

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORENO VALLEY
MORENO VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
CITY AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY FOR THE
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE
CITY OF MORENO VALLEY
MORENO VALLEY HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**STUDY SESSION – 6:00 PM
October 10, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

The Joint Meeting of the City Council of the City of Moreno Valley, Moreno Valley Community Services District, City as Successor Agency for the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Moreno Valley, Moreno Valley Housing Authority and the Board of Library Trustees was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Mayor Gutierrez in the Council Chamber located at 14177 Frederick Street, Moreno Valley, California.

Mayor Gutierrez announced that the City Council receives a separate stipend for CSD meetings.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Marquez.

ROLL CALL

Council:	Ulises Cabrera	Council Member
	Dr. Yxstian A. Gutierrez	Mayor
	Jeffrey J. Giba	Council Member
	David Marquez	Council Member
	Victoria Baca	Mayor Pro Tem

INTRODUCTIONS

Staff:	Pat Jacquez-Nares	City Clerk
	Regina Flores	Deputy City Clerk
	Marshall Eyerman	Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer
	Martin Koczanowicz	City Attorney
	Thomas M. DeSantis	Assistant City Manager
	Mike Lee	Economic Development Director
	Joel Ontiveros	Police Chief
	Abdul Ahmad	Fire Chief

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS ON THE AGENDA ONLY

Mayor Gutierrez opened the public comments portion of the meeting for items listed on the agenda only. Comments were received from John Rodriguez/Edwin Movagharian (supports Item No. A.2), Tom Jerele Sr. (supports Item No. A.2), Krystal Williams (supports Item No. A.2), Michael Rennick (supports Item No. A.2), Lauren Dominguez (support Item No. A.2), Jason Navarette (supports Item No. A.2), Roy Bleckert (supports Item No. A.2), Leroy Holt (supports Item No. A.2), Tyrone Rodgers (supports Item No. A.2), Christopher Henry (supports Item No. A.2), and Gem Montes (supports Item No. A.2)

A. BUSINESS

**A.1. WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (WRCOG) UPDATE
(Report of: City Clerk)**

Rick Bishop, Executive Director, Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) provided a brief summary of the PowerPoint Presentation.

Recommendation:

Receive an update regarding programs and activities managed by the Western Riverside Council of Governments.

**A.2. DISCUSSION REGARDING REGULATION OF COMMERCIAL CANNABIS
ACTIVITIES IN THE CITY (Report of: City Attorney)**

City Attorney Koczanowicz presented a staff report on regulating commercial Cannabis activities.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the City Council receive the information from staff, consider any public input, discuss and provide direction to staff as to the type of regulations Council wishes to consider for commercial cannabis activity in the City.

Edwin Movagharian/John Rodriguez

Mayor Pro Tem Baca asked about the requirements and time frame for Cannabis legalization.

Mayor Gutierrez inquired as to the duration for Cannabis legalization.

Council Member Marquez inquired if Mr. Movagharian or Mr. Rodriguez had met with any of the council members prior to attending the meeting.

Council Member Giba requested clarification from Mr. Rodriguez regarding a previous comment. Council Member Giba then asked to hear the Police Department's and the Fire Department's reports.

Mayor Gutierrez acknowledged that Council Member Giba was out of order and that Staff would complete their presentation after the speakers.

Council Member Cabrera sought clarification from Mr. Movagharian regarding State licensure.

Michel Rennick

Council Member Giba raised a point of order that staff should be allowed to present their report.

Mayor Gutierrez acknowledged that he was out of order and that staff would have the opportunity to continue after the speakers.

Mr. Rennick discussed Butane Honey Oil extraction.

Council Member Giba requested a point of order asking when staff would be permitted to complete their presentation.

Mayor Gutierrez acknowledged that he was out of order and that the presentation would continue after the speakers' testimony.

Mayor Gutierrez recessed the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Mayor Gutierrez reconvened the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Richard Polanco

Mr. Polanco commented that legalization is viable alternate revenue stream.

Eddie Guillen

Mayor Gutierrez asked about the issuance of licenses and the consequence of inaction.

Andrea

Andrea attributes increases in revenue at the City of Los Angeles to the medical marijuana industry.

Council Member Giba questioned City Attorney Koczanowicz on extending the current ban.

Capt. Evan Peterson

Captain Evan Peterson, Special Investigations Bureau, Riverside County Sheriff's Department discussed the concerns law enforcement has with Cannabis legalization.

Council Member Cabrera inquired as to the number of illegal dispensaries in the City, operating fees, ballot measures, and closure tactics.

Council Member Giba asked Staff to present their Power Point presentation.

Mayor Gutierrez recessed the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Mayor Gutierrez reconvened the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Captain Peterson provided a brief summary of the Power Point presentation.

A.3. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Marquez questioned Captain Peterson regarding the explosive nature of Butane Honey Oil.

Council Member Giba thanked Captain Peterson for his presentation.

Mayor Pro Tem Baca thanked Captain Peterson for the information he provided.

Council Member Cabrera was appreciative of Captain Peterson's presentation.

Mayor Gutierrez expressed his gratitude to Captain Peterson as well as the public for their comments. He stated that any increased costs associated with regulation could be offset with the recovery of fees.

Mayor Gutierrez, with majority consensus, directed Staff to bring an ordinance to the meeting on October 24th to allow multiple uses subject to a conditional use permit and licensing regulation.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Gutierrez adjourned the Study Session at 8:16 p.m. in the memory of the California wildfire victims.

Submitted by:

Pat Jacquez-Nares, CMC & CERA, City Clerk
Secretary, Moreno Valley Community Services District
Secretary, City as Successor Agency for the Community
Redevelopment Agency of the City of Moreno Valley
Secretary, Moreno Valley Housing Authority

Approved by:

Dr. Yxstian Gutierrez, Mayor
President, Moreno Valley Community Services District
Chairperson, City as Successor Agency for the Community
Redevelopment Agency of the City of Moreno Valley
Chairperson, Moreno Valley Housing Authority