



APPROVED: 2/11/2021

## MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

January 14, 2021

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

### 2. ROLL CALL

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

**Members absent:** None.

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people spoke during public comment: David Juarez, Constanza Pachon and Ricardo Uribe.

### HOUSING SUCCESSOR

No items were considered under the Housing Successor Agenda.

### SUCCESSOR AGENCY

#### NEW BUSINESS

4. Adopt Resolution SA-2021-001 – Approving the Successor Agency's Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 21-22) and Administrative Budget for the Period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 (Finance)

**Recommendation:**

- Adopt Resolution No. SA-2021-001

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to adopt Resolution No. SA-2021-001, by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** None

### CITY COUNCIL

### 5. CONSENT AGENDA

*Consent Agenda items are considered routine matters which may be enacted by one motion and vote. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately by the City Council.*

- a. 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.
- b. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 1115: An Ordinance of the City Council Amending Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code Section 30.15 to Move Regular City Council Meetings from Second and Fourth Thursdays to First and Third Tuesdays (City Manager)  
**Recommendation:**
- Adopt Ordinance No. 1115.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Trujillo to approve the consent calendar, by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora  
**Nayes:** None  
**Absent:** None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

6. Authorize the Purchase of Four (4) Vehicles from National Auto Fleet Group by Piggybacking off Sourcewell Contract No. 120716-NAF (Finance)

**Recommendation:**

- Authorize the purchase of one (1) New 2021 Ford F-250 Super Duty truck with service body for \$43,109.69 per Quote ID 15129 R1;
- Authorize the purchase of one (1) New 2021 Ford Ranger for \$28,788.76 per Quote ID 15127;
- Authorize the purchase of two (2) New 2021 Chevrolet Traverse SUV's for a total of \$74,442.17 per Quote ID 15128
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$146,340.62 to purchase these vehicles.

It was moved by Council Member Trujillo seconded by Council Member Sarno to authorize the purchase of one (1) New 2021 Ford F-250 Super Duty truck with service body for \$43,109.69 per Quote ID 15129 R1; authorize the purchase of one (1) New 2021 Ford Ranger for \$28,788.76 per Quote ID 15127; authorize the purchase of two (2) New 2021 Chevrolet Traverse SUV's for a total of \$74,442.17 per Quote ID 15128 and authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$146,340.62 to purchase these vehicles, by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora  
**Nayes:** None  
**Absent:** None

7. Adopt Resolution No. 9703 Making a Finding as to the Industrial Disability of Neal Lowrey (Finance)

**Recommendation:**

- Adopt Resolution No. 9703 making a finding as to the industrial disability of Neal Lowrey.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Zamora, adopt Resolution No. 9703 making a finding as to the industrial disability of Neal Lowrey, by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora  
**Nayes:** None  
**Absent:** None

8. Washington Boulevard Light Rail Transit Coalition Memorandum of Understanding, Approving the City's Share of Cost to develop an Economic Analysis of Impacts and Beneficial Opportunities Associated with the Metro Gold Line Washington Boulevard Alignment (Planning)

**Recommendation:**

- Approve, by acknowledgment, the City's share of the cost to develop an economic analysis of impacts and beneficial opportunities associated with the Metro Gold Line Washington Boulevard Alignment.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Trujillo, to approve by acknowledgment, the City's share of the cost to develop an economic analysis of impacts and beneficial opportunities associated with the Metro Gold Line Washington Boulevard Alignment by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora  
**Nayes:** None  
**Absent:** None

9. City of Santa Fe Springs 2021 Active Transportation Plan (Planning)

**Recommendation:**

- Find and determine that the project is Statutorily Exempt pursuant to Section 15262 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and
- Adopt Resolution No. 9702 to approve and adopt the City of Santa Fe Springs 2021 Active Transportation Plan, based on the information and findings contained within the staff report.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to find and determine that the project is Statutorily Exempt pursuant to Section 15262 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and adopt Resolution No. 9702 to approve and adopt the City of Santa Fe Springs 2021 Active Transportation Plan, based on the information and findings contained within the staff report, by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora  
**Nayes:** None  
**Absent:** None

10. Appointment of Trustee to the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District Board of Trustees (City Clerk)

**Recommendation:**

- Leave current Trustee, Council Member Zamora as is; or
- Re-Appoint Trustee, Council Member Zamora amending term to begin March 2021.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to re-appoint Trustee, Council Member Zamora amending term to begin March 2021, by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

**Nayes:** None

**Absent:** None

11. Appointments to Committees and Commissions (City Clerk)

**Recommendation:**

- Appoint members to the Advisory Committees, Commissions, Council Sub-Committees and External Council Committees.

The following Advisory Committee Appointments were made:

***Beautification and Historical***

APPOINTED BY	NAME
Mora	<b>Vacant</b>
	Guadalupe Placensia
	Irma Huitron
	<b>Vacant</b>
Zamora	Annette Ramirez
	<b>Vacant</b>
	<b>Vacant</b>
	<b>Vacant</b>
Sarno	Jeannette Lizarraga
	Mary Arias
	Linda Vallejo
	<b>Vacant</b>
Rodriguez	<b>Vacant</b>
	Sally Gaitan
	Mark Scoggins
	<b>Vacant</b>
Trujillo	Jacqueline Martinez
	Kay Gomez
	<b>Vacant</b>
	Merrie Hathaway

***Family & Human Services***

**APPOINTED BY**

**NAME**

**Mora**

Martha Villanueva\*

**Vacant**

Miriam Herrera

**Zamora**

Gaby Garcia

**Vacant**

Gilbert Aguirre

**Sarno**

Dolores Duran

Janie Aguirre

Peggy Radoumis

**Rodriguez**

Shamsher Bhandari

Elena Lopez

Hilda Zamora

**Trujillo**

Dolores Romero

Laurie Rios\*

Bonnie Fox

***Heritage Arts***

**APPOINTED  
BY**

**NAME**

**Mora**

Maria Salazar-  
Jaramillo

**Zamora**

**Vacant**

**Sarno**

William K. Rounds

**Rodriguez**

Francis Carbajal

**Trujillo**

Laurie Rios

***Parks and Recreation***

**APPOINTED BY**

**NAME**

**Mora**

Joe Avila  
Eddie Barrios  
William Logan  
Ralph Aranda  
Kurt Hamra

**Zamora**

Gina Hernandez  
Blake Carter  
**Vacant**  
**Vacant**  
**Vacant**

**Sarno**

Kenneth Arnold  
Mary Anderson  
Jeannette Lizarraga  
**Vacant**  
Mark Scoggins

**Rodriguez**

Kayla Perez  
Priscilla Rodriguez  
Lisa Garcia  
Sylvia Perez  
David Diaz-Infante

**Trujillo**

Dolores Romero  
Andrea Lopez  
Elizabeth Ford  
Nancy Krueger  
**Vacant**

**Senior**

**APPOINTED BY**

**NAME**

**Mora**

Paul Nakamura  
Astrid Shesterkin  
**Vacant**  
**Vacant**  
**Vacant**

**Zamora**

Dolores Duran  
Elena Lopez  
Armendariz  
Josefina Lara  
**Vacant**  
**Vacant**

**Sarno**

Sally Gaitan  
Bonnie Fox  
Gilbert Aguirre  
Lorena Huitron  
Janie Aguirre

**Rodriguez**

Yoko Nakamura  
Linda Vallejo  
Hilda Zamora  
Martha Villanueva  
**Vacant**

**Trujillo**

**Vacant**  
**Vacant**  
**Vacant**  
**Vacant**  
**Vacant**

**Sister City**

**APPOINTED BY**

**NAME**

**Mora**

Martha Villanueva\*

**Vacant**

Laurie Rios\*

Peggy Radoumis

Francis Carbajal\*

**Zamora**

Charlotte Zevallos

**Vacant**

**Vacant**

Doris Yarwood

**Vacant**

**Sarno**

Manny Zevallos

**Vacant**

Jacqueline Martinez

**Vacant**

**Vacant**

**Rodriguez**

Jeannette Wolfe

Shamsher Bhandari

**Vacant**

**Vacant**

**Vacant**

**Trujillo**

**Vacant**

Andrea Lopez

**Vacant**

Marcella Obregon

**Vacant**



### **Youth Leadership**

#### **APPOINTED BY**

#### **NAME**

**Mora**

Kharisma Ruiz

**Vacant**

**Vacant**

**Vacant**

**Zamora**

Joseph Casillas

Savanna Aguayo

Valerie Melendez

Christian Zamora

**Sarno**

Abraham Walters

Aaron D. Doss

**Vacant**

Maya Mercado-Garcia

**Rodriguez**

Jasmine Rodriguez

**Vacant**

**Vacant**

**Vacant**

**Trujillo**

Bernardo Landin

Isaac Aguilar

Andrew Bojorquez

The following Commission Appointments were made:

***Traffic Commission***

APPOINTED BY	NAME
Mora	Bryan Collins
Sarno	Johana Coca
Rodriguez	Felix Miranda
Trujillo	Linda Vallejo
Zamora	Vacant

***Planning Commission***

APPOINTED BY	NAME
Mora	Ken Arnold
Sarno	Johnny Hernandez
Rodriguez	Francis Carbajal
Trujillo	William K. Rounds
Zamora	Gabriel Jimenez

The following Commission Appointments were made:

2021 Council Sub-Committees		
NAME	TYPE	MEMBERS
Audit/Finance Committee	Standing	Zamora Mora
Billboards	Ad Hoc	Sarno Rodriguez
Budget Events and Programs	Ad Hoc	Zamora Mora/Sarno
Budget Revenue and Fees	Ad Hoc	Rodriguez Trujillo
Capital Improvements Projects	Standing	Sarno Mora
Child Care	Ad Hoc	Rodriguez Zamora
Economic Development Strategy	Ad Hoc	Sarno Zamora
General Plan	Ad Hoc	Zamora Rodriguez
Long-Term Housing Plan	Ad Hoc	Mora Rodriguez
Whittier PD Contract	Ad Hoc	Mora Trujillo

The following External Committee Appointments were made:

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Council Liaison</b>
<b>Area "E" Disaster Board</b>	Trujillo
<b>California Contract Cities Assn</b>	Trujillo
<b>Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Committee</b>	Rodriguez Alt-Sarno
<b>Chamber Youth Enrichment Fund Board</b>	Zamora
<b>City Selection Committee (League of Cal Cities) Mayor is Rep</b>	Mora Vacant - Alt
<b>Gateway Cities Council of Governments</b>	Zamora Alt-Trujillo
<b>91/605/405 Committee (Subcommittee of COG)</b>	Zamora
<b>Hispanic Outreach Taskforce</b>	Trujillo
<b>I-5 Consortium Policy Board</b>	Sarno Alt-Zamora

<b>Independent Cities of Los Angeles</b>	Rodriguez
<b>Joint Powers Insurance Authority</b>	Rodriguez
<b>LA CADA</b>	Rodriguez
<b>League of California Cities</b>	Trujillo Alt-Sarno
<b>Metropolitan Little League</b>	Sarno
<b>Sanitation District (Mayor is Rep)</b>	Mora Alt-Zamora
<b>SFHS Education Foundation</b>	Rodriguez
<b>SFS/South Whittier Education Center Advisory Committee</b>	Trujillo
<b>SFS/South Whittier Education Center Advisory</b>	Trujillo Alt - Rodriguez
<b>SASSFA</b>	Mora Alt-Rodriguez
<b>SEAACA</b>	Trujillo Alt-Zamora

<b>Southeast Water Coalition Administrative Entity</b>	Trujillo
<b>Southeast Water Coalition Board</b>	Rodriguez Alternate-Mora
<b>Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)</b>	Trujillo
<b>Vector Control Appt can be for 2 or 4 yrs.</b>	Zamora
<b>Washington Blvd Coalition to the Gold Line Extension</b>	Mora

The following organization appointments were made:

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Council Liaison</b>
<b>Holiday Home Decorating Contest</b>	Sarno
<b>Friends of the Library Board of Directors</b>	Zamora
<b>READI Committee SAFE Neighborhood</b>	Rodriguez Alt-Trujillo
<b>Scholarship Interview Panels</b>	Mora: Trujillo Sandoval: Zamora Sharp: Annette

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to approve all the appointments to committees and commissions, by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodriguez, Mora  
**Nayes:** None  
**Absent:** None

**MAYOR REQUESTED ITEMS**

**12. Consideration of Establishing a COVID-19 Small Business Grant Program Exclusively for Restaurants (Planning)**

**Recommendation:**

- Explore the establishment of a COVID-19 Small Business Grant Program, exclusively for restaurants, using General Fund revenues to fund the Program; and
- Establish a marketing plan and grant program guidelines and requirements for the COVID-19 Small Business Grant Program, exclusively for restaurants; and
- Amend the existing Agreement, in a final form reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's office, with Michael Baker International, Inc., in an amount to be determined, to assist the City with its local implementation of the COVID-19 Small Business Grant Program exclusively for restaurants; and
- Provide clear direction to staff regarding the establishment of a COVID-19 Small Business Grant Program exclusively for restaurants.

There was Council consensus to direct staff to work with the consultant on a restaurant assistance program not to exceed \$250,000 and to hold a Special Meeting on Monday, January 18, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

**13. Discussion on Using Video for City's Zoom Council Meetings (City Clerk)**

**Recommendation:**

- Discuss and provide direction to staff on the possibility of utilizing video for Zoom Council Meetings.

There was Council consensus to direct staff to begin utilizing video for zoom Council Meetings beginning the next Regular Council Meetings.

**14. CITY MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS**

- City Manager, Raymond R. Cruz spoke about the Spring of 2019 Goal Setting Council retreat that took place at the Gus Velasco. Since there is a new Council Member, his office plans to bring back the Goal Setting Council retreat within the next few weeks.
- Municipal Services Manager, Kevin Perimen spoke about the Whittier Water Connection project. He also spoke about a new City App that residents will be able to use for service request.
- Director of Planning, Wayne Morrell demonstrated an example of the City of Monrovia Chamber of Commerce is doing for local businesses. He stated that their residents can go to their website and register to obtain discounts within Monrovia.

- Director of Police Services, Dino Torres wished everyone a happy new year. He also stated that the first Santa Fe Springs Neighborhood meeting was held on January 12, 2021 and the second one is scheduled for March 9, 2021.
- Fire Chief, Brent Hayward provided a brief report on the current COVID-19 cases within the Los Angeles County.
- Director of Finance and Administrative Services, Travis Hickey provided a few economic updates.
- Director of Community Services, Maricela Balderas spoke about the Santa Float and the volunteers that assisted. She also spoke about the various holiday events that took place in December 2020. Last, she stated that Community Services staff sent out thank you letters to all individuals that provided donations during the holidays.

**15. PRESENTATIONS**

- a. Planning Department 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Planning Month Photo Contest Winners

**16. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Sarno spoke about the year 2020 and remembering the people we lost such as Carlos Mendoza. Expressed his gratitude towards Public Safety personnel.

Councilmember Trujillo expressed her condolences to the family of Carlos Mendoza. She expressed how these are hard times and how the City has lost people that are very important to the City.

Councilmember Zamora expressed his condolences to the families of those that loss a family member.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez thanked staff for the presentations presented during today's meeting. She thanked volunteers and staff that worked on the Christmas float. She congratulated to the newly promoted Fire employee. Last, she expressed her condolences to the family of Carlos Mendoza for their loss.

Mayor Mora spoke about the most recent COVID-19 cases and how it has affected our community. He also spoke about the community members that recently passed and how they were going to be missed.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**17. 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**

**18. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

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

Case Information: OAH Case No.: 2019051037 / CalPERS Case No.: 2017-0586

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***Mayor Mora recessed the meeting at 8:49 p.m.***

***Mayor Mora reconvened the meeting at 9:33 p.m.***

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**19. CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney, Ivy M. Tsai provided a report on Closed Session Items: Direction was given to staff and no reportable action was taken.

**20. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Mora adjourned the meeting at 9:33 p.m. in memory of employee Carlos “Ricky” Mendoza, Former Norwalk Council Member Luigi Vernola, Former Fire Chief Bob Wilson and Alicia Espinoza.



John M. Mora  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**



Janet Martinez  
City Clerk



Date