

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**AUGUST 27, 2012 – 6:00 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETING**

City Hall Council Chambers
117 Macneil Street
San Fernando, CA 91340

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Brenda Esqueda called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Present:

Council: Mayor Brenda Esqueda, Mayor Pro Tem Antonio Lopez, and Councilmembers Maribel De La Torre, and Sylvia Ballin

Staff: City Administrator Al Hernández, City Attorney Maribel S. Medina, and City Clerk Elena G. Chávez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Lopez

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Ballin, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lopez, to approve the agenda. By consensus, the motion carried.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Jason Elias urges the council to set aside political differences, prioritize serving the public by continuing meetings, fostering open dialogue, and allowing the public to voice their concerns.

San Fernando Public Employees Association representatives expressed their willingness to negotiate despite challenging times.

Irwin Rosenberg, SFPOA President, highlighted the police department's cost-saving sacrifices and criticized the city's biased decisions and lack of recognition for their efforts.

Dale Warren highlighted his job responsibilities and is opposed to staff layoffs.

Fred Olivas Jr. spoke in support of continuing the meals on wheels program.

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Serita Vasant commented on Agenda Item No. 2.

Robert Ortega encouraged voter participation in the upcoming election.

Benita Rivera commented on general city concerns.

Gilbert Gomez expressed concern about losing community services like Meals on Wheels and of his support of the police department.

Mr. Torres expressed opposition to eliminating positions at the park and advocating for the continuation of senior classes and Zumba.

Mr. Escobar expressed opposition to staff layoffs at the park that would affect senior programming.

Severyn Aszkenazy expressed concerns regarding the city's budget.

Margie Carranza spoke about repercussions for Councilmembers concerning questionable activities.

Samuel Beltran expressed concerns regarding the city financing development activities.

Tom Ross spoke about the lack of transparency on the city's deficit and efforts to increase revenue.

Frank commented on the San Fernando Public Employees Association has made sacrifices over the past four years, including cuts to retirement, longevity pay, and cost-of-living adjustments.

Renato Lira urged focus on the city's future preparedness, acknowledging the work of public works and the support of the police officers.

Adriana Gomez commented on the city's financial practices, tax increases and highlighted contributing factors to the city's financial struggles.

Julian Ruelas commented on the atmosphere of recent Council meetings and encouraged respectful treatment of residents and collaboration.

Carolina Perez urged the council to remain impartial and neutral while prioritizing the budget, emphasizing the need listen to concerns about the city.

Mario Hernandez commented on another speaker's comments.

Linda Aara highlighted concerns about ongoing negative comments and suggested to prioritize getting business done for the City.

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Cathy Najar submitted a written comment of her concerns regarding the city.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) ADOPTION OF ANNUAL RESOLUTION REQUIRED BY COUNTY REGARDING CITY'S OBLIGATION TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-13

City Administrator presented the staff report and responded to Councilmember questions.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Lopez, seconded by Councilmember De La Torre, to adopt a Resolution that will establish the amount necessary to be raised by taxation for the City's annual payment to the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS), which is estimated at \$3,861,693 for FY 2012-13, and fix the property tax rate for FY 2012-13 at \$0.28420 per \$100 of assessed valuation and levies that tax rate upon all taxable property in the City. The motion carried by the following vote:

ROLL CALL

AYES:	Lopez, De La Torre, Ballin – 3
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	Esqueda – 1
ABSENT:	None

- 2) APPROVAL OF A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR VALLEY CARE COMMUNITY CONSORTIUM IN THEIR SUBMISSION OF A HEALTHY EATING, ACTIVE LIVING (HEAL) GRANT APPLICATION

Motion by De La Torre, seconded by Councilmember Ballin to authorize the City Administrator to execute and submit a letter to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health supporting the Valley Care Community Consortium (VCCC) in their submission of a Healthy Eating, Active Living (HEAL) Grant application. By consensus, the motion carried.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (8:04 P.M.)

By consensus, Councilmembers recessed to the following Closed Session, thereafter to adjourn.

- A) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR
G.C. 54957.6

City Negotiator: City Administrator Al Hernandez
Employee Organizations: San Fernando Management Group (SEIU, Local 721)

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San Fernando Public Employees' Association (SEIU, Local 721)
San Fernando Police Officers Association
San Fernando Police Officers Association Police Management Unit
San Fernando Police Civilian Association (SEIU, Local 721)
San Fernando Part-time Employees' Association (SEIU, Local 721)

The City Attorney stated there was no reportable action regarding items on the Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT (9:05 p.m.)

The meeting was adjourned to the next regular meeting.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of August 27, 2012 meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council at the meeting of October 21, 2024.

Julia Fritz
City Clerk

Note: The current sitting members of the City Council approved the minutes as to form only during the meeting of October 21, 2024, and are not validating the accuracy of the minutes since they were not part of the City Council during that time period.