

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**DECEMBER 12, 2018 – 4:00 P.M.
ADJOURNED 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 4:04 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, City Attorney Rick Olivarez and
City Clerk Elena G. Chávez

Absent: Councilmember Jaime Soto

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Councilmember-elect Hector A. Pacheco

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Marisol Espinoza, Southern California Gas, spoke about a push in the State to mandate electrification of home and buildings to eliminate natural gas and discussed the importance of customers having a choice to do so; addressed differences in costs between natural gas and electricity and presented alternative options including a balanced-energy approach.

City Clerk Chávez announced receiving an email from Councilmember Jaime Soto and read it into the record.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1) CONSIDERATION TO AUTHORIZE A NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS FUELING STATION UPGRADES PROJECT, PROJECT NO. 7586

By consensus, the motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 2) ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND CONFIRMATION/FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE EXTENDING INDEFINITELY THE GENERAL PURPOSE TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX ADMINISTERED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TAX AND FEE ADMINISTRATION AND CODIFIED UNDER ARTICLE V (TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX) OF CHAPTER 82 (TAXATION) OF THE SAN FERNANDO MUNICIPAL CODE PURSUANT TO REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE SECTIONS 7251 ET SEQ.

City Clerk Chávez presented the staff report.

Mayor Ballin discussed Council's responsibility voted on by residents, relative to Measure A, and committed to be a great steward of those funds.

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Gonzales, to adopt Resolution No. 7898 declaring the results of the November 6, 2018 General Municipal Election. By consensus, the motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Gonzales, to confirm and ratify adoption of Ordinance No. 1678 (second reading), entitled: "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of San Fernando, California, extending indefinitely, subject to voter approval, the General Purpose Transactions and Use Tax administered by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration and codified under Article V (Transactions and Use Tax) of Chapter 82 (Taxation) of the San Fernando Municipal Code pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code Sections 7251 et seq.". By consensus, the motion carried.

- 3) PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

The City Clerk Chávez delivered Certificates of Election and administered the Oath of Office to newly elected officials Sylvia Ballin, Antonio G. Lopez, and Hector A. Pacheco.

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4) REORGANIZATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL – SELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR

City Clerk Chávez presented the staff report and opened nominations for Mayor.

Mayor Ballin nominated Joel Fajardo for Mayor and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Fajardo.

*Councilmember Gonzales nominated Antonio Lopez for Mayor and the motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Lopez.

There were no other nominations for Mayor.

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Mayor Ballin, to close nominations. By consensus, the motion carried.

For Joel Fajardo as Mayor, the motion carried with the following vote:

AYES:	Pacheco, Fajardo, Ballin – 3
NOES:	Gonzales, Lopez – 2
ABSENT:	None

**No vote taken.*

City Clerk Chávez opened nominations for Vice Mayor.

Mayor Fajardo nominated Sylvia Ballin for Vice Mayor and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Ballin.

*Councilmember Gonzales nominated Councilmember Lopez for Vice Mayor and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Lopez.

There were no other nominations for Vice Mayor.

For Sylvia Ballin as Vice Mayor, the motion carried with the following vote:

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

**No vote taken.*

STAFF COMMUNICATION

City Manager Meyerhoff congratulated newly elected Mayor Fajardo, Vice Mayor Ballin, and Councilmember Pacheco.

GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Lopez congratulated newly-elected Councilmember Pacheco and Vice Mayor Ballin and promised to continue to work hard for the community.

Councilmember Gonzales congratulated newly-elected Councilmember Pacheco and discussed the honor in serving the residents of San Fernando.

Councilmember Pacheco expressed his appreciation to his family, friends, residents and the City and noted he is ready to work to make a positive impact on the residents of San Fernando.

Vice Mayor Ballin thanked voters for reelecting her, thanked her team and her family as well as her Council colleagues and staff.

Mayor Fajardo thanked everyone for attending, congratulated the Pacheco family and spoke about his family for being his inspiration. He commended Councilmember Pacheco on his campaign and wisdom and looked forward to going forward. Additionally, Mayor Fajardo discussed the proliferation of marijuana in the City and noted the need to ensure that regulations are done, right. He thanked residents for their support of Measure A and wished everyone a Happy Holiday Season.

ADJOURNMENT (4:37 P.M.)

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

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of December 12, 2018, meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

Elena G. Chávez, CMC
City Clerk