

**ACTION MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TULARE**

July 12, 2022

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Tulare was held on Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Tulare Public Library and Council Chamber located at 491 North M Street.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Dennis A. Mederos, Terry A. Sayre, Stephen C. Harrell, Patrick Isherwood, Jose Sigala (via Zoom)

STAFF PRESENT: Marc Mondell, Josh McDonnell, Mario Zamora, Mandy Jeffcoach (special counsel), Fred Ynclan, Traci Myers, Diego Ibanez, Michael Miller, Trisha Whitfield, Manny Correa, Jose Rivas, Jason Bowling, Melissa Hermann

I. CALL TO ORDER SPECIAL MEETING

Mayor Mederos called the special meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Mayor Mederos led the pledge of allegiance and an invocation was given by Vice Mayor Sayre.

III. CITIZEN COMMENTS - Comments from the public are limited to items listed on the agenda (GC 54954.3a). Speakers will be allowed three minutes. Please begin your comments by stating and spelling your name and providing your city of residence.

Comments were solicited during General Business items.

IV. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 1. Council review and discussion regarding proposed revisions to Tulare Municipal Code Title 9, Chapter 9.48 – Traffic Standing, Stopping, Parking to allow for an exemption to large commercial vehicles under contract with the Tulare Police Department’s Tow Service Agreement or a Tow Service Agreement with any other public agency to park service vehicles in residential districts from 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. while in rotation for services under said Agreement. [Submitted by: T. Myers]** Mayor Mederos recused himself due to a business conflict and left the room. Community and Economic Development Director Traci Myers provided a report for Council’s review and consideration. Questions by Council were responded to by staff and Aiver de la Torre from Prime Towing. Following discussion, it was moved by Council Member Harrell, seconded by Council Member Isherwood, and carried 3 to 1 (Mayor Mederos recused; Council Member Sigala voted no) to approve the item with the corrected language as presented by Ms. Myers.

2. **Review and accept the letter composed by the City Attorney to be sent to property owners who entered into a contract with the City upon the purchase of former Redevelopment Agency property and are now in violation with the terms of that contract. [Submitted by: M. Correa]** Mayor Mederos advised that the letter provided by the City Attorney's office didn't reflect Council direction. Following discussion, it was the consensus of Council to have the City Attorney's office redraft the letter to reflect the intent of Council and proceed with sending out. City Manager Marc Mondell advised Council will be provided the redrafted letter prior to being sent out.
3. **Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute the settlement agreement between the City of Tulare and Del Lago Place, LLC, Great Valley Builders, Inc., Hidden Oak Development Company, Inc., and International Fidelity Insurance Company. [Submitted by: M. Mondell]** City Attorney Mario Zamora left the room. Special Counsel Mandy Jeffcoach provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Questions by Council were responded to by Ms. Jeffcoach and staff. Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Mayor Sayre, seconded by Patrick Isherwood, and carried 4 to 1 (Council Member Sigala voted no) to approve and authorize the City Manager to execute the final version of the settlement agreement as provided by Ms. Jeffcoach.
4. **Review and provide direction on possibly revising the Council Handbook of Rules and Procedures in regard formalizing the seating arrangement of Council and staff. [Submitted by: M. Mondell obo Mayor Mederos]** Mayor Mederos and City Manager Marc Mondell provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Following discussion, it was moved by Mayor Mederos, seconded by Council Member Harrell, and unanimously carried to approve the item as presented.

V. ADJOURN SPECIAL MEETING

Mayor Mederos adjourned the special meeting at 7:10 p.m.

President of the Council and Ex-Officio
Mayor of the City of Tulare

ATTEST:

Chief Deputy City Clerk and Clerk of the
Council of the City of Tulare