

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 21, 2016 – 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING**

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

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Vice Mayor Fajardo called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Present:

Council: Vice Mayor Joel Fajardo, and Councilmembers Antonio Lopez, and Sylvia Ballin

Staff: City Manager Brian Saeki, City Attorney Rick Olivarez, Assistant City Attorneys Richard Padilla and Joaquin Vazquez, and City Clerk Elena G. Chávez

Absent: Mayor Robert C. Gonzales, and Councilmember Jaime Soto

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by San Fernando Police Explorer Rodriguez

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Ballin requested to move Item No. 9 to the City Council meeting of December 5, 2016 due to the absence of two Councilmembers.

Motion by Councilmember Lopez, seconded by Councilmember Ballin, to approve the agenda as amended. By consensus, the motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

The following presentation were made:

- a) TRIBUTE TO OUR TROOPS – U.S. Army, Specialist III Leonard Ruiz

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PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Dee Akemon requested that Council discuss a red curb on Eighth Street, expressed concerns about increased traffic, speeding, noise, and pollution.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Councilmember Ballin, seconded by Councilmember Lopez, to approve the following Consent Calendar Items:

- 1) REQUEST TO APPROVE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 7, 2016 – REGULAR MEETING
- 2) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WARRANT REGISTER
- 3) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SAN FERNANDO PART-TIME EMPLOYEES BARGAINING UNIT
- 4) CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST TO SEND A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR LOS ANGELES REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CANDIDATE
- 5) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING OUTDOOR PERSONAL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION AND ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS AND A PERMITTING PROCESS FOR THE INDOOR PERSONAL CULTIVATION OF MARIJUANA
- 6) UPDATE REGARDING RECREATION PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER REQUEST FOR OUTDOOR FITNESS EQUIPMENT

By consensus, the motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Vice Mayor Fajardo announced Item No. 8 would be heard at this time.

- 8) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE SAN FERNANDO COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

City Manager Saeki introduced Audrey Simons, Chief Executive Officer, San Fernando Community Health Center, and deferred to her for a report.

Ms. Simons provided a brief history of the San Fernando Community Health Center and the City's support for grant funding, thanked the City for its support and requested a letter of support from Council in their efforts towards a Service Area Competition grant funding.

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Motion by Councilmember Ballin, seconded by Councilmember Lopez, to approve a letter of support for the San Fernando Community Health Center. By consensus, the motion carried.

7) **UPDATE ON SOLID WASTE BILLING PROCESS AND DELINQUENT ACCOUNT NOTICES TO PROPERTY OWNERS (REPUBLIC SERVICES)**

James Pledger, Republic Services, introduced attending staff members, presented brief background, and discussed the lien process (approved by Council) to address delinquent accounts.

Councilmembers concurred to receive and file the status update on the solid waste billing process and delinquency notices to property owners.

9) **DISCUSSION REGARDING COMMERCIAL CANNABIS ACTIVITIES**

Item removed under Approval of Agenda; to be continued to December 5, 2016.

CITY COUNCIL - LIAISON UPDATES

Vice Mayor Fajardo announced the Grand Opening of the Michoacána, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, and discussed a recent meeting of the Council of Governments (COG) where an update was given regarding Measure M.

DEPARTMENT HEADS - COMMISSION UPDATES

Recreation and Community Services Director Ismael Aguila provided an update on a recent Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission meeting.

Deputy City Manager/Public Works Director Chris Marcarello provided an update on a recent Transportation Commission meeting.

Community Development Director Fred Ramirez announced an upcoming special meeting of the Planning Commission.

City Clerk Elena G. Chávez announced an upcoming meeting of the Education Commission.

GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Ballin expressed disappointment regarding election results, said that immigrants of the community are afraid, and discussed the importance of reassuring residents that City leaders will do everything to protect them and their families.

Councilmember Lopez wished City staff and residents, a Happy Thanksgiving.

Vice Mayor Fajardo discussed a recent event at Mission College and spoke about people who are committed to holding the values the City represents.

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STAFF COMMUNICATION

Recreation and Community Services Director Aguila thanked staff for their hard work and assistance with the numerous events (nine weekends in a row) that have taken place.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (6:30 P.M.)

By consensus, Councilmembers recessed to the following Closed Session as announced by City Attorney Olivarez:

A) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR
G.C. §54957.6

Designated City Negotiators:

City Manager Brian Saeki
Deputy City Manager/Public Works Director Chris Marcarello
Finance Director Nick Kimball
City Attorney Rick Olivarez
Assistant City Attorney Richard Padilla

Employees and Employee Bargaining Units that are the Subject of Negotiation:

San Fernando Management Group (SEIU, Local 721)
San Fernando Public Employees' Association (SEIU, Local 721)
San Fernando Police Officers Association
San Fernando Police Officers Association Police Management Unit
San Fernando Police Civilian Association
San Fernando Part-time Employees' Bargaining Unit (SEIU, Local 721)
All Unrepresented Employees

RECONVENE/REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION (7:09 P.M.)

City Attorney Olivarez stated that all Councilmembers (with the exception of Mayor Gonzales and Councilmember Soto) were present and reported the following:

Item A – The City Council received a briefing from staff, direction was given, but no final action taken.

ADJOURNMENT (7:09 P.M.)

Motion by Councilmember Ballin, seconded by Councilmember Lopez, to adjourn the meeting. By consensus, the motion carried.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of November 21, 2016, meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

Elena G. Chávez
City Clerk