

# CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**June 11, 2012**

Mayor Vierra called the June 11, 2012 City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following in attendance:

**ROLL CALL** Council Members Durossette, Ingwerson, Kline, Lane, Mayor Vierra

**INVOCATION** by Rajan Zed, President of Universal Society of Hinduism, gave the following invocation for the Council Meeting:

Sanskrit/English

Om Bhur Bhuvah svah  
Tat Savitur Varenyam  
Bhargo devasya dhimahi  
Dhiyo you nah prachodayat

We meditate on the transcendental Glory of the Diety Supreme, who is inside the heart of the earth, inside the life of the sky and inside the soul of the Heaven. May He stimulate and illuminate our minds.

Asato ma sad famaya  
Tamaso ma jyotir gamaya  
Mrityor mamrtam gamaya

Lead me from the unreal to the Real.  
Lead me from darkness to Light.  
Land me from death to immortality.

Niyatam kuru kama tvan kama jyayo hyakamanah  
Sarirayatrapa ca ten a prasiddhyedakamanah

Yajnarthatkmano'nyatra loko'yam kamabandhanah  
Tadartham kama kauteya mukassangah samacara

Fulfill all your duties; action is better than inaction. Even to maintain your body, you are obliged to act. Selfish action imprisons the world. Act selflessly, without any thought of personal profit.

Tasmadasaktah statatam karyam karma samacara  
Asakto hyacarankama paramapnoti purusah

Kamanaiva hi samsiddhimasthita janakadayah  
Lokasangrahavevapi sampasyankartumarhasi

Strive constantly to serve the welfare of the world; by devotion to selfless one attains the supreme goal of life. Do your work with the welfare of others always in mind.

Om saha nu  
Saha nau bhunaktu  
Saha viiryan karavaavahai  
Tejasvi naavadhiitamastu  
Maa vidvishhaavahai

May we be protected together  
May we be nourished together.  
May we work together with great vigor.  
May our study be enlightening.  
May no obstacle arise between us.

Samani va akutih  
Samana hridayani vah  
Samanam astu vo mano  
Yahta vah susahasti

United your resolve, united your hearts,  
May your spirits be at one,  
That you may long together dwell  
In unity and concord!

Om Shanti, Shanti, Shanti.

Peace, Peace, Peace, be unto all.

Om

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** to the flag led by Mayor Vierra

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

A. Special Presentation to Girl Scout Troup #4004 and Troup Leader Candace Looney.

Mayor Vierra thanked the girl scouts for their volunteer project of weeding, planting and cleaning the Community Center courtyard and presented a plaque to the Girl Scout Troup #4004 Leader Candace Looney and presented a City pin to each of the Girl Scouts. Tracy Farris, Recreation Supervisor also presented each of the Girl Scouts with a City shirt, and a goody bag and thanked them for their hard work at the Community Center.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** of the regular City Council Meeting of May 14, 2012. (All Present)

**ACTION:** Moved by Ingwerson/seconded by Durossette to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of May 14, 2012. **Motion passed unanimously. (5/0)**

#### **CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS**

- Len Shepherd, congratulated Council on the scheduling and diversity of the invocation. He also spoke in support of the Girl Scout and Boy Scout organizations.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED (OR AMENDED) AND CERTIFICATION OF POSTING**

**ACTION:** Moved by Ingwerson/seconded by Kline to approve the Agenda with the Removal of Item #9 and the Removal of and cancellation of the Meeting of the Successor Agency for the Former Ceres Redevelopment Agency. **Motion passed unanimously. (5/0)**

**APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS/COMMISSIONS** - None.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION – None.****CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Register of Audited Demands for period covering May 21 – 30, 2012.
2. **Resolution No. 2012-63** approving an agreement with the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department to allow for the sharing of City of Ceres Crime Analyst services. PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.
3. **Resolution No. 2012-64** authorizing an agreement for the continuation of a School Resource Officer MOU with Ceres Unified School District for the School Resource Officers to provide law enforcement services to the School District.
4. **Resolution No. 2012-65** approving the Annual Report of the Ceres Downtown Revitalization Area Board (CDRAB) for FY 2012/13 and Setting a Public Hearing on July 9, 2012 to approve a Levy Assessment for CDRAB Activities and Projects. PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.
5. **Resolution No. 2012-66** declaring its intention to levy and collect assessments for the 1987 Landscape and Lighting District for FY 2012/13, and appointing a time and place for a public hearing for hearing protests in relation thereto.
6. **Resolution No. 2012-67** accepting the Hackett Road Well # 35 Electrical Upgrade Project as Complete, Approving the Balancing Contract Change Order, Authorizing the filing of the Notice of Completion and Retention Release to the Contractor.
7. **Resolution No. 2012-68** approving the City of Ceres Transportation Development Act Claim for transit purposes and to authorize the City Engineer to sign and submit the claim to the Stanislaus Council of Governments; and **Resolution 2012-69** approving changes to the Ceres Area Transit (CAT) Bus Routes and Policy of Children riding free on Ceres Dial-A-Ride and CAT. PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.
8. **Resolution No. 2012-70** accepting the Fourth Street Parking Lot Project as Complete; Approving the Balancing Contract Change Order; Authorizing the Filing of the Notice of Completion and Retention Release to the Contractor. PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.
9. ~~**Resolution No. 2012-71** determining that Certain Real Property Previously Transferred to the City by the Former Ceres Redevelopment Agency are Assets of the Successor Agency for the Former Ceres Redevelopment Agency, Confirming that the City of Ceres Shall Serve as Successor Agency's Disposition Agent for the Disposition of the Properties and Approving Certain Related Actions.~~
10. **Resolution No. 2012-72** declaring certain vehicles and equipment within the City's possession as surplus and ordering its sale for the benefit of the City. PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.
11. **Resolution No. 2012-73** authorizing a purchase for the Police Department of two Chevy Caprice Patrol vehicles from Winner Chevrolet, Inc. per Contract #30058205 of the Yolo County Sheriff Dept. PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.

**ACTION:** Moved by Lane/seconded by Ingwerson to Consent Calendar Items 1, 3, 5 and 6 as recommended by staff. **Motion passed unanimously. (5/0)**

**CONSIDERATION OF ITEM(S) REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

2. **Resolution No. 2012-63** approving an agreement with the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department to allow for the sharing of City of Ceres Crime Analyst services.

This item was pulled by Vice Mayor Lane to address the part-time CSO position discussed in the staff report. The report states that the revenue received from the Sheriff's office would be used to fund a part-time Community Services Officer to fulfill the Crime Scene Technician portions that were previously included within the Crime Analyst job description. *Council has not discussed this option and directed staff to hold the revenue from the Sheriff's Department in Measure H and bring back for discussion in 45 – 60 days.*

**ACTION:** Moved by Lane/seconded by Ingwerson to approve **Resolution 2012-63** approving an agreement with the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department to allow for the sharing of City of Ceres Crime Analyst Services. **Motion passed unanimously. (5/0)**

4. **Resolution No. 2012-65** approving the Annual Report of the Ceres Downtown Revitalization Area Board (CDRAB) for FY 2012/13 and Setting a Public Hearing on July 9, 2012 to approve a Levy Assessment for CDRAB Activities and Projects.

Pulled for clarification on the budget deficit and assessment amounts.

**ACTION:** Moved by Ingwerson/seconded by Durossette to approve **Resolution 2012-65** as recommended by staff. **Motion passed unanimously. (5/0)**

7. **Resolution No. 2012-68** approving the City of Ceres Transportation Development Act Claim for transit purposes and to authorize the City Engineer to sign and submit the claim to the Stanislaus Council of Governments; and **Resolution 2012-69** approving changes to the Ceres Area Transit (CAT) Bus Routes and Policy of Children riding free on Ceres Dial-A-Ride and CAT. (T. Wells)

Pulled by Councilmember Kline to discuss the policy of fares for children and route schedules. The current policy allows for two children to ride free with a paying adult. The new policy would allow only one child to ride free. Councilmember Kline felt that the second child should only have to pay ½ price.

Staff responded that we are not currently making our fare box ratio. Similar changes are being made on other transit systems.

**ACTION:** Moved by Kline/seconded by Lane to approve **Resolution 2012-68** as recommended by staff. **Motion passed unanimously (5/0)**

**ACTION:** Moved by Kline/seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve **Resolution 2012-69** with the amendment of the second child under the age of 5 ride for ½ fair. **Motion died for lack of Second.**

**ACTION:** Moved by Durossette/seconded by Ingwerson to approve **Resolution 2012-69** as recommended by staff. **Motion passed with Councilmember Kline voting No. (4/1)**

8. **Resolution No. 2012-70** accepting the Fourth Street Parking Lot Project as Complete; Approving the Balancing Contract Change Order; Authorizing the Filing of the Notice of Completion and Retention Release to the Contractor.

Pulled by Councilmember Durossette to discuss the use of contingency funds on the project.

Len Shepherd, resident spoke against the use of contingencies on City contracts.

**ACTION:** Moved by Durossette/seconded by Kline to approve **Resolution 2012-70** as recommended by staff. **Motion passed unanimously (5/0)**

**10. Resolution No. 2012-72** declaring certain vehicles and equipment within the City’s possession as surplus and ordering its sale for the benefit of the City.

Len Shepherd commented on the expedience of the sale of the surplus vehicles.

**ACTION:** Moved by Durossette/seconded by Kline to approve **Resolution 2012-72** as recommended by staff. **Motion passed unanimously (5/0)**

**12. Resolution No. 2012-73** authorizing a purchase for the Police Department of two Chevy Caprice Patrol vehicles from Winner Chevrolet, Inc. per Contract #30058205 of the Yolo County Sheriff Dept.

Pulled by Councilmember Kline who commented that the price of these vehicles is slightly higher due to equipment costs. The existing equipment in the Crown Victorias cannot be used in the Chevy Caprices and the Crown Victorias are no longer available from Chevrolet.

Len Shepherd, resident, spoke in support of the purchase.

**ACTION:** Moved by Kline/seconded by Lane to approve **Resolution 2012-73** as recommended by staff. **Motion passed unanimously (5/0)**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None.

**PUBLIC HEARING** – None.

**NEW BUSINESS** – None.

~~**ADJOURN AS CITY COUNCIL TO THE JOINT MEETING OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY FOR THE FORMER CERES REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**~~ Removed from Agenda

~~**RECONVENE AS CITY COUNCIL**~~ Removed from Agenda

**COUNCILMEMBER REFERRALS**

Council has not discussed this option and directed staff to hold the revenue from the Sheriff’s Department in Measure H and bring back for discussion in 45 – 60 days.

**REPORTS**

Council and staff reported on various recent and upcoming events including the Concert in the Park series and the annexation of West Landing.

/s/ Chris Vierra, Mayor

/s/ Cindy Heidorn, CMC  
City Clerk