



APPROVED: 9/20/2021

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

August 17, 2021

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Mora called the meeting to order 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. **INVOCATION**

Council Member Trujillo led the invocation.

4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY

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 Public Financing Authority.

- a. Minutes of the July 20, 2021 Public Financing Authority Meetings (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 Council Member Zamora, seconded by Council Member Trujillo, to approve Items No. 6A and 6B, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

7. 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 Water Utility Authority.

- a. Minutes of the July 20, 2021 Water Utility Authority Meetings (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 Sarno, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to approve Items No. 7A through 7C, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

HOUSING SUCCESSOR

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 Housing Successor.

- Minutes of the July 20, 2021 Housing Successor Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

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

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

SUCCESSOR AGENCY

9. 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 Successor Agency.

- Minutes of the July 20, 2021 Successor Agency Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to approve the minutes as submitted, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

CITY COUNCIL

10. **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 July 20, 2021 Regular City Council Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

- b. Aquatic Center Roof Replacement Project – Final Payment (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Approve the Final Payment to Letner Roofing Company of Orange, California for \$54,968.90 (less 5% retention).

- c. 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. 9728:
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

- d. Quarterly Treasurer's Report of Investments for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2021 (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Receive and file the report.

- e. 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.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Zamora, to approve Item Nos. 11A through 11E, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

PUBLIC HEARING

11. Zoning Text Amendment – Billboards Along Interstate 605 (Planning)

Ordinance No. 1118: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Santa Fe Springs amending Sections 155.003, 155.051, 155.078, 155.109, 155.153, 155.211, 155.229, 155.259, 155.398, 155.515, 155.516, 155.518, 155.519, 155.524, 155.529, 155.531, and 155.533 to Chapter 155 (Zoning) of Title 15 (Land Use) of the Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code relating to Billboards

Recommendation:

- Open the Public Hearing; and
- Receive any comments from the public wishing to speak on this matter and thereafter close the Public Hearing; and
- Introduce Ordinance No. 1118 for first reading:
- An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Santa Fe Springs amending Sections 155.003, 155.051, 155.078, 155.109, 155.153, 155.211, 155.229, 155.259, 155.398, 155.515, 155.516, 155.518, 155.519, 155.524, 155.529, 155.531, and 155.533 to Chapter 155 (Zoning) of Title 15 (Land Use) of the Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code relating to Billboards.

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

Council Member Sarno asked if the City would have an RFP for any billboard proposals. Director Morrell stated that billboards on private property would have to follow the process as outlined in the ordinance, and that for City owned property, the RFP would be applicable.

Council Member Zamora asked if the City would have strict guidelines that the billboard developers would have to abide by. Director Morrell stated that they would have to follow existing guidelines, and would withhold energizing the billboards until all requirements are met.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez asked if the billboard project on the I-5 Freeway was completed last year. Director Morrell stated that it has been completed.

Mayor Mora opened the public hearing at 6:14 p.m.

The following people spoke during public hearing: Jack Thompson

Mayor Mora closed the public hearing at 6:15 p.m.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to introduce Ordinance No. 1118 for first reading, by the following vote:

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

PUBLIC HEARING

12. Adoption of Mitigated Negative Declaration (Planning)

Consideration of an appeal of Development Plan Approval Case No. 980 and related Environmental Documents (Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration)

Recommendation:

- Consider the information presented in this report, in combination with the July 12, 2021 Planning Commission staff report and minutes, which collectively provides the necessary background and context; and
- Open the Public Hearing and receive any comments from the public regarding the appeal matter and, thereafter any comments from the public regarding this appeal matter and, thereafter, close the Public Hearing; and
- Approve and adopt the proposed Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration with Traffic Study and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (IS/MND/MMRP), which based on the findings of the Initial Study, indicates that there is no substantial evidence that the proposed project will have a significant adverse effect on the environment that cannot be mitigated; and
- Approve Development Plan Approval Case No. 980, subject to the conditions of approval as contained within Resolution No. 190—2021.

Director of Planning, Wayne Morrell stated that the City received a letter from the appellant yesterday and staff will need time to review and address it. He recommended continuing the public hearing to the meeting of September 7, 2021.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to issue a continuance of the public hearing to September 7, 2021, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nays: None

Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS

13. Approval of Vending Machine Agreement between City of Santa Fe Springs and Joseph Welch of Better 4 You Vending (Community Services)

Recommendation:

- Approve a 2-year Vending Machine Agreement with Joseph Welch of Better 4 You Vending.

Parks and Recreation Services Manager, Gus Hernandez provided a brief presentation on Item No. 13.

Mayor Mora asked how many machines the City houses. Manager Hernandez stated there are four machines. Mayor Mora asked if the City could renegotiate the 5% fee after the completion of the proposed 2-year agreement.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Trujillo, to approve a 2-year Vending Machine Agreement with Joseph Welch of Better 4 You Vending, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None
Absent: None

14. Approval of Volunteer Services Agreement between City of Santa Fe Springs and Horrigan Cole Enterprises, Inc., DBA Cole Vocational Services for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (Community Services)

Recommendation:

- Approve a 1-year volunteer services agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and Horrigan Cole Enterprises, Inc., DBA Cole Vocational Services.

Family and Human Services Manager, Ed Ramirez provided a brief presentation on Item No. 14.

It was moved by Council Member Sarno, seconded by Council Member Zamora, to approve a 1-year volunteer services agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and Horrigan Cole Enterprises, Inc., DBA Cole Vocational Services, by the following vote:

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

15. Fitness Court Project at Los Nietos Park – Authorize the Purchase of Equipment and Award of Contract (Community Services)

Recommendation:

- Authorize the purchase of Fitness Court® Equipment for the Fitness Court Project at Los Nietos Park;
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$122,185.33 to process this order;
- Accept the proposal for installation;
- Award a contract to Engineered Installation Solutions, of Fort Mill, SC, in the amount of \$27,000.00.

Parks and Recreation Services Manager, Gus Hernandez provided a brief presentation on Item No. 15.

Council Member Zamora suggested that Public Works install synthetic grass around the fitness court area if the area surrounding it is not going to be concrete. Manager Hernandez said that he would look at the project costs to determine feasibility. Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez asked about the costs of maintaining the equipment. Manager Hernandez stated that maintenance instructions would be provided and would be carried out by Parks and Recreation staff. Council Member Trujillo asked about the life span of the equipment. Manager Hernandez stated that there is a structural warranty of twenty-five years, with separate parts such as bars having a warranty of five years. He noted that similarly build structures around the country last around ten years.

It was moved by Council Member Trujillo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to authorize the purchase of Fitness Court® Equipment for the Fitness Court Project at Los Nietos Park, authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$122,185.33 to process this order, accept the proposal for installation, and award a contract to Engineered Installation Solutions, of Fort Mill, SC, in the amount of \$27,000.00, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

16. Approval of Agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and California State University, Long Beach for Student Intern Program (Community Services)

Recommendation:

- Approve Library Education Student Field Placement Agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and California State University, Long Beach.
- Authorize the Mayor to execute and sign the Library Education Student Field Placement Agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and California State University, Long Beach.

Librarian III, Deborah Raia provided a brief presentation on Item No. 16.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to approve Library Education Student Field Placement Agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and California State University, Long Beach, and authorize the Mayor to execute and sign the Library Education Student Field Placement Agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and California State University, Long Beach, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

17. Purchase of One (1) Towable Concrete Mixing Trailer by Awarding an Order to Cart-Away Concrete Systems, Inc. (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Purchase of one (1) Towable Concrete Mixing Trailer by Awarding an Order to Cart-Away Concrete Systems, Inc.;
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$34,681.20 to Cart-Away Concrete Systems, Inc.

Director of Purchasing, Paul Martinez provided a brief presentation on Item No. 17.

It was moved by Council Member Trujillo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to purchase one (1) Towable Concrete Mixing Trailer by Awarding an Order to Cart-Away Concrete Systems, Inc., and authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$34,681.20 to Cart-Away Concrete Systems, Inc., by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None
Absent: None

18. Purchase of One (1) Advance Rider Sweeper by Awarding an Order to Nilfisk by Piggybacking Off the Pricing of GSA Industrial Contract #GS-30F-001DA (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Purchase of one (1) Advance Rider Sweeper by awarding an order to Nilfisk by piggybacking off the pricing of GSA contract #GS-03F-001DA;
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$45,691.57 to Nilfisk.

Director of Purchasing, Paul Martinez provided a brief presentation on Item No. 18.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to purchase one (1) Advance Rider Sweeper by awarding an order to Nilfisk by piggybacking off the pricing of GSA contract #GS-03F-001DA, and authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$45,691.57 to Nilfisk, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

19. Purchase of One (1) New 2022 Chevrolet Traverse by Awarding an Order to George Chevrolet (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Purchase of one (1) New 2022 Chevrolet Traverse by awarding an order to George Chevrolet;
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$34,961.39 to George Chevrolet.

Director of Purchasing, Paul Martinez provided a brief presentation on Item No. 19.

Council Member Sarno asked if there was a reason why the City has shifted in buying vehicles between Chevrolet and Ford makes. Director Martinez stated that the last three civilian Ford Explorers had transmission problems. The City Manager has been issued a Chevy Traverse and there is consensus among staff that it is reliable as well as being less expensive.

It was moved by Council Member Sarno, seconded by Council Member Trujillo, to purchase one (1) New 2022 Chevrolet Traverse by awarding an order to George Chevrolet, and authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$34,961.39 to George Chevrolet, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

20. Nurse Educator and Quality Improvement Coordinator: Authorization to Advertise

Request for Proposals (Fire)

Recommendation:

- Authorize the Fire Chief to advertise a Request for Proposals to provide Nurse Educator and Quality Improvement Coordinator Services.

Fire Chief, Brent Hayward provided a presentation on Item No. 20.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to authorize the Fire Chief to advertise a Request for Proposals to provide Nurse Educator and Quality Improvement Coordinator Services, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

21. Southern California Edison (SCE) Owned Street Lights Retrofit – Approval of Fixture Replacement Rate Agreement (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Authorize City Manager to execute Fixture Replacement Rate Agreement with SCE.

Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete provided a presentation on Item No. 21.

Council Member Sarno asked about the potential of SCE taking over the areas with series circuit street lights. Director Negrete said that there would be no benefit in relinquishing the lights to SCE and to instead coordinate timing with them. Council Member Zamora mentioned a program that used to exist where SCE would hand over control to local entities and asked if the City could enter the program if it were to return. Director Negrete stated that SCE had to close the program due to the unprecedented number of applicants that wanted to obtain control of their lighting fixtures, and added that they would look into it should the program become available again. Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez asked for the residents to be informed of the upcoming light replacement projects. Mayor Mora agreed that a timeline would be helpful for the public to know, and asked if the three different types of lights could be worked on simultaneously. Director Negrete stated that SCE would have to work on their street lights first. Mayor Mora asked if there would be sections that would have no lighting as they underwent replacement. Director Negrete stated that only the series circuit street light areas would need temporary supplemental lighting as the work is being completed.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to authorize the City Manager to execute Fixture Replacement Rate Agreement with SCE, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

22. Second Amendment to City Manager Employment Agreement (City Attorney)

Recommendation:

- Approve the Second Amendment to the City Manager Employment Agreement.
- Authorize the Mayor to execute the Second Amendment.

City Attorney, Ivy M. Tsai provided a brief presentation on Item No. 22.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Trujillo, to approve the Second Amendment to the City Manager Employment Agreement, and authorize the Mayor to execute the Second Amendment, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

23. Resolution No. 9729 and 9730 – Opposing Senate Bill 9 (Atkins) and Senate Bill 10 (Weiner) (City Manager)

Recommendation:

- Adopt Resolution No. 9729, opposing Senate Bill 9 (Atkins) which would require ministerial approval of housing development containing two residential units and any parcel map dividing a lot into two equal parts, for residential use
- Adopt Resolution No. 9730, opposing Senate Bill 10 (Weiner), which would require ministerial approval of housing development containing up to 10 units.

Director of Planning, Wayne Morrell and Management Analyst II, Maribel Garcia provided a brief presentation on Item No. 23.

It was moved by Council Member Trujillo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to adopt Resolution No. 9729, opposing Senate Bill 9 (Atkins) which would require ministerial approval of housing development containing two residential units and any parcel map dividing a lot into two equal parts, for residential use, and adopt Resolution No. 9730, opposing Senate Bill 10 (Weiner), which would require ministerial approval of housing development containing up to 10 units, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

24. Approval of Personnel Modifications (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Approve the classification specification changes for the following positions: Administrative Assistant I, Account Clerk Supervisor, Executive Assistant to City Manager/City Council, Senior Human Resources Analyst.
- Adopt classification specifications for the following positions: Assistant Director of Planning, Deputy City Clerk, Municipal Affairs Manager,

Public Information Officer, Public Safety Officer Supervisor, Youth Intervention Program Supervisor, Senior Accountant, and Storekeeper.

- Approve changes to the City's salary schedule.

Director of Finance and Administrative Services, Travis Hickey provided a brief presentation on Item No. 24.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to approve the classification specification changes for the following positions: Administrative Assistant I, Account Clerk Supervisor, Executive Assistant to City Manager/City Council, Senior Human Resources Analyst, adopt classification specifications for the following positions: Assistant Director of Planning, Deputy City Clerk, Municipal Affairs Manager, Public Information Officer, Public Safety Officer Supervisor, Youth Intervention Program Supervisor, Senior Accountant, and Storekeeper, and approve changes to the City's salary schedule, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

25. CITY MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS

- Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete provided an update on the Town Center Plaza Parking Improvement project. He also spoke about the removal of the playground at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center.
- Director of Police Services, Dino Torres spoke about parking enforcement at the schools that are resuming session. He also shared that Public Safety vehicles are receiving an updated look and logo, and wished to thank Public Works staff for their assistance.
- Fire Chief, Brent Hayward spoke about COVID-19 cases within the City and within Los Angeles County. He also provided an update on the Fire crew assisting with the Monument Fire and also spoke about a small apparatus fire. Lastly, he reported on a motorcycle incident in which the Monument Fire crew assisted.
- Director of Finance, Travis Hickey provided a brief update on moving forward with the review of the City's financial contribution programs. City employees will be provided with informational sessions on the upcoming changes.
- Park and Recreation Services Manager, Gus Hernandez spoke about the annual Back-to-School Backpack program which was held in a drive-thru fashion. He also spoke about the Fiestas Patrias event which be held on September 10. Registration will be required. Lastly, he highlighted the Aquatic Center staff who recently obtained lifeguard certification.

26. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS

Council Member Zamora appointed AJ Hayes to the Heritage Arts Advisory Committee.

27. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Sarno welcomed back students back to school, and praised staff for doing a great job.

Council Member Trujillo expressed her delight at schools starting back up again and wished everyone a good evening.

Council Member Zamora asked to keep all school personnel in prayer as schools come back into session.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez welcomed students back to school, and thanked Parks and Recreation staff for the events they produce. She also praised L.A. CADA for connecting patients with the right programs.

Mayor Mora thanked the sponsors that provided supplies for the backpack program, and thanked Congresswoman Linda T. Sanchez for presenting the City with \$3.3 million established through the American Rescue Plan. Lastly, he wished the Fire crew assisting at the Monument Fire a safe return home.

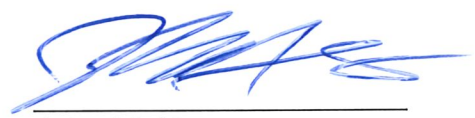
28. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mora adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

ATTEST:



Janet Martinez
City Clerk



John M. Mora
Mayor

9/20/21

Date