

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 17, 2015 – 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING**

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

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Pro Tem Robert Gonzales called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Present:

Council: Mayor Pro Tem Robert C. Gonzales, and Councilmembers Jesse H. Avila, Joel Fajardo, and Antonio Lopez

Staff: City Manager Brian Saeki, City Attorney Rick R. Olivarez, and City Clerk Elena G. Chávez

Absent: Mayor Sylvia Ballin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

City Manager Saeki corrected a typographical error in the staff report regarding Item No. 3 pertaining to the purchase price of the sewer jetter truck, noting it should be listed as \$240,604.35, and pulled Item No. 12 to be re-agendized for the City Council meeting in March.

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

PRESENTATION

The following presentation was made:

- a) SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT DEVELOPMENTS

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Marisol Diaz spoke about her experience with (and support of) the 100 Citizens program which helps improve the quality of life of participants and will provide many benefits to the community.

Stephen Warren, 100 Citizens, spoke in support of the San Fernando Family Fitness facility.

Rafael Garcia, Republic Services, announced a bulky item event on Saturday, reported on a recycling education program at Gridley Elementary School for students K-5th grade, and he talked about the good partnership with the City.

Mary Mendoza asked for information regarding a possible BevMo development in the City and other possible high-scale retail projects.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales pulled Item No. 2, and Councilmember Lopez pulled Item No. 4 for further discussion.

Motion by Councilmember Lopez, seconded by Councilmember Avila, to approve the remaining Consent Calendar Items with amendment stated earlier regarding Item No. 3:

- 1) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 15-022 APPROVING THE WARRANT REGISTER
- 3) CONSIDERATION TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A SEWER JETTER TRUCK
- 5) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE BASEBALL FIELDS AND CONCESSION STAND LICENSE AGREEMENTS FOR YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUES
- 6) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE CITY'S SUPERVISORY CONTROL AND DATA ACQUISITION (SCADA) RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR WATER FACILITIES
- 7) CONSIDERATION OF DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS CITY-OWNED PERSONAL PROPERTY

By consensus, the motion carried.

Items Pulled for Further Discussion:

- 4) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATCH GRANT PROGRAM WITH SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT

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DISTRICT FOR COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS (CNG) FUELING STATION IMPROVEMENTS

Deputy City Manager/Public Works Director Chris Marcarello gave brief presentation and replied to questions from Councilmembers.

Motion by Councilmember Avila, seconded by Councilmember Lopez, to:

- a. Approve the Agreement for Local Government Match Grant Program with South Coast Air Quality Management District (Contract No. 1784 / SCAQMD Contract No. ML 14062) to fund improvements to the City's CNG fueling station; and
- b. Authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement.

By consensus, the motion carried.

2) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF LOS ANGELES FOR COURT REFERRED VOLUNTEER CENTER PROGRAM

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales expressed his concerns regarding the qualifications and background screening for community workers who work in City parks and suggested developing a list of activities (backgrounds) that are prohibited in City parks.

By consensus, staff will bring additional information to City Council at its next meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

8) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE HEALTHY SAN FERNANDO! 2015 CAMPAIGN

Director of Recreation & Community Services Ismael Aguila presented the staff report and replied to questions from Councilmembers.

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

- a. Authorize the City Manager to allocate City staff to begin plans for implementing the City of San Fernando Health! Campaign 2015 (Health Campaign); and
- b. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding (Contract No. 1782) with Valley Care Community Consortium to provide fiscal sponsorship for the Health Campaign.

By consensus, the motion carried.

9) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO FAMILY FITNESS FACILITY

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Director of Recreation & Community Services Aguila displayed a short video, presented the staff report and replied to questions from Councilmembers.

Motion by Councilmember Avila, seconded by Councilmember Fajardo, to authorize the City Manager to direct City staff to designate the back patio of Recreation Park to function as the City of San Fernando Family Fitness Facility. By consensus, the motion carried.

10) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO AND THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION FOR THE USE OF CITY HALL OFFICE SPACE

Community Development Director Fred Ramirez presented the staff report and replied to questions from Councilmembers.

Motion by Councilmember Lopez, seconded by Councilmember Avila, to authorize the City Manager to sign the License Agreement (Contract No. 1779) between the City of San Fernando and the United States Postal Service Federal Credit Union for the Use of City Hall Office Space, subject to the term and license fee noted therein. By consensus, the motion carried.

11) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE CITYWIDE ENGINEERING AND TRAFFIC SURVEY TO ALLOW FOR SPEED RADAR ENFORCEMENT ON CITY STREETS

Deputy City Manager/Public Works Director Chris Marcarello introduced the City's Consultant Traffic Engineer Tom Brohard who presented the staff report and responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Discussion followed regarding using speed traps to control traffic, measuring speeds under normal traffic conditions rather than during peak hours, concerns regarding increasing the speed limit in the mall area (San Fernando Road), results of the collision study and the possibility of the matter being brought back to Council for additional studies/consideration.

City Manager Saeki spoke about the importance of maintaining flexibility

City Attorney Olivarez recommended that Council approve Item No. 11, as presented by staff, and give staff direction to return with information regarding increasing the speed limit on San Fernando Road, in six months or one year.

Motion by Councilmember Lopez, seconded by Councilmember Avila, to:

- a. Approve the Transportation and Safety Commission's recommendation to approve the Citywide Engineering and Traffic Survey establishing speed limit zones in the City;
- b. Introduce for first reading, by title only, and waive further reading of Ordinance No. 1639 "An Ordinance of the City of San Fernando Amending Sections 90-941 and 90-942 of Chapter 90 of the City of San Fernando City Code Relating to Speed Limits"; and

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- c. Staff to return with information (within a year) regarding increasing the speed limit on San Fernando Road.

By consensus, the motion carried.

- 12) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 7664 AMENDING THE CITY COUNCIL PROCEDURAL MANUAL BY REVISING VARIOUS SECTIONS INCLUDING CHANGING THE TITLE OF MAYOR PRO TEM TO VICE MAYOR

This item was pulled under “Approval of Agenda” and continued to March 2, 2015.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION LIAISON UPDATES

Councilmember Avila gave an update on the SFVCOG, noting it is on hold until mid-March.

Councilmember Lopez reported on discussions at a recent Metro Service Council meeting and upcoming projects and commented on San Fernando becoming a "walkable city".

Councilmember Fajardo presented updates and findings discussed at a recent Tree Commission meeting and reported on upcoming Education Committee meetings.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales stated he will be in Sacramento next week advocating for the City including the need for more money for streets and for the Police Department to help with AB 109 and Proposition 47, and reported he was recently elected to the Los Angeles County Library Commission where he will attend the first meeting, tomorrow.

GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Avila reported San Fernando is the hub, going into Santa Clarita (addressed traffic impacts that will affect both cities) and talked about items to be considered at an upcoming meeting (including High-speed Rail and the Metro Rail System) and he urged the public to contact him with ideas.

Councilmember Lopez commented positively on the Tree Commission and the Library Commission and commended Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales on his election to the latter.

Councilmember Fajardo addressed the one-year anniversary of Republic Services providing waste-collection services (reiterated a request for a one-year performance review), and reported the Procedure Manual will be reviewed at the next meeting and noted items he will discuss with the City Attorney include an ordinance to change the title of Mayor Pro Tem to Vice Mayor.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales addressed the positive outlook for the City and announced an upcoming fundraising event hosted by the Cesar Chávez Committee on Saturday, February 21, 2015.

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STAFF COMMUNICATION

Recreation and Community Services Operations Manager Aguila announced the City will be hosting a Park Summit on February 26, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT (7:47 P.M.)

Motion by Councilmember Avila, seconded by Councilmember Fajardo, 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 February 17, 2015, meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

Elena G. Chávez
City Clerk