

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Board of Supervisors

BOARD AGENDA # *A-3c

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE June 9, 2009

CEO Concur with Recommendation YES NO

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Acceptance of the Resignation of Raymond Castro from the South Modesto Municipal Advisory Council

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Accept the resignation of Raymond Castro from the South Modesto Municipal Advisory Council.
2. Direct staff to post vacancy.
3. Direct staff to send a Certificate of Appreciation to Mr. Castro.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2009-380

On motion of Supervisor Monteith, Seconded by Supervisor O'Brien
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Grover, Monteith, and Chairman DeMartini

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) Approved as recommended

2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

May 31, 2009

~~BOARD OF SUPERVISORS~~

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To: Board of Supervisors of Stanislaus County

I, Raymond S. Castro, wish to resign my position on the South Modesto Municipal Advisory Council. My reasons are many, but I will only mention a few. First, Law Enforcement in my neighborhood is zero. Since Adam Christian took office in the Sheriff's Dept. There are more drug dealers and gang activity, prostitution and also so called "birthday parties" which are nothing but more selling of drugs, drug and alcohol use, loud music and party goers harassing us. Enclosed is Adam Christian's order to Sheriff's dispatch "Not to respond to my noise complaint from my address. I have called the Watch Commander and left messages. I have asked our Supervisor, Jim Dimartini to call the Watch Commander and Sheriff's Dept, to which no response was made. Is it my fault we have these people like loud music and do drugs? Is it my fault the District Attorney would not prosecute for noise complaint? Is it my fault that the D.A. did not let us know the noise ordinance we had was no good.

In October 2009, it will be two (2) years that we began a new one. It is obviously too long, since we are supposed to have college educated people working for us.

Code Enforcement, in case where a shed was burned (electrical problems) was to be demolished in 2007 the shed is still there and a roof has been added to it. Code enforcement should not be complaint driven but followed through.

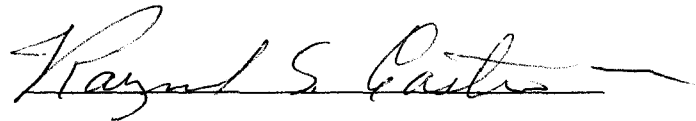
Pollution Control told me they would not come out for safety reasons, so when we smell smoke at night, there's nothing we can do. Because we complained of the problems in our neighborhood we are told by the very people that are paid to take care of these problems that we complained too much. Finally, my family and I have been cursed and threatened. According to these people we are the only ones who complained to officials about them. My house has been egged. Food like burritos, tacos, oranges, lemons, grapes, marbles and garbage has been thrown at my house. Garbage left in front of my house.

These people don't want a better neighborhood, only to keep it the same or worse. What finally convinced me to resign was the Cinco de Mayo celebration, in which these people were driving wrecklessly through neighborhood, drunk driving, guns fired off, and as you well know a person was killed 2 ½ blocks from my residence.

When the Sheriffs Dept does not respond to these so called "birthday parties" all it does is give these people the green light to do as they please. Also, when the County issues permits for celebrations like the Cinco de Mayo.

I have hoped that I would help Area I, II and now III a better place in which to live and help our children become productive members of society. But I learned people create all these problems and even though we may have lights, sidewalks, sewers and nice streets. The real problems still remain, because we still have the same kind of people living here and coming to our neighborhood.

Please accept my resignation.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Raymond S. Castro". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Raymond S. Castro

The noise problem greatly reduces our quality of life. How can we and our children sleep, study, read, pray, watch television or listen to our own music. For me when I was working 12 hours a day from 3:00am to 3:00pm, sometimes 6-7 days a week, I had to wait until after 10:00pm to complained about loud music. By the time the Sheriffs Dept showed up, if they did, I had to get up and go to work with only a couple hours of sleep.

Sometimes the loud music went on day and night. I believe it damages childrens hearing and causes some people to become extremely angry, since we cannot do anything about it. But worse of all, is the fact that the Sheriffs Dept and District Attorney would do nothing to help us. They would not dot the job that they are getting paid to do.

It is my opinion that some County Depts have taken upon themselves to choose and pick what they want to do and not what they get paid to do. And that God fearing American citizens and tax-payers keep getting the wrong end of the stick. The County keeps paying for some peoples' bad behavior, which is the same as promoting bad behavior, while some senior citizens have to eat cat food, Letter to the Editor – Modesto Bee.

May 31, 2009

Cc;

William O'Brien
Vito Chiesa
Jeff Grover
Dick Monteith
Jim DeMartini

Chairman

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POLICE HISTORY

ENTRY DATE: 08/08/06 BY OPERATOR: SQ53 EXPIRES: NEVER

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SOUTH MODESTO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Oct 25-07

P. O. Box 1275, Modesto, CA 95353

An ordinance relating to regulation of nuisances noise. The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, State of California, the 17th day of October, 2006.

We the South Modesto M.A.C were told that a copy of noise Ordinance had been sent to Adam Christianson, by our district 5 supervisor, Jim Di Martini.

Up to your letter dated August 31, 2007 did we know that this Noise ordinance was vague and ambiguous according to you. Also it does not say if all, parts, or which part or parts are vague and ambiguous.

We, the South Modesto M.A.C, think that the noise ordinance is not vague and ambiguous.

We who have experience loud noise or music day and night are the victims of all this unnecessary noise. This greatly diminishes our quality of life.

I, Raymond Castro, would like you to experience what we go through. Get your neighbors to play extreme loud music day and night and see how you and your family like it.

Mr. Adam Christianson has never asked me to join the Sheriff Department to find solution to these problems that we have in our neighborhoods. Instead he has order the Sheriff Department dispatcher not to respond to complaints from my address 304 Pueblo Ave. This is what I get from the dispatcher – your address is in the computer and we cannot respond to your complaints.

It is true that I have filed a lot of noise complaints. Is it my fault that at that time I was surrounded by six neighbors that consist played loud music their radios, car stereos and etc. Is it my fault that the D.A never even bought one single complaint to court?

Vice Chairmen-Darren Schafer
Recording sec.-Anita Chapa
John Swicegood
David Johnson

Raymond S. Castro
Chairmen-South Modesto M.A.C

SOUTH MODESTO MUNICIPAL
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1010 Tenth Street, Suite 6500, Modesto, CA 95354
Phone: 209.525.4494 Fax: 209.525.4420

June 9, 2009

Mr Raymond S Castro
304 Pueblo Ave
Modesto CA 95351

Dear Mr Castro,

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, I want to express our appreciation for your service with the South Modesto Municipal Advisory Council. We value citizens in our community who are willing to devote time and energy to community programs.

Enclosed is a Certificate of Appreciation for your faithful service.

If there is an X in this box, you will need to file a "Leaving Office" Conflict of Interest (Form 700). Please download the form at <http://www.fppc.ca.gov/>, and call the contact person for your board, for further instruction.

The contact person for your board is Silvia Camarillo and can be reached at 576-1318 for any assistance you may need.

Again, I want to thank you for your contribution to Stanislaus County and I hope you found your term of office to be a rewarding experience.

Sincerely,

Christine Ferraro

Christine Ferraro Tallman, Clerk of the Board
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors

cc: Silvia Camarillo, South Modesto Municipal Advisory Council
Secretary P O Box 1275 Modesto CA 95353

CFT/ss

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

NOTICE OF VACANCIES

in the offices of

South Modesto Municipal Advisory Council

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that vacancies exist in the elected office of the above-named body and that if this vacancy still exists between 60 and 90 working days from the date of this notice, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, State of California, will fill said vacancies by appointment of some qualified person(s).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the following will be appointed:

One registered voter within the district Representative

For detailed information regarding the duties of this office, please contact Christine Ferraro Tallman at 525-4494.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATED: June 9, 2009

ATTEST: Christine D. Ferraro Tallman
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County Board of Supervisors,
State of California

By Suzi Seibert, Deputy