

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

**OCTOBER 3, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING**

**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
117 MACNEIL STREET
SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA 91340
TELECONFERENCE – PURSUANT TO PROVISIONS OF ASSEMBLY BILL 361**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Mary Mendoza called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Present: Council: Mayor Mary Mendoza, Councilmembers Sylvia Ballin and Celeste Rodriguez

Staff: City Manager Nick Kimball, Assistant City Attorney Richard Padilla, Police Chief Fabian Valdez, Director of Finance Erica Melton, Director of Public Works Matthew Baumgardner, Director of Community Development Kanika Kith, Director of Recreation and Community Services Julian Venegas and City Clerk Julia Fritz

Absent: Vice Mayor Hector A. Pacheco and Councilmember Cindy Montañez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by City Clerk Julia Fritz

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Ballin, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried, unanimously with Vice Mayor Pacheco and Councilmember Montañez

PRESENTATIONS

- A. PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 9, 2022, AS CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER APPRECIATION WEEK

PUBLIC STATEMENTS

Carolyn Urquidez representing Kidney’s Quest spoke about the successful First Annual Health and Wellness Family Festival that occurred on September 24, 2022, and thanked the City and Councilmembers for their support.

Public comments were made by the following residents that live on North Meyer Street about public safety hazards due to the deteriorating condition of the street and sidewalk and urged the City to expedite repairs for North Meyer Street:

Paul Vigil
Pat Gonzales
Gabriela Marquez
Arturo Medina
Linda Chavez
Kimberly Preciado

Director of Public Works Baumgardner stated that Phase 2 of the Slurry Seal Project is scheduled to begin in February 2023, and includes repairs to North Meyer Street.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Councilmember Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Ballin to approve:

- 1) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WARRANT REGISTER
- 2) CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION RE-AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 12, 2022 TO NOVEMBER 10, 2022, OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO’S LEGISLATIVE BODIES IN COMPLIANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(E) AND OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF ASSEMBLY BILL 361
- 3) CONSIDERATION TO AUTHORIZE THE FORMAL SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR PHASE 2 OF THE ANNUAL STREET RESURFACING PROJECT
- 4) CONSIDERATION TO AUTHORIZE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH GENERAL PUMP COMPANY, INC. FOR REHABILITATION SERVICES OF THE CITY’S GROUNDWATER WELL NO. 3

The motion carried unanimously with Vice Mayor Pacheco and Councilmember Montañez absent.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 5) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS FOR CITY ENGINEERING AND WATER AND WASTEWATER ENGINEERING SERVICES

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

Motion by Councilmember Ballin, seconded by Mayor Mendoza to approve a First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) (Contract No. 2043(a)) with Willdan Engineering, in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000 annually for City Engineering Services; approve a First Amendment to the PSA (Contract No. 2044(a)) with CWE, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 annually for Water and Wastewater Engineering Services; and authorize the City Manager to make non-substantive changes and execute all related documents.

The motion carried unanimously with Vice Mayor Pacheco and Councilmember Montañez absent.

- 6) DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION TO AUTHORIZE GAP FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE LAYNE PARK REVITALIZATION PROJECT.

Director of Recreation and Community Services Venegas presented the staff report and responded to Councilmember questions.

Councilmembers discussed certain elements of the project needed additional information for Council consideration such as reviewing the bid specifications and funding sources. By consensus of the City Council, staff was directed to return at a future City Council meeting with a revised contract.

STAFF COMMUNICATION INCLUDING COMMISSION UPDATES

City Clerk Fritz announced key dates and early vote center locations at Las Palmas Park and San Fernando Recreation Park for the upcoming November 8, 2022 General Election and reported that the City Clerk website page now offers immediate access to view available public records through a new search portal.

Police Chief Valdez stated that San Fernando Police Officers will be wearing pink patches on their uniform through the rest of the year in support of the fight against Breast Cancer; reminded the community to attend National Night Out tomorrow, October 4, 2022; and announced the Police

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Department will be bringing a detailed staff report to a future City Council meeting regarding data on domestic violence incidents and arrests.

Director of Recreation and Community Services Venegas announced the Parks, Wellness, and Recreation Commission meeting is on Tuesday, October 11, 2022; announced two events: a book signing at the Casa de Lopez Adobe on Sunday, October 23, 2022, registration is open for the San Fernando Valley Mile Run on October 29, 2022, with the Dia de los Muertos Cultural Festival following the run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Director of Public Work Baumgardner spoke on updates of the Slurry Seal Phase Project and the plans included for North Meyer Street; and informed Council that beginning in November notifications will be sent to residents that will be directly impacted by the road work and construction. City Manager Kimball notified Council that certain portions of Alexander Street are also being addressed.

Director of Community Development Kith spoke about a first time home buyer opportunity program; she attended International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) that provided opportunities for recruiting new businesses to the City; and announced the opening of two new businesses: Business Shipping and Game Tower.

Director of Finance Melton expressed appreciation to all attendees of the Measure A/SF Town Hall Meeting, feedback was received and information on the update can be found on the City's website.

City Manager Kimball extended thanks to staff for their work during his recent absence from the office.

GENERAL CITY COUNCIL/BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND LIAISON UPDATES

Councilmember Rodriguez spoke about setting protocols for the home loan program, ensuring residents understand the concept of the program, and receiving feedback from the community.

Councilmember Ballin spoke about the significance of wearing pink and thanked Officer Diaz for initiating the process; mentioned she attended the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District 70th Year Anniversary event and the Kidney Quest Wellness Festival.

Mayor Mendoza announced her book donations to the San Fernando Library of the Cesar Chavez Learning Academies students on their stories and experiences; mentioned attended the Kidney Quest event, visited Chrysalis at the Pacoima Center, and noted she attended the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District 70th Year Anniversary where she presented a certificate honoring their 70th anniversary.

ADJOURNMENT (7:29 p.m.)

Mayor Mendoza adjourned the meeting to the next regular meeting of October 17, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the October 3, 2022, regular meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

Julia Fritz, CMC
City Clerk