



# CITY OF ATWATER

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## SPECIAL MEETING CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX

### ACTION MINUTES

December 14, 2021

CALL TO ORDER:

*The City of Atwater Citizens' Oversight Committee for Public Safety Transactions and Use Tax met in Special Session this date at 5:30 PM in the City Council Chambers located at the Atwater Civic Center, 750 Bellevue Road, Atwater, California; Chairperson Hyler presiding.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson Hyler.*

ROLL CALL:

**Present:** Committee Members Castro, Dash, Garner, Pirtle, Chairperson Hyler  
**Absent:** Committee Member Brantley, Vice Chairperson Brice  
**Staff Present:** City Manager Waterman, Police Chief Salvador, CAL FIRE Battalion Chief Ayuso, Finance Director Youmara, Deputy City Clerk Martin, Recording Secretary Thuang

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

**Notice to the public was read.**

**No one came forward to speak.**

MINUTES:

September 7, 2021 – Regular meeting

**MOTION: Committee Member Dash moved to approve the minutes as listed. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Pirtle and the vote was: Ayes: Dash, Pirtle, Garner, Castro, Hylar; Noes: None; Absent; Brantley, Brice. The motion passed.**

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS FROM STAFF:

Police Department Update (Police Chief Salvador)

**Police Chief Salvador spoke regarding the Police Department's response times, total amount of inbound calls received for service, volume of incidents responded to, written reports, voided cases, misdemeanor and felony arrests, and citations over a twelve-month period. He also addressed concerns of the Committee Members regarding staffing levels, responsibilities of School Resource Officers, patrol statistics, budgets for overtime hours, Reserve Police Officer recruitment, and future trainings for Police Officers.**

Fire Department Update (CAL FIRE Battalion Chief Ayuso)

**CAL FIRE Battalion Chief Ayuso spoke regarding the current recruitment for Reserve Firefighters, the success of the Atwater Fire and Police Holiday Toy Drive, and potential grant opportunities for the Fire Department. He also provided an update regarding annual business inspections and the total amount of calls and medical calls received.**

**CAL FIRE Battalion Chief Ayuso, Police Chief Salvador, and City Manager Waterman addressed concerns of the Committee Members regarding grants, medical aid response, current staffing levels, equipment availability, technical rescue, call volume related to vehicle accidents, and sources of funding.**

Presentation regarding Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid (CAL FIRE Battalion Chief Ayuso)

**CAL FIRE Battalion Chief Ayuso presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding mutual aid and automatic aid and addressed concerns of the Committee Members regarding resource allocation and station responses in different zones.**

Financial Report (Finance Director Youmara)

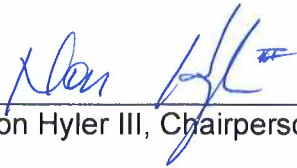
***Finance Director Youmara provided an update regarding the unaudited budget status report for the first quarter of the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Public Safety Transactions and Use Tax Fund and addressed concerns of the Committee Members regarding the budget status and purpose of the professional services budget.***

***CAL FIRE Battalion Chief Ayuso addressed concerns of the Committee Members regarding the benefits of purchasing training materials and equipment, funding for medical supplies on response vehicles, and special departmental expenses.***

ADJOURNMENT:

***Chairperson Hyler adjourned the meeting at 7:15 PM.***

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Don Hyler III", is written over a horizontal line.

Don Hyler III, Chairperson

By: Leslie Thuang  
Oversight Recording Secretary