



APPROVED: 7/20/2021

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

June 3, 2021

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Mora called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M

2. **ROLL CALL**

Members present: Councilmembers Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, and Mayor Mora.

Members absent: None.

3. **INVOCATION**

Councilmember Trujillo led the invocation.

4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Aaron Doss from the Youth Leadership Committee led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

HOUSING SUCCESSOR

6. **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 Housing Successor.

Minutes of the May 4, 2021 Housing Successor Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

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

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

SUCCESSOR AGENCY

7. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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Minutes of the May 4, 2021 Successor Agency Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

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

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nays: None

Absent: None

CITY COUNCIL

8. **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. Minutes of the May 4, 2021 Regular and Special City Council Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

- b. A Resolution of the City Council Reaffirming the Existence of a Local Emergency Due to the Threat of COVID-19 (pursuant to Government Code section 8630) (City Attorney)

Recommendation:

- Adopt Resolution No. 9715:
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, REAFFIRMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO THE THREAT OF COVID-19.

It was moved by Councilmember Sarno, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo, to approve Item Nos. 8A and 8B, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nays: None

Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS

9. Overview of City Council Workshop (City Manager)

Recommendation:

- Receive and file workshop report.

City Manager, Raymond R. Cruz provided a brief presentation on Item No. 9. He introduced John Bramble, Special Advisor with Management Partners to provide a summary of the City Council Workshop on May 2, 2021 where the City Council met to discuss best practices, understand the perspectives of Council and staff, review the City's accomplishments and challenges, discuss the City Manager's goals, identify and establish priorities, and strengthen teamwork.

It was moved by Councilmember Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to receive and file the workshop report, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nays: None

Absent: None

10. Resolution No. 9714 to adopt and allocate funds for an Outdoor Fitness Court as part of the 2021 National Fitness Campaign (Community Services)

Recommendation:

- Adopt Resolution No. 9714 to adopt and allocate funds for an outdoor fitness court as part of the 2021 National Fitness Campaign.

Parks and Recreation Services Manager, Gustavo Hernandez provided a presentation to Item No. 10.

It was moved by Councilmember Sarno, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo, to adopt Resolution No. 9714 to adopt and allocate funds for an outdoor fitness court as part of the 2021 National Fitness Campaign, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

11. Authorize the Director of Planning to Release a Request for Proposal (RFP) to Qualified Consultants to Develop a Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Methodology to Evaluate Transportation Impacts Consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), to Meet the Requirements of Senate Bill (SB) 743 (Planning)

Recommendation:

- Authorize the Director of Planning to Release a Request for Proposal (RFP) to Qualified Consultants to Develop a Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Methodology to Evaluate Transportation Impacts Consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), to Meet the Requirements of Senate Bill (SB) 743.

Director of Planning, Wayne Morrell provided a presentation on Item No. 11.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Trujillo, to authorize the Director of Planning to Release a Request for Proposal (RFP) to Qualified Consultants to Develop a Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Methodology to Evaluate Transportation Impacts Consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), to Meet the Requirements of Senate Bill (SB) 743, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

12. Resolution Nos. 9716 and 9717 – Approval of Engineer's Report (Fiscal Year 2021/22) in Conjunction with Annual Levy of Assessment for Heritage Springs Assessment District No. 2001-1 (Hawkins Street and Palm Drive (Public Works))

Recommendation:

- Adopt Resolution No. 9716, approving the Engineer's Report (Fiscal Year 2021/22) in conjunction with the annual levy of assessments for the Heritage Springs Assessment District No. 2001-01; and

- Adopt Resolution No. 9717 declaring the City of Santa Fe Springs' intention to provide for an annual levy and collection of assessments for Heritage Springs Assessment District No. 2001-01, and setting the public hearing for the Council meeting of July 6, 2021.

Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete provided a brief presentation on Item Nos. 12 and 13.

It was moved by Councilmember Sarno, seconded by Councilmember Zamora, to adopt Resolution No. 9716, approving the Engineer's Report (Fiscal Year 2021/22) in conjunction with the annual levy of assessments for the Heritage Springs Assessment District No. 2001-01, and adopt Resolution No. 9717 declaring the City of Santa Fe Springs' intention to provide for an annual levy and collection of assessments for Heritage Springs Assessment District No. 2001-01, and setting the public hearing for the Council meeting of July 6, 2021, by the following vote:

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

13. Resolution Nos. 9718 and 9719 – Approval of Engineer's Report (Fiscal Year 2021/22) in Conjunction with Annual Levy of Assessments for Street Lighting District No. 1 (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Adopt Resolution No. 9718, approving the Engineer's Report (Fiscal Year 2021/22) in conjunction with the annual levy of assessments for Street Lighting District No. 1; and
- Adopt Resolution No. 9719, declaring the City of Santa Fe Springs' intention to provide for an annual levy and collection of assessments for Lighting District No. 1, and setting the public hearing for the Council meeting of July 6, 2021.

It was moved by Councilmember Sarno, seconded by Councilmember Zamora, to adopt Resolution No. 9718, approving the Engineer's Report (Fiscal Year 2021/22) in conjunction with the annual levy of assessments for Street Lighting District No. 1, and adopt Resolution No. 9719, declaring the City of Santa Fe Springs' intention to provide for an annual levy and collection of assessments for Lighting District No. 1, and setting the public hearing for the Council meeting of July 6, 2021, by the following vote:

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

14. Aquatic Center Pool Pump Replacement – Issue Purchase Order (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Approve the bids; and
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a Purchase Order for the purchase of a new 8" Vertical Turbine Pump for the Aquatic Center.

Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete provided a presentation on Item No. 14.

It was moved by Councilmember Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to approve the bids, and authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a Purchase Order for the purchase of a new 8" Vertical Turbine Pump for the Aquatic Center, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

15. CITY MANAGER'S AND EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS

- City Manager, Raymond R. Cruz stated that public facilities will be reopening to the public on June 14th with mask requirements for all members of the public. Councilmember Sarno asked about the need to wear a mask after June 15th. He added that County requirements supersede State requirements and that the City will follow the County orders.
- Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete spoke about the Aquatic Center roof replacement project in progress. He also spoke about the ongoing Town Center Plaza Parking Lot Improvement Project.
- Director of Planning, Wayne Morrell spoke about the status of the Maverick-Industrial Business Park.
- Director of Police Services, Dino Torres provided a traffic enforcement brief between the months of December and April.
- Fire Chief, Brent Hayward provided an update on COVID-19 cases within the City. He also talked about the SFS Swap Meet Fire on June 1st. Lastly, he spoke about the death of Firefighter Specialist Tory Carlon from the Los Angeles County Fire Department.
- Director of Finance and Administrative Services, Travis Hickey spoke about the work commencing on the audio/visual upgrades in the Council Chamber on the week of June 21st. He added that labor negotiations are currently ongoing with the labor groups and that a comprehensive fee schedule is being drafted and will be brought forward at a City Council Study Session in the future.
- Director of Community Services, Maricela Balderas spoke about registrations being open for Independence Day activities. She also spoke about recognition of National Senior Health and Fitness Day, and announced the return of Concerts and Movies at Heritage Park beginning on June 18. She reported of ongoing talks with Santa Fe High School to agree on public use of swimming pools and also announced the return of wedding lotteries. Lastly, she added that the removal of the bungalows at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center is going as planned.

16. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS

No appointments were made.

17. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Sarno spoke about touring City parks with City staff to identify issues that need rectifying. He also thanked everyone who has served in regards to Memorial Day.

Councilmember Trujillo agreed with Councilmember Sarno and stated that she enjoyed the Council Workshop. She thanked staff for their assistance and thanked first responders for their work.

Councilmember Zamora congratulated the 2021 graduating class and looked forward to City facilities reopening to the public. He gave special commendations to his nephew who just graduated, and also remembered those who served in honor of Memorial Day, particularly former resident Paul T. Nakamura.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez congratulated all the graduating seniors and also expressed her thanks to City staff for all of their work in preparing the City facilities for reopening.

Mayor Mora appreciated the "Every 15 Minutes" video presentation made in cooperation with Police Services. He congratulated the seniors who graduated and also expressed to council that they should continue to work together for the betterment of the City regardless of their personal options. He also announced that Los Angeles County Development Authority identified the City as an impacted area that is eligible to receive rental assistance funds going as far back as April 1, 2020. Lastly, he stated he was happy to see COVID-19 cases continue to drop.

CLOSED SESSION

18. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

(Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager, Labor Negotiator Colin Tanner.

Employee Organizations: Santa Fe Springs City Employees' Association, Santa Fe Springs Firefighters' Association, and Santa Fe Springs Executive, Management and Confidential Employees' Association

CLOSED SESSION

19. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4): One case

Mayor Mora recessed the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Mayor Mora reconvened the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

20. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney, Ivy M. Tsai provided a report on Closed Session Items: For Item No.18, direction was given to staff and no reportable action was taken.

For Item No. 19, there was unanimous approval of a settlement agreement with Southern California Gas Company in the amount \$219,472 to settle the City's claims relating to impacts to the Santa Fe Springs and Ann St Improvements to due to a placement of a gas line.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes of the June 3, 2021 Special City Council Meeting

Mayor Mora adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m. in memory of San Bernardino County Sheriff's Sergeant Dominic Vaca and Los Angeles County Fire Department Firefighter Specialist Tory Carlon.



John M. Mora
Mayor

ATTEST:


Janet Martinez
City Clerk

7/20/2021
Date