



APPROVED: 10/22/2020

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

September 24, 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 was no one wishing to speak during Public Comments.

PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Minutes of the August 27, 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 Trujillo, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez, to approve Item Nos. 4A and 4B, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nays: None

Absent: None

WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Minutes of the August 27, 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 Council Member Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mora, to approve Item Nos. 5A, 5B, and 5C, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nays: None

Absent: None

HOUSING SUCCESSOR

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of the August 27, 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

Nays: None

Absent: None

SUCCESSOR AGENCY

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of the August 27, 2020 Successor Agency (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

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

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nays: None

Absent: None

CITY COUNCIL

8. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes of the August 27, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

- b. General Motion to Waive Full Reading and Read Ordinance by Title Only Pursuant

to California Government Code Section 36934 (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve a general motion to waive full reading and read Ordinance titles only, pursuant to California Government Code Section 36934.

- c. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 1112 Amending the Heritage Arts Advisory Committee Membership to reinstate to its membership a member of the Family and Human Services Advisory Committee (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Adopt Ordinance No. 1112 amending the Heritage Arts Advisory Committee Membership to reinstate to its membership a member of the Family and Human Services Advisory Committee.

- d. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Santa Fe Springs, California, Censuring Councilmember Joe Angel Zamora and Ordering Training on the City's Code of Conduct and the City's Harassment Policy (Special Counsel)

Recommendation:

- Adopt Resolution No. 9695 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Santa Fe Springs, California, Censuring Councilmember Joe Angel Zamora and Ordering Training on the City's Code of Conduct and the City's Harassment Policy.

It was moved by Councilmember Trujillo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mora, to approve Items Nos. 8A through 8D, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Zamora (Only for Item No. 8D)

PUBLIC HEARING (*Continued from July 23, 2020 City Council Meeting*)

9. Consideration of an Appeal of a Planning Commission Denial, filed by Becker Boards, Involving an Application for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP Case No. 795), five (5) Zone Variance (ZV Case Nos. 82 and 84-87) and a Development Agreement (DA 01-2020) on a Parcel Located at 13539 Freeway Drive (APN: 8069-016-006) (Planning)

Recommendation:

- Open the Public Hearing and receive any comments from the public regarding the appeal of the denial by the Planning Commission of Conditional Use Permit Case No. 795, Zone Variance Case Nos. 82 and 84-87 and Development Agreement 01-2020, and thereafter close the public hearing; and
- Consider the information presented in this report and any public testimony obtained through this Public Hearing, in combination with the February 12, 2020 Planning Commission staff report, approved minutes, adopted resolution, previous presentations provided by Staff and Joseph White, and the July 20, 2020 letter provided by Mr. Mark Rosen (attorney representing Tom's Truck Center), which collectively provide the necessary background and context; and

- Find that the applicant's CUP request does not meet the necessary criteria set forth in §155.716 of the City's Zoning Ordinance for the granting of a Conditional Use Permit; and
- Find that the applicant's project does not meet the necessary finding set forth in §155.384 (C) of the City's Zoning Ordinance for the granting of a Conditional Use Permit for a billboard project; and
- Find that the applicant has not adequately demonstrated that the required conditions for approval of a Variance can be found for the subject billboard project, as set forth in §155.675 of the City of Santa Fe Springs Zoning Ordinance; and
- Uphold the Planning Commission's decision and deny Conditional Use Permit Case No. 795; Zone Variance Case No. 82, Zone Variance Case Nos. 84-87; and Development Agreement No. 01- 2020; and
- Find and determine that pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the project is Exempt from CEQA since no project is being recommended for approval at this time; and Adopt Resolution No. 9686, which incorporates the City Council findings

Planning Director, Wayne Morrell made a presentation.

Senior Planner, Cuong Nguyen also made a brief presentation.

Mayor Rounds opened the Public hearing at: 6:56 p.m.

Appellant Joseph White made a brief presentation.

The following spoke during public comment portion:

- William Interiano
- KC Heidler
- Gus Sanchez
- Mark Rosen
- George (No last name provided)
- Tracy Zinn

Joseph White, Appellant responded to concerns.

Mayor Rounds closed the Public Hearing at: 7:56 p.m.

Mr. Morrell and Mr. Nguyen responded to appellants concerns.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo, to uphold the Planning Commission's decision and deny Conditional Use Permit Case No. 795; Zone Variance Case No. 82, Zone Variance Case Nos. 84-87; and Development Agreement No. 01- 2020; and find and determine that pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the project is Exempt from CEQA since no project is being

recommended for approval at this time; and adopt Resolution No. 9686, which incorporates the City Council findings, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS

10. Authorize the Purchase of Seven (7) Ford Police Interceptor Hybrids from Fairway Ford by Piggybacking off a Purchase by the City of Whittier (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Authorize the purchase of (7) New 2021 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor Hybrids by piggybacking off a purchase by the City of Whittier through Fairway Ford; and
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$306,344.08 to process this order.

It was moved by Councilmember Zamora, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo, to authorize the purchase of Seven (7) New 2021 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor Hybrids by piggybacking off a purchase by the City of Whittier through Fairway Ford; and authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$306,344.08 to process this order, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

11. Authorize the Purchase of One (1) BMW Police Motorcycle from Long Beach BMW Motorcycles by Piggybacking off a Purchase by the City of Whittier (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Authorize the purchase of (1) New 2020 BMW Police Motorcycle by piggybacking off a purchase by the City of Whittier through Long Beach BMW Motorcycles; and
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a purchase order to Long Beach BMW Motorcycles in the amount of \$32,070.24 to process this order.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo, to authorize the purchase of one (1) New 2020 BMW Police Motorcycle by piggybacking off a purchase by the City of Whittier through Long Beach BMW Motorcycles; and authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a purchase order to Long Beach BMW Motorcycles in the amount of \$32,070.24 to process this order, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nayes: None

Absent: None

12. Authorize the Purchase of One (1) Case Skip Loader from Sonsray Machinery (SFS) by Piggybacking off Sourcewell Contract #032119-CNH (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Authorize the Director of Purchasing to purchase one (1) New Case Skip Loader utilizing the Sourcewell cooperative contract number 032119-CNH; and
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$116,964.69 for this equipment purchase.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo, to authorize the Director of Purchasing to purchase one (1) New Case Skip Loader utilizing the Sourcewell cooperative contract number 032119-CNH; and authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$116,964.69 for this equipment purchase, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nays: None

Absent: None

13. Resolution No. 9694 – Establishing the City’s Maximum Contribution for Miscellaneous and Safety Employees under the Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Adopt Resolution No. 9694, establishing the City’s maximum contribution towards medical insurance premiums under the Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Mora, seconded by Councilmember Zamora, to adopt Resolution No. 9694, establishing the City’s maximum contribution medical insurance premiums under the Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nays: None

Absent: None

14. Consideration of an Agreement with Michael Baker International to Assist the City of Santa Fe Springs with its Local Implementation of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARE-Act)

Recommendation:

- Award the Agreement with Michael Baker International, Inc., in the amount of \$30,000, to assist the City with its local implementation of the CARES Act, in a final form reviewed and approved by the City Attorney’s office.
- Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute and administer the Agreement.
- Appropriate \$30,000 from General Fund Revenues.

It was moved by Council Member Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo, to award the agreement with Michael Baker International, Inc. in the amount of \$30,000, to assist the City with its local implementation of the CARES ACT, in a final form reviewed and approved by the City Attorney’s office; and authorize the

City Manager or designee to execute and administer the agreement and appropriate \$30,000 from General Fund revenues, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Trujillo, Zamora, Mora, Rounds

Nays: None

Absent: None

15. CITY MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS

- City Manager, Raymond R. Cruz spoke about attending the ICMA virtual conference; he noted the sessions he attended covered the following topics: COVID-19 recovery, Crisis Leadership, Ethics in a Small Community, Council and City Manager relations, Racism and Social Justice, and Successful Strategies for Small Town Economic Development.
- Municipal Services Manager, Kevin Periman spoke about the curb address painting project.
- Director of Planning, Wayne Morrell spoke about the Census Caravan; photo contest; Planning Month and the General Plan Committee.
- Director of Police Services, Dino Torres spoke about the Police Department's pink patch for the month of October to raise funds for Breast Cancer Awareness.
- Fire Chief, Brent Hayward provided a brief update on the fires and the crews that were dispatched.
- Director of Finance and Administrative Services, Travis Hickey spoke about the Fiscal Year 2020 budget, stated that the budget was forwarded to GFOA to be considered for the outstanding budget presentation award program.
- Director of Community Services, Maricela Balderas spoke about Fiestas Patrias event.

16. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Rodriguez spoke about the Census, and encouraged residents to submit their information if they have not done so already. She also acknowledged Community Services for the drive-in events and also spoke about the Fire Fighters.

Councilmember Trujillo spoke about the Census; also acknowledged the Fiestas Patrias drive-in event. She acknowledged public safety such as the Firefighters and Whittier Police Department.

Councilmember Zamora spoke about the Census and Fiestas Patrias events, he acknowledged staff for all their efforts. He also spoke about Relay for Life and how important it is to save lives.

Mayor Pro Tem Mora recognized the Planning Department for all their hard work. He also acknowledged staff for the outreach done for the Census. He also spoke about the ongoing fires and Fiestas Patrias event.

Mayor Rounds spoke about Relay for Life event and recognized the importance of the event. He also recognized the Fire Fighters and the rest of the public safety staff, he acknowledged that it is a difficult time for staff and appreciates their hard work. He also spoke about the advisory committees and the zoom meetings that were taking place in the meantime until the in-person meetings reconvene. Last, he directed staff to look into alternating sides of the streets citywide for street sweeping.

CLOSED SESSION

17. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))

Name of case: City of Santa Fe Springs v. SFS Hospitality, LLC et al; Case Number 20STCV3364.

CLOSED SESSION

18. 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

Mayor Rounds recessed the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Mayor Rounds reconvened the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

19. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

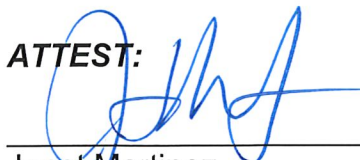
City Attorney, Ivy M. Tsai provided a report on the closed session item: direction was given to staff no action was taken.

20. ADJOURNMENT

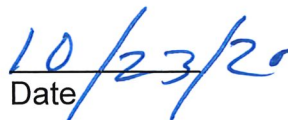
Mayor Rounds adjourned the meeting at 9:04 p.m.



William K. Rounds
Mayor

ATTEST: 

Janet Martinez
City Clerk



Date