



So. Modesto Municipal Advisory Council

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MINUTES

Thursday, October 10, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance-
2. Welcome and Roll Call to Establish Quorum-
 - a. Members present: Rebecca Harrington, Alvaro Ramirez, Martha Villasenor, and Monica Harvey.
 - b. Members absent: Silvia Camarillo
3. Approval of Minutes for September 12, 2024- Minutes were approved unanimously with a correction as the wrong date was listed on the minutes. It will be corrected prior to posting.
4. Monthly Reports (Limited to 5 Minutes)
 - a. Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office- Officer Moss reported a decrease in calls of all types.
 - b. California Highway Patrol- Officer Arias reported a high number of stolen vehicle calls.
 - i. 51 service calls, 20 no-injury accidents, 7 calls for side shows, and 9 stolen vehicles
 - ii. A council member asked about parking near a corner and the visual impairment when turning left. Officer Arias said to please report to CHP; however, visual impairment is subjective, but to please continue to report any issues.
 - iii. Another council member asked whether curb striping could be added to denote a no-parking zone near corner wheelchair ramps. The county will check with the Public Works Department to see if this is possible.
 - c. Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Grewal, District 4- Patrick Shields provided an update for Supervisor Grewal's office: Reported the County has a new auditor-controller.
 - i. Veteran's Advisory Council has 3 new members.
 - ii. The County budget of \$1.8 billion was passed for the 24/25 fiscal year.
 - iii. Invited the community to the 9th Street Corridor Workshops to make their voices heard.
 - iv. A council member asked for an update on the 7th Street Bridge project. Patrick mentioned there is still a lot of work to be done due to the multiple jurisdictions responsible for this bridge, including CA DOT. Patrick will check in with Public Works to inquire about progress and report at a later meeting. The project has progressed but is not ready to break ground.
 - d. Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, Supervisor C. Condit, District 5- not present
 - e. Congressman John Duarte, District 13- Gavin Kline provided an update for Congressman Duarte's office.
 - i. His Veterans Bill (HR 78) passed the House with bipartisan support and will streamline the process of applying for benefits for veterans.
 - ii. Congressman Duarte has been attending town hall meetings throughout the district.
 - f. Assemblyman Juan Alanis, District 22- Justin Farkas provided an update for Assemblyman Alanis' office.



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- i. Assemblyman Alanis had 16 bills signed into law in his first legislative session (2 years) in office.
 - ii. He's currently in Sacramento for a special legislative session dealing with California gas prices.
 - iii. He will host a joint town hall in Patterson and invites the public to attend on October 15 at the Hammond Senior Center.
 - iv. Justin mentioned the California Air Resources Board (CARB) is looking into industry laws on gas and how it would affect the prices, however, they're going to wait until the election season is complete.
 - g. Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office- nothing new to report.
 - h. Other Community Representative Reports- none
5. Public Comment- No public comments
6. Information Item(s)
 - a. Presentation on Opportunity Stanislaus' VOLT Institute- VOLT on the Go Mobile Training- Dave White provided an overview of the free mobile trainings being done throughout Stanislaus County. VOLT on the Go provides free practical training opportunities. Currently offering:
 - i. Intro to AC/DC Basic Electrical
 - ii. Mechanical Drives
 - iii. Electric Relay Troubleshooting
 - iv. Process Controls
 - v. Electrical Motor Control
 - vi. Smart Machine Sensors
 - vii. Hydraulics
 - viii. PLC Courses: Intro, intermediate, and advanced.
 - ix. VOLT would like to host a free training in South Modesto. Rebecca has Dave's phone number and would be contacting him.
7. Action Item(s)
 - a. Approve 2025 Meeting Calendar- The calendar was approved unanimously.
8. Correspondence- none
9. Special Order of Business / Updates / Announcements
 - a. The Dia de los Muertos event is scheduled for October 19, 2024, from 11 am to 8 pm. Rebecca requested volunteers for the event.
10. Council Comments and Suggestions for Future Agendas- Martha would like to hear from Public Health regarding the current state of COVID in Stanislaus County as cases seem to be increasing. Jennifer Hidalgo will be requesting a presentation from Public Health.
11. Adjournment **at 7:10 pm**

Next Meeting: November 14, 2024