

**CITY OF SAN FERNANDO
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY
TO THE SAN FERNANDO REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
MINUTES**

**APRIL 5, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING**

Teleconference Per Governor Executive Order N-29-20

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Sylvia Ballin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Council: Mayor Sylvia Ballin, Vice Mayor Mary Mendoza, and Councilmembers Hector A. Pacheco (joined at 6:03 p.m.), Cindy Montañez and Celeste T. Rodriguez (joined at 6:01 p.m.)

Staff: City Manager Nick Kimball, Assistant City Attorney Richard Padilla, Chief of Police Anthony Vairo, Deputy City Manager/Director of Community Development Tim Hou, Director of Finance Diego Ibañez, Director of Public Works Matt Baumgardner, Director of Recreation and Community Services Julian Venegas, and City Clerk Julia Fritz

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by City Clerk Fritz

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Montañez, seconded by Vice Mayor Mendoza to approve the agenda, as amended:

Mayor Ballin requested to consider Agenda Item No. 10 following the approval of the Consent Calendar, and to postpone the Los Angeles Unified School District's update presentation to 7:50 p.m.

The motion carried, unanimously.

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PRESENTATIONS

- A) PRESENTATION OF A CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION HONORING BENITA TRUJILLO, SAN FERNANDO VALLEY DISTRICT DIRECTOR, LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT 3

PUBLIC STATEMENTS

City Clerk Fritz read into the record the following public comments submitted via email:

Rene I. Gaudet, Ed. D, Elizabeth Gutierrez, and Gina Franco commented on their opposition on the closure of St. Ferdinand Catholic School and requested City Council's support.

Gustavo Franco commented about two local businesses near his home playing loud music (restaurant) and loud yelling (exercise club) and asked City Council for assistance (correspondence submitted).

Liana Stepanyan provided San Fernando Library updates including reopening for select services on April 19, 2021.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Councilmember Pacheco, seconded by Vice Mayor Mendoza to approve:

- 1) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 16, 2021 REGULAR MEETING AND THE MARCH 15, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING
- 2) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WARRANT REGISTER
- 3) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO. 1933 WITH ALL AMERICAN ASPHALT, A SECOND AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO. 1942 WITH KOA CORPORATION, AND AUTHORIZE THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE GLENOAKS BOULEVARD STREET RESURFACING AND HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, JOB NO. 7595, PLAN NO. P-728
- 4) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EUROFINS EATON ANALYTICAL, LLC FOR WATER TESTING AND ANALYSIS SERVICES

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- 5) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ENVIROGEN TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES RELATED TO THE NITRATE TREATMENT SYSTEM FOR SAN FERNANDO WELL NO. 7

- 6) CONSIDERATION TO ACCEPT THE COMMUNITY POWER RESILIENCY ALLOCATION TO CITIES PROGRAM GRANT AWARD AND APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS

The motion carried, unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 10 was moved up on the agenda.

- 10) CONSIDERATION TO APPOINT A PLANNING AND PRESERVATION COMMISSIONER

Mayor Ballin introduced Joel Fajardo (not in attendance) as her representative to be appointed to the Planning and Preservation Commission.

Motion by Mayor Ballin, seconded by Vice Mayor Mendoza, to appoint Joel Fajardo to the Planning and Preservation Commission.

The motion carried, unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 7) A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE REGARDING FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY'S FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY

Mayor Ballin opened the public hearing.

Director of Public Works presented the staff report and responded to Councilmember questions.

Mayor Ballin opened public comment, no public testimony submitted. Mayor Ballin closed the public hearing. Motion by Councilmember Montañez, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez to close the public hearing. The motion carried, unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Pacheco, seconded by Vice Mayor Mendoza to introduce for first reading, in title only, and waive further reading of Ordinance No. 1701, titled, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of San Fernando, California, amending Chapter 26, Article V (Floodplain Management) to adopt Floodplain Management regulations and an updated Flood Insurance Study issued by the Federal Management Agency." The motion carried, unanimously.

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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

8) PRESENTATION AND UPDATE REGARDING COVID-19 RESPONSE EFFORTS

City Manager Kimball presented the staff report and replied to various questions from Councilmembers. No formal action was taken by City Council and the report was received and filed.

City Clerk Fritz noted that Los Angeles Unified District Board Member Kelly Gonez has joined the meeting at 7:59 p.m. for presentation of the following item:

B) PRESENTATION BY THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ON UPDATES REGARDING THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

9) DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION OF RECOMMENDED CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC GOALS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2021-2022 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

Councilmembers discussed strategic goals as recommended by the Ad hoc committee.

Motion by Councilmember Pacheco, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez, to continue the discussion to the following regular City Council meeting to allow additional time for feedback from all Councilmembers. The motion carried, unanimously.

STAFF COMMUNICATION INCLUDING COMMISSION UPDATES

Director of Public Works Baumgardner reported trees were recently planted along Glenoaks Blvd. between Harding Ave. and Hubbard St. and noted that discussions for the second phase of tree planting project would be brought to the Green City Ad Hoc Committee at its next meeting.

Director of Recreation and Community Services Venegas announced the Parks, Wellness and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on April 13, 2021, and mentioned that the Family Wellness Challenge activities will be offered as online and in-person workshops.

Police Chief Vairo requested to adjourn the meeting in memory of Sandra Sageri.

City Clerk Fritz announced the Education Commission approved a new scholarship program called Gerry's Kids, noted the scholarship would be offered annually and funded by former Deputy City Manager/Director of Community Development Tim Hou in honor of his late mother Geraldine Hou. Also, the Education Commission selected two students of the month for April and awarded thirteen student scholarships ranging from \$250 to \$1000 as a result of the Annual Student Scholarship Essay contest.

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GENERAL CITY COUNCIL/BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND LIAISON UPDATES

Councilmember Rodriguez and Councilmember Pacheco expressed thanks to staff for their work.

Councilmember Montañez reported she attended the Safe and Active Streets Ad Hoc Committee meeting and thanked the Strategic Goal Ad Hoc Committee and the City Council for the discussion.

Vice Mayor Mendoza thanked those that submitted public comments and attended the Cesar Chavez Commemorative Plaque event.

Mayor Ballin thanked Tim Hou for the scholarship contribution and thanked staff for their contributions.

ADJOURNMENT (9:33 p.m.)

Mayor Ballin adjourned the meeting in memory of Sandra Sageri, to the next regular City Council Meeting of April 19, 2021.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of April 5, 2021 meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

Julia Fritz, CMC
City Clerk