

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**JUNE 3, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING**

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

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Joel Fajardo called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

Present:

Council: Mayor Joel Fajardo, Vice Mayor Sylvia Ballin, and Councilmembers Robert C. Gonzales, Antonio Lopez, and Hector A. Pacheco

Staff: City Manager Nick Kimball, Assistant City Attorney Richard Padilla, and City Clerk Elena G. Chávez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Police Lieutenant Nichole Hanchett

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Gonzales, seconded by Councilmember Lopez, to approve the agenda. By consensus, the motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

The following presentations were made:

- a) CCLA GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM - CIF LOS ANGELES CITY SECTION DIVISION 1 CHAMPIONSHIP
- b) CCLA BOYS SOCCER TEAM - DIVISION 3 CITY CHAMPIONSHIP
- c) COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS REGARDING LANDLORD/TENANT DISPUTE RESOLUTION SERVICES

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PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Mary Mendoza thanked Vice Mayor Ballin for inviting her to the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) State Water Inspection trip, she talked about the budget, and the recent filming at City Hall.

City Clerk Chávez read a statement by Adriana Gomez, Aszkenazy Development, (on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce) requested that the water and sewer study include a review of water and sewer connection fees and to consider a separate rate for multi-family apartment buildings.

CITY COUNCIL - LIAISON UPDATES

Both Vice Mayor Ballin and City Manager Kimball provided information regarding the MWD State Water Project Inspection trip and reported that San Fernando will have to take a look at water rates soon.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Councilmember Gonzales, seconded by Vice Mayor Ballin, to approve the following Consent Calendar Items:

- 1) REQUEST TO APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 20, 2019 – SPECIAL MEETING
- 2) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WARRANT REGISTER
- 3) CONSIDERATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT APPROVAL OF ENGINEER'S REPORT AND SETTING THE DATE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING
- 4) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE TO CONSIDER THE PLACEMENT OF LIENS ON REAL PROPERTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES BILLINGS

By consensus, the motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 5) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH OLIVAREZ MADRUGA LEMIEUX O'NEILL, LLP, FORMERLY KNOWN AS OLIVAREZ MADRUGA, PC, TO PROVIDE CITY ATTORNEY SERVICES

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City Manager Kimball presented the staff report and replied to questions from Councilmembers.

Motion by Councilmember Gonzales, seconded by Vice Mayor Ballin, to:

- a. Approve a First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement (Contract No. 1698(a)) with Olivarez Madruga Lemieux O’Neill, LLP, formerly known as Olivarez Madruga, PC; and
- b. Authorize the City Manager to execute all related documents.

By consensus, the motion carried.

6) **CONSIDERATION TO APPOINT AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE WATER AND SEWER UTILITY RATE STUDY**

City Manager Nick Kimball presented the staff report.

Motion by Mayor Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Gonzales, to:

- a. Appoint Vice Mayor Ballin and Councilmember Lopez, to an Ad Hoc Committee to review the Water and Sewer Utility Rate Study conducted by Lechowicz and Tseng; and
- b. Authorize an additional \$7,000 in contingency funds to cover the cost for Lechowicz and Tseng to provide Prop 218 public notice printing and mailing services.

By consensus, the motion carried.

7) **FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 BUDGET STUDY SESSION NO. 3**

City Manager Nick Kimball presented the staff report, reviewed the lists pertaining to City Council Priorities and Ad Hoc Committees, and the follow up information that was requested during the two prior Budget Study Sessions.

Discussion ensued and staff replied to various questions from Councilmembers.

General direction by City Council was to: 1) delete Nos. 14 and 15 on the City Council Priorities list; 2) delete the High Speed Rail Standing Committee; 3) change name of the Ad Hoc from *Parking Meters* to *Parking and Parking Meters*; and 3) staff to provide more feedback on leveraging funds including a tax measure on the ballot and information on hot spots and fiber.

8) **DISCUSSION REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS TO BE PLACED AT THE END OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDAS**

Vice Mayor Ballin gave a brief update as to why she added this item for discussion and said that perhaps by adding Closed Session items at the end of regular meeting would allow for better participation by Councilmembers. City Manager Kimball added that staff would like regular and consistent feedback and direction and it’s best when provided by all five Councilmembers.

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Discussion ensued and Councilmembers agreed to add Closed Session items at the end of regular meeting agendas.

STAFF COMMUNICATION INCLUDING COMMISSION UPDATES

City Clerk Chávez gave an update regarding tomorrow's election (i.e., the County's use of City facilities and reminded everyone to vote on Measure EE).

Lt. Nichole Hanchett announced the passing of Police Reserve Officer Vito Scattaglia.

Director of Community Development Timothy Hou announced that staff will be hosting a table at the Urban Land Institute Urban Marketplace at the Banc of California Stadium.

City Manager Kimball echoed condolences regarding Vito Scattaglia and he thanked the Councilmembers for the budget process (great questions and feedback).

GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Pacheco thanked staff and the community for another solid meeting and commented on the Virginia Beach tragedy. Lt. Hanchett replied to his comment regarding the speed reduction policy study, radars, and speed humps.

Councilmember Lopez thanked staff for a very effective budget discussion this year (great feedback and input from Councilmembers).

Councilmember Gonzales echoed everyone's comments.

Vice Mayor Ballin said there is a level of frustration by Recreation and Community Services Commissioners and not meeting regularly due to the lack of a quorum, and she thanked staff for a very good job regarding the budget.

Mayor Fajardo agreed about the budget and thanked both City Manager Kimball and Community Development Director Hou for the leadership.

ADJOURNMENT (8:46 P.M.)

Motion by Mayor Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Gonzales, to adjourn the meeting in memory of Vito Scattaglia. By consensus the motion carried.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of June 3, 2019, meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

*Elena G. Chávez, CMC
City Clerk*