



Hickman Municipal Advisory Council

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Nicklaus Stephens, Chair

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Meredith Clark, Secretary

Annalisa Rose, Member

MINUTES

Thursday, August 7, 2025 @ 6 PM

Hickman School Auditorium

13306 4th Street

Hickman, CA 95323

1. Chair Stephens called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call (members present): Ryan Reece, Annalisa Rose, Nicklaus Stephens & Meredith Clark
3. Public Comment: None
4. Member Rose made a motion to approve the May 1, 2025, meeting minutes. Member Clark seconded; motion passed.
5. Monthly Reports
 - a. Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office – not present; Deputy told Jennifer Hidalgo he didn't have anything of note to report.
 - b. California Highway Patrol (Detective Norseen) - Local calls since February: one stolen vehicle, three reckless driving, two hit-and-run non-injury accidents, and one fatality crash into a canal (by Arlberg Road). There have been sightings of a man and child on a motorcycle without helmets on Lake Road. Detective Norseen recommends we contact the Sheriff's department in Waterford for a faster response time.
 - c. Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District – Not present.
 - d. Stanislaus County Public Works Department – Not present
 - e. Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, Vito Chiesa, District 2 – Not present.
 - f. Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office, Jennifer Hidalgo – There is a vacancy for the Animal Services Advisory Committee, which was established to protect and enhance the quality of life for animals and residents of Stanislaus County. Member Clark will post a flyer at the post office to advertise.
 - g. Stanislaus County Mobile Crisis Response Team, Horacio Madueno – they had 299 calls for May through July, with 19 hospitalizations. Trying to get the word out about what they do and how they can help the community. MCRT can dispatch anywhere in the county within an hour. They can administer 51/50 holds, recommend services, and follow up to ensure that people are getting the support they need. They are trying to give education to the schools – let them know that they're available as a resource. Call (888) 376-6246 (option 4) for the crisis team, or call 911 if there's a safety issue.



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6. Information Item(s) –

- a. Valley Water Collaborative (Sarah Bernal) gave an update on their work in the Central Valley to help residents with domestic wells get their water tested for contaminants (nitrates, uranium, etc.). In 2025, they expanded to include Madera, Merced, San Joaquin, and Yolo counties. As of today, over 1,100 wells have been tested. If the water is determined to be unsafe, bottled water delivery is provided at no cost. If a resident is not a homeowner, VWC is happy to reach out to the Landlord on the tenant's behalf to have the water tested. An Assembly Bill was passed earlier this year that requires a landlord to participate in the program, although there is no enforcement arm to it. Lobbyists have been hired for Sacramento and D.C. to help acquire funds for permanent solutions (new pipelines, well upgrades, etc.). They would like help getting the word out about the program. If there are any community events where VWC can set up a table to distribute info, they would love to hear about it. Members Reece and Stephens suggested local farmers' markets in Hughson and Waterford. Member Clark will post a flyer at the post office regarding free well testing.
- b. Chair Stephens gave an update on the water pipeline under Hickman Road Bridge that will deliver water from the City of Waterford to replace dilapidated wells in Hickman. The project has been fully designed and has received board approval. Final bank approval for the construction loan is expected in September, with construction bidding to commence in October or November.

7. Action Item(s) - None

8. Correspondence – None

9. Council Comments and Suggestions for Future Agendas – we received correspondence from the county planning commission about an upcoming expansion for the Hickman Church but haven't received any additional information. Jennifer Hidalgo will look into it and provide an update.

10. Meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 6, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at Hickman School.