

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 19, 2018 – 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 6:04 p.m.

Present:

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

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

Absent: Councilmember Jaime Soto

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Led by Students of the Month Veronica Eroza and Gianmarco Cardenas

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Vice Mayor Lopez, seconded by Councilmember Fajardo, to approve the agenda. By consensus, the motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

The following presentations were made:

- a) CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION – STUDENTS OF THE MONTH (NOVEMBER)
 - Veronica Eroza – Nueva Esperanza Charter Academy
 - Gianmarco Cardenas – ArTES High School
- b) CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION – TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY COMMISSIONER DAVID BERNAL

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DECORUM AND ORDER

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

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Audrey Simons spoke in support of Item No. 3.

Martha Lucero, Las Palmas Park Senior Club, said their members have attended this meeting to show City Council support and appreciation.

Maritza Duarte, Las Palmas Park Senior Club, asked that the City Council continue to support them and she provided certificates of appreciation to Mayor Ballin and Councilmember Soto.

Michel Remenih spoke in support of Item No. 8 and said that the Education Commission would be very appreciative of scholarship monies.

City Clerk Chávez read an email from Jaime Soto which read that corruption in San Fernando must end.

CITY COUNCIL - LIAISON UPDATES

Councilmember Fajardo reported that the Mural Ad Hoc visited Venice and gave an update regarding the San Fernando Valley Council of Governments.

Councilmember Gonzales gave an update regarding the Independent Cities Association winter conference.

Mayor Ballin said she was very proud to have served on the Metropolitan Water District Board said that it was a pleasure to have appointed Mr. Emrani.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Vice Mayor Lopez, to approve the Consent Calendar Items:

- 1) REQUEST TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 29, 2018 – SPECIAL MEETING
- 2) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 18-111 AND 18-112 APPROVING THE WARRANT REGISTERS OF NOVEMBER 5, 2018 AND NOVEMBER 19, 2018, RESPECTIVELY

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- 3) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE LEASE AND MEMORANDUM OF LEASE WITH SAN FERNANDO COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, DBA SAN FERNANDO COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER, FOR THE CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT 732 MOTT STREET
- 4) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE CIRCULATION OF A NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR SAN FERNANDO'S OPEN STREETS FESTIVAL

By consensus, the motion carried.

The following item was moved up on the agenda.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 7) DISCUSSION REGARDING SPONSORING A RECORD EXPUNGEMENT CLINIC AT RECREATION PARK

Councilmember Gonzales introduced Jonatan Cvetko, Executive Director with Angeles Emeralds, who gave a brief presentation and replied to questions from Councilmembers.

Motion by Councilmember Gonzales, seconded by Councilmember Fajardo, to plan an expungement clinic (come up with a date) at Recreation Park, allow use of the City Seal, and to use funds from Councilmember Gonzales' Community Investment Funds to cover the cost. By consensus, the motion carried.

- 5) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A MEASURE "A" COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Deputy City Manager/Director of Finance Nick Kimball presented the staff report and Councilmembers provided brief input.

Mr. Kimball briefly discussed the Measure "A" Community Advisory Committee's proposed by-laws, and composition (i.e., seven members appointed by City Council, consisting of up to two residents, up to two representatives of the business community, up to two labor representatives, and one at-large member). He talked about the terms of office, duties, and the application process.

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

- a. Adopt Resolution No. 7895 establishing the Measure "A" Community Advisory Committee (Committee); and
- b. Authorize the City Manager to advertise and solicit applications from interested parties to serve on the Committee upon certification of affirmative election results for Measure "A."

The motion carried with the following vote:

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AYES: Gonzales, Fajardo, Lopez, Ballin – 4
ABSENT: Soto – 1
NOES: None

- 6) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE USE OF CITY LETTERHEAD FOR LETTERS INVITING LOCAL SCHOOL PRINCIPALS TO A BRUNCH EVENT AND SEEKING DONATIONS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES FOR MONTHLY STUDENT OF THE MONTH RECIPIENTS

Both Education Commission Vice Chair Angel Zobel-Rodriguez and Commissioner Michael Remenih made a brief presentation.

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Gonzales, to permit the Education Commission to use City letterhead for letters inviting local school principals to a brunch event in January 2019 and for seeking donations from businesses for Student of the Month recipients.

The motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Gonzales, Fajardo, Lopez, Ballin – 4
ABSENT: Soto – 1
NOES: None

- 8) ALLOCATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF INDEPENDENT CITIES FINANCE AUTHORITY’S COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM FUNDS FOR LAS PALMAS PARK SENIOR CLUB PROGRAM, EDUCATION COMMISSION SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FEE WAIVERS FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Mayor Ballin gave a brief presentation regarding the FY 2017-2018 ICFA allocation of \$7,500 and recommended that the funds be distributed in the following manner:

\$1,500	Las Palmas Senior Club Program
	- \$1,400 for music/entertainment
	- \$100 for cake/food
\$3,000	Education Commission Scholarships
	- \$500 increments or less
	- No repeat winners
\$3,000	Fee Waivers – Non Profit Organizations Only
	- \$500 cap per organization

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Vice Mayor Lopez, to approve the distribution of ICFA funds as recommended. By consensus, the motion carried.

- 9) DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED INCREASE TO COMMISSIONER STIPEND

Vice Mayor Lopez gave a brief presentation.

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Motion by Mayor Ballin, seconded by Vice Mayor Lopez, to approve a \$25 increase to the Commissioner stipend (i.e. a total of \$75 per meeting per month) effective January 1, 2019 and that staff report back with a budget resolution for City Council adoption. By consensus, the motion carried.

10) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROTECTION OF THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT

Deputy City Manager/Director of Finance Nick Kimball presented the staff report and replied to questions from Councilmembers.

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Gonzales, to adopt Resolution No. 7896 Supporting the Protection of the Community Reinvestment Act. By consensus, the motion carried.

STAFF COMMUNICATION INCLUDING COMMISSION UPDATES

Police Chief Anthony Vairo reported there had been a minor mercury spill on the bike path over the weekend (handled by L.A. Fire Dept. HazMat unit).

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Emrani thanked Mayor Ballin for appointing him to MWD and for Council support, gave an update on an inspection trip regarding the nitrate removal system, and reported that the CNG had a soft opening last Friday (a ribbon cutting ceremony is forthcoming).

City Manager Meyerhoff reported that there would be two presentations at the upcoming City Council meeting (i.e., FilmLA and from TreePeople).

Director of Community Development Timothy Hou reported that the Planning and Preservation Commission met to consider the proposed cannabis ordinance and zoning amendments.

City Clerk Chávez reported that due to voter turnout and the volume of ballots, the County would continue the canvass through November 30 and certification documentation would be made available on December 3.

GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Gonzales wished all a happy and safe Thanksgiving, asked about the County Wash upgrades, and asked that the meeting adjourn in memory of Mary Helen Escalante.

Vice Mayor Lopez wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Ballin thanked everyone and wished all a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

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ADJOURNMENT (7:14 P.M.)

Councilmember Gonzales requested a moment of silence for Mary Helen Escalante. Councilmember Fajardo added the victims of the recent fires, Thousand Oaks bar shooting, and Stan Lee. Chief Vairo added the two law enforcement officers who recently died.

A moment of silence was held as requested. By consensus, the meeting was adjourned.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of November 19, 2018, meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

Elena G. Chávez, CMC
City Clerk