

**CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION
MINUTES**

June 10, 2013

Mayor Vierra called the June 10, 2013 City Council Study Session to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following in attendance:

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. DISCUSSION OF MONTEREY PARK TRACT.

- Matt Machado, Stanislaus County Public Works addressed the Council to discuss changes made to the MOU.
- Francisco Diaz, representing the Monterey Park Board of Directors and residents reiterated to Council that Monterey Park Tract is willing and able to purchase water from the City as soon as possible and are aware that the City water rates will increase in the future with the migration to surface water. Mr. Diaz stated that the Monterey Park Tract Community Services District will support any increases Council makes to future water rates.

COUNCIL DIRECTION

Council directed staff to amend Section 18 of the draft MOU between Monterey Park Tract Community Services District, the City of Ceres and Stanislaus County as noted below and move forward with the project.

18. If for any reason the DISTRICT is unable to meet the obligations as delineated in the Water Services Agreement, the COUNTY agrees to take formal action to assume all obligations of the DISTRICT in order to provide continued water service to the residents of Monterey Park Tract. Absent formal action to assume all obligations of the DISTRICT the COUNTY will request that the water service will be turned off and the Water Service Agreement terminated. At least 120 days prior to the beginning of year 15 of Agreement, the City and the County agree to meet and evaluate the ongoing fiscal obligations of each party associated with the Water Service Agreement. The County and the City will consider those findings and make a recommendation on how to structure the fiscal obligations for the remaining term of the Water Services Agreement. ~~It is intended that if the DISTRICT can show fiscal solvency at the 15 year term then the obligation of the COUNTY, as defined in this agreement will be reduced.~~

2. FISCAL YEAR 2013-14 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) PROJECTS.

COUNCIL DIRECTION

Council accepted the report. Approved all CIP Project as presented by Staff.

3. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOND PROCEEDS PROJECT DISCUSSION.

Toby Wells, Deputy City Manager/City Engineer, addressed Council stating that we have received a Finding of Completion from the Department of Finance and can now spend the remainder of our RDA Bond Proceeds. The current cash balance of the Bond Proceeds is \$15.7m.

Staff is recommending we allocate the money for the following projects:

1. Service/Mitchell Interchange Design/EIR \$4.2m
2. Whitmore Retail Project \$5.2m
3. General Plan Update/EIR \$500k
4. Smyrna Community Park Restrooms \$350k
5. Service/Mitchell Interim Improvements \$2.0m (Set up Area of Benefit)
6. Mitchell Road (Hatch to Bridge) \$1.5m
7. Mitchell Road (Whitmore to Don Pedro) \$1.2m
8. Whitmore Ave. (Blaker to Morgan) \$700k

COUNCIL DIRECTION

Council accepted the Redevelopment Agency Bond Proceed Project list as presented by staff. Urban Futures will make the Economic Development Strategic Plan presentation in July, revisit list to see if any adjustments need to be made. Also, bring back the Downtown Specific Plan with the Economic Development Strategic Plan so all three can be studied together. Council will be able to make adjustments to the final ROPS twice per year.

6:56 p.m. There being no further business, Mayor Vierra adjourned the City Council Study Session.

/s/Chris Vierra, Mayor

/s/Cindy Heidorn, City Clerk