



APPROVED: 6/25/2020

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

May 28, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rounds called the meeting to order via teleconference at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members present: Councilmembers/Directors: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Mora and Mayor/Chair Rounds.

Members absent: None

Janet Martinez, City Clerk announced that members of the Public Financing Authority and Water Utility Authority receive \$150 for their attendance at meetings.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were two people wishing to speak during Public Comments: Jeremy Carnum and Stephane Wandel.

PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes of the April 23, 2020 Public Financing Authority (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

- b. Monthly Report on the Status of Debt Instruments Issued through the City of Santa Fe Springs Public Financing Authority (PFA) (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Receive and file the report.

It was moved by Councilmember Zamora, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo, to approve Item Nos. 4A and 4B, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes of the April 23, 2020 Water Utility Authority (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

- b. Monthly Report on the Status of Debt Instruments Issued through the City of Santa Fe Springs Water Utility Authority (WUA) (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Receive and file the report.

- c. Status Update of Water-Related Capital Improvement Projects (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Receive and file the report.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Mora, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez, to approve Item Nos. 5A, 5B, and 5C, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS

6. Whittier Water Connection Upgrade – Authorization to Advertise for Construction Bids (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Approve the Plans and Specifications; and
- Authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids.

It was moved by Councilmember Trujillo, seconded by Councilmember Zamora, to approve the Plans and Specifications, and authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

HOUSING SUCCESSOR

7. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes of the April 23, 2020 Housing Successor (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

It was moved by Councilmember Rodriguez, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mora, to approve the minutes as submitted, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

SUCCESSOR AGENCY

8. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes of the April 23, 2020 Successor Agency (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

It was moved by Councilmember Zamora, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo, to approve the minutes as submitted, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

CITY COUNCIL

9. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes of the April 23 and 29, 2020 Regular and Special City Council Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

- b. Status update for the appeal of a denial involving an application for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP Case No. 795), five (5) Zone Variances (ZV Case Nos. 82 and 84-87) and a Development Agreement (DA 01-2020), filed by Becker Boards, on a parcel located at 13539 Freeway Drive (APN: 8069-016-006) (Planning)

Recommendation:

- Receive and file the report.

- c. Authorize the Disposal of Surplus Vehicles and Equipment by Way of Public Auction (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Authorize the disposal of four (4) surplus vehicles, and various obsolete equipment at public auction.

It was moved by Councilmember Trujillo, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez, to approve Items Nos. 9A, 9B, and 9C, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

PUBLIC HEARING

- 10. Resolution No. 9673 – Amendment of Water Rates and Related Charges for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (Public Works)**

Recommendation:

- Acknowledgement all written protests that have been received and verify that they do not exceed 50% of all City water customers;
- Conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed water rate increase; and
- Adopt Resolution No. 9673 to amend water rates and service charges effective June 1, 2020.

Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete provided an informational presentation on Item No. 10. City Manager Ray Cruz provided additional information.

Councilmember Trujillo asked about the repercussions of delaying the implementation of water rates. Mayor Pro Tem Mora commented that if changes were not implemented now, they would have to implement in the future.

Mayor Rounds opened the Public Hearing at 6:33 p.m.

The following people spoke during the Public Hearing: Stephane Wandel, Jeremy Carnam, Maria Gonzalez, and Lynn Berg.

Mayor Rounds closed the Public Hearing at 6:46 p.m.

It was moved by Councilmember Trujillo, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez, to acknowledge all written protests that have been received and verify they do not exceed 50% of all City water customers, conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed water rate increases, and adopt Resolution No. 9673 to amend water rates and service charges effective June 1, 2020, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS

11. Amendment Number Two to Lease Agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and The Whole Child (TWC) for use of modular building located at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center (Community Services)

Recommendation:

- Approve Amendment Number Two to Lease Agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and The Whole Child to extend the lease term by one year for use of the modular building located at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center.

It was moved by Councilmember Trujillo, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez, to approve Amendment Number Two to Lease Agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and The Whole Child to extend the lease term by one year for use of the modular building located at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

12. Engineering Project Management Services – Various City of Santa Fe Springs Park Improvement Projects – Award of Contract (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Amend the Adopted Capital Improvement Program for FY 2012/15 to include the Various City of Santa Fe Springs Park Improvement Projects;
- Accept the Proposals submitted by Onward Engineering;
- Award Contract to Onward Engineering from Anaheim, California for the

Various City of Santa Fe Springs Park Improvement Projects Management Services in the total amount of \$171,168.00 (Los Nietos Park - \$22,800, Santa Fe Springs Park - \$36,892, Heritage Park - \$32,100, and Little Lake Park - \$79,376); and;

- Authorize the Mayor to execute the agreements with Onward Engineering.

It was moved by Councilmember Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Zamora, to amend the adopted Capital Improvement Program for FY2012/15 to include the Various City of Santa Fe Springs Park Improvement Projects, accept the Proposals submitted by Onward Engineering, award a Contract to Onward Engineering from Anaheim, California for the Various City of Santa Fe Springs Park Improvement Projects Management Services in the total amount of \$171,168.00 (Los Nietos Park - \$22,800, Santa Fe Springs Park - \$36,892, Heritage Park - \$32,100, and Little Lake Park - \$79,376), and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreements with Onward Engineering, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

13. Authorize the Purchase of One (1) Ford F-150 and One (1) Ford F-250 from National Auto Fleet Group by Piggybacking off Sourcewell Cooperative Contract No. 120716-NAF (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Authorize the purchase of one (1) New 2020 Ford F-150 SuperCab from National Auto Fleet Group per attached quote ID 13487 R1 for \$34,512.57.
- Authorize the purchase of one (1) New 2020 Ford F-250 SuperCab from National Auto Fleet Group per attached quote ID 12608 R3 for \$43,728.19.
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order to National Auto Fleet Group for \$78,240.76 for the purchase of the above vehicles.

It was moved by Councilmember Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Zamora, to authorize the purchase of one (1) New 2020 Ford F-150 SuperCab from National Auto Fleet Group per attached quote ID 13487 R1 for \$34,512.57, authorize the purchase of one (1) New 2020 Ford F-250 SuperCab from National Auto Fleet Group per attached quote ID 12608 R3 for \$43,728.19, and authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order to National Auto Fleet Group for \$78,240.76 for the purchase of the above vehicles, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

14. CITY MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS

- City Manager, Ray Cruz spoke about resuming normal operations for City Hall during the Coronavirus pandemic. He is working alongside Department heads to ensure safety measures are being taken before reopening. He also spoke about the cancellation of the July 3rd Celebration, but announced that TNT fireworks booths will be available within the City.
- Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete thanked Council for their support with the proposed water rate changes.
- Director of Planning, Wayne Morrell spoke about removing soil that was inappropriately dumped on a portion of land owned by the City within the City of Pico Rivera along the San Gabriel River. He also spoke about staff continuing to work on the General Plan and spoke about the website www.reimaginesantafesprings.org where residents can obtain more information. He provided an update on a valve fix by the Yoshinoya Restaurant on Telegraph Rd. Lastly, he provided an update on the Sonic Restaurant project following the acceptance of conditions.
- Director of Police Services, Dino Torres spoke about resuming citations for street sweeping violations on June 1st. Warning signs were placed on cars and distributed on social media.
- Fire Chief Brent Hayward provided an update on the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in Los Angeles County and surrounding cities. He also spoke about meeting with the fireworks both vendors at City Hall on June 17th. Lastly, he thanked all those who are remembered on Memorial Day.
- Director of Finance and Administrative Services, Travis Hickey spoke about the City's website being down for maintenance on June 8th and a portion of June 9th.
- Director of Community Services, Maricela Balderas spoke about the Parks and Recreation Department launching the "Rec n' Roll" Program. She also noted that the tennis courts at the Los Nietos Park will be reopened with limitations and that reservations are needed online. She also spoke about the Summer Lunch Program starting on June 8th until July 17th from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Starting June 8th, City parks will be staffed from 10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. She also announced that online registration is now open for virtual classes that begin on June 15th. Lastly, she thanked Council for recording a video message for the graduating 2020 class.

15. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Rodriguez thanked Community Services staff and asked residents to please be mindful of others and to not purchase or detonate illegal fireworks. She also thanked Director of Police Services Dino Torres for notifying residents of the resuming citations. She also thanked City staff for being positive.

Councilmember Trujillo echoed Councilmember Rodriguez's sentiments regarding illegal fireworks. She also thanked Community Services Director Maricela Balderas for her department's events and lastly thanked Public Works Director Noe Negrete for his

presentation.

Councilmember Zamora thanked staff for their hard work and thanked all the frontline workers who are fighting the virus. He also extended his gratitude to the Nakamura Family in light of Memorial Day.

Mayor Pro Tem Mora thanked the residents for their patience during the Stay-at-Home orders. He congratulated the 2020 graduates and also thanked staff for their hard work.

Mayor Rounds thanked City staff all of their hard work during the past months. He also spoke about the Florence Avenue Widening Project and hoped that the bridge would be completed by the end of July or early August.

CLOSED SESSION

16. THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES

(Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957)

Consultation with: Fire Chief, Police Chief and Captain, Director of Police Services, City Attorney

CLOSED SESSION

17. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

(Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager, Director of Finance, Human Resources Manager, City Attorney, Labor Negotiator.

Employee Organizations: Santa Fe Springs City Employees' Association and Santa Fe Springs Firefighters' Association

CLOSED SESSION

18. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

(Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager, City Attorney, Labor Negotiator

Employee Organization: Santa Fe Springs Executive, Management and Confidential Employees' Association

CLOSED SESSION

19. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8)

Property: APN #8009-007-930

Agency Negotiator: Wayne Morrell, Director of Planning

Negotiating Parties: Westland Real Estate Group

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

City Attorney Ivy M. Tsai requested to add an additional Closed Session item with the findings that the item arose after the posting of the agenda and it cannot wait until the next council meeting.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Mora, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo to add Closed Session Item No. 20.

CLOSED SESSION

20. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4): One Case

Mayor Rounds recessed the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Mayor Rounds reconvened the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

21. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney, Ivy M. Tsai provided a report on the closed session item: Direction was given to staff and no reportable action was taken.

22. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rounds adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m. in memory of Pastor Stephane Woody and Leslie Sanders.

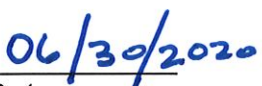
ATTEST:



Janet Martinez
City Clerk



William K. Rounds
Mayor



Date