

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**SEPTEMBER 17, 2012 – 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR 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 6:10 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

Absent: (Vacant)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Esqueda

PRESENTATION

- A) PRESENTATION BY NUEVA ESPERANZA SCHOOL – ACADEMIC SCORES
- B) EAST SAN FERNANDO TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECT – UPDATE BY METRO

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Ballin, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lopez, to approve the agenda and move up Item No. 9 to after the Consent Calendar. By consensus, the motion carried.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

The following individuals spoke in support of continuing youth sports programming:

Danny Dunn
Leticia Cervantes
Renato Lira
Rolando Hernández
Christina Gutierrez
Tony Lopez
Carolina Perez
John Perez
Tom Hernández
Jose Montelongo

Director of Recreation and Community Services clarified that the youth sports programs would continue to be offered.

James Pledger, General Manager for Republic Services, spoke in support of Agenda Item No. 4.

The following individuals spoke in opposition to employees being laid off:

John Arroyo
Danny Cortez
Ruben
Ms. Martin
Jordan Gil

Patty Lopez spoke regarding the budget cuts, saving essential city staff and youth programming.

Edward Cortez spoke about the city finances and supports continuing youth programming.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Councilmember Ballin, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lopez, to approve:

- 1) APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER NO. 12-092
- 2) APPROVAL OF A TWO-YEAR EXTENSION OF BOTH MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING (MOUs) BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE SAN FERNANDO MANAGEMENT GROUP (SFMG) AND THE SAN FERNANDO POLICE CIVILIAN ASSOCIATION (SFPCA) AND APPROVAL OF SIDE LETTERS

- 3) NOTICE OF COMPLETION – SITE PREPARATION 12900 DRONFIELD AVENUE, PHASE 1A (NITRATE PROJECT)

By consensus, the motion carried.

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

- 4) REFUSE CONTRACT UPDATE

City Administrator Hernández presented updates and responded to Councilmember questions.

City Staff reported that they had a meeting with Crown Disposal, the City's refuse contractor, and discussed contract negotiation points; talked about how to increase revenue through the Pavement Impact Fund on the current agreement and talked about certain clarifying amendments to the contract related to residential billings and rate increases.

Mayor Esqueda questioned the refuse contract extension.

City staff reminded the City Council that, at the July 2, 2012, City Council meeting, the following motion and direction were provided to staff regarding the Crown Disposal contract: *Motion by Councilmember De La Torre, seconded by Councilmember Ballin, to adopt a Resolution approving the Final FY 2012-13 City Budget, including the modification suggested by Councilmember Ballin to re-negotiate a one-year extension agreement with Crown Disposal. By consensus, the motion carried.*

City Attorney confirmed that to overturn the July 2, 2012 City Council direction, the Council would need to vote on a new motion that must be approved by at least three Councilmembers to formally rescind or amend the previous direction to staff in order to ensure that the change is supported by a majority and follows procedural requirements.

It was noted that City staff will continue to negotiate terms and conditions with Crown Disposal on a one-year contract extension amendment to be effective February 2013 through February 2014 as per City Council's direction at the July 2, 2012 meeting; noted the expired contract would continue to renew on a month-to-month basis until the contract amendment terms are finalized and approved by the City Council at a future meeting. The City Council received and filed the update report.

STANDING COMMITTEE UPDATES

- No. 1 Budget, Personnel and Finance (BPF)
No. 2 Housing, Community & Economic Development and Parking (HCEP)

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- No. 3 Natural Resources, Infrastructure, Water, Energy and Waste Management (NRIW)
- No. 4 Public Safety, Veteran Affairs, Technology and Transportation (PVTT)
- No. 5 Education, Parks, Arts, Health and Aging (EPAH)

City Councilmembers provided informational updates.

GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember De La Torre recommended that a meeting be held with local school Principals regarding student Academic Performance Index scores.

Mayor Esqueda commented on attending the State Farm event.

Councilmember Ballin noted she attended the San Fernando Library's 100th anniversary celebration event.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

City Administrator Hernández mentioned the City's auditors are scheduled next week to perform the annual city financial audit.

Director of Recreation and Community Services reported on Park programming activities including the launch of the Recreation and Community Services official City website.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (8:16 P.M.)

By consensus, Councilmembers recessed to 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)
San Fernando Public Employees' Association (SEIU, Local 721)
San Fernando Police Officers Association
San Fernando Police Officers Association Police Management Unit

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

**B) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
G.C. 54957**

Title: City Attorney

The City Attorney noted there was no reportable action as a result of the Closed Session meeting.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of September 17, 2012 meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.

Julia Fritz
City Clerk

Note: The current sitting members of the City Council approved the minutes as to form only during the meeting of November 18, 2024, and are not validating the accuracy of the minutes since they were not part of the City Council during that time period.