions or comments. Seeing none, Mayor Poythress asked for a motion on the request to proceed with repairs.
ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLEY, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ROBINSON, ITEM E-1 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 6-0.

Mayor Poythress stated that if it was ok, they would dispense with Council Reports on the Special Meeting and save those for the Regular Meeting and would move on to the Regular Meeting.

Mayor Poythress stated that they have an announcement before they moved onto the Consent Calendar.

Sonia Alvarez, City Clerk reminded everyone that the speakers had been turned off and asked that everyone speak up a little bit so that the audience could hear them.

Sonia Alvarez, City Clerk announced that pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, members of the public are advised that documents related to the following agenda item were distributed to the Council less than 72 hours before this meeting. Under Section B Consent Calendar, Item B-6, subject matter is a resolution approving an agreement with Peters Engineering Group. A revised agreement was distributed to the Council this evening. Ms. Alvarez advised that extra copies are available at the podium for members of the public wishing a copy.

A. WORKSHOP

There are no items for this section.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR

B-1 Minutes – 10/21/15

B-2 Information Only – Warrant Disbursement Report

B-3 Consideration of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Madera, California, Approving a New Schedule “A” Agreement with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 for Fire Service Operations, and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Agreement on Behalf of the City of Madera (Report by Dave Allen)

B-4 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Host Agency Agreement between the SER Senior Community Service Employment Program (SER SCSEP) and the City of Madera for Senior Employment Services, and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Agreement on Behalf of the City (Report by Mark Etheridge)

B-5 Consideration of a Resolution Approving Applications for Transportation Development Act-Local Transportations Funds and State Transit Assistance Funds for Fiscal Year 2016/17 and Authorizing the City Engineer to Execute and Submit the Applications to the Madera County Transportation Commission (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-6 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Agreement with Peters Engineering Group for Professional Engineering Services to Prepare a Traffic Impact Study for the Olive Avenue Widening, Gateway Drive to Knox Street Project, and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Agreement (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-7 Consideration of a Minute Order Accepting the South Pine Street & West Pecan Avenue Improvements Project City of Madera Project No. ST 14-05 and Authorizing the Recording of a Notice of Completion (Report by Keith Helmuth)
B-8 Consideration of a Minute Order Accepting the Knox Park Rehabilitation City of Madera Project No. PK 59 and Authorizing the Recording of a Notice of Completion (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-9 Consideration of a Resolution to Approve a Two Year Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Madera County for Juvenile Offenders to Perform Community Service within City Limits and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Memorandum of Understanding (Report by Dave Randall)

B-10 Consideration of a Minute Order Rejecting a Claim filed by Albert Ramirez (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-11 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Side Letter Agreement between the City of Madera and Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 Related to Health Benefits and Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute the Agreement (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-12 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Side Letter Agreement between the City of Madera and the Mid-Management Employee Group Related to Health Benefits and Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute the Agreement (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-13 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Side Letter Agreement between the City of Madera and the Law Enforcement Mid-Management Group Related to Health Benefits and Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute the Agreement (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-14 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Side Letter Agreement between the City of Madera and the Madera Police Officers' Association Related to Health Benefits and Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute the Agreement (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-15 Consideration of a Resolution Approving Amendments Regarding Health Benefits to Employment Agreements with the City Administrator, City Clerk, City Attorney, Executive Director of the Successor Agency to the Former Madera Redevelopment Agency, Planning Manager, Grant Administrator, Director of Community Development, Public Works Operations Director, City Engineer, Director of Parks & Community Services, Chief of Police, Chief Building Official, Information Services Manager, Director of Financial Services, and Director of Human Resources (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-16 Consideration of a Resolution Setting the Monthly Health Benefit Allowance for the City Council of the City of Madera (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-17 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Agreement with Legacy K9 Inc. for Canine Training and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign on Behalf of the City (Report by Steve Frazier)

B-18 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Temporary Permit to Enter and Use Property on Tozer Road North of the Madera Canal to Pacific Gas & Electric and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Permit (Report by Dave Randall)

B-19 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Food Services Agreement with Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission to Provide Senior Meals for the City of Madera Adult Day Care (ADC) Program and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Agreement on Behalf of the City (Report by Mark Etheridge)

Mayor Poythress asked if there were any consent calendar items that a Council Member would like to have pulled for further discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby requested that items B-9 and B-19 be pulled for discussion.
Mayor Poythress asked for a motion for action on the Consent Calendar other than Item B-9 and B-19.

ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLEY, AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM RIGBY, THE CONSENT CALENDAR EXCLUDING ITEMS B-9 AND B-19 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 6-0.

RES. NO. 16-77 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A NEW SCHEDULE "A" AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION (CAL FIRE) FROM JULY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2017 FOR FIRE SERVICE OPERATIONS, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF MADERA.

RES. NO. 16-78 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING A HOST AGENCY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SER SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (SER SCESEP) AND THE CITY OF MADERA FOR SENIOR EMPLOYMENT SERVICES, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY

RES. NO. 16-79 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING APPLICATIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUNDS, LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS AND STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENGINEER TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THE APPLICATIONS TO THE MADERA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

RES. NO. 16-80 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH PETERS ENGINEERING GROUP FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE OLIVE AVENUE WIDENING, GATEWAY DRIVE TO KNOX STREET, PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

RES. NO. 16-82 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING A SIDE LETTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MADERA AND OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION No.3 RELATED TO HEALTH BENEFITS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

RES. NO. 16-83 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING A SIDE LETTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MADERA AND THE MID-MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEE GROUP RELATED TO HEALTH BENEFITS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

RES. NO. 16-84 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING A SIDE LETTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MADERA AND THE LAW ENFORCEMENT MID-MANAGEMENT GROUP RELATED TO HEALTH BENEFITS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

RES. NO. 16-85 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING A SIDE LETTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF
MADERA AND THE MADERA POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION RELATED TO HEALTH BENEFITS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

RES. NO. 16-86  A RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENTS REGARDING HEALTH BENEFITS TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS WITH THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, CITY CLERK, CITY ATTORNEY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER MADERA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, PLANNING MANAGER, GRANT ADMINISTRATOR, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS DIRECTOR, CITY ENGINEER, DIRECTOR OF PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES, CHIEF OF POLICE, CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL, INFORMATION SERVICES MANAGER, DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL SERVICES, AND DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

RES. NO. 16-87  A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA SETTING THE MONTHLY HEALTH BENEFIT ALLOWANCE FOR THE CITY COUNCIL

RES. NO. 16-88  A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH LEGACY K9 INC FOR CANINE TRAINING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE CITY

RES. NO. 16-89  RESOLUTION APPROVING A TEMPORARY PERMIT TO ENTER AND USE PROPERTY ON TOZER STREET NORTH OF THE MADERA CANAL TO PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE PERMIT

B-9  Consideration of a Resolution to Approve a Two Year Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Madera County for Juvenile Offenders to Perform Community Service within City Limits and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Memorandum of Understanding (Report by Dave Randall)

Dave Randall, Public Works Operations Director stated that this item is a continuation of an existing program that the City has had with the County Probation Department that allows the City to utilize juvenile offenders that have community service time. Mr. Randall stated that staff provide the supervision, transportation and tools for the juveniles to do work. A lot of what they do is removing the homeless encampments; sometimes they are able to do other projects as well. Mr. Randall stated that it does take a considerable amount of resources on staff’s part to perform the work, but it serves two purposes. One is to get the work done and the other is to provide a mechanism to address the offenders and give them an alternative to just incarceration, staying in their room or whatever the Probation Department might do to them. Mr. Randall stated he would answer any questions that the Council might have.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that he believes this is an excellent program and in fact, he had requested that Jim Taubert, Successor Agency Executive Director be present in case there were further questions in regards to the establishment of the program.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that his curiosity begins first and foremost, as Mr. Randall mentioned earlier, with the considerable amount of resource that is being used by the Public Works Department. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that Mr. Randall has had this program for approximately one and a half years if not longer and asked Mr. Randall to provide a little more detail on the program such as what does the program typically look like, how many are participating in the program, how many have participated in the program and who is in charge.

Mr. Randall stated that the County of Madera Probation Department sends candidates and those candidates have a list of criteria that they have to abide by such as they can't be gang affiliated and they
come with their parents. Mr. Randall stated that the candidates are given a very rigorous set of rules, an interview process and expectations are clearly explained. Mr. Randall stated that the number of candidates varies a little bit; sometimes it's a little seasonal but overall staff runs crews of 6-12; sometimes larger. Mr. Randall stated that the people who participate are assigned a certain number of community service hours that they have to work off. Credit for that work goes away unless they complete the program. Mr. Randall stated that staff only sees about 50% of the people that participate, not complete the process. Quite often, they can't follow the rules, which is probably why they are in trouble to begin with; there is an accountability that they are held to. Mr. Randall stated that staff is very careful regarding safety issues and aggressive issues; the City just can’t afford anything like that. Staff is somewhat limited with what they [juveniles] do because they can't use power tools; this is all manual labor which is why staff has them on the more mundane tasks.

Mr. Randall stated that in total for a year, juveniles do about 25,000 hours. The cost is about $105,000 annually. For 2016, the Public Works Department had a total of 109 people enroll, 34 were terminated; 47 completed and currently there are 28 enrolled. Mr. Randall stated that juveniles don’t always work at the same time; sometimes they have to work around their schedules. Sometimes during the summer, they will have some people come in and ride with existing crews on a daily basis versus a weekend. Mr. Randall stated that is what generally occurs; staff has had fairly good success. Mr. Randall stated that they have to have two people supervising when they are out there; they are not left unattended. The Public Works Department has a specialized converted bus that holds all their tools, has a bathroom and everything they need. Mr. Randall stated that is sort of the program that they have in place.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby asked Mr. Randall to breakdown the $105,000 a little bit more and asked if that is the resource that is coming out of Public Works such as out man/woman hours, maybe replacement of some tools or anything like that.

Mr. Randall stated it is mainly equipment and labor.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby asked if this is part of the annual budget.

Mr. Randall replied affirmatively.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that he had spoken to Mr. Taubert earlier and what he himself loves about this program is that it’s an alternative sentence that is given to the court systems so juveniles aren’t just being slapped on the wrist and returned back into the streets where they could possibly become a second time offender. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated this gives juveniles a great opportunity to kind of pay their debt to society and after one day of working out at the Tire Amnesty, that will usually set a few of them straight.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby asked Mr. Randall if there was any type of counsel taking place and was the Madera County Probation Department more hands on with this project. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that it seemed to him, at least from everything that Mr. Randall was telling him, that the Public Works Department is really hands on with these students and Madera County Probation Department is kind of off to the side.

Mr. Randall stated that they are hands on in terms of accomplishing the tasks/doing the work. They are not really doing too much counseling or mentoring type of thing. Public Works Department people are good examples and they have good standards and hopefully the juveniles learn from those examples and standards. Mr. Randall stated that staff is in constant contact with the juveniles and when someone does fail, that is documented and given back to them, so hopefully whatever that reason was such as didn't dress appropriately, brought in substances they weren't supposed to have or simply didn't show up which is more often the case, they know what behaviors need to be addressed. Mr. Randall stated that staff is not really doing the behavior modification business; they are more the labor not the social workers.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that this is really the first time that he's heard of this program and it seems to him like this is something they should be celebrating maybe a little bit more being that it's as successful as Mr. Randall is saying that it is. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby asked who was in charge. He asked if Mr. Randall
overssees this or if there is somebody else in Mr. Randall's department that oversees this or is it just whomever happens to be there that day.

Mr. Randall stated that the program is run out of the Streets Department which is run by Bob Mack. Mr. Mack has a Lead Supervisor, Ron Hammond who has general authority but they also have a part-time person that was hired just for that. That [position] was recently just filled, but Mr. Randall stated he was blanking on the person's name. Mr. Randall stated that they have a part-time person who just comes in on the weekends, otherwise the additional weekend work is filled by various employees [who get] a little overtime to bring that in, but the day to day sort of management is done there.

Mr. Randall stated that the paperwork and the interviewing is different and Ron Prestridge, Solid Waste Coordinator handles all of that. Mr. Randall stated that Mr. Prestridge is the person that sits down and has to talk to the parents and document problems when they occur and send it back. He coordinates with Code Enforcement and other people that need the services. Mr. Randall stated that other departments give information to the Public Works Department. The other departments post the clean-up for the homeless camps, etc. Mr. Randall stated that is not part of what Public Works does; the Public Works Department simply provides the labor. Mr. Randall stated that Mr. Prestridge handles the programmatic end of it; he keeps the records.

Council Member Holley stated that the City used to do this program with the Parks & Community Services Department. They used to have a weekend crew that used to do two 8-hour days on Saturdays and Sundays. Council Member Holley stated that parents would sign the juveniles up for the program and it works. The program would give the juveniles the opportunity to work off their time and it gave the juveniles credibility to learn. Council Member Holley stated that sometimes staff called it a trade, but some of the juveniles liked it and some of them didn't. Council Member Holley stated the program works and he thinks it's a program that the City needs to have in all the departments in order to give their kids a chance to get them on these programs and try to get some of their time knocked off instead of juveniles thinking it's a free ride to sit there every day. Council Member Holley stated he used to be a supervisor on the weekends to do this and it was a lot of fun. They met kids, sat down and talked to them, had lunch and watched how they mingled and sent them home every day.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that he doesn't question the integrity of the program; he likes it. What caught his eye was the amount of money the City was investing into the program and then not seeing that reciprocated back through Madera County Probation or through fines from the judicial branch of the county. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated it was kind of like, the City came up with a great idea to help rehabilitate some of these juvenile delinquents and it's just money out of the City's pocket. It is great money that the City is reinvesting into them, but he's really surprised that Madera County Probation isn't a part of this a little bit more hands on; a little bit more financially.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby asked if Mr. Taubert had anything to add to the history of the program such as where it began.

Jim Taubert, Successor Agency Executive Director stated that he had been unable to hear anything that Mr. Randall said.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated he would stop Mr. Taubert if he began to repeat something.

Mr. Taubert stated that reviewing the paperwork reminded him of what a bad movie it was at the time. Mr. Taubert stated that it took them [staff] talking to the District Attorney, judges and Madera County Probation Department because nobody wanted to plan the program. Mr. Taubert stated that they did this in response to the graffiti problem that the City was having. The Police Department had set up a Catch and Release task force where they arrested juveniles and then nothing happened, so the Redevelopment Agency tried to set up a program where the City could get something in return and this is what the City came up with.
Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that he wanted to make a motion to approve this item and to continue the Memorandum of Understanding with the County with the stipulation of suggesting that maybe the City celebrate the program for what it really is. He believes it is a vital part of what the City is contributing to see juvenile delinquencies turned around for the most part. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that he would like to see this program reported on quarterly or so just to see how things are going and maybe partner up with other groups within the County or the City that specifically work with teenagers and students; plugging them in and maybe even getting new volunteers to perhaps take some of the load off that the Public Works Department carries when it comes to paperwork or even just supervision of the teenagers while they are out cleaning up encampments or different things like that so long as it is not a liability to the City.

**ON MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RIGBY, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MEDELLIN,**
**ITEM B-9 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 6-0.**

RES. NO. 16-81 **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF A TWO YEAR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY AND MADERA COUNTY FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS TO PERFORM COMMUNITY SERVICE WITHIN CITY LIMITS AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**B-19 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Food Services Agreement with Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission to Provide Senior Meals for the City of Madera Adult Day Care (ADC) Program and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Agreement on Behalf of the City (Report by Mark Etheridge)**

Mayor Poythress asked Mayor Pro Tem Rigby to mention what he would like to learn about this item.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby gave kudos to Mary Anne Seay, Director of Parks & Community Services for making sure the City's seniors are well fed. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby questioned the process that it went through. He wants to double check, as he is always cautious of losing business to another City, if it was at all possible, to keep it in-house or within Madera. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby asked what the bidding process looked like and who participated and why did she feel they [City] were not able to keep that in Madera.

Mary Anne Seay, Director of Parks & Community Services stated that this goes back several years. Ms. Seay stated that in FY 11/12, the City migrated its service delivery plan away from a central kitchen where the City cooked and prepared the meals for all senior sites including those in the County. As part of the recession, the City told Fresno Madera Area Agency on Aging (FMAAA) that the City would no longer operate the kitchen at a tune of about $400,000 a year. Ms. Seay stated that at that time, FMAAA was reimbursing the City for the meals but at a rate that was significantly lower than it cost the City to run the program and staff it, so the City gave that part of the program back to FMAAA who entered into a contract with Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission (EOC).

FMAAA entered into that contract to provide meals. As a partner to them, the City didn't have any say in how that went down, in fact, the City was a little frustrated with what FMAAA ended up paying Fresno EOC, because the City maybe could have stayed in business or could have at least had a discussion had the FMAAA offered that to the City, but FMAAA entered into the agreement with Fresno EOC.

Ms. Seay stated that shortly thereafter, the City stopped delivering meals to the County sites, homebound and the congregate meal sites which left one facility remaining. The City has an Adult Day Care (ADC) on 6th Street & "I" Street. Ms. Seay stated that the Council can see a variance in the numbers and the reason for that is that the clients come and go. The City has had as few as five clients at a time and as many as 25 clients at a time. Ms. Seay stated some of them pass away and some of them need to move in to a care facility. These are clients whose families are seeking respite care. The City asks for a $25 donation. Ms. Seay stated most of the clients have Dementia, Parkinson's related illnesses and the Park and Community Services Department staff are trained to deal with that.
Ms. Seay stated that when the City went out to solicit bids, the City asked for bids from Madera Unified School District, Madera Community Hospital, she couldn’t remember if there was another, and they came back significantly higher. Ms. Seay stated that one of the reasons was that Fresno EOC was already mobilized to come to Madera to drop off the meals, the homebound delivered meals and the congregate meals and so this was just one more stop. Ms. Seay stated that the other thing that makes it a little complicated to enter into an agreement with another party is the fluctuation in attendance. If the City has six people in March and 16 people in April, it’s tough for smaller organizations to see that kind of variance, but Fresno EOC is kind of used to that; that’s the business that they’re in. Ms. Seay stated that is pretty much the reason for that.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that he was just curious, but Ms. Seay had already hit on it, because the City is doing so much work with Madera Unified School District this summer in regards to feeding students throughout the week and he thought the City could combine the two programs and piggy back off of each other, but Ms. Seay seems to have answered his questions. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that he appreciated that.

ON MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RIGBY, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLEY, ITEM B-19 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 6-0.

RES. NO. 16-90 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING A FOOD SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH FRESNO ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION TO PROVIDE SENIOR MEALS FOR THE CITY OF MADERA ADULT DAY CARE (ADC) PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY

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

C-1 Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution Approving the Measure ‘T’ Annual Expenditure Plan for Fiscal Year 2016/17 and Authorizing the City Engineer to Submit the Plan to the Madera County Transportation Authority for Adoption (Report by Keith Helmut)

Keith Helmut, City Engineer stated that the purpose of this item is to allow for public review and comment of the proposed projects and expenditures within the AEP (Annual Expenditure Plan) funding program prior to approval by the City Council. Public review and comments opportunities are required in the Measure ‘T’ Strategic Plan adopted by Madera County Transportation Authority (MCTA).

Mr. Helmut stated that each year, the three local agencies: County, Chowchilla and the City of Madera must prepare and approve an Annual Expenditure Plan (AEP). It must be approved by the MCTA. Mr. Helmut stated that the MCTA will then consider adopting the local agency plan into their annual work program and authorize the expenditure of funds.

Mr. Helmut stated that the source of funding for Measure ‘T’ is the local one-half cent sales tax approved by voters November 2006. This funding source will be available for 20 years through November 2027. Mr. Helmut stated the funds will be used for transportation projects and programs. Measure ‘T’ funds are distributed by programs as required in the voter approved Investment Plan. Mr. Helmut stated the programs are Regional Transportation Program 51%, Local Transportation Program 44%, Public Transportation Program 2%, Environmental Enhancement Program 2% and Administration 1%.

Mr. Helmut stated that funding for these programs is further distributed in specific program categories of which eight are under the discretion of the local agency. These programs are Regional 3R (Rehabilitate, Resurface and Reconstruct), Street Maintenance, Supplemental Street Maintenance, Flexible Projects, ADA Compliance, Transit Enhancement, ADA for Seniors, Transit, and Environmental Enhancement.
Program. Mr. Helmuth stated that funding for these programs totals $2,830,799; that's about $180,000 more than last year. Mr. Helmuth stated that he would be happy to answer any questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby asked if the Transit Enhancement Programs could be looked at to improve crosswalks.

Mr. Helmuth stated that could not be done through the Transit Enhancement Program. Mr. Helmuth stated that the City's Local Transportation Funds is one measure. Mr. Helmuth stated that this funding can be used for some of that as well.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that he recalled his colleague mentioning the 'D' Street corridor and the necessity of having great crosswalks throughout the area as [there are] so many pedestrians. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated he was interested [in seeing] if that fell into some category since the City did get kicked down a little extra this year.

Mr. Helmuth stated that there are different funding programs within each of these [categories]; some of them work better for that than others. Mr. Helmuth stated it just comes down to picking and choosing projects. Mr. Helmuth stated that as they go through the CIP (Capital Improvement Projects), many of the projects already assume increases in the Measure 'T' program usually whatever staff saw last year, they will go ahead and assume that may occur in future years. Mr. Helmuth stated that it is at the discretion of Council which way the City goes with projects.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that was good to know.

Mayor Poythress asked if there were any questions or comments. Seeing none, Mayor Poythress opened up the public hearing for this item. Seeing none, Mayor Poythress asked for a motion on the item.

ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER OLIVER, AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM RIGBY, ITEM C-1 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 6-0.

RES. NO. 16-91 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE MEASURE 'T' ANNUAL EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/17, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENGINEER TO SUBMIT THE PLAN TO THE MADERA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTION

C-2 Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution of the City Council Confirming Special Assessments for Delinquent Administrative Fines (Report by Brent Richardson)

Brent Richardson, City Attorney stated this is a confirmation hearing to place a lien on property at 213 Mainberry Drive in this instance for delinquent fines in just over $35,000 for failing to maintain property.

Mayor Poythress asked if there were any questions for Mr. Richardson. Seeing none, Mayor Poythress opened up the public hearing for this item. Seeing none, Mayor Poythress closed the public hearing and brought the item back for action.

ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MEDELLIN, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLEY, ITEM C-2 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 6-0.

RES. NO. 16-92 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA CONFIRMING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR DELINQUENT ADMINISTRATIVE FINES.
Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Madera Confirming Costs of Weed Abatement and Ordering Cost of Abatement to be a Special Assessment on the Respective Properties (Report by Fabela Rodriguez)

Fabela Rodriguez, Neighborhood Preservation Specialist I stated that tonight’s report is to confirm the cost of the weed abatement. The parcels of land listed on Exhibit A have been inspected and were found in violation.

Ms. Rodriguez stated that a notice of violation was issued in March. It stated the violation along with the corrective action, corrective action date and the consequences of not complying. Ms. Rodriguez stated that Notices of Violation are valid for one year from the date of issuance, therefore all properties must be maintained year round.

Ms. Rodriguez stated that along with the Notice of Violation, an insert was also attached showing examples of acceptable and unacceptable lots and the requirements of what needed to be done upon re-inspection. A courtesy notice was issued in April to all property owners reminding them once again of the inspection date and the requirements for the overgrowth on the vacant lots. It was then brought forward to Council to begin the abatement process on all lots that were found in violation.

Ms. Rodriguez stated that before the abatement process began, she made one final inspection to determine which lots were still in violation at that point; it was observed that 23 lots needed abatement. Ms. Rodriguez stated she tried to contact the property owners for which she had contact information in order to follow-up with them in regards to the overgrown weeds on their properties. Up to the date of abatement, about 80 days, she did not receive any calls or return mail from any of the property owners. Ms. Rodriguez stated she checked all addresses at the County Assessor’s Office to ensure that she had the correct address on file. The lots were abated by the City of Madera. The lots that were abated [by the City] were either not abated by the property owner or a thorough job was not completed. Ms. Rodriguez concluded her report and stated she could answer questions from the Council.

Mayor Poythress asked if there were any questions for Ms. Rodriguez. Seeing none, Mayor Poythress opened up the public hearing for this item. Seeing none, Mayor Poythress closed the public hearing and brought the item back for action.

ON MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RIGBY, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MEDELLIN, ITEM C-3 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 6-0.

RES. NO. 16-93 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA CONFIRMING COSTS OF WEED ABATEMENT AND ORDERING COSTS OF ABATEMENT TO BE A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

There are no items for this section.

E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

E-1 Weekly Water Conservation Report - May 30th – June 5th (Report by Dave Randall)

Dave Randall, Public Works Operations Director stated that the Council might be able to forecast the weekly water report by looking at the weather forecast; it pretty much follows that. The dip reflects the high heat that they had. Mr. Randall stated that [with] this falling cooling trend, the numbers from this Monday are back up to 27%. Mr. Randall stated that it was not unexpected, but it was what happened this time of year with variation seasonally.
Mr. Randall stated that they are seeing some other good things. They are seeing a lot more activity in their rebate programs. He guesses people are realizing that it’s time to take care of their yard, so staff is encouraged by that.

Mr. Randall stated that he is trying to work with Madera Unified School District to get a little better coordination there; they have an awful lot of area and responsibility, so staff is trying to partner with them so that there is a little less frustration between them.

Mayor Poythress asked what seemed to be the main issue with the school district.

Mr. Randall stated that the school district has a lot of places and they forget that they have to comply. Mr. Randall stated that the City has a provision that will allow them exemptions because the school district, much like the City often can’t comply exactly. Mr. Randall stated that if the school district has 30 stations of sprinklers to run, they can’t get through that in the evening, so the City will gladly give them extra time. Mr. Randall stated that where the school district has needs for special watering, the City will even give them additional days such as ballfields, underground, playground equipment, etc. Mr. Randall stated that is a true need but then the school district will take that and say they want to do the median strip out in front and between the Administration building. Mr. Randall stated that is hard to get in a large organization down through their ranks. Mr. Randall stated that Curtis [Manganaan, Director of Maintenance and Operations for Madera Unified School District] works very hard to try to make that happen, but staff will try to partner to do more. Mr. Randall stated that is what is going on there.

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

F. **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Council Member Robinson thanked everyone for attending the General Membership of the League of California Cities. Madera represented well.

Council Member Robinson stated that he attended the Madera Art Council reception. It was very nice and he had a photo in the newspaper.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that he had a busy weekend after attending six graduations. He was kind of graduated out, but yet again, it was a great graduation season. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby stated that the speakers were phenomenal including Madera South campus. It was just a great season; he enjoys it immensely.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby congratulated the Parks & Community Services Department and those that they’ve partnered with. Knox Park is almost knocked out. Mayor Pro Tem Rigby congratulated the Parks & Community Services Department on that; he knows they have been working hard and he knows that community is very excited to see that up and running.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby congratulated David Merchen, Community Development Director whose son made the United States of America Boys Volleyball Under 19 National Team and will be competing in the Under 19 Continental Championship in Cuba.

Council Member Holley stated he had a great week. He attended three different graduations. Council Member Holley stated that he was able to go to the Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School (MLK) graduation and hand out diplomas, but the most exciting part of that which made his day was to have the kids come across the platform who he had in his Jesse Owens games to get a 4.0 average [GPA] and just to see them get those ratings and knowing they all came from Sierra Vista Elementary School was awesome. Council Member Holley stated he had to go to Sierra Vista Elementary School and let them know that. Madera High School did a great job. Madera South High School did a great job. Council Member Holley stated he had a few relatives that graduated out of there. It was an awesome week all week long.
Council Member Holley stated that Knox Park is coming along. He rode by there yesterday and lost his nerve as he had to chase some teenagers out of there. Council Member Holley stated that he knows it’s not in his district, but it’s still in his district. The teenagers were just hanging out; the gates were closed and he didn’t know how they got in, but they got out.

Mayor Poythress stated the area is still in Council Member Holley’s City.

Council Member Medellin also thanked Mary Anne Seay, Parks & Community Services Director on Knox Park. He stated it is fantastic; it is a feather in the cap and to keep up the good work.

Council Member Medellin congratulated Steve Frazier, Chief of Police for graduating the fifth class for the Police Citizens’ Academy. Council Member Medellin stated it was an honor to be “here” and congratulate Chief Frazier’s group. It [the group] is growing and Council Medellin believes that more and more people want to take it again which speaks volumes for the program.

Mayor Poythress asked if those people had failed.

Council Member Medellin replied “no”; people loved it so much that they wanted to take the course again. He doesn’t know if it’s because they shot automatic weapons or if they wanted to get tasered. Council Member Medellin asked for the number of people that volunteered to get tasered [someone from the audience responded “9”]. Council Member Medellin stated that nine people volunteered; it started out with one or two people and now there were nine, so he doesn’t know if they are just crazy or if they want to be on the other side of the law and see what it feels like. Council Member Medellin congratulated Chief Frazier and Commander [Dino Lawson] with another successful graduation.

Council Member Oliver stated he wanted to give kudos to the City’s Police Department on the impact video that they produced, “Madera Police and Kids Working Together” for their upcoming Kids’ Camp; it was really cute and pretty cool and he is sure it got a really good response. Council Member Oliver thanked them for being very creative and out of the box.

Council Member Oliver stated that this last week, he attended a neighborhood watch meeting for residents in Maple Court. A lot of folks there had resided there for 30 or 40 years or were second generation in that neighborhood, so there was a lot pride of ownership and a lot of great questions were asked. Council Member Oliver stated that Officer [Matthew] McCombs and the City’s Crime Analyst, Lacy Burleson did a great job answering some of those questions. He knows they have quite a bit of follow-up to do, but he knows that residents were really pleased with that effort.

Council Member Oliver extended the invitation out to his colleagues and any staff for Sunday, June 26th. He is going to hold mobile office hours at the flea market in the morning and he would love to have them out maybe for an hour or two at a time. He will be out there to hear folks’ concerns, input and ideas, offer a cup of coffee and hopefully have some great dialogue and discussions out there, so the invitation is open for whomever would like to join.

Council Member Holley reminded everyone that tomorrow is the Business Extravaganza at the Madera District Fairgrounds from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Council Member Holley stated they should go out there; they would really like that. He has been going for the last five years and he really enjoys it.

Mayor Poythress stated that they are going to participate as the City; they have Parks & Recreation and Neighborhood Revitalization will be there. They will be all over the place.

Mayor Poythress stated that he is very pleased that he did not have to attend any graduations last week and that was really good.

Mayor Poythress announced that they would now go into closed session.
G. CLOSED SESSION

G-1 Closed Session Announcement – City Attorney

Brent Richardson, City Attorney announced that the Council would adjourn to closed session in one item which was Conference with Legal Counsel and Pending Litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) in two cases as set forth on the agenda.

The Council adjourned to closed session at 7:02 p.m.

G-2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1): 2 cases:

Jason Green WCAB No. ADJ 9938248 & ADJ 9943098

G-3 Closed Session Report – City Attorney

Council returned from closed session at 7:10 p.m. with all members present.

Mr. Richardson announced that Council adjourned to closed session in one item which was Conference with Legal Counsel and Pending Litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) in two cases and no reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Poythress at 7:11 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

ROBERT L. Poythress, Mayor

ZELDA LEÓN, Deputy City Clerk