

MINUTES

JOINT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
APRIL 9, 2009

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 6:07 p.m., called the Community Development Commission and City Council meetings to order.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners/Councilmembers Putnam, Rounds, Serrano, Velasco, Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez

Also present: Fred Latham, City Manager; Barbara Earl, City Clerk; Steve Skolnik, City Attorney; Paul Ashworth, Director of Planning and Development; Don Jensen, Director of Public Works; Fernando Tarin, Director of Police Services; Ana Alvarez, Director of Community Services; Jose Gomez, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Alex Rodriguez, Fire Chief.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

3. **REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

No reports were given.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes

- A. Minutes of the Joint Study Session of March 19, 2009

Recommendation: That the Commission approve the minutes as submitted.

- B. Minutes of the Regular Community Development Commission Meeting of March 26, 2009

Recommendation: That the Commission approve the minutes as submitted.

Commissioner Serrano moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including Item Nos. 4-A and 4-B. Vice-Chairperson Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Resolution No. 221-09 – Approving the Use of Community Development Commission Funds for the Sorensen Avenue Sidewalk Project between Washington Boulevard and Slauson Avenue

Recommendation: That the Commission adopt Resolution No. 221-09; and authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids for the Sorensen Avenue Sidewalk Project between Washington Boulevard and Slauson Avenue.

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

Resolution No. 9172 – Approving the Use of Community Development Commission Funds for the Sorensen Avenue Sidewalk Project

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9172 finding that the Sorensen Avenue Sidewalk Project between Washington Boulevard and Slauson Avenue benefits the Washington Boulevard Redevelopment Project Area and that no other reasonable means to complete the financing of this project is available within the community.

Commissioner Rounds moved to adopt Resolution No. 221-09 and also its companion item on the Council Agenda, Resolution No. 9172. Commissioner Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

6. Approval of Major Public Facilities (CIP) Funding Plan

Recommendation: That the Commission approve the Funding Plan (Attachment A); and approve the Funding Actions (Attachment B).

Vice-Chairperson Putnam moved to approve Item No. 6. Commissioner Serrano seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Putnam, Rounds, Serrano, Velasco, Chairperson Gonzalez

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

CITY COUNCIL

9. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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- B. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of March 26, 2009

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Vice-Chairperson Putnam moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including Item Nos. 9-A and 9-B. Commissioner Velasco seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

11. Appeal of Planning Commission Approval of Tentative Parcel Map No. 70811

Recommendation: That the City Council may, in its discretion, pursuant to Section 154.09(B) of the City Code, reject the complaint within fifteen (15) days, or set the matter for public hearing at a later date.

City Attorney Skolnik gave a brief presentation explaining that on March 23, 2009 at a public hearing, the Planning Commission upheld staff's recommendation to approve Tentative Parcel Map No. 70811 by a 5-0 vote. As a result of the approval, representatives from Phibro-Tech retained the Law Firm of Paul Hastings to represent them as the parcel map will affect an easement which the company uses in the day-to-day operation of its business. Attorney Edgar Khalatian spoke on behalf of Phibro-Tech; Applicant Larry Patsouras spoke on his own behalf. Samir Khoury, the Engineer working for both parties, gave an overview of the matter.

Councilmember Rounds moved to continue the matter until the April 23 Council meeting in an effort to allow the parties to meet and confer in the hopes of resolving the matter. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Putnam, Rounds, Serrano, Velasco, Chairperson Gonzalez

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

SUBSEQUENT NEED

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Name of Case: Community Development Commission vs. Bueno

No. of Cases: 1

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Property: 12345 Lakeland Road

Negotiating Parties: Staff and Potential Sellers and/or Buyers

Under Negotiation: Terms of Agreement

Mr. Latham advised that a Subsequent Need Item was also before the Council. He explained that in order for an item to qualify for placement on the agenda as a subsequent need item, it must meet two criteria: 1) that staff became aware of the item after the preparation of the agenda and 2) that the matter could not wait for the next meeting to be acted on. He further stated that this item met both criteria.

Councilmember Velasco moved to place the item on the agenda. Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Putnam, Rounds, Serrano, Velasco, Mayor Gonzalez

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

City Attorney Skolnik advised that the two matters listed on the Subsequent Need report will be discussed in Closed Session.

12. INVOCATION

Councilmember Serrano gave the Invocation.

13. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Youth Leadership students led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

14. Representatives from the Youth Leadership Committee

Alyssa Trujillo, Robert Wolfe and Brianna Tavera were present.

15. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce

Kathie Fink, CEO, was present.

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Serrano announced that Mayor Gonzalez will be celebrating his birthday on April 10; he invited the audience to sing Happy Birthday to him. A cake was brought out and served.

Mayor Gonzalez called upon Brittany Oyama, Jim Peterson, and Kathy Goin representing the American Red Cross. Jointly, they thanked Council for their continuous monetary support and staff volunteerism; invited the community to the upcoming Hometown Heroes Luncheon on June 4 at the Clarke Estate; and presented Council with a Certificate of Appreciation. Pictures with Council followed.

Wayne Bergeron, Management Assistant, updated the Community Events Calendar.

City Manager Latham requested that Council and staff keep Sgt. Gil Flores in their prayers as he had suffered a massive stroke and was in a coma.

PRESENTATIONS

17. Proclaiming April 22, 2009 as “Earth Day in Santa Fe Springs”

Mayor Gonzalez called upon Anita Jimenez, Program Coordinator, to give the presentation. City Clerk Barbara Earl read the proclamation; pictures with Council followed.

18. Proclaiming April 2009 as “Municipal Community Services Month”

Mayor Gonzalez called upon Ana Alvarez, Director of Community Services, and her staff to give the presentation. City Clerk Barbara Earl read the proclamation; pictures with Council, Commissioners, staff and volunteers followed.

19. Proclaiming April 22, 2009 as “Denim Day”

Mayor Gonzalez called upon Fernando Tarin, Director of Police Services, to give the presentation. City Clerk Barbara Earl read the proclamation. Pictures with Council, Captain Bar and Mr. Tarin followed.

Mayor Gonzalez suggested that Council and staff, in support of Denim Day, wear denim to the April 23 Council meeting; Council unanimously agreed.

20. APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS

Committee Appointments

No appointments were made.

21. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez opened Oral Communications and invited interested parties to come forward to address the Commission/Council.

Having no one come forward, Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez closed Oral Communications.

22. EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS

Paul Ashworth, Director of Planning and Development, wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Fernando Tarin, Director of Police Services, reminded Council of the Every 15 Minutes Program to be held at Santa Fe High School on April 22 and 23.

RECESS

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 8:45 p.m., recessed the meeting to go into Closed Session.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

CLOSED SESSION

7. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Property: 13210 Telegraph Road

Negotiating Parties: Staff and Property Owner

Under Negotiation: Terms of Agreement

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CLOSED SESSION

8. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

Agency Negotiator: City Manager

Employee Organizations: Santa Fe Springs Firemen's Association

23. RECONVENE/ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 9:31 p.m., reconvened the Community Development Commission and City Council meetings and immediately adjourned them in the memory of Edelmira Ortega, long-time resident and participant of the Neighborhood Center Senior Services Program.

Luis M. Gonzalez
Chairperson/Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Earl, CMC, City Clerk