



Empire Municipal Advisory Council

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MINUTES

Wednesday, October 22nd, 2025 @ 6 PM

Empire Public Library, Community Room- 98 I Street, Empire, CA 95319

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted
2. Welcome and Roll Call:
 - a. Present: Hannah Holden, Rafael Rodriguez, Kevin Oliver, April Towe
 - b. Absent: Kinzie Tumelson
3. Approval of minutes for July 23, 2025
 - a. Motion made by Hannah Holden, seconded by Kevin Oliver. All approved.
4. Public Comment: None
5. Monthly Reports
 - a. Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office: Deputy Craig reported 1 assault, 1 domestic violence, 2 family fights, 1 death, and 1 warrant arrest, which is about 1/3 of what the statistics usually show. The deputy reported an incident at the junior high school, but details could not be released yet.
 - b. Assemblymember Juan Alanis, 22nd District: Field Representative Danielle Morgart reported that AB 16, the ballot efficiency bill, AB17, the elections precinct map, and AB310, the Nevaeh Law Clean-up Bill, were all signed by the Governor.
 - c. Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors / Chief Executive Office: Jennifer Hidalgo reported that the public request for a traffic signal of sorts by the school was investigated. Currently, the site does not meet the criteria. However, the site is being looked at for an illuminated crosswalk with pedestrian beacons.
 - d. Stanislaus County Public Works: Currently, regular maintenance is being performed. A community member raised concerns about clogged drains in the street and was instructed to use the county website or app to report the issue so it can be addressed.
 - e. Stanislaus County Mobile Crisis Response Team: Horacio Madueño reported that they are a 24/7 service for mental health emergencies. They can be contacted 2 ways: through their phone number and through 911. In October, they had about 121 referrals, of which 32 resulted in hospitalization.
 - f. Empire Public Library: Addie Blackwood reported that the Empire Public Library is still looking for help with its Friends of the Library group. They have home connectivity kits available for internet and blood pressure kits that can be checked out similarly to a book. There are many activities for kids and adults put on throughout the month, and the schedule can be found on the county page.



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- g. Empire Elementary School: Claudia Camarena reported that their food distribution is still active. They will also be hosting a Dia De Los Muertos Festival on October 30th. The Soles for Kids drive was a huge success, with 300 pairs of shoes distributed.

6. Information Item(s)

- a. Caltrans presentation on ([10-1P010](#)) Project STA 132 Modesto Pavement Anchor Project- This project proposes to restore pavement conditions in and near Modesto and address the needs for traffic signals, gore paving, and vegetation control, bridge rehabilitation, and adding new curb ramps, bike lanes, sidewalks, and crosswalks: Dino Kloth presented- The project will improve the road conditions, ADA accessibility and pedestrian/ bicycle safety in the area. The project is expected to start in late 2032 and cost around \$131 million. Community members voiced concerns with the Railway crossing, the light at Santa Fe, and the light at the post office.

7. Correspondence: None

- 8. Council Comments and Suggestions for Future Agendas: Rafael Rodriguez suggested that a sign-in sheet with contact information may be helpful so agendas can be sent out.

- 9. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Next Meeting: November 26, 2025