



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**CITY OF CERES, CALIFORNIA
City Council Chambers, 2701 Fourth Street**

Monday, October 12, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of the City of Ceres met this date in a regular session at 6:03 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, with Mayor Vierra presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor: Vierra
Vice Mayor: Durossette
Council Members: Kline, Lane, Ryno

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Pastor Jeff Hilbert, Believers Family Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Vierra led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

- A. Proclamation “Freedom from Workplace Bullies Week”. (Cathi Christian)
Mayor Vierra read the proclamation into the record and presented it to Cathi Christian with the Bully Free Workplace. Ms. Christian thanked the Council for bringing this issue to the community.
- B. Proclamation “Breast Cancer Awareness Month”. (Nicholes)
Mayor Vierra read the proclamation into the record and presented it to Fire Chief Nicholes. Jason Cripe with the Fire Department presented pink T-shirts to Council Members and noted Engine 1 is wrapped in pink for the month of October. Jason Cripe commented that the expense for the wrapping of the engine was provided through donations from the community.
- C. Mental Health Board presentation. (Ritta Sudnikoff)
Due to a conflict, this item will be heard at a later date.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS to the Council on matters not included on the agenda (five minutes).

Renee Ledbetter, President Chamber of Commerce updated the community on upcoming events as follows: Chamber will be providing post cards regarding the ballot Measure "E" TOT tax, this post card will be mailed out to voters in the community. Tomorrow night at Alfonso's Restaurant is Ceres Government Night and Taco Tuesday; she invited everyone to come out to meet your Legislators. On October 15, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. the Chamber will be hosting the After Hours Mixer at Whitmore Mansion. On October 29, Chamber will host a drive-thru BBQ for Fight against Cancer event.

Leonard Shepherd commented on how the Fire Fighters provide a lot for this community and the Cancer event is one of them. He also announced that on Saturday, October 10, at Capital Park in Sacramento the Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial will be holding their yearly ceremony. Mr. Shepherd noted he was involved in the 1995 groundbreaking at the Memorial site.

Dave Pratt spoke about Bullying and the recourse of bullying.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

No appointments scheduled.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

No Conflict of Interest declared.

CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed on the consent calendar are considered routine in nature and will be enacted by a single motion unless otherwise requested by an individual Council Member or public for special consideration. Otherwise the recommendation of staff will be accepted and acted upon by roll call vote.

1. Clerks Report of Posting. The agenda of the regular October 12, 2015, City Council meeting was posted on October 7, 2015. (Frontella)
2. Waive Readings. All Readings of Ordinances and Resolutions are waived. (Frontella)
3. Approval of Minutes (Frontella)
 - a. Minutes of the September 28, 2015 Regular City Council meeting. (all present)

Council Member Kline pulled this item to be heard under separate motion.
4. Register of Audited Demands for Period covering September 21, 2015 through September 30, 2015. (Dean)
5. General Correspondence – **Information Only**
 - a. Recreation Monthly Report – August (Farris)
 - b. Redevelopment / Economic Development Monthly Report – September (Hallam)

6. 2015 Water System Public Health Goals Report (Damas) – **Information Only**
7. **Resolution No. 2015-144**, Approving Contract Change Order 1 for the Nadine Avenue CDBG Improvement Project (Jordan)

MOTION: Motion by Vice Mayor Durossette, seconded by Council Member Lane to approve the Consent Calendar as presented with the exception of Items 3a being pulled and considered under separate motion. Motion passed 5/0/0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	5	Council Members:	Durossette, Kline, Lane, Ryno, Vierra
NOES:	0	Council Members:	
ABSENT:	0	Council Members:	

CONSIDERATION OF ITEM(S) REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Approval of Minutes (Frontella)
 - a. Minutes of the September 28, 2015 Regular City Council meeting. (all present)

Council Member Kline pulled this item to acknowledge that edits were made to Items 18 and 19 and provided to Council.

Mayor Vierra asked for public comments; seeing none, this item was brought back to Council for consideration.

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Kline, seconded by Vice Mayor Durossette to approve Item 3a as amended. Motion passed 5/0/0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	5	Council Members:	Durossette, Kline, Lane, Ryno, Vierra
NOES:	0	Council Members:	
ABSENT:	0	Council Members:	

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No items scheduled.

PUBLIC HEARING

No items scheduled.

NEW BUSINESS

8. **Resolution No. 2015-145**, supporting the expansion of the Altamont Corridor Express (ACE) Train to Stanislaus County and the Study of a Potential Train Stop in the City of Ceres. (Wells)

Dan Leavitt, SJRRC (San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission) Manager of Regional Initiatives gave a presentation regarding the benefits of the ACEforward (Altamont Corridor Express) and its timeline.

Council Members commented and noted their support for the ACEforward.

Mayor Vierra asked for public comments; the following citizens spoke:

Renee Ledbetter noted her excitement regarding the ACEforward and believes it's a great project for our community and the environment. The Chamber is in support of this project.

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Kline, seconded by Council Member Lane to approve supporting the expansion of the Altamont Corridor Express (ACE) Train to Stanislaus County and the Study of a Potential Train Stop in the City of Ceres. Motion passed 5/0/0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	5	Council Members:	Durossette, Kline, Lane, Ryno, Vierra
NOES:	0	Council Members:	
ABSENT:	0	Council Members:	

DISCUSSION ITEMS

No items scheduled.

COUNCILMEMBER REFERRALS (Any Council Members that would like to have an agenda item placed on a future agenda shall make a request under this section of the agenda.)

No items at this time.

REPORTS

- Mayor Vierra had nothing to report.
- City Council Members had nothing to report.
- City Manager Wells had nothing to report.
- City Attorney had nothing to report.
- Departments had nothing to report.
- County Supervisor DeMartini had nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT The next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, October 26, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 2701 Fourth Street.

There being no further business, Mayor Vierra adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

APPROVED:

Chris Vierra, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Frontella, MMC, Interim City Clerk