

**Tulare Chamber of Commerce**  
**Governmental Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, September 12, 2016 at 12:00 pm, 1165 N. Blackstone St., Tulare**

**Call to order:** Patrick Isherwood called the meeting to order at 12:16 PM

**Minutes:** Upon motion being duly made and seconded, minutes for August were approved.

**Updates:**

- Chamber of Commerce – Rachel Souza, Lynn Dredge
- Tulare Downtown Association – John Harman
- Tulare School Districts – Dr. Koligian
- City of Tulare – Paul Melikian
- County of Tulare – Supervisor Pete Vander Poel III
- Board of Equalization – Tom Mendes
- State Senate: State Senator Jean Fuller – Stephanie Amaral
- Congressional: Congressman Devin Nunes – Rudy Mendoza

**Presentation:**

- Water Forum Review, Rudy Mendoza gave a brief summary of the Water Forum that was held on August 31<sup>st</sup> at the International Agri-Center. He will give a more in depth presentation at the October GAC meeting.
- Proposition 64, Captain Fred Ynclan gave a presentation on the Tulare City Police Departments position on Proposition 64. Both School Districts and the Police Department strongly oppose.

**Discussion and/or Action Items:**

Continued: Action on November 8, 2016 Qualified Statewide Ballot Measures:

**Proposition 52** – State fees on Hospitals, Federal Medi-Cal Matching Funds.

Request for position on Proposition 52. Upon motion being duly made and seconded, Proposition 52 was endorsed. Motion: Joseph Soares to Support, Second John Harman, Motion carries to Support as recognized by the Committee Chair.

**Proposition 55** – Tax Extension to Fund Education and Healthcare.

Request for position on Proposition 55. Upon motion being duly made and seconded, Proposition 55 was opposed. Motion: Joseph Soares to Oppose, Second Kevin Mooney, Motion carries to Oppose as recognized by the Committee Chair.

**Proposition 64** – Marijuana Legalization.

Request for position on Proposition 64. Upon motion being duly made and seconded, Proposition 64 was opposed. Motion: Billie Fry to Oppose, Second John Harman, Motion carries to Oppose as recognized by the Committee Chair.

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.