

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**JUNE 21, 2010 – 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING**

City Hall Council Chamber
117 Macneil Street
San Fernando, CA 91340

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Mario F. Hernández called the meeting to order at 6:21 p.m.

Present:

Council: Mayor Mario F. Hernández, Mayor Pro Tem Brenda Esqueda,
Councilmembers Ernesto Rubio Hernández, Maribel De La Torre
and Steven Veres

Staff: City Administrator Robert R. Ordelleide, City Attorney Michael
Estrada, and City Clerk Elena G. Chávez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mayor M. Hernández

INVOCATION None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor M. Hernández requested that Item No. 10 be moved up on the agenda (to be discussed after the Consent Calendar). Councilmember Veres requested that Item No. 8 be discussed before Item No. 7.

Motion by Mayor M. Hernández, seconded by Councilmember De La Torre, to approve the agenda with the noted changes. There being no objections, the agenda was approved as amended.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Tesa Becica, San Fernando Valley Historical Society, said they are affiliated with the San Fernando Museum of Art and History and do not agree with the selling of the City property.

John Arroyo talked about speed bumps and said that City streets are in dire need of repair.

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Elvira Orozco said she strongly opposes the sale of City properties (especially 519 So. Brand) and believes that the citizens of San Fernando should have a voice and hopes that something could be done to stop the sale.

Richard Arroyo, Mission Hills, (former Historical Commissioner) believes that the City's historical resources should be protected and finds it ironic that these buildings are up for sale. He said that the San Fernando Museum of Art & History has invested over \$50,000 in the building at 519 So. Brand.

Beverly DiTomaso said she is very saddened and disappointed regarding the sale of the properties (especially the museum property) and said she would guess that Councilmembers have not taken the opportunity to visit the museum.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Pro Tem Esqueda pulled Item No. 2 for further discussion.

Motion by Councilmember De La Torre, seconded by Councilmember Veres, to approve the following Consent Calendar Items:

- 1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a) JUNE 7, 2010 – REGULAR MEETING
 - b) JUNE 12, 2010 – SPECIAL MEETING

- 3) BIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODE

Code update to include a reference addressing potential conflict due to Councilmembers' association with non-profit organizations.

- 4) ORDINANCE MERGING PROJECT AREA NOS. 1, 2, 3, 3A, AND 4 INTO THE SAN FERNANDO MERGED REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA, AND APPROVING THE ADOPTING OF AN AMENDED AND RESTATED CONSOLIDATED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PROJECT AREA NO. 1A AND THE SAN FERNANDO MERGED REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY PROJECT AREA

- 5) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS INTO FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2010-2011 USING THE FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 CITY BUDGET

By consensus, the motion carried.

Items Removed for Further Discussion:

- 2) APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER NO. 10-062

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Staff responded to inquiries by Mayor Pro Tem Esqueda regarding charges involving replacement of a cell phone and reimbursement for stolen items from a locker.

Motion by Councilmember De La Torre to approve the Warrant Register with the exception of the reimbursement payment involving stolen items (pending further investigation). There being no second, the motion died.

Motion by Councilmember E. Hernández, seconded by Councilmember Veres to approve Warrant Register No. 10-062. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: E. Hernández, Veres, M. Hernández, Esqueda – 4
NOES: De La Torre – 1

By consensus, staff was directed to ensure there is a locker policy for the Aquatics Center.

CITY COUNCIL ITEM

The following item was moved up (under Approval of Agenda).

10) APPOINTMENT TO THE PLANNING AND PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Motion by Mayor M. Hernández, seconded by Councilmember E. Hernández, to appoint Mario Rodriguez to the Planning and Preservation Commission as his representative. By consensus, the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

6) FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2010-2011 LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING AND CONFIRMATION OF ASSESSMENT

Mayor M. Hernández declared the Public Hearing open and Public Works Director Ron Ruiz presented the staff report.

Mayor M. Hernández called for public testimony either in favor or opposition. There being no comments, he closed the public comment portion of the Hearing.

Motion by Councilmember E. Hernández, seconded by Councilmember De La Torre, to:

- a) Adopt a Resolution ordering the continued maintenance of the City's streetlights and confirming the annual assessment; and
- b) Adopt a Resolution approving the Final Engineer's Report for the FY 2010-11 Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District.

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By consensus, the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

8) RECREATION SELF SUSTAINING FUND 17 AND QUIMBY ACT FUND 19

Finance Manager Al Hernández presented the staff report and responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Motion by Councilmember Veres, seconded by Councilmember E. Hernández, to create a new fiduciary fund (in Fund 17) and transfer excess funds into General Fund. By consensus the motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Veres, seconded by Councilmember E. Hernández, to:

- a) Direct staff to begin programming of the Quimby Fund balance (approximately \$173,000) and allow the Education, Parks, Arts, Health and Aging (EPAH) Standing Committee to begin prioritization of where those monies could be utilized best; and
- b) Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Creation of a New Fund for Fiduciary Accounts and the Transfer of the Balance to the General Fund.

By consensus, the motion carried.

7) ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2010-2011 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BUDGET AND RELATED ACTIONS

Motion by Mayor M. Hernández, seconded by Councilmember De La Torre, to adopt a Resolution approving the FY 2010-2011 Redevelopment Agency Budget and loan reimbursement agreements between the City and Redevelopment Agency. By consensus, the motion carried.

9) PRESENTATION OF PRELIMINARY FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2010-2011 CITY BUDGET

Finance Manager Al Hernández presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember De La Torre, seconded by Councilmember Veres, to receive and file the proposed FY 2010-11 City Budget. By consensus, the motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE UPDATES

No. 1 Budget, Personnel and Finance (BPF)

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Mayor M. Hernández – nothing to report.

No. 2 Housing, Community & Economic Development and Parking (HCEP)

Councilmember De La Torre – nothing to report.

No. 3 Natural Resources, Infrastructure, Water, Energy and Waste Management (NRIW)

Councilmember Veres – last meeting was cancelled.

No. 4 Public Safety, Veteran Affairs, Technology and Transportation (PVTT)

Councilmember E. Hernández – nothing to report.

No. 5 Education, Parks, Arts, Health and Aging (EPAH)

Mayor Pro Tem Esqueda – will be meeting tomorrow.

Motion by Councilmember De La Torre, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Esqueda, to agendize (for the EPAH Standing Committee) discussion of Aquatics Facility policies regarding tracking/accounting of cash/checks and the distribution of locker keys. By consensus, the motion carried.

GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Esqueda Brenda expressed disappointment and frustration at what the City looks like and said there is no reason why field employees can't pick up trash or remove signs from poles, etc. She encouraged residents to attend meetings and let City Council know what they are dissatisfied with.

Mayor M. Hernández announced that the City received an award from the American Planning Association (Los Angeles Chapter) and congratulated staff.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

None.

CLOSED SESSION

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (G.C. 54957)

Title: City Administrator

No reportable action.

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ADJOURNMENT (7:15 P.M.)

By consensus, the meeting was adjourned.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of June 21, 2010 meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

Elena G. Chávez
City Clerk