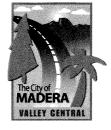
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B-1 10/21/15

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

October 21, 2015 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting for 10/21/15 was called to order by Mayor Poythress at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

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

Others present were City Administrator David Tooley, City Attorney Brent Richardson, City Clerk Sonia Alvarez, City Engineer Keith Helmuth, Public Works Operations Director David Randall, Chief of Police Steve Frazier, Director of Parks and Community Services Mary Anne Seay, Director of Human Resources Wendy Silva, Chief Building Official Steve Woodworth, Information Services Manager Ted Uyesaka, Procurement Services Manager Becky McCurdy, Planning Manager Chris Boyle, Commander Dino Lawson and Battalion Chief Matt Watson.

INVOCATION: Pastor David Votaw, Harvest 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.

Kimberly Rose, residing in Chowchilla, California, stated she is a driver for First Transit. She drives the MAX (Madera Area Express) bus. She advised that her subject is safety on the drivers and also their passengers. She explained that the situation is that on October 12th, last Monday, she had a passenger that was displaying some hostility issues on the bus. He was sweating. He was obviously high. She called in and told them she had a passenger who got aggressive with another passenger. She got him off her bus at the Walmart stop and then called the supervisor. The supervisor came out, assessed it, talked to the passenger but, allowed him to get back on the bus. When she continued on with her route, she got on Granada and as she was driving, he got up out of his seat and decided he was going to start beating her

up while she was driving the bus. She advised that she has a couple of issues with that. She doesn't think he should have been allowed back on the bus. She noted that he was charged with two misdemeanors and a felony. She stated that the felony is because he kicked a cop but, it is a misdemeanor for her as a driver, having another passenger and the public out there behind the wheel, being assaulted. She advised that she received a shoulder injury, emotional issues now. She would like to see the City have an ordinance where they are protected by these passengers because mental illness / drug abuse is getting higher and higher and higher, and all of her co-workers and other drivers that are not here right now that are out there working for the public are at risk, and they have no ordinance to protect them from these people. She knows that it is a touchy situation with ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) and they always come in but, she feels that she would like to see some kind of ordinance herself to protect them and that is why they are here as a group.

Krisann Gonzalez, residing in Madera, California, stated that she just wanted to reiterate what Ms. Rose explained to them what happened. She added that when this happened it created a call to action in all the employees at First Transit. It is their hope that the City will consider creating an ordinance that will give them additional support when dealing with problem passengers. She noted that this incident should have never happened. She commented that they have ordinances for skateboarding and graffiti but none for the health and safety of transportation workers and for their passengers. She advised that the Transportation Commission is already working on policies and it is their hope that the City Council will work with them and First Transit employees in a cooperative effort to lessen the likelihood of this happening again. She noted that if they have ordinances in place to have prohibition of passengers following a procedure of protocol, they are going to be a lot safer in the future. She added that since transportation is only going to grow here, it needs to be implemented now; now is the best time. She noted that is the good thing that can come out of this incident.

Mayor Poythress thanked them for their comments.

Mayor Poythress asked if there are any other members of the public who wish to address the Council. No other requests were made and Mayor Poythress closed public comment.

PRESENTATIONS Recognize Shirley Drags for Years of Service on the City of Madera Planning Commission

Mayor Poythress stated that this particular presentation, for him, is very special because it is to an individual who has served the City, at least the City of Madera organization, for almost as long as he has, and the only reason she has not served longer is because she decided to leave. He stated that is the topic and the reason why they have this presentation. Mayor Poythress invited Ms. Driggs to join him at the podium. He noted that they have a little story to tell and so forth.

Mayor Poythress stated that he thinks it was March of 2004. He doesn't know if she remembers this or not. He commented that Bobby Kahn, the Economic Development Commission Director, puts on this Eggs and Issues deal and he usually has a local assemblyman or congressman or state senator, and this event occurred at the hospital. He noted that he can't even remember who the elected was but, it doesn't really matter. He remembers afterward that he was talking to Ms. Driggs and he said, Shirley, you know, we really need to get some really good leadership on council and I would like to see you go forward as a city councilperson and Shirley says, well no, I don't think I'd feel led to do that this time but, I would like to see you do that. He said, well if I did that then would you agree to an appointment with the City. He clarified that he doesn't even know if he asked her that question but... would you help me out. She was, oh yeah sure, whatever it is. He thinks it was December or January of '05 and they had an appointment to the Planning Commission. He called her up and he said, hey Shirley, would you like to join us on the Planning Commission and remember you said you would help me out. He added that she also had a great interest in their City.

Ms. Driggs clarified that was to help get him elected.

Mayor Poythress stated that Ms. Driggs graciously agreed to come on the Planning Commission and from that point on, he thinks, her efforts were legendary. She was a great support to the City for Vision 2025, for standards of building, General Plan; it was a great, great effort. He commented that they just appreciate her so much. He added that prior to that Ms. Driggs spent many years with the Economic Development Commission (EDC) and all kinds of various positions. He noted that when she announced that she wanted to retire so she could spend some more time on the road with her husband, and of course then, her husband Bill decides to resign from the hospital Board of Directors. Mayor Poythress noted that he was chair at the time so he thanked them for creating all these holes in different places. He stated that as a couple, they have done such a great job. They have a wonderful family and great commitment to the community over the years. He thanked them again.

Mayor Poythress stated what he is presenting is a small token of their appreciation honoring Ms. Driggs for her 10 years of service as a Planning Commissioner, for her outstanding leadership qualities, public service, exceptional performance, and personal commitment to the community of Madera. He added that she is to be commended.

Shirley Driggs stated she doesn't have much to say. She had a fellow Planning Commissioner, that is now a City Councilman, that was a great help. She told Council Member Medellin that he was very supportive and helpful in helping her kind of fit in and learn. She commented that it has been very, very interesting. She had never been involved in these types of issues. She noted that through Economic Development she certainly had with land use and different issues but, this was a whole new experience for her. She really enjoyed it. She enjoyed working with the staff and they are great to work with. She is sure that Chris Boyle will always remember her saying, but what about form based codes in special districts. She noted that in 10 years she didn't succeed in moving the City forward on that although, the General Plan reflects that a little bit and she appreciates that. She commented that the other part is that when they have new folks come on Planning and they say, but Shirley, it is better than it is now. She noted that is never good enough for her and the Planning Department knows that. She thinks City staff knows that that is not good enough for her. What she always comes back with is we have one chance to get it right, let's get it right. They can't go back and change it so that's real important to her. She commented that she just wants to thank all of City and she would like to introduce her family. She introduced her family present: Brian Driggs, their son; Dr. Hardy Crane; and grandsons Dillon and Justin. She stated that what Pastor David said is so true. They are here tonight because they need to learn from their example that it is important to stay involved, to be involved in the communities you're in, and to give back. So whether it is passing a school bond; the two of them were able to do that. They passed the very first one. She added that she just appreciates the experience and she wished the City of Madera the best. She thanked them for this nice recognition.

Council Member Medellin stated he wanted to thank Ms. Driggs personally and her husband Bill for supporting her for all those meetings. He recalled back in the good old days where they had long meetings and something to plan but, they really worked well together. He doesn't know if he has ever found anybody more passionate about the City of Madera than Ms. Driggs and her family. He recalled that they kind of had a one/two punch. They would call each other and say, ok did you read what I read and does it make the same sense to you as it did to me. He added that that was kind of her nickname, form based codes. It was, ok, here we go again and Shirley is going to go on her soapbox but, it was only because she loved the City and she was very passionate and wanted to see it grow. He thanked her and added that they still hope to see her in the future. He really enjoyed his time on the Commission with her.

A. WORKSHOP

There are no items for this section.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR

B-1 Minutes – 6/02/15

- B-2 Information Only Warrant Disbursement Report
- B-3 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Executive Director of the Successor Agency to the Former Madera Redevelopment Agency At Will Employment Agreement Relating to Use of Paid Leave and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Amendment (Report by Wendy Silva)
- B-4 Consideration of a Minute Order Rejecting a Claim Filed by Vincent Mendez (Report by Wendy Silva)
- B-5 Consideration of a Resolution Amending Resolution No. 07-132 Setting the Rate of Compensation for Certain Part Time Positions (Report by Wendy Silva)
- B-6 Consideration of a Resolution Approving Improvement Deferral Agreement and Authorization of Lien for Camarena Health Center (Report by Keith Helmuth)
- B-7 Consideration of a Resolution Ratifying and Approving an Agreement between the City of Kerman and the City of Madera for Firearms Training Range Use (Report by Steve Frazier)
- B-8 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of an Application to the California State Department of Transportation Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program for Funding in Fiscal Year 2016-17 for the City of Madera Safe Routes to School and Pedestrian Safety Priorities Plan (Report by Sonia Hall)
- B-9 Consideration of a Resolution Approving Award of Agreement for HVAC Maintenance Services, RFP No. 201516-02 to the Lowest Responsive Bidder, California Climate Control, Inc., and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Agreement on Behalf of the City (Report by Becky McCurdy)
- B-10 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Agreement with ADP for Affordable Care Act Services (Report by Wendy Silva)

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

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

RES. NO. 15-212	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA
	APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXECUTE DIRECTOR OF THE
	SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER MADERA REDEVELOPMENT
	AGENCY AT WILL EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE USE OF
	PAID LEAVE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE
	AGREEMENT

- RES. NO. 15-213 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA AMENDING RESOLUTION 07-132 SETTING THE RATE OF COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN PART TIME POSITIONS OF THE CITY OF MADERA
- RES. NO. 15-214 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING IMPROVEMENT DEFERRAL AGREEMENT AND

AUTHORIZATION OF LIEN FOR CAMARENA HEALTH CENTER, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

RES. NO. 15-215

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KERMAN AND THE CITY OF MADERA FOR FIREARMS TRAINING RANGE USE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY

RES. NO. 15-216

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM FOR FUNDING IN FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 FOR THE CITY OF MADERA SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PRIORITIES PLAN

RES. NO. 15-217

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF AGREEMENT WITH CALIFORNIA CLIMATE CONTROL, INC. TO PROVIDE H.V.A.C. MAINTENANCE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF MADERA

RES. NO. 15-218

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ADP FOR AFFORDABLE CARE ACT SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

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

C-1 Consideration of a Resolution in Support of Locating the California High Speed Rail Heavy Maintenance Facility in Madera County

City Clerk Sonia Alvarez stated that the requested action is consistent with direction by the Council at the last Council meeting. She advised that the resolution that is included is modeled after the resolution that the Board of Supervisors adopted early October. She added that beyond that, unless the Council has some additional discussion on it, they would request approval of the resolution.

Mayor Poythress asked if there are any Council Members who would like to make a comment in regards to this particular item.

Council Member Medellin stated that at this afternoon's MCTC (Madera County Transportation Commission) meeting, they approved pretty much the same resolution in support of the County Board of Supervisor's action. He believes it is also on the agenda for their EDC (Economic Development Commission) meeting coming up in about a week. He added that he talked to Chowchilla City Council and it is on their agenda, and there is a possibility that even the Farm Bureau is going to write up a resolution and also show support. He thinks it is great that they can all ban together and show support for 1,500 jobs here in the County of Madera.

Mayor Poythress commented that is well said.

Mayor Poythress stated that if there are no other comments, he will accept a motion for action.

ON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MEDELLIN, AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM OLIVER, ITEM C-1, RES. NO. 15-219 WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF 7-0.

RES. NO. 15-219

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA, CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF LOCATING THE CALIFORNIA HIGH SPEED RAIL HEAVY MAINTENANCE FACILITY IN MADERA COUNTY

D. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

There are no items for this section.

E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

E-1 Weekly Water Conservation Reports

Public Works Operations Director Dave Randall stated that similar to last time, they have seen the same trend. Their conservation numbers seem to bounce around about 20%-25%. The last one they saw was at 20%. He added that the one that will be going out tomorrow is back up to 25%. He advised that the overall trend is sort of what they anticipated with the change in the season. Going forward they don't expect that to change much because the opportunity to make the conservation through irrigation is reduced obviously as everybody starts turning off their sprinkler systems, etc. They still are seeing good compliance with watering on watering days. Right now they pump a little over 10 million gallons a day on a watering day versus about 3.5 million less on a non-watering day but, in order to try to make their 28%, they would have to see reductions in the range of 1.9 to 1.6 million gallons per day going into December, January, and February. He noted that the only way they have a potential of doing that is going to what some people have done which is going to a winter no watering schedule. He stated that not that they are going to get complete compliance, and he doesn't think anybody ever does but, without that, the numbers just aren't there. He noted that there is not that much opportunity. No matter how many rebates for toilets they have, well he quesses if everybody did it is possible, but it is very unlikely they would be able to do that. He advised that they have been doing a very good job of using all the tools they can to address this program. When they look at their neighbors in surrounding areas, he thinks they can hold their head high. They have done well in comparison. He is not too concerned that the State is going to target them for anything. He noted that there is potential because they aren't going to meet their numbers that the State could do something. He commented that the County hasn't been taken to task and they have not met their goals.

Mr. Randall stated that, at this point, he is sort of looking for the Council's pleasure whether or not they would want to change. They could come back at the following meeting with a resolution to adopt the no watering schedule starting in December, carry that on through February, and then go back to a two day a week watering schedule after the winter or, they could continue just trying to do what they can with enforcement and public information. He thinks both have merit. He noted that it is a bit of a choice on the Council's part as to how much effort they want to put towards that. Staff would be glad to take any direction the Council provides.

Mayor Poythress wondered, if they went to a no watering day schedule for maybe December and January, and then one day a week in February; something like that. He knows there are a lot of variations.

Mr. Randall replied that they most certainly could. They could measure that. He advised that the Council has the ability at any meeting, where they agendize it, to make a resolution and change to one of their other schedules. The only thing they concerns themselves a little bit about is gradual changes because it is totally about getting the public to understand what their watering schedule is. They don't like too many changes. As staff they said, well, should we go to down to one and then zero. They can obviously see what the problem is that by the time they tell them it is one and then zero, they are having to reeducate. He can't even remember to put his trash out on the right day so he gets it.

Mayor Poythress asked if there are any comments from his colleagues.

Council Member Holley commented that the only thing he has to say about that is that they are getting a trend of eliminating things and it is hard to re-amp it. He thinks they just need to weather the storm and see what happens. If it's raining like they are supposed to get this good rain storm coming through, he thinks will change a lot. But, when they start just taking things away, it is hard to get them back on the books and it is hard to get people back in tune to start watering again. He thinks they fought like mad to get this to two days. He thinks it should be left up with an option of the people.

City Attorney Brent Richardson cautioned that they not get too far into a discussion of processes they want to go down when this is just agendized for a water conversation report. He added that a superficial discussion is one thing but, it almost seems like they are going down conservation idea road.

Council Member Bomprezzi suggested they agendize it for the next meeting and have a discussion about it.

Mayor Poythress agreed and added that maybe with some options.

Mr. Randall responded that if it is something the Council wants to entertain, they can bring it back with a little more detail.

Mayor Poythress agreed and added they can bring some numbers to show where they are and where things are looking and heading, and so forth.

City Administrator David Tooley stated so that they are clear, this would not be a workshop; this would be an action item with options for Council consideration.

Council concurred.

Mr. Tooley stated staff has got it.

Mayor Poythress thanked Mr. Randall for the report.

F. COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Robinson reported that today he attended the San Joaquin River Conservancy meeting. They discussed the Friant Corridor Land Use Feasibility Study. He noted that it is going to be a part of the general plan for Fresno. He added that it is privately funded; it costs \$125,000. He advised that the purpose of the study for the 5,558 acres is for potential development opportunities and the expansion of the Lost Lake Recreational area with camping, kayaking, canoeing. He noted that they are going to review this document. He added that Madera County Supervisor Brett Frazier had some input as well alluding that the study is kind of blurry. Council Member Robinson stated his input was that maybe, for tourism, they have a sky ramp so that they can be above the river, they can see the Table Top, and for people that don't feel like hiking on the trails. He stated that would be similar to Palm Springs. They have a sky ramp. He added that at the San Diego Zoo they have a ramp to look over the zoo. Also in London, they have that big Ferris wheel so they need something that can stand out.

Council Member Robinson reported that yesterday he attended the County Education Department's event with PBS. He explained that what they want to do is team up with the school system and incorporate their programs for kids, preschool up to 14 years old because they can learn better. He read from his handout that it is a digital media to invoke learning for children to take them to another level. He advised that if they want to know more...

Mayor Poythress replied that they know who to talk too.

Council Member Bomprezzi reported that last Thursday she attended a Boy Scout meeting at the Mormon Church on Sunset to talk to the troop about City Council, City structure, districts, what they do, how they are different from the board across the way, that the board manages the County, and the Council manages the City. She noted that it was really good. There were about four young boys there.

Council Member Bomprezzi reported that today she had the privilege of going to a Healthy Air Living school media event at James Monroe School. They were recognizing a group of kids that decided that every Tuesday morning they are going to get together and eat a healthy breakfast, and walk a mile around the track. They were there today and it was a good event. Supervisor Wheeler was also there.

Council Member Rigby reported that he had the pleasure last week of enjoying lunch with Dr. Laurie Maldonado who is from Georgia. She is the director of a program called Teach One to Lead One. They are going to be partnering with Madera Unified School District, as well as several entities within the City, to bring a mentorship type program into elementary schools that is designed to build future leaders and take at risk kids and instill them with great leadership qualities.

Council Member Rigby reported that he will also be participating in mock interviews at Madera High School.

Council Member Rigby reported that yesterday he was able to stop by and enjoy a meal with 15 of their officers at Edgar's. He noted that a man from his church decided that he was going to honor the men and women in blue here in Madera, and he purchased lunch for officers that rsvp'd. It was a great time. They were given a great meal and a pat on the back. He added that the gentleman stated it was the least he could do and wanted to remain anonymous. Council Member Rigby noted he would honor that.

Council Member Rigby apologized to the City Parks Department because he did not mention this but, he will tonight that he had the opportunity of joining their Mayor, as well as several members from the Madera Unified School District, at the Millview re-grand opening of the Millview Center basketball court and all-purpose facility which had been newly renovated and it looks amazing. He added that the Parks Department has done a phenomenal job and it is just another great joint effort with a City entity working with Madera Unified School District. They also shot some hoops.

Mayor Poythress stated that it was fun. He thinks he even shot better.

Council Member Rigby commented it was because he stayed closer.

Council Member Medellin asked if the charity basketball game between City Council and Board of Supervisors is still on.

Council Member Rigby replied he believes so and advised that he would guard Supervisor Wheeler.

Council Member Medellin noted that he is sharpening his elbows.

Council Member Holley reported that this Tuesday morning, he attended the Madera County Employee Resource and Information event. It was about bringing small businesses, how they can get involved and get started in Madera. The developer present was the guy from Fresno State who deals with the Small Business Development Center, the Economic Development Commission (EDC), the ETP (entrepreneurial training), and the Workforce. He added that the Governor has some plans that they allow grant money to be funded for those employers. He noted that PG&E, Camarena Health, and the California Division of Apprentice Program (DSA) were there to talk about ways they can help anyone that wants to open up a new business. They have the resources. If someone already has a business and it is kind of in a down slope and they want to get it to rise back up, they can contact one of these agencies and they would be more than glad to help them get that done.

Council Member Holley reported that he, along with Mayor Poythress, had the opportunity to attend two new neighborhood meetings. One was on "L" and 4th Streets. There were probably 25 people there. They had another one last night at KB Homes and there were almost 50 people that came out who were concerned about starting the neighborhood program. He restated that these are two new ones in the City. Council Member Holley reported that there is another neighborhood meeting tomorrow night at Parkwood. He added that there is also one on Saturday and he would like to ask his colleagues to attend because it is a block party, 2 to 6 in the evening, and he has another engagement to attend. He asked if anybody is available to attend that one.

Council Member Bomprezzi stated she will be in San Francisco.

Council Member Holley stated that is all he has.

Mayor Pro Tem Oliver reported that last Saturday he had an opportunity, along with Mayor Poythress, to attend their Fillmore Neighborhood Watch Block Party. He noted that this is their 17th year hosting this block party. He commented that it was very exciting to see residents come together, be proactive, and unite their families without waiting for crimes or some negative incident to occur before doing so. It was great for him because he actually ran into some old childhood friends that grew up in that neighborhood. It was a fun event, good food, and really good company.

Mayor Poythress agreed it was a really good time.

Mayor Poythress reported that today he was joined by Council Member Robinson and Council Member Medellin at the Madera Board of Realtors. He had an opportunity to present some information along with Saleh Alhomedi and Christina Herrera of their Neighborhood Revitalization Team. They talked about what their Code Enforcement does, Neighborhood Watch, National Night Out, water conservation efforts, and then presented a challenge for the Madera Board of Realtors to select a couple of their board members to work with the City's Revitalization team to develop something. He doesn't know what they are going to call it but, it would be a neighborhood of distinction; something like that. It would be an organized neighborhood that has met certain criteria to get this distinction. He explained that the idea would be to help realtors sell homes and to be able to offer homes in these certain areas that participate in neighborhood watch, have low crime rates, and have other amenities and things going on. Hopefully these neighborhoods of distinction would encourage others to join them again, at making their homes more valuable and an easier sell. He noted that the challenge was placed and the Realtors accepted it. He thinks it is going to be an interesting and exciting thing.

G. CLOSED SESSION

There are no items for this section.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Poythress at 6:33 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

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