

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**JULY 21, 2014 – 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, 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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by Police Explorer Cadet Yvonne Gonzalez

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

City Manager Saeki requested to add a presentation by Gus Villela (Congressman Tony Cardenas' representative) regarding a wireless service program for qualifying residents.

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales, to approve the agenda with the change. By consensus, the motion carried.

**PRESENTATION**

The following presentations were made:

- A) INTRODUCE NEW FINANCE DIRECTOR NICK KIMBALL
- B) TELScape CALIFORNIA LIFELINE WIRELESS SERVICE PROGRAM

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**PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL**

John Arroyo suggested closing off City streets to hold a barbeque and raise money to repair the streets.

Stormy Haupt complimented Councilmembers for what they set out to do and accomplished.

John Blue read from a letter he prepared regarding free speech and is against limiting public comments to three minutes.

Marisela Rodriguez talked about parking issues on Brand Blvd. and Maclay Ave. and asked that the City enforce regulations that would help bring in revenues.

Paul Luna suggested that the Parks, Wellness and Recreation Commission hold a special meeting at Heritage Park to discuss ideas to put the park to use and make it viable.

Mary Mendoza talked about the development of the JC Penney building and asked that the Council re-open and reconsider their decision.

Richard Arroyo reported that volunteers at the San Fernando Museum of Art & History are working on two baseball books and will be requesting Council support regarding naming the 5 and 118 Freeway exchange in honor of WWII Medal of Honor recipient David Gonzalez.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion by Councilmember Lopez, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales, to approve the Consent Calendar Items:

- 1) REQUEST TO APPROVE MINUTES OF JULY 7, 2014 – SPECIAL MEETING
- 2) REQUEST TO APPROVE WARRANT REGISTER NO 14-072
- 3) ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1633 AMENDING DIVISION 3 (INDUSTRIAL FEES) OF ARTICLE II (SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL) OF CHAPTER 94 (UTILITIES) OF THE SAN FERNANDO CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL WASTE FEES
- 4) DISASTER COUNCIL APPOINTMENT
- 5) NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR SAN FERNANDO REGIONAL POOL FACILITY PARKING LOT
- 6) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A LETTER FROM THE CITY COUNCIL OPPOSING ANY PROPOSED ELEVATED OR SURFACE LEVEL RAIL LINE FOR

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**THE CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL PROJECT THROUGH THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO**

- 7) **CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SAN FERNANDO COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER'S NEW ACCESS POINT PROPOSAL FOR FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER STATUS**

By consensus, the motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

- 8) **CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION FINDING THE CITY TO BE IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND APPROVING THE CITY'S 2014 CMP LOCAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

Mayor Ballin declared the Public Hearing open.

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

Mayor Ballin called for public testimony; there were no comments.

Motion by Councilmember Avila, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales, to close the Public Hearing. By consensus, the motion carried.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales, seconded by Councilmember Avila, to adopt Resolution No. 7632 certifying that the City is in conformance with the Congestion Management Program (CMP) for Los Angeles County, and approving the City's 2014 CMP Local Development Report for the reporting period from June 1, 2013 to May 31, 2014. By consensus, the motion carried.

**COMMITTEE/COMMISSION LIAISON UPDATES**

Councilmember Avila said he will be reporting back to Council with information on the SFVCOG restructuring.

Councilmember Fajardo announced that the Tree Commission would be meeting next week.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales reported that he attended the ICA summer seminar and gave an update (he was re-elected to the Board).

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**GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmembers welcomed and congratulated new Finance Director Nick Kimball.

Councilmember Lopez congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales for putting on a great ICA event last weekend.

Mayor Ballin said that both she and Councilmember Avila attended the Relay for Life event and she congratulated City departments for assisting and doing an outstanding job. She also looks forward to meeting with new Finance Director Kimball.

**STAFF COMMUNICATION**

City Manager Saeki welcomed Mr. Kimball and is looking forward to working with him. He also reported that he went on a police ride-along which was an eye-opening experience (he thanked Acting Sergeant Irwin Rosenberg and his crew).

Mayor Ballin reported that on Saturday, Republic had a successful bulky item pickup event and, also on the same day, the City Attorney's office held a workshop pertaining to the Brown Act.

**ADJOURNMENT (8:45 P.M.)**

By consensus, the meeting was adjourned.

*I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of July 21, 2014, meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.*

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*Elena G. Chávez*  
*City Clerk*