

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

January 27, 2014

ROLL CALL Council Members Durossette, Kline (arrived 7:05 p.m.), Lane, Ryno, Mayor Vierra

INVOCATION by Pastor Dionicio Vargas, Valley View Church of the Nazarene

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the flag led by Mayor Vierra

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

- Carol Blomquist, Ceres Regional Librarian, gave an update on recent and upcoming events at the Ceres Library.
- Rene Ledbetter, representing the Ceres Chamber of Commerce addressed Council thanking them for their support and co-sponsorship of the Chamber Annual Installation Dinner. Ms. Ledbetter also announced upcoming Chamber events.
- Len Shepherd, resident, commended the City Council on their integrity and expressed concern about the City of Modesto using eminent domain to acquire property.

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

ACTION: It was moved by Durossette/Seconded by Kline to approve the agenda as posted (or amended and certification of posting. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Durossette, Kline, Lane, Ryno, Mayor Vierra

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS/COMMISSIONS – None.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION – None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. General Correspondence – **Information Only**
 - a. Building Division Monthly Report for December 2013.
 - b. FY2013-14 Mid-Year Budget Report.
2. Register of Audited Demands for period covering January 10-15, 2014.
3. Receive and file the Annual Report on Community Facilities District No. 1 and District No. 2 to comply with the Local Agency Special Tax Bond and Accountability Act.
4. **Resolution No. 2014-08** rejecting the claim for damages of Joseph Ray Sweet, Jr.

5. **Resolution No. 2014-09** adopting the East Stanislaus Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (ESIRWMP). PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.
6. **Resolution No. 2014-10** accepting the River Bluff Regional Park Emergency Bank Stabilization Project as complete, authorizing the filing of the Notice of Completion and Retention Release to the Contractor.
7. **Resolution No. 2014-11** authorizing the destruction of Police Division archived Personnel Records.
8. **Resolution No. 2014-12** authorizing the destruction of Police Division personnel Records.
9. **Resolution No. 2014-13** accepting donations for Fire Department Gym Equipment. PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.

ACTION: It was moved by Lane/Seconded by Ryno to approve Consent Calendar Items 1a, 1b, 2-4 and 6-8 as recommended by Staff. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Durossette, Kline, Lane, Ryno, Mayor Vierra
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

CONSIDERATION OF ITEM(S) REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

5. **Resolution No. 2014-09** adopting the East Stanislaus Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (ESIRWMP)

Pulled by Councilmember Kline who asked how this differs from the Surface Water Plan.

Deputy City Manager/City Engineer Toby Wells responded that the East Stanislaus Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (ESIRWMP) is a larger plan involving several agencies who plan for the long range management of water as a resource. The group must be in place in order to apply for and receive any grant money. The Surface Water Plan is a smaller arrangement between three agencies. The Surface Water Plan could be considered a project under the ESIRWMP.

ACTION: It was moved by Kline/Seconded by Lane to approve **Resolution No. 2014-09** adopting the East Stanislaus Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (ESIRWMP) Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Durossette, Kline, Lane, Ryno, Mayor Vierra
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

7. **Resolution No. 2014-13** accepting donations for Fire Department Gym Equipment.

- Len Shepherd, resident, commented that it was great that the Fire Department was receiving a donation.

ACTION: It was moved by Durossette/Seconded by Kline to approve **Resolution No. 2014-13** accepting donations for Fire Department Gym Equipment Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Durossette, Kline, Lane, Ryno, Mayor Vierra
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

PUBLIC HEARING - None.

NEW BUSINESS

10. **Resolution No. 2014-14** approving Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with the Whitmore Mansion Foundation.

Lisa Mantarro Moore representing the Whitmore Mansion Foundation presented a brief overview of the activities at the mansion.

ACTION: It was moved by Kline/Seconded by Lane to approve **Resolution No. 2014-14** approving Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with the Whitmore Mansion Foundation. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Durossette, Kline, Lane, Ryno, Mayor Vierra
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

11. Consideration of **Resolution No. 2014-15** authorizing the Deputy City Manager/City Engineer to notify Stanislaus County in writing that the City intends to terminate the Memorial Drive Tot Lot Agreement.

- Stanislaus County Supervisor, Jim De Martini commented that the County does not mind the City cancelling the agreement. The County will continue to keep the Tot Lot open.

ACTION: It was moved by Durossette/Seconded by Kline to approve **Resolution 2014-15** authorizing the Deputy City Manager/City Engineer to notify Stanislaus County in writing that the City intends to terminate the Memorial Drive Tot Lot Agreement. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Durossette, Kline, Lane, Ryno, Mayor Vierra
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

COUNCILMEMBER REFERRALS

- Council requested a Study Session on Water. Study Session to include an update on the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan. Surface Water, Conservation and Q and A. Study Session to occur in the April time frame.

- Council requested the Ceres Police Nurse Practitioner Program be placed on an upcoming meeting agenda.

REPORTS

Council and Staff reported on various recent and upcoming events.

8:12 P.M. Mayor Vierra adjourned the City Council Meeting to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

City Negotiator: Liebert, Cassidy, Whitmore

Employee Organization: Miscellaneous Bargaining Unit

Employee Organization: First Line Supervisors/Confidential Bargaining Group

Employee Organization: Mid-Management Employees

Employee Organization: Public Safety Mid-Managers

Employee Organization: Ceres Professional Firefighters Association

Employee Organization: Ceres Police Officers Association

Pursuant to Gov't. Code Section 54957.6

9:37 P.M. Mayor Vierra reconvened in open session with nothing to report

9:37 P.M. There being no further business Mayor Vierra adjourned the City Council Meeting.

/s/Chris Vierra, Mayor

/s/Cindy Heidorn, CMC, City Clerk