

**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
SEPTEMBER 28, 2006**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Serrano, at 6:11 p.m., called the City Council meeting to order.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmembers Gonzalez, Kernes, Putnam, Mayor Serrano

Also present: Fred Latham, City Manager; Steve Skolnik, City Attorney; Barbara Earl, City Clerk; Bob Orpin, Director of Planning and Development; Don Jensen, Director of Public Works; Fernando Tarin, Director of Police Services; Ana Alvarez, Director of Community Services; Debbie Pacheco, Interim Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Neal Welland, Fire Chief.

Councilmember Velasco was excused; it was noted that he was vacationing in Germany.

11. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. **Minutes**

Adjourned City Council Meeting of September 1, 2006

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Minutes.

B. Regular City Council Meeting of September 14, 2006

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Minutes.

Warrant

C. Resolution No. 9016 - Payment of Commercial Warrants (FY 2006/07)

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9016.

City Engineer's Reports

D. Curb & Gutter Removal and Replacement (FY 2005-2006 Program)
Final Progress Payment

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the final progress payment to C.J. Concrete Construction, Inc. of Santa Fe Springs, California, in the amount of \$13, 929.07 for the subject project, Activity No. 0912.

Award of Contract

- E. Removal of the Underground Storage Tanks at the Municipal Services Yard

Recommendation: That the City Council take the actions outlined in the staff report.

- F. Request for Approval for Out-of-State Travel for Fleet Maintenance Operations Superintendent and Transportation Bus Driver II

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the out-of-state travel to Chicago, Illinois for the Fleet Maintenance Operations Superintendent and Transportation Bus Driver II.

Treasurer's Report

- G. Treasurer's Report for the Month of August 2006

Recommendation: Receive and file the Treasurer's Report for the month of August.

- H. **Conference and Meeting Reports**

No reports were submitted.

Councilmember Putnam moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Item Nos. 11-A, 11-B, 11-C, 11-D, 11-E, 11-F and 11-G. Councilmember Gonzalez seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

12. **ORDINANCE FOR PASSAGE**

Ordinance No. 980 – Revising Salaries of City Council Members

Recommendation: That the City Council waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 980 revising salaries of City Council Members.

City Attorney Skolnik read the Ordinance as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 980

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
REVISING SALARIES OF MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Councilmember Kernes moved to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 980. Councilmember Gonzalez seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Gonzalez, Kernes, Putnam, Mayor Serrano

NOES:

ABSENT: Councilmember Velasco

NEW BUSINESS

13. Request for an Appropriation to Acquire Technology Equipment for the Police Services Center

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue purchase orders to facilitate the replacement and installation of new technology equipment for the Police Services Center; and that the City Council appropriate Narcotic Asset Forfeiture funds in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00 for this project.

14. Resolution No. 9017 - Santa Fe Springs Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9017 amending the City's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan and authorize the City Manager to amend/update the Plan as needed; and that the City Council direct the Director of Police Services to forward the City's Revised Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan to the State Office of Emergency Services for review, and then forward the plan to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

15. Approval of Increased Fixed Asset Capitalization Limit

Recommendation: That the City Council approve increasing the City's capitalization limit from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

16. Resolution No. 9013 – A Resolution Authorizing Advances from the City of Santa Fe Springs for Purposes of the Consolidated Redevelopment Project

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9013 authorizing advances in the amount of \$3,750,000 to fund the administrative, operational and capital needs of the Consolidated Redevelopment Project and roll over \$5,600,000 from an outstanding advance of \$6,600,000 that was loaned for purposes of land assembly in the Consolidated Redevelopment Project.

17. Resolution No. 9014 – A Resolution Authorizing an Extension of the \$500,000 Advance from the City of Santa Fe Springs for Purposes of the Washington Boulevard Redevelopment Project

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9014 authorizing an extension of the \$500,000 advance currently outstanding on behalf of the Washington Boulevard Redevelopment Project.

18. Resolution No. 9015 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Santa Fe Springs Adopting a Policy Regarding Payment of Warrants

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9015 adopting a policy to process warrants bi-weekly.

Fred Latham, City Manager, noted that Item No. 14 would be deferred to a future Council meeting.

Councilmember Gonzalez moved to approve Item Nos. 13, 15, 16, 17 and 18. Councilmember Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

RECESS

Mayor Serrano, at 6:18 p.m., recessed the City Council meeting to go into Closed Session.

3. **CLOSED SESSION**
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Initiation of litigation pursuant to Subdivision (C) of Section 54956.9
(One Case: 12215 East Slauson Avenue)

RECONVENE

Mayor Serrano, at 7:12 p.m., reconvened the City Council meeting.

4. **INVOCATION**
Councilmember Gonzalez gave the Invocation.

5. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
The VFW led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

6. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce
Thomas Lott, New Age Dental, and Moshe Sassover, Golden Springs Development Company, were present representing the Chamber of Commerce.

7. Representatives from the Youth Leadership Committee
Those students who were present came forward and introduced themselves.

PRESENTATION

9. Presentation to County Sanitation Districts' "Good Corporate Citizens"

Mr. Latham noted that Item No. 9 would also be deferred to a future Council meeting.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Serrano presented Council with books and statues commemorating Sister City International's 50th anniversary.

Ana Alvarez, Director of Community Services, introduced **Nadine Rahm and Philipp Wegner**, German exchange students working as interns in the Community Services Department. Together, they gave a presentation on the Fifty-Fit Program being offered at the Neighborhood and Betty Wilson Centers.

Rainbow Yeung, Senior Public Information Specialist, AQMD Office of Public Affairs, made a brief presentation to the Council.

10. Diploma Presentation to City Employee

Mayor Serrano called upon Don Jensen, Director of Public Works, who introduced Greg Jimenez, recent graduate of the University of Phoenix. Mayor Serrano presented him with his diploma; pictures with Council and family members followed.

Mr. Jensen also introduced Rafael Casillas to the Council, the City's new Principal Civil Engineer.

19. **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS**

No appointments were made.

20. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Serrano opened Oral Communications and invited interested parties to come forward to address the Council.

Having no one come forward, Mayor Serrano declared Oral Communications closed.

21. **EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS**

Mr. Jensen thanked Council, Mr. Latham, Debbie Pacheco and Terri Bui for their support of the Water System Master Plan Funding Strategy.

Fernando Tarin, Director of Police Services, advised Council that at a future meeting ten officers will be recognized for the roles they played in apprehending auto theft suspects.

Ms. Alvarez advised Council that all five of the senior clubs now have general liability insurance on file with the City.

Ms. Pacheco advised that auditors will be in City Hall for the next three weeks.

Fire Chief Welland reminded the Council of Relay for Life activities beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 29.

RECESS

Mayor Serrano, at 7:40 p.m., recessed the City Council meeting to go into Closed Session.

22. **RECONVENE/ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Serrano, at 8:20 p.m., adjourned the City Council meeting in the memories of Phyllis Stenson and Sumiye Yoshida, long-time Santa Fe Springs residents.

Joseph D. Serrano, Sr.
Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Earl
City Clerk