

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**MAY 30, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETING**

**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
117 MACNEIL STREET
SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA 91340**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Rodriguez called the special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Council: Mayor Celeste T. Rodriguez, Vice Mayor Mary Mendoza, and Councilmembers Joel Fajardo and Mary Solorio

Staff: City Manager Nick Kimball, Assistant City Attorney Norma Tabares, Police Chief Fabian Valdez, Director of Finance Erica Melton, Director of Recreation and Community Services Julian Venegas and City Clerk Julia Fritz

Absent: Councilmember Cindy Montañez

TELECONFERENCING REQUESTS/DISCLOSURE

No requests considered.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by City Clerk Julia Fritz

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Solorio to approve the agenda. The motion carried, with Councilmember Montañez absent.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS

Yvette Delgado submitted a written statement regarding Council comments that occurred at the May 2, 2023 City Council meeting.

Jennifer Acosta submitted a written statement regarding City maintenance.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Councilmember Fajardo, seconded by Councilmember Solorio to approve the Consent Calendar:

- 1) CONSIDERATION TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL TWO EMERGENCY BACKUP POWER GENERATORS FOR LAS PALMAS AND RECREATION PARKS

The motion carried with Councilmember Montañez absent.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 2) FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET STUDY SESSION NO. 2

Staff presented department proposed budget presentations for Recreation and Community Services, Community Development, and Public Works.

It was noted that the City Council recessed the meeting at 7:33 p.m. and reconvened at 7:48 p.m. with Councilmember Montañez absent.

Councilmembers discussed the proposed department budgets, enhancement requests and suggested recommendations to staff to include in Budget Study Session No. 3.

Finance Director Melton provided a recap of Budget Study Session No. 1 based on general comments, work plan comments, and additional budget enhancements received by City Council.

STAFF COMMUNICATION INCLUDING COMMISSION UPDATES

There were no staff updates.

GENERAL CITY COUNCIL/BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND LIAISON UPDATES

Mayor Rodriguez attended the Education Commission Scholarship Award Ceremony meeting; the Police Department Business Watch Meeting; the Cesar Chavez Learning Academies mural unveiling; Chat with the Chief at the American Legion, the LA Tenant Protection Policy Summit at UCLA; a Period Poverty Awareness Week Product Giveaway event hosted by North Valley Caring Services; commented on the Community Bike Ride hosted by the San Fernando Brewery; stated she attended the San Fernando Police Department's Open House and the Veterans Recognition Program at the American Legion.

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Councilmember Fajardo was impressed with the budget study session process and mentioned he attended the Education Commission Scholarship Ceremony, the San Fernando Police Department's Open House and offered condolences to recent victims of shootings.

Councilmember Solorio thanked staff for presentations, commented on the Cesar Chavez Learning Academy Mural Unveiling; food distribution services; mentioned she attended the Memorial Day events; and spoke about City Council's influence with other agencies to collaborate with.

Vice Mayor Mendoza thanked staff and City Council for the robust budget session.

Mayor Rodriguez thanked staff and City Council for the discussion.

ADJOURNMENT (10:25 p.m.)

Mayor Rodriguez adjourned the meeting in memory of those lost to gun violence.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the May 30, 2023, Special meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

Julia Fritz, CMC
City Clerk