



SOUTH MODESTO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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**Thursday, May 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes
Stanislaus County Ag Center Building
Harvest Hall (Room G)
3800 Cornucopia Way, Modesto, CA**

- I. Call Meeting to Order
Meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM by Chair Rebecca Harrington.
- II. Recording Secretary establishing Quorum by roll call. Members present are marked with an "X".

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rebecca Harrington	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alvaro Ramirez
<input type="checkbox"/> Maria Madrigal (excused absence)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Martha Villaseñor
<input type="checkbox"/> Silvia Camarillo (excused absence)	
- III. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Russell Fowler (Field Rep for Supervisor Chance Condit)
- IV. Approval of Minutes for April 13, 2023
Motion to approve the minutes by Member Alvaro Ramirez, Seconded by Member Martha Villaseñor. Unanimously approved.
- V. District 4 – Supervisor Mani Grewal – No present.
- VI. District 5 – Supervisor Chance Condit
 - Russel Fowler, Field Representative for Supervisor Condit, invited the community to attend a Movie in the Park at Fairview Park, May 20, 2023, at 7:30 pm the movie Encanto will be presented for the community.
- VII. Community Reports (5 Minute Maximum)
 - A) California Highway Patrol- Officer Moore emailed the statistics to Erica Inacio who shared the information. The CHP Office has added one officer and still has 8 vacancies.
 - B) Stanislaus Sheriff's Department – Not present.
 - C) Assemblyman, District 22 – Juan Alanis, Representative Michelle Finch spoke on his behalf.
 - Assemblyman resented one bill to commemorate Star Wars Day on May 4th, and working on a Youth Sport Safety Act to have a defibrillator available at sporting events.
 - Another Bill, AB 355 shoplifting less than One Thousand dollars will not be prosecuted is now a 2-year study. The bill regarding fentanyl has been stalled by the democrats.

- D) Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office – Erica Inacio, Community Relations Manager
- Reported out on the Board of Supervisors approval to designate approximately \$28.7 million in Opioid Settlement Funds from the Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Distributors Settlement agreement and approximately another \$1 million to Behavioral Health and Recovery Services for use in allowable opioid abatement activities. There will be some consideration of new strategies to provide additional education and tools to address the current fentanyl crisis. The items is available for review on StanCounty.com, Board of Supervisors, May 2, 2023 meeting or at the following link:
<https://www.stancounty.com/bos/agenda/2023/20230502/DIS02.pdf>
 - Love Modesto did provide support in projects in South Modesto which included improvements to Fairview Park and building lending libraries. Looking forward to identifying future projects in South Modesto for next year.

VIII. Public Comments – Pertaining to Items Not on the Agenda (3 Minute Maximum)

- Miguel Donoso spoke on the need to have county documents translated into Spanish, in particular a 120 + page document that will be sent to the state.
- Evelyn Landeros, Vision y Compromiso, spoke on the need for more flyers to be in Spanish stating that the majority of South Modesto were Spanish speaking.

IX. Informational Items – Presentation from Stanislaus Regional Transportation Authority (StanRTA)

The presentation was excellent with great information on the services provided. They brought pamphlets with information on the routes and services and had handouts and bags to give to the community members. A Spanish translator was available, no one used his services. However, there were interruptions by both Miguel Donoso and Evelyn Landeros.

They were advised that they had already spoken during the Public Comments portion of the meeting and were asked to refrain from making further comments unless it was related to the current presentation.

The translator on hand clarified that documents to which they refer to earlier during Public Comment were not economically feasible as they would only reach a handful of people. His job was to translate documents that would reach thousands of community members.

X. Action Items - None

XI. Council Comments/Issues/Topics for Next Agenda
None.

XII. Adjournment: 7:23pm, Next Regular Meeting, June 8, 2023.

Minutes Submitted by: Rebecca Harrington, Chair