

MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL, 291 N. MAIN STREET, PORTERVILLE, CALIFORNIA and
RONALD REAGAN UCLA MEDICAL CENTER, 757 WESTWOOD PLAZA, RM 7625
LOS ANGELES, CA 90095
MARCH 13, 2018, 5:30 PM

Called to Order at 5:38 p.m.

Roll Call: Council Member Reyes, Council Member Flores, Council Member Hamilton, Vice Mayor Ward, Mayor Stowe (participated via teleconference)

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Cameron Hamilton.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

SCHEDULED MATTERS

1. CONSIDERATION OF OPPORTUNITY ZONE DESIGNATIONS

Acting City Manager Jason Ridenour introduced the item and presented the staff report. The Council waived further reading of the staff report, and discussion followed regarding staff's recommendation to request that Census Tract 40, which had been preliminarily designated by the Governor and included the Porterville Developmental Center, be replaced by Census Tract 34, which included the Porterville Municipal Airport and Business Park. The Council concurred with staff's opinion that Census Tract 34 had a higher threshold for business activity and opportunity for business investment.

Additional discussion took place regarding the Cities of Woodlake and Exeter not receiving a designation, and a suggestion that either the County transfer one of its five (5) designations or the City of Porterville transfer one of its four (4) designations to the City of Woodlake. The Council was in agreement that it was not in favor of giving up a designation.

Documentation: None

Disposition: No action required; direction given.

ADJOURNMENT

The Council adjourned at 5:57 p.m. to the meeting of March 20, 2018.


Luisa Zavala, Deputy City Clerk

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Brian E. Ward, Mayor Pro Tem