

Empire MAC Minutes

February 26, 2020

Called to Order 6:00pm

Present: Vicente Mejia, Christopher Nunes, Fabian Tamayo

Vicente Mejia motioned to approve the Minutes for October 23, 2019 Fabian Tamayo second the motion All approved.

Public Comment:

- Miguel Denoso shared letter from Kristen Olsen in regards to concerns for Empire community. Erica Inacio shared contents of the letter of concern in English as well as Spanish.
- Rosemary Sandoval with Empire School District, Shared concerns from parents of children in head start. They have noticed a lot of speeding near the schools facilities. Would like to consider speed bump or a deterrent of some kind. Erica addressed the concerns and has already reached out to public works. Found the the parking is not legal at the moment and the issue will be addressed.
- Rafael Rodríguez shared concerns with sidewalks near school and stated that the ramps that were installed are useless without the sidewalks.

Community Reports:

- Sheriff Raj Singh provided an update on change of personal and gave updated information on reports for the last month. Ensured that they are working on the concerns for activity near Rico's Pizza.
- Office Moore with Highway Patrol provided update on reports from the last month.
- Erica Inacio shared information on the MAC brochure's that are now available to inform community on the existence and purpose of the MAC boards. Also shared information for the flyers that went out last month for the MAC meetings dates and time.

Informational Items:

• Erica Inacio spoke on behalf of Leng Power, the homelessness and housing Manager. Gave update on the Empire Cold Weather Shelter.

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- Patricia Hill Thomas the Assistant Executive Officer, gave an update on the Empire Library project. Library project budget has been approved as well as added funding. The ground breaking will be scheduled in the near future. Shared details about the design, landscaping, features and safety of the new Library. Planning for a late April too early May groundbreaking. Plans to be completed by 2021.
- City of Modesto, gave description and current update on the sewer project.
 Robert Avalos with city of Modesto, gave current update on the various fazes on the water line project.
- Briana Martins with Stan. Animal Service Agency gave update on new way to provide license for pets called "Docu-Pet". On March 17th all cat adoptions will be 17\$. They are currently working on controlling stray animal issues. Offered several resources for animal needs in the community.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 25, 2020

Meeting adjourned - 7:24pm