December 7, 2016 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Madera City Council for 12/07/16 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/Mayor Elect Andrew J. Medellin
          Council Member/Council Member Elect Donald E. Holley
          Council Member/Council Member Elect Derek O. Robinson Sr.
          Council Member William Oliver
          Council Member Cece Foley Gallegos
          Council Member Elect Jose Rodriguez

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, Fire Chief David Allen, Police Chief Steve Frazier, Parks and Community Services Director Mary Anne Seay, Public Works Operations Director David Randall, Community Development Director David Merchen, Grants Administrator Ivette Iraheta, Chief Building Official Steve Woodworth, Redevelopment Manager Bob Wilson, Battalion Chief Jim Forga, Commander Dino Lawson.

INVOCATION: Pastor Lance Leach, Valley West Christian Center

Pastor Leach stated he was blessed when he talked to Mayor Pro Tem Rigby today to find out what was going on tonight. He signed up for this a long time ago. Pastor Leach stated that on behalf of Madera Ministry Association which he represents tonight, he thanked Mayor Poythress for all the time he’s put in and the great relationship that they’ve had with him. They look forward to working with him at the Board of Supervisors and they appreciate all he’s done.

Pastor Leach stated it was a privilege tonight. Andrew Medellin is a good friend. He is so proud of him and so glad he gets to do this this evening.

Pastor Leach congratulated Council Members Elect Donald Holley, Derek Robinson and Jose Rodriguez.

Pastor Leach stated Council Member Foley Gallegos & Mayor Pro Tem Rigby are a lot of problems for them all the time but they love them and Council Member Oliver as well.

Pastor Leach proceeded with the invocation.

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 comments. No comments were made.

Mayor Poythress called on the City Clerk for a late distribution announcement.

City Clerk Sonia Alvarez 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 the Section, Council Reorganization, Item 4 subject matter Selection of Mayor Pro Tem, the report referenced an attachment Resolution 12-210, that resolution 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 – 6/27/16

B-2 Information Only – Warrant Disbursement Report


B-4 Consideration of a Resolution Approving Amendment #1 to the FY 2016-17 Site Management Contract between the City and the Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging (FMAAA) and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Amendment to the Agreement on Behalf of the City

And

Consideration of a Resolution Amending the FY 2016-2017 General Fund/Org 10206218 – Senior Citizen Community Service Program Budget to Recognize $10,640 in Additional Revenue (Report by Mary Anne Seay)

B-5 Consideration of Resolution Approving a Budget Amendment Transferring Funds to Cover Costs Associated with the Emergency Repair of the Schnoor Sewer Main and Intersection Repair (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-6 Consideration of a Minute Order of the City Council of the City of Madera, California Authorizing the Acceptance of a $1,000 Donation to the Madera Police Department (Report by Steve Frazier)

B-7 Consideration of a Resolution Appointing Richard M. Broadhead to the City of Madera Planning Commission (Report by Chris Boyle)
B-8 Consideration of a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Madera Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Parcel Map 16-P-02, Freedom Industrial Park, as Owner on Behalf of the City for the City-Owned Parcels (Keith Helmuth)

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.

Mayor Poythress asked for a motion for action.

ON MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM RIGBY, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER OLIVER, THE CONSENT CALENDAR WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.

RES. NO. 16-186 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING AMENDMENT #1 TO THE FY 2016-17 SITE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE FRESNO-MADERA AREA AGENCY ON AGING (FMAAA) AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY

RES. NO. 16-187 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA AMENDING THE FY 2016-17 GENERAL FUND/ORG 10206218 - SENIOR CITIZEN COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE $10,640 IN ADDITIONAL REVENUE

RES. NO. 16-188 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING FUNDING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF MADERA FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 BUDGET FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF THE SCHOONER SEWER MAIN AND INTERSECTION REPAIR

RES. NO. 16-189 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA APPOINTING RICHARD M. BROADHEAD TO THE CITY OF MADERA PLANNING COMMISSION

RES. NO. 16-190 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN PARCEL MAP 16-P-02, FREEDOM INDUSTRIAL PARK, AS OWNER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY FOR THE CITY OWNED PARCELS

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

C-1 Consideration of the Introduction of an Ordinance that would Approve and Adopt a Development Agreement between the City of Madera and Love’s Travel Stops and Country Stores for the Madera Travel Center Project (Report by Dave Merchen)

Dave Merchen, Community Development Director promised to be brief. This is an introduction of an ordinance that would approve a development agreement for the Madera Travel Center. That is a Love’s Country Stop and Stores project.

Mr. Merchen indicated there were a couple of introductory items. A development agreement is a contract between the developer and the City. It locks in the rules and regulations that apply to the development and it provides a financing mechanism for public infrastructure that the project requires. Development agreements are adopted by ordinance. Each development agreement has its own particular non-codified
ordinance. The introduction would occur tonight and if they do so, a public hearing would be conducted on December 21st.

Mr. Merchen stated that the travel center was approved by the Planning Commission in the middle of August. It is on about 25 acres at the corner of Freeway 99 and Avenue 17. Its primary components are those shown on the screen including a restaurant and hotel as freestanding elements, the travel center which is a fueling facilities, restaurants and some associated retail. It’s also a tire store available to customers as well as an RV and boat storage facility.

Mr. Merchen stated that if a structure is required to be installed to serve that project site at substantial cost, total cost of improvements are about $8.1 million plus the cost of the water well. The water well varies in cost and staff hasn’t tried to estimate it down to the nickel. Of that amount, about $6.8 million plus the cost of the water well are considered reimbursable under the terms of this development agreement. They can see that fairly significant elements are required to be eligible for reimbursement.

Mr. Merchen stated the development agreement proposed phased reimbursements. The water well costs and $1 million would be reimbursed at completion and acceptance of the improvements. About $4.2 million in additional reimbursements would be provided after one year of operations and the final amounts about $1.5 - $1.7 million would be reimbursed in annual payments that are derived from sales tax and transient occupancy tax that are generated by the hotel on the site.

Mr. Merchen stated this item has been overseen by the Council sub-committee that provided guidance and direction throughout the negotiation of the development agreement. That was Councilman Medellin, Holley and Rigby. They met two or three times and had some email communications to provide guidance through that process. The Planning Commission also conducted a mandatory review and has recommended approval of the project.

Mr. Merchen stated the recommendation from staff and he believes, the sub-committee and Planning Commission is to introduce the ordinance and then direct staff to proceed with scheduling the public hearing for December 21st. He would like to conclude by saying that staff is very excited about the project. They are excited about the potential use of a development agreement. It is a really powerful economic development tool here that generates quite a strong return on investment for the City both in the near term with the development of the project as well as for the allowance of those off-site infrastructure utility improvements that will open up a fairly significant broader area for developments. They are very excited about it. They think it is an appropriate deal for the City and they recommend that Council proceed accordingly.

Mr. Merchen stated this is not a public hearing. It is just an introduction. He would take questions.

Council Member Medellin thanked staff for their efforts and also their team of Mayor Pro Tem Rigby and Council Member Holley.

Council Member Medellin stated the tax revenue this is going to generate is just incredible. $10 million in infrastructure. When you invest in infrastructure in your community, great things are going to happen. As they can see from the map, they have lots to be built over there so the economic development opportunities they have are outstanding.

Council Member Medellin again thanked staff and the team and stated that obviously, he is in favor of this project.

Council Member Robinson asked if they were going to be solar powered as Mr. Merchen had stated they are going to have storage for boats and overhead.

Mr. Merchen stated that the project has discussed the potential to include solar. They vary between making that a required element and making that a voluntary element. Ultimately, because the project wasn’t sure
how that would pencil out, they decided to make it voluntary so they hope to see that as part of project development for the covered part of the canopies at the RV and boat storage. They are seeing that more and more incorporated into these canopies so they hope it is included but it is not required.

Mayor Poythress asked if there is an approximate timeframe that Love’s is looking at in terms of the time tables for construction.

Mr. Merchen stated the planned start of construction is in calendar year 2017. At this point, the project schedule is largely driven by the receipt of approval from Caltrans to make some ramp widening improvements that are necessary for the project. So assuming that those requirements get ironed out with Caltrans and they get a design approved then he would expect probably mid-2017 or thereabouts.

Mayor Poythress asked if it is something like $1.5 to $2 million in sales tax revenue that will go to help reimburse Love’s.

Mr. Merchen stated that was correct. It is the sales tax and transient occupancy tax portion that will go back to the developer for the outside improvements over probably a 4 to 6 year period sort of at the end of their reimbursement program.

Mayor Poythress asked if that would be half of the revenues coming in and Mr. Merchen replied affirmatively. Mayor Poythress asked if there would still be some available for the City.

Mr. Merchen stated that was one element that the Council sub-committee was looking for and Mr. Tooley also provided some strong guidance for that. They wanted to make sure that at least half of the annual sales tax and transient occupancy tax generated by the project came directly to the City and stayed with the City through the life of the project. As it turns out, sharing that tax 50/50 would only occur for a limited number of years and after that it would be entirely with the City.

Mayor Poythress asked that title be read.

The introduction of an ordinance was read by title by the City Clerk.

ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MEDELLIN, AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM RIGBY, FURTHER READING WAS WAIVED AND ITEM C-1 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.

INTRO. ORD. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOVE’S TRAVEL STOPS AND COUNTRY STORES AND THE CITY OF MADERA

D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

There are no items for this section.

E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

There are no items for this section.

F. COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Robinson stated he attended the Engineering Meet and Greet today in Fresno at Precision Engineer at their office. He met a lot of people and a couple of Fresno Councilmen.
Council Member Foley Gallegos stated she was with Code Enforcement this week on some cell phone violations which was very interesting.

Council Member Foley Gallegos stated she will be attending the Housing Authority end of the year party tomorrow night.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby congratulated his colleagues, Council Member Robinson and Council Member Holley on being re-elected as well as Council Member Elect Rodriguez and stated he looks forward to working with the three of them in the future.

Mayor Pro Tem Rigby offered a special thank you to Mayor Poythress for allowing him to serve as Mayor Pro Tem this year. It was an honor and a treat to not only be his right hand man physically but also figuratively. He learned so much from the Mayor over these last couple of years on Council and he couldn’t think of a better person to go into the County and represent Madera in District 1.

Mayor Poythress thanked Mayor Pro Tem Rigby and stated he appreciated that.

Council Member Holley wanted to make sure that everybody knows about Big Brothers Big Sisters. Today, they had some folks from the school district volunteer to be a Big so that was exciting and they can too.

Council Member Holley stated he is glad to be here for another four years.

Council Member Holley stated he hates to see Mayor Poythress go but he knows he is just across the street. Not only did they have this bond as Council partners, but Mayor Poythress helped him tremendously when he did his program for the Jesse Owens Games. Council Member Holley stated that would never be forgotten and thanked Mayor Poythress for his support. Council Member Holley stated that as colleagues, he is always there if Mayor Poythress ever needs him.

Mayor Poythress thanked Council Member Holley and stated he appreciated it; very kind words.

Council Member Medellin had nothing to report.

Council Member Oliver had nothing to report.

Mayor Poythress stated that last night, he had the opportunity to attend the Joya Street Neighborhood Watch celebration with Council Member Holley. They received their designation. It was a great time.

Mayor Poythress stated that last Saturday the Red Cross had a bunch of volunteers in Madera. They were going around to houses and working with folks that didn’t have fire alarms. He was there to say, “Hey everybody, go for it” and then he kind of exited but Council Member Elect Rodriguez worked and was out there all day. Mayor Poythress stated he thinks Council Member Elect Rodriguez got the award for the most fire alarm installations.

G. CLOSED SESSION

There are no items for this section.

COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

1. Consideration of a Resolution Declaring the Results of General Municipal Election Held on November 8, 2016 (Report by Sonia Alvarez)

Sonia Alvarez, City Clerk stated the Madera County Clerk has issued the official results for the election held on November 8th and she’d like to read the results into the records. She would then ask the Council for...
consideration of adoption of the resolution declaring the results and naming the candidates with the highest number of votes as elected as well as declaring the passage of Measure K.

Mayor's Office: Andrew Medellin Votes: 10,077
Write In Candidates Votes: 241

District 2: Jose Rodriguez Votes: 1,581
Jim DaSilva Votes: 1,192
Write In Candidates Votes: 6

District 4: Derek Robinson Votes: 902
Write In Candidates Votes: 20

District 6: Donald Holley Votes: 1,206
Write In Candidates Votes: 37

Measure K Yes Votes: 9,633
No Votes: 2,184

Ms. Alvarez stated that there is a request in the resolution to declare Andrew Medellin as Mayor, Jose Rodriguez as the Council Member representing District 2, Derek Robinson as Council Member representing District 4, Donald Holley as Council Member representing District 6 and Measure K having passed with the majority of the votes received.

ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLEY, AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ROBINSON, REORGANIZATION ITEM 1 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.


Mayor Poythress congratulated everybody as well as the Chief of Police on Measure K.

2. Ceremonial Oath of Office
   Mayor Elect Andrew J. Medellin
   Council Member Elect Jose Rodriguez, District 2
   Council Member Elect Derek O. Robinson Sr., District 4
   Council Member Elect Donald E. Holley, District 6

Ms. Alvarez stated they typically have everybody stand up at the front and do the oath as a group but they are going to do this a little differently tonight. They are going to take them one at a time.

Ms. Alvarez stated they are going to begin with Mayor Elect Andrew J. Medellin. She asked him to stand by the logo and invited Marge Medellin who is a former Mayor and Council Member to go up and join him and administer the oath.

Marge Medellin advised that if they hear a loud booming noise, it was nothing dangerous. It was just her heart. Ms. Medellin administered the oath to Mayor Elect Andrew J. Medellin.

Ms. Alvarez called Council Member Elect Jose Rodriguez to the dais area and she administered the oath.

Ms. Alvarez called Council Member Elect Derek Robinson to the dais area and asked that his wife, Michelle Robinson join him to administer the oath.

Mrs. Robinson administered the oath to Council Member Elect Derek Robinson.
Ms. Alvarez called Council Member Elect Donald Holley to the dais and asked that Linda Clark join him to administer the oath. Miss Clark serves on a couple of their committees and is a dear friend of Council Member Holley.

Miss Clark administered the oath to Council Member Elect Holley.

3. Seat New Council Members

Outgoing Mayor Poythress asked the new Council Members to take their positions.

4. Consideration of Selection of Mayor Pro Tem (Report by Sonia Alvarez)

Ms. Alvarez stated there is a rotation process that they go through based on a resolution adopted by the City Council. She stated that at this time she just needs to specify for the record that there were two Council Members that had not served as Mayor Pro Tem and they are Council Member Foley Gallegos and their new electee, Council Member Rodriguez.

Ms. Alvarez stated that when they have two or more, depending on what the situation is, and in this case they were both elected at different times, the Council Member who has served on the Council the longest without serving as Mayor Pro Tem would be the eligible council person to serve as Mayor Pro Tem.

Ms. Alvarez requested a motion from the Council to select Council Member Cece Foley Gallegos as Mayor Pro Tem and that would be for a one year term and they rotate that position every December.

**ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLEY, AND SECONDED BY ROBINSON, REORGANIZATION ITEM 3 SELECTING COUNCIL MEMBER FOLEY GALLEGOS AS MAYOR PRO TEM WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.**

Mayor Medellin addressed Mayor Pro Tem Foley Gallegos and stated this is special as well because they grew up together and when they were born, their houses were next door to each other so they truly have been lifelong friends. Now, they advance a few years later and they are going to be working hand in hand. Mayor Medellin congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Foley Gallegos.

Mayor Pro Tem Foley Gallegos stated she is excited.

5. Presentation to Outgoing Mayor Robert L. Poythress

Mayor Medellin asked their outgoing Mayor to join him. He stated they’ve known each other for a long time and he has truly served his community. He’s served as Mayor. He’s served as a Council Member. He served for 12 years but that it goes beyond serving at a Council meeting. It is what he does outside of the Council Chambers and how he represents the City. Mayor Medellin stated that Former Mayor Poythress always has Madera in his heart. Has always served this community with the best intentions and to the best of his ability. He is proud to call him a friend and a colleague. He looks forward to Former Mayor Poythress’ endeavors in the future and it is good to know that as he passes the baton, he is only across the street. Mayor Medellin congratulated him on Supervisor Elect.

Former Mayor Poythress thanked everybody and stated this is a special evening. He congratulated Council Member Rodriguez as the brand new guy on the block. He congratulated his colleagues for the re-election, Mayor Medellin and the team that remains here. He stated it is a great solid team. It’s been his pleasure and honor to serve with each and every one of them.

Former Mayor Poythress stated that the last 12 years in City Council has really been one of the great pleasures of his life. So much has been accomplished and his life has been enriched in so many ways. The City team has literally become a family and that’s why it makes it so difficult.
Former Mayor Poythress thanked his wife, Carol and stated that usually, at this time they thank their wives and say it's over and they'll be home all the time and there will be no more meetings, but he can't say that. He thanked her for being there.

Former Mayor Poythress thanked everyone in the organization for making the City a premier operation and he knows that because they don't get much coverage in the Fresno Bee. Usually they don't get coverage on the good things that happen so they must be doing great. It's only the scandals that get coverage.

Former Mayor Poythress stated that usually at this time in the speech he is supposed to rattle off a dozen or more projects or achievements that were accomplished in the last 12 years, however he won't make them suffer through that. Instead, he'd like to share something about this room that intrigued him over the years.

Former Mayor Poythress stated that this room used to have pictures of the past mayors and the City council people. It started out on one side with the ancient guys and then it went around to the more recent. He'd look over there and see folks that you knew in the community. You'd move on and maybe he'd see folks that he remembers his parents talking about. Then you'd move on some more and you didn't know who those people were.

Former Mayor Poythress stated there was one gentleman you saw as a young guy and then you saw him again when he was about 40 years older and it was an interesting transition. The pictures are gone. They are history. He stated they vanished forever or have they. Former Mayor Poythress stated he believes the images of the former mayors and council people still remain. They are all over their City. You see them in their people, schools, reputation, traditions, streets, buildings and neighborhoods.

Former Mayor Poythress stated the decisions and actions that these leaders make indirectly influence who they are today. The implications, like their predecessors’ names will be forgotten but the decisions and actions they make today will be reflections of them in the City for years to come. That's both an awesome and sobering thought.

Former Mayor Poythress asked how they carve those images. The images are created by the lives that they touch, the way they live, the characters they mold, the education they provide and the opportunities they help to create.

Former Mayor Poythress stated the good news is that he is convinced that they are on the right road in Madera with the future of Madera in mind. He sees neighborhoods organized. Christina Herrera in Neighborhood Revitalization is leading the charge there. He sees kids being mentored. They have teachers. They have Council Member Holley mentoring kids. They have Adopt a School. They have the Parks program. They have Civics Day. Ms. Alvarez has done a great job leading the charge there. They have their public safety professionals relentlessly reaching out in the community. They have parks being built with programs available for all ages. Coalitions are being developed with schools, churches and municipalities. All of these efforts are supported by strong planning, public work efforts and prudent financial planning and controls.

Former Mayor Poythress stated he is encouraged to know that this is a City team and community that is prepared to thrive not just survive. Not to be satisfied with the status quo but incessantly seeking ways to improve the City and not give up when it’s tough but be passionate in their pursuit of victory. He is convinced that 50 years from now when their neighbors from the south look north, Madera will be a city shining on a hill known as a place where leaders walk humbly, seek justice and love mercy. That will be the finished work of art that he and they are crafting right now.

Former Mayor Poythress thanked everyone and stated God bless the City and God bless America.
Mayor Medellin presented Former Mayor Poythress with a plaque of appreciation for his 12 years of service on the City Council.

Mayor Medellin stated he understands the emotion because Former Mayor Poythress has truly given his heart to this community. Even though they leave the meetings, that doesn’t mean they leave their title here and go about their business. Mayor Medellin stated Former Mayor Poythress will forever be a Council Member and a Mayor and known as such and a pillar and a leader in the community. Mayor Medellin thanked him.

6. Council Reports

Mayor Medellin thanked everybody for being there that evening. He would hope they’d get this attendance on December 21st at their next meeting, but something tells him they may not.

Mayor Medellin stated he joined the Council in 2011 and they were a Council of five at the time. Former Mayor Poythress was Mayor then. He stated he worked with some wonderful leaders like Supervisor Brett Frazier who is with them here today, Sally Bomprezzi and Gary Svanda. These were some great leaders in the community.

Mayor Medellin stated that since 2012 the Council they see before them right now, from new Council Member Rodriguez who has put in a lot of work and time into the City and Council Member Holley representing District 6, Council Member Oliver representing District 3, Council Member Charles Rigby representing District 5, Mayor Pro Tem Foley Gallegos representing District 1 and Council Member Robinson representing District 4..... These folks give a lot of time and effort and they really truly love their community. He is proud to be a part of this team. He thanked them all for their support and well wishes and stated that together, they are going to do a lot of great things.

He thanked staff. They have a wonderful and dedicated staff here in the City of Madera. Their doors are always open and they give Council the tools to make those decisions. He gave a special thank you to David Tooley, City Administrator who has 23 years in the business. Nobody bleeds Madera more so than Mr. Tooley. A man who is truly dedicated to his craft and to this City. Mayor Medellin thanked him for the time they’ve spent over the last five years. He really looks forward to the time they are going to spend and the things they are going to do in the future. He thanked him for his dedication.

Mayor Medellin stated that when he ran for office and gave his speeches, it has been the same thing for a long time. Jobs and job creation is what they are looking for in Madera. Nobody more so than this Council understands that and with the approval of the development agreement that they did earlier and having that Love’s filling station and other items that are coming up, the job creation that they are going to have here in the City of Madera over the next few years will be outstanding. They have a lot of great things to come.

Mayor Medellin stated that education is the cornerstone of Madera. It is going to be their measuring stick for how successful they are so they will continue to work with Madera Unified School District, work with their 12 Year Plan and help them to be successful because if education is successful, we are successful and that also goes for their charter schools like Sherman Thomas Charter School. Support them and their STEM program.

Mayor Medellin stated his main priority is public safety. He knows the City of Madera joins him in that because they passed Measure K overwhelmingly with 80%. It was really a no brainer that the community is saying they don’t mind spending a few extra dollars if it means it gives our Police Department and our firemen and women the tools it takes to make this community a safe place to live. This Council recognizes that and they will with those additional monies make sure that they increase public safety and that they hire fire personnel and police personnel to make this the City of choice. The City that they want to live in and feel safe.
Mayor Medellin stated things like this are not done by one person. They’re not done by Council. They are done by all of us and he prides himself in involving the community with just about everything they do. They are transparent and they will continue to be transparent. They involve the community because if they are making decisions for the community and not including the community then those decisions cannot be for the community. They must work together. Mayor Medellin stated they have a wonderful diverse community there in Madera.

Mayor Medellin stated they will not recognize Madera in the next 3 to 5 years. They have so many great things that are happening. He is excited. He is blessed to be our Mayor. He stated if they invest in the people in the community then they will invest in you and the City of Madera has invested in him and he is Madera Proud to be our Mayor. He thanked everyone.

Mayor Medellin stated there are a lot of people to thank. There are a lot of well-wishers, friends, family, people who have called and texted and even strangers that saw him in the grocery store or barber shop that said they voted for him. He truly appreciates that.

Mayor Medellin stated the thank yous that he has to give right now first are to his children who are sitting there in the front. His children are the reason he breathes and the reason he lives. They are his inspiration. They sometimes don't quite understand why Dad is gone but regardless of the circumstance, they love Dad unconditionally. He thanked his children, Amalie, Adam and Andrew for their support.

Mayor Medellin stated that if it wasn’t for his wife, he literally would not be there. She makes him feel like he can do anything and she has supported him since the day they met and they have been married for 26 years and that is all due to his wife. The fact of the matter is that he was just a 22 year old simple guy from Madera when they met. She didn't marry a coach or Dad or a Planning Commissioner or a City Council person and she certainly didn’t marry the Mayor. When he looks back at his life, he would ask them all to understand that those things happened because of his wife. Mayor Medellin stated that he loved her very much.

Mayor Medellin said that last but not least was his mother. She is an inspiration to everybody. She has been a leader in the community for decades. She has given so much to Madera and is still giving to Madera. Mayor Medellin stated he is proud to be her son. He is proud to be Marge’s son and known as Marge’s son. It would take a lifetime for him or anybody in the community to really truly thank her for what she has done for Madera. As a token, he dedicated his term as Mayor to his mom, Marge Medellin. He stated he loved her very much.

Mayor Medellin thanked everybody and stated he thought there were refreshments.

Ms. Alvarez stated they would like to give the other Council Members elected an opportunity to introduce their families and maybe say a few words.

Mayor Medellin asked that they start with Council Member Robinson.

Council Member Robinson introduced his wife, Michelle Robinson and his seven year old daughter, Niara. Council Member Robinson stated she became an American citizen about two years ago.

Mayor Pro Tem Foley Gallegos thanked everyone for this opportunity, especially her colleagues. As Mayor Medellin stated, they grew up together, went to high school, graduated together and they were in Student Council at the time now ASB together. They have had a lot of leadership training growing up and now it’s serving them well as citizens and community members in their City. They both love Madera and always said they were going to stay here and raise their children which they have done. She thanked everybody for the opportunity to be Mayor Medellin’s right hand person in this term.

Council Member Rigby stated he would defer his time to those that deserved to speak.
Council Member Holley thanked the City of Madera for allowing him to serve them. It’s not about him. It’s about them.

Council Member Holley stated that 31 years ago he married a lady and for 31 years she allowed him to go and go and go. It’s awesome. He stated that sometimes they wonder who really pushes those buttons. She pushes his. Sometimes he goes home and she asks if he’s going again but she never tells him no. Council Member Holley thanked his wife, Joan Holley.

Council Member Holley stated his godmother and her mother are there also. He stated they both support him in everything he does. His godmother is also on the Beautification Committee. They are Maxine Barnett and her mom, Lucille “Sugar Baby” Murphy.

Council Member Holley stated that Ms. Murphy has a birthday coming up and she is older than their church and their church is 95 years old. She is still holding strong. He said Happy Birthday to her.

Council Member Holley wanted Council to know that he is the youngest one up there. He was a Planning Commissioner for the City and for the County. He has been the NAACP president. He did the Jesse Owens Games for 28 years. He didn’t want to quit but time has its own thing.

Council Member Holley stated he now devotes his time to more kids. Sierra Vista Elementary School is his heart. He spends more time at Sierra Vista Elementary School than he does anywhere in this town. You never get an open door at schools like he has at that school. The principal there is Cathy and she allows him to run all over the school with her and without her.

Council Member Holley stated it feels good to be respected and honored at different places that they go to and people allow him to do these things. He has been blessed.

Council Member Holley stated that he had to take some of Mayor Medellin’s thunder. Marge Medellin has been his inspiration. She has known him just about all his life and to see her when she came here was really something that he loves to see in women taking on leadership.

Council Member Holley stated he patterned himself after Robert Garibay. They grew up together and went to school together. When he saw Mr. Garibay become a City Councilman, he told himself that they came from the same school and he knew he could do it also.

Council Member Holley stated his mom is looking down at him today and he just wants to make sure that she is proud of the things that he’s achieved. He doesn’t do it because he wants to. He doesn’t do it because he has to. He does it because he loves everyone in the City.

Council Member Holley stated he spoke to Former Mayor Poythress last night. Former Mayor Poythress and his wife, Carol have really been an inspiration to his Jesse Owens Games.

Council Member Holley stated that his daughter, Leona and her mother just walked in. She has two sets of twins that they cherish every day. He had the opportunity to name his daughter after his mother. He wanted to make sure that legacy continues on.

Council Member Holley thanked everyone for being there for him. Mary Anne Seay, Christina Herrera and all of staff have been awesome people. He wants to continue serving everyone the same way as he’s had in the past. He stated may God bless them all.

Council Member Rodriguez stated he would like to challenge the statement about being the youngest in the Council. He believes that with the exception of Council Member Foley Gallegos, he would be the youngest.
Council Member Rodriguez stated he wanted to thank his wife, Carmina. He asked her to stand and be recognized. Council Member Rodriguez stated a lot has been said about wives today. Believe it or not sometimes some men can be some weenies. They wake up in the morning and think do they really want to do this. There’s always that someone there that pushes them and motivates them to pursue that and he owes that to his wife. He’s been married for over 15 years and he is proud to say that he loves his wife for everything she’s done for them. He thanked her and stated he appreciates that. He thanked his kids, his beautiful daughter Vivian and his son Vincent.

Council Member Rodriguez stated that not too long ago he asked his son where he wanted to live when he gets older and to his surprise, his son said he wanted to live in Fresno. He asked his son why and his son rambled about all the things that Fresno has. Council Member Rodriguez stated he is guilty of some. They go out to Fresno and they shop here and there and obviously there’s certain things that they do out there that they don’t have in Madera.

Council Member Rodriguez stated that is what triggered him and motivated him to be able to bring those amenities to Madera. The robust efforts that this Council had done and with his addition, he thinks they will make good strides in Madera because he too wants some day for his son to revert back and say he’d rather stay in Madera. Not only his son, but other’s kids and future generations. The accomplishments that the City Council has done speak for itself and what’s moving forward. That’s the part in the movement that he wants to be a part of too. To bring those things to Madera so that when people look outside they say this is a place and a desirable city to live in. Council Member Rodriguez stated those comments and the support that he received is why he is here.

Council Member Rodriguez thanked the supporters of his campaign. A lot of them may be here. He wants to give a special thanks to those that endorsed him. He thanked Former Mayor Poythress. It really meant a lot what he did for him there. He thanked Supervisor Max Rodriguez who is not there. He thanked Mr. Manfredi, Mr. McIntyre and Gail. He stated he doesn’t want to forget any names but he knows there’s a lot of them out there that really supported him and endorsed him and he appreciates that. He thanked his consultant, Darren Rose. He couldn’t have done it without him and he does appreciate everything he did for him. He thanked Marge Medellin. She doesn’t know the words she said to him that really inspired him to continue and go forward with this. He really appreciates that.

Council Member Rodriguez thanked Mr. Jim DaSilva as well for his commitment in serving the community. He knows that Mr. DaSilva put in a lot effort and he does appreciate everything he’s done for the City of Madera.

Council Member Rodriguez thanked the robust efforts that this Council has done in pursuing the accomplishment of the 2025 Vision and more importantly it is the support that these people get and that is the staff. He thanked the staff as well for everything they’ve done for this City. He hopes he can fill in the shoes that are left behind by Former Mayor Poythress and now Mayor Medellin. He hopes to be a good addition to this Council and he hopes they can achieve that 2025 Vision and make better things for this great city.

Council Member Rodriguez apologized if he missed anyone but thanked them all for their support.

Council Member Oliver welcomed and congratulated their new colleague, Council Member Rodriguez and their new mayor, Mayor Medellin. He knows they are going to do some incredible things together.

Council Member Oliver also thanked Former Mayor Poythress for his rock solid leadership. Council Member Oliver stated that Former Mayor Poythress had a great deal to do with the Vision Madera 2025 that Council Member Rodriguez mentioned. Assembling a team and bringing the community together to unite around an action plan with everyone at the table.

Council Member Oliver stated that was one of his first opportunities to get involved with the City and to fall in love with the City and he thanked Former Mayor Poythress for that opportunity. He wouldn’t be here if it
weren't for that. Council Member Oliver stated that although they are going to miss him up at the dais, he is so excited that they are going to work across the street and do some incredible things between the City and the County and their school district.

Council Member Oliver stated he is really excited about the City team and their community. He is humbled to served aside all of them and with all of them.

Council Member Oliver congratulated all of them.

Council Member Holley stated that sometimes when they get teary-eyed they forget a lot of things. He thanked his sister, Ruby. She's been with him through these terms up and down and through their Jesse Owens Games. She is just so dedicated and he thanked her for coming out and supporting him tonight. When he mentioned it to her, she said she wanted to be there. She's been there over all.

Council Member Holley also stated that they have the Executive Director for the Big Brother Big Sister program, Diane. She is doing wonderful things for their City with this program. Kids need their support. The reason he joined this is because he feels the same feeling that she has for kids so it is not so hard to get them involved in being a Big Brother or Big Sister to some kids. Council Member Holley stated it only takes 40 minutes a week. Think what they can do to a kid's life. It is so inspirational. Council Member Holley thanked Diane for being there and her support.

Council Member Robinson introduced his neighbor, the new City of Madera Planning Commissioner, Richard Broadhead. Council Member Robinson stated Mr. Broadhead also served on the Airport Commission.

Council Member Rodriguez thanked Mr. Montes and his family for everything they did for him. Mr. Montes and his family have been an inspiration and their help and support really got him here where he is.

Council Member Rodriguez thanked Satlam and all the people out there including Chief Frazier.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Medellin at 7:00 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

ANDREW J. MEDELLIN, Mayor

ZELDA LEON, Deputy City Clerk