

MINUTES
REGULAR ADJOURNED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
NOVEMBER 6, 2006

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Serrano, at 6:03 p.m., called the City Council meeting to order.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmembers Gonzalez, Kernes, Putnam, Velasco, 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; Paul Martinzez sitting in for Debbie Pacheco, Interim Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Neal Welland, Fire Chief.

15. **PUBLIC HEARING - CONTINUATION**

Urgency Ordinance No. 979 - Amending Section 113.02 and Chapter 155 (Zoning) of the Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code by Adding, Repealing and Amending Various Code Sections Relating to Adult Businesses; and

Ordinance No. 978 Amending Section 113.02 and Chapter 155 (Zoning) of the Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code by Adding, Repealing and Amending Various Code Sections Relating to Adult Businesses

Recommendation: That the City Council continue this matter to its regular meeting of Thursday, December 14, 2006.

Councilmember Putnam moved to approve the recommendation for Item No. 15. Councilmember Velasco seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Paul Ashworth, Assistant Director of Planning and Development, updated the Council that presentations on the ordinances had been made to the Art Advisory Committee as well as the Parks & Recreation Committee. He had not yet presented to the nearby churches because there was a language barrier he had not yet resolved. He had scheduled three presentations the following week and one the last week of December; that was the reason the action was to continue the matter to December 14.

16. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. **Minutes**

Regular City Council Meeting of October 26, 2006

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Minutes.

City Engineer's Reports

B. Curb & Gutter Removal and Replacement (FY 2005-2006 Program)

Release of Retention Payable

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Release of Retention Payable to C. J. Concrete Construction, Inc. of Santa Fe Springs, California, in the amount of \$17,506.73 for the subject project, Activity No. 0912.

C. Appropriation of Funds for the Installation of Replacement Cylinders for In-Ground Hoist in the Fleet Services Garage

Recommendation: That the City Council appropriate \$11,000 from the General Fund Contingency Reserve for the installation of replacement cylinders for the in-ground hoist in the Fleet Services garage.

New Business

D. Award Bid to Sopp Chevrolet for the purchase of a new Chevrolet Suburban

Recommendation: That the City Council award bid to Sopp Chevrolet and allow the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order to process the transaction.

E. Award Bid to Altec Industries, Inc. for Purchase of a New Aerial Material Handler Truck

Recommendation: That the City Council award bid to Altec Industries, Inc. and allow the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order to process the transaction.

F. Cardiac Care Program Equipment Agreement

Recommendation: That the City Council approve and sign the Reimbursement Agreement.

G. **Conference and Meeting Reports**

(In accordance with State law, Councilmembers shall make a brief written or verbal report on any meeting/event/conference attended at City expense.)

No reports were submitted.

Councilmember Velasco moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

17. Resolution No. 9020 – CDC Bonds Issuance

Consideration of approval of Resolution No. 9020, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Santa Fe Springs approving the issuance by the Community Development Commission of the City of Santa Fe Springs (“Commission”) of Consolidated Redevelopment Project Tax Allocation Bonds, 2006 Series A, and its Consolidated Redevelopment Project taxable Tax Allocation Bonds, 2006 Series B, and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9020.

City Attorney Skolnik drew the Councilmembers’ attention to the fact that there were companion items to Resolution No. 9020 on the Community Development Commission and Public Financing Authority agendas as Item Nos. 6 and 4, respectively. As such, all three items could be heard and acted on together.

Jim Cervantes of Jones, Hall explained that it was a good time to borrow money because the rates are attractive. He commented further that the bonds will be well received.

Fred Latham, City Manager, explained that under redevelopment law, the only way to spend tax increment money was to create debt.

Councilmember Gonzalez questioned the City’s bonding history as reflected in the staff report and resolution. He inquired as to what portion of this bond will pay off prior indebtedness.

Mr. Cervantes explained that no portion of this bond issue will pay off prior indebtedness; this bond was done to fund projects.

City Attorney Skolnik explained that there are rules imposed by state law; this one in particular has a 21-year term. The payback is all tied to the life of a project and what the law allows us to do.

Mr. Latham further explained that the bond issue will not increase taxes.

Councilmember Gonzalez inquired as to what state the City will be in if redevelopment laws change.

City Attorney Skolnik assured Councilmember Gonzalez that redevelopment laws change all the time, but they are not changed in ways that will cause a City to go into default. He also explained that the bonds will not be the general obligation of

the City; the City is a completely different entity from the Community Development Commission.

Mr. Cervantes stated that the bonds were based on the projects the City has in the ground right now; they were not based on projected growth.

Mr. Latham further commented that the bonds were done with a conservative approach and do not create a capacity based on projections.

City Attorney Skolnik advised that the motion should be framed so as to encompass the matter as presented on all three agendas: City Council Resolution No. 9020; Public Financing Authority Resolution 2-06; and Community Development Commission Resolution No. 184-06; and that a roll call vote should be taken.

Councilmember Velasco moved to adopt Resolution Nos. 9020, 2-06 and 184-06. Councilmember Putnam seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Gonzalez, Kernes, Putnam, Velasco, Mayor Serrano

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

18. Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit Case No. 41
Request for approval to allow the continued operation and maintenance of an alcoholic beverage use involving the wholesale distribution of beer products at Triangle Distribution, located in the M-2, Heavy Manufacturing, Zone at 12065 Pike Street, within the Consolidated Redevelopment Project Area (Triangle Distribution).

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit Case No. 41 subject to the conditions of approval.

Councilmember Velasco moved to approve Item No. 18. Councilmember Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

19. **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS**
No appointments were made.

RECESS

Mayor Serrano, at 6:30 p.m., recessed the meeting to go into Closed Session.

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Per Government Code Section 54956.9
Number of Cases: 1

RECONVENE

Mayor Serrano, at 7:10 p.m., reconvened the City Council meeting.

4. **INVOCATION**

Councilmember Gonzalez gave the Invocation.

5. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Velasco led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

6. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce

Lisa Boyajian, Susan Crowell and Kathie Fink were present.

7. Representatives from the Youth Leadership Committee

No Committee representatives were present.

8. Introduction of New Santa Fe Springs Policing Team Members

Captain Dan Petropolus introduced Officers John Scoggins and Robert Glass recently assigned to the Santa Fe Springs policing team.

9. Introduction of New City Employees

Don Jensen, Director of Public Works, introduced Rafael Casillas, Principal Civil Engineer; Kristopher Castillo, Public Works Aide; Anthony Espinosa, Facility Specialist; Todd Heggstrom, Maintenance Worker; Michael Hunt, Public Works Aide; and Hector Rodriguez, Public Works Aide.

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cherie Blake, Public Records Technician, updated the Council on community events.

Kirk Kranzer and Lisa Hanshaw, teachers from Lake Center Middle School, along with 8th grade students, thanked Council for their continuing support of the Washington, D.C. trip and showed a DVD from the Spring 2006 trip.

PRESENTATIONS

14. Shoes for Sonrisas Shoe Drive

Angelica Haro, Co-Founder and Executive Director, gave a brief overview of the program and thanked the Council for their support.

11. Presentation of the 2006 Wal-Mart Store Grant to the Santa Fe Springs City Council

Mayor Serrano called upon Wal-Mart store employees Jesse Barajas and Mickie Olivarez, who presented Council with a check for \$2,000 to be used for the City's "Graffiti isn't Art" program.

12. Red Ribbon Contest Winners
Mayor Serrano called upon Kim Sawyer, Public Safety Education Officer, to introduce the 24 4th-12th grade Red Ribbon contest winners.
13. Presentation of "Blue Star" Service Banners to the Families of Santa Fe Springs Residents Currently Serving in the Armed Forces
This matter was deferred to a future Council meeting.

20. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

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

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

21. **EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS**

Don Jensen, Director of Public Works, reported that Alondra Boulevard will be undergoing reconstruction for the next several weeks; the majority of the work will take place in the evenings. He also reported that construction of the Little Lake Park concession building will begin on Monday. Lastly, he gave kudos to the Human Resource Department for the recruitment of the new Public Works employees.

Fernando Tarin, Director of Police Services, reported that an accident had occurred near the Santa Fe Springs Swap Meet at Alondra killing four people; it was noted the accident was one of the worst in Santa Fe Springs' history.

Ana Alvarez, Director of Community Services, thanked Council for their support of the Community Services Department staff in the passing of Dale Covington.

Neal Welland, Fire Chief, reported a traffic accident had occurred on Shoemaker north of Alondra; three vehicles were drag racing; there was one fatality. Chief Welland assured Council that staff was working diligently to keep the drag racing problem under control.

Fred Latham, City Manager, pointed out to Council that the Alondra Boulevard project was a good example of the use of bond funds. He also thanked Council for their support of City staff in the passing of Dale Covington.

22. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Serrano, at 8:00 p.m., adjourned the City Council meeting in the memories of Manny Molina and Lloyd Woolsey, long-time Santa Fe Springs residents.

Joseph D. Serrano, Sr.
Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Earl
City Clerk