

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
SEPTEMBER 13, 2007**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Serrano, at 6:25 p.m., called the City Council Meeting to order.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Gonzalez, Velasco, Mayor Serrano

Excused: Councilmembers Kernes and Putnam

Also present: Fred Latham, City Manager; Adria Jimenez, Deputy City Clerk; Steve Skolnik, City Attorney; Paul Ashworth, Assistant Director of Planning and Development; Don Jensen, Director of Public Works; Fernando Tarin, Director of Police Services; Hilary Keith, Director of Library & Cultural Services; Jose Gomez, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Alex Rodriguez, Fire Chief.

3. CLOSED SESSIONS

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Property: 9630 Norwalk Boulevard

Negotiating Parties: Property Owner/City Staff

Under Negotiations: Costs for Facility Expansion

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

City of Santa Fe Springs v. Spicy Gentlemen’s Club

The Closed Sessions were not convened.

4. INVOCATION

Mayor Serrano gave a special invocation in honor of Councilmember Putnam.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Serrano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

6. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce

No representatives were present to introduce.

7. Representatives from the Youth Leadership Committee

No representatives were present to introduce.

8. Introduction of New Santa Fe Springs Policing Team Members
There were no introductions.

9. Introduction of New City Employees
There were no introductions.

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
There were no announcements.

PRESENTATIONS

11. To Fred Rocha, Teacher of the Year for the North Orange County Community College District – School of Continuing Education
This presentation was deferred to a future City Council Meeting.

12. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes

A. City Council Meeting of August 23, 2007

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Minutes.

Awards of Contract

B. Award of Contract for a City-Wide Classification Study

Recommendation: That the City Council award the contract to conduct a City-Wide Classification Study to Nash & Company and authorize the City Manager to execute the Professional Services Agreement.

C. Engineering Services for the Implementation of Quiet Zone Improvements Along the UPRR Corridor (Phase I)

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the City Engineer to execute a contract with JMD for the design of improvements, coordination and notification for implementation of a Quiet Zone at the Phase 1 grade crossings in the amount of \$122,000.

City Engineer's Report

D. Approval of Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) Development Plan and Schedule

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Development Plan and Schedule in compliance with the State Water Resources Control Board, Order No. 2006-0003, Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) for Sanitary Sewer Systems.

New Business

- E. Agreement to Join the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Authority for the Purposes of Developing a Localized Integrated Regional Water Management Plan

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the City's participation in the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Authority; approve the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Authority Agreement; authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City; appropriate \$15,000 from the Water Fund to cover the initial annual cost of membership in the Authority; and appoint the Director of Public Works to serve as the governing board representative for the City of Santa Fe Springs and appoint the Director of Municipal and Utility Services as the alternate.

- F. Renewal of Contract with Graffiti Tracker, Inc. for Graffiti Analysis Services

Recommendation: That the City Council approve a renewal of contract with Graffiti Tracker, Inc. to provide graffiti analysis services and, in so doing, authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement document and appropriate additional \$6,000 from General Fund reserves for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 for the Graffiti Tracker Program for a total of \$24,000.

- G. Resolution No. 9070 – Calling for a Public Hearing on the Formation of Underground Utility District No. 12 (Stage Road Between Valley View Avenue and 500' + West of Valley View Avenue and the West Half of Valley View Avenue Between 950' + South of Stage Road and 750' + North of Stage Road)

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9070 setting the date of September 27, 2007 for a Public Hearing on the formation of Underground Utility District No. 12.

- H. Resolution No. 9071 – Authorizing Submittal of an Application to the California Department of Transportation for the Allocation of Funding for the Valley View Avenue Grade Separation Project

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9071 authorizing submittal of an application to the California Department of Transportation for the allocation of funding from the State Grade Separation Program for the Valley View Avenue Grade Separation Project.

I. **Conference and Meeting Reports**

Report submitted by Councilmember Gonzalez on his recent attendance at the Chamber of Commerce Workshop.

Mayor Serrano and Councilmember Velasco submitted a report on their recent attendance at the League of California Cities Conference.

Councilmember Velasco moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including Resolution Nos. 9070 and 9071. Councilmember Gonzalez seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

13. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Santa Fe Springs and the Santa Fe Springs Firefighters' Association, Inc.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Santa Fe Springs Firefighters Association, Inc. and authorize the City Manager to execute said agreement.

14. Reconsideration of Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit Case No. 40

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Reconsideration of Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit Case No. 40 subject to the conditions of approval as contained within the report.

15. Confirm Authorization to Modify Organizational Reporting Relationships and Related Budgetary Allocations for the City's Early Youth Intervention Program

Recommendation: That the City Council confirm the authorization to change the departmental reporting relationship for the Early Youth Intervention Program from the Department of Community Services to the City Manager's Office and authorize the City Manager to make all related programmatic, personnel authorization, facility and budgetary modifications to reflect the intent of this organizational adjustment, and, in so doing, change the classification title of the Assistant to the Director of Community Services to Director of Family and Youth Intervention Services.

Councilmember Gonzalez stated that he would like all facets of the Family and Youth Intervention Services Program implemented as soon as possible and would like a status report in 60 days.

Councilmember Velasco moved approval of Item Nos. 13, 14 and 15. Councilmember Gonzalez seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Gonzalez, Velasco, Mayor Serrano

NOES:

ABSENT: Councilmember Kernes, Putnam

ABSTAIN:

16. Request that the City Council Approve the Proposed Change of Job Title and Salary Range for the Position of Cultural Arts Administrator in the Department of Community Services

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the recommendation of the Director of the Department of Community Services and the Director of the Library & Cultural Services Division to modify the job title of the Cultural Arts Administrator to Heritage Park Supervisor and modify the related salary range.

City Manager Latham recommended that this item be deferred to the next City Council Meeting.

Councilmember Velasco moved approval of City Manager Latham's recommendation. Mayor Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

17. Report on Police Tow Service Agreement

Recommendation: That the City Council extend the Tow Service Agreement with Vernola's Tow for an additional five years until December 31, 2014; and authorize the Director of Police Services to execute the Agreement with Vernola's Tow to extend towing services until December 31, 2014.

Councilmember Velasco moved approval of Item No. 17. Councilmember Gonzalez seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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

No appointments were made.

19. **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 closed Oral Communications.

20. **EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS**

There were no Executive Team reports.

21. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Serrano, at 6:35 p.m., adjourned the City Council meeting in the memory of Celia Hernandez, Albin Alvarez and Steven Grant, long-time Santa Fe Springs residents.

Joseph D. Serrano, Sr.
Mayor

ATTEST:

Adria M. Jimenez
Deputy City Clerk