



SOUTH MODESTO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

P.O. Box 1302, Ceres, CA 95307

**Thursday, October 14, 2021 6:00 pm
Stanislaus County Ag Center
Tuolumne Building (Room D)
3800 Cornucopia Way, Modesto, CA**

While the South Modesto Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) welcomes and encourages participation at the Council meetings, please limit your comments to three (3) minutes so that everyone may be heard. Matters under the jurisdiction of the Council and not on the posted agenda may be addressed by the general public under Item VIII – Public Comments, and the Council may consider adding the item to the next month’s agenda for further consideration. However, California law prohibits the Council from taking any action on a matter that is not on the posted agenda unless it is determined to be an emergency by the Council.

I. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:03pm by Chair, Matthew Harrington.

II. Recording Secretary establishing Quorum by roll call

Elizabeth Morales was not present.

III. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Chair, Matthew Harrington

IV. Approval of Minutes for August 12, 2021

A. Motion by Vice Chair, Rebecca Harrington, to approve with the following correction.

Item VIII-B to read; he is looking to purchase the Central Valley Recycling... not he is the new owner for..., Second by Chair, Matthew Harrington. All in favor.

V. By-Law discussion to move from an elected MAC to an appointed MAC, voting after discussion.

A. Chair, Matthew Harrington is in favor of moving forward to an appointed MAC.

Vice-Chair, Rebecca Harrington, informed other council members and public that council member, Elizabeth Morales, resigned. Rebecca is in favor of an appointed MAC since the process would not take long to appoint and would not put the council in jeopardy of not having quorum. The council does have the option to go back to an elected MAC.

Recording Secretary, Silvia Camarillo, is also in favor of an appointed MAC. She just wanted clarification that there was the option of moving back to an elected MAC.

B. Vice-Chair, Rebecca Harrington, made motion to accept changes of the Bylaws to go from an elected MAC to an appointed MAC. Chair, Matthew Harrington, second motion, all in favor.

VI. Supervisor report District 5 – Supervisor Condit’s Representative, Mr. Fowler

Supervisor Condit not able to make tonight’s meeting. Nothing much to report, their office is present to listen to any concerns the public might have.

VII. Report from Chief Executive Office-Erica Inacio

A. Final Budget was approved. In budget there were funds allocated for Salida to have a sub-station which will enable them to have more deputies.

B. County’s dashboard can now be seen on cell phones.

- VIII. Community Reports (5 Minute Maximum)
- A. California Highway Patrol- not present
 - B. Sheriff's Department – Deputy Martinez
Their department received about 474 calls. Followed up on an illegal marijuana grow near Butte.
 - C. Modesto Fire – Shannon Sandobal-not present
 - D. Animal Services – Annette Bedsworth
Promotion coming up, cat adoption fees will be half off. The adoption for cats is mostly people outside of Stanislaus County.
 - E. Other community reports- None
- IX. Public Comments – Pertaining to Items Not on the Agenda (3 Minute Maximum)
- A. Resident, Maria Madrigal, has spoken with Public Works department regarding Dallas Street being on the list for road improvements, but hasn't heard back. Has been given a case #. Mr. Fowler, with Supervisor Condit's Office, will follow up.
- X. Special Order of Business/Updates/Announcements
- A. Code Enforcement – Health Department, Alondra Estrada
Vice-Chair, Rebecca Harrington, commented on the concern with the pop up events where a group of people are gathering to do their events and not taking any precautions or adhering to the county guidelines, specifically food events without permits. Ms. Estrada, clarified that they can act on them if reports are made. They are finding out that most of these events are being done on private properties. Some excuses have been that due to COVID hardships for lack of work, they should be allowed to do these events which is not true at all.
Comment; Maria Madrigal, mention address at 701 S. 7th Street as illegal marijuana site. Also mentioned that “El Rematito” has been selling alcohol illegally. Ms. Estrada said, permits are only issued for selling food in carts. Encouraged attendees to report on the website under code enforcement, click on nuisance. It helps with documentation and follow up.
 - B. Community announcements - none
- XI. Council Comments/Issues/Topics for Next Agenda
- Vice Chair- There is no meeting in November due to Veteran's Day Holiday being observed.
- Recording Secretary – none
- Chair, Matthew Harrington, had a virtual meeting on September 28 with CRLA regarding sewer services and how the community is getting double billed. Vice-Chair, Rebecca Harrington, added that residents are receiving bills that are double what they were.
- Erica Inacio informed the public that as of January 2022, the MAC would be meeting in the Harvest Hall building again, room “G”.
- XII. Adjournment: 7:14pm, Next Regular Meeting, December 9, 2021