DRAFT MINUTES SALINAS CITY COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, November 2, 2021 2:00 P.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kimbley Craig and Councilmember Anthony Rocha.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Steve Carrigan, Finance Director Mark Roberts, Public Works Director David Jacobs,

Library and Community Services Director Kristan Lundquist, Chief of Police Roberto Filice, Management Analyst Danielle Clayton, Senior Economic Development Manager Andy Myrick,

Traffic Engineer Andrew Easterling, and Senior Accountant Abe Pedroza.

Mayor Kimbley Craig called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

1. PUBLIC ATTENDANCE / COMMENT

None.

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the October 5, 2021 meeting were approved by motion of Committee Member Rocha, second by Committee Member Craig.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Salinas Plan – Downtown Parking (MC01)

Senior Economic Development Manager Andy Myrick introduced the topic as part of the Salinas Plan, which includes 32 recommendations from the National Resource Network (NRN) intended to help the City address its structural budget deficit and housing crisis. Traffic Engineer Andrew Easterling then presented a brief background of the program before detailing the assets that comprise the district and its relationship to the Downtown Vibrancy Plan. Mr. Myrick and Mr. Easterling further expanded on the program's financials, explaining fee rates, revenues, expenditures, budget, and deficit figures. Staff concluded by summarizing the program's impact on the Salinas Plan as well as future developments for consideration. Councilmember Anthony Rocha requested specifics to the various rates in addition to inquiring how staff felt the City's downtown parking program compared to neighboring cities. Mayor Kimbley Craig voiced her support of a net neutral program in the coming years, without dependance on the General Fund.

B. Salinas Regional Soccer Complex/State Funding Update

Library and Community Services Director Kristan Lundquist delivered the presentation, updating the committee on the various phases of the Salinas Regional Soccer Complex. Ms. Lundquist then detailed the state funding component as well as the status of the project. Notably, arsenic remediation and an environmental review at the site, coupled with issues stemming from COVID-19 have caused delays. Councilmember Anthony Rocha requested regular project updates as well as an itemized breakdown into how funds were spent. Mayor Kimbley Craig expressed interest in having the non-profit organization manage the project to completion with reduced government involvement.

C. Committee Member Reports

None.

4. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 7, 2021.

5. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Abe Pedroza, Senior Accountant