

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 2, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING**

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

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Sylvia Ballin called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Present:

Council: Mayor Sylvia Ballin, Vice Mayor Antonio Lopez (arrived 6:10 p.m.), and Councilmembers Jaime Soto, Joel Fajardo, and Robert C. Gonzales

Staff: City Manager Alexander P. Meyerhoff, Assistant City Attorney Richard Padilla and City Clerk Elena G. Chávez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Personnel Manager Michael Okafor

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Soto asked for a moment of silence in observance of recent tragedies that have occurred in Las Vegas, Houston, Puerto Rico, and Mexico City.

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Soto to approve the agenda. By consensus, the motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

The following presentations were made:

- a) RESTORE THE DELTA
Esperanza Vielma, Environmental Justice Director
- b) MODERNIZING THE SYSTEM. CALIFORNIA WATERFIX
Jacquelyn McMillan, PR Governmental Affairs and Regional Representative
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

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c) **PRESENTATION BY METRO ON THE EAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TRANSIT CORRIDOR**

Karen Swift, Los Angeles Metro Community Relations Manager

Each presenter replied to various questions from Councilmembers.

DECORUM AND ORDER

Assistant City Attorney Padilla provided a brief summary of the rules.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Ronnie Veliz invited everyone to the 4th San Fernando Valley Pride event sponsored by Somos Familia Valle.

Urias Celaya provided additional information regarding the Somos Familia Valle event.

CITY COUNCIL - LIAISON UPDATES

Mayor Ballin gave a quick update regarding a recent Metropolitan Water District meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Gonzales asked to pull Item No. 6 and tabled for the next agenda.

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Gonzales, to remove Item No 6 and approve the remaining Consent Calendar Items:

- 1) **REQUEST TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2017 – SPECIAL MEETING**
- 2) **CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WARRANT REGISTER**
- 3) **CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH WILLDAN ENGINEERING FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR STREET RESURFACING IMPROVEMENTS AND FEDERAL HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ON GLENOAKS BOULEVARD**
- 4) **CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE PARTICIPATION IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON’S LS-1 OPTION E PROGRAM**

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- 5) CONSIDERATION TO AWARD A PURCHASE ORDER FOR IN VEHICLE COMPUTERS
- 6) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE METRO EAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TRANSIT CORRIDOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT/ ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

This item was removed.

By consensus, the motion carried

DEPARTMENT HEADS - COMMISSION UPDATES

Recreation Supervisor Maribel Perez gave an update regarding the upcoming 5K Relay event.

Interim Community Development Director Jack Wong gave an update regarding the recent workshops on the San Fernando Corridors Specific Plan. The information from the workshops will be integrated into the final draft Transit Oriented Development Plan Amendment/Environmental Impact Report documents that will be considered by the Planning and Preservation Commission and City Council.

Management Analyst Kenneth Jones reported that the Transportation and Safety Commission will be meeting on Wednesday.

City Clerk Chávez reported that the County Board of Supervisors approved the City's request to move our election date beginning November 2018 and she said City voters will be receiving notification. Also, a recent bill signed by the Governor to move the June State Primary Election to March will not affect our SB 415 November election date.

GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Soto thanked staff and welcomed City Manager Meyerhoff and appreciates that he's been meeting with Councilmembers.

Councilmember Fajardo reported that he attended the protest regarding dialysis centers and he talked about League of California Cities event that he recently attended.

Councilmember Gonzales briefly talked about the recent world-wide disasters in Mexico, Houston, Puerto Rico, Las Vegas, and said his prayers go out to all of the victims and families. He thanked Mayor Ballin for adding the water presentations on today's agenda and that it was good to hear from both ends of the spectrum.

Vice Mayor Lopez also said that his prayers and thoughts go out to those affected by the recent multiple disasters.

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Mayor Ballin agreed that there is much to consider regarding the California WaterFix situation. She also requested the use of City letterhead to send an appreciation letter to San Juan Mayor Carmen Cruz. By consensus, Council agreed.

Both Mayor Ballin and Councilmember Soto talked about possibly creating an Ad Hoc Committee to discuss raising funds (or the proper channels to generate money) for victims affected by these recent disasters.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

City Manager Meyerhoff gave updates regarding various meetings and activities that he has participated with staff and several organizations.

ADJOURNMENT (8:33. P.M.)

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Soto, to adjourn the meeting in memory of the victims in Nevada, Houston, Puerto Rico, and Mexico. By consensus, the motion carried.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of October 2, 2017, meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

Elena G. Chávez, CMC
City Clerk