

**MINUTES
JOINT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
AND
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
FEBRUARY 12, 2009**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 6:16 p.m., called the Community Development Commission and City Council meetings to order.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners/Councilmembers Putnam, Rounds, Serrano, Velasco, Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez

Also present: Fred Latham, City Manager; Barbara Earl, City Clerk; Steve Skolnik, City Attorney; Paul Ashworth, Director of Planning and Development; Don Jensen, Director of Public Works; Dino Torres sitting in for Fernando Tarin, Director of Police Services; Ana Alvarez, Director of Community Services; Jose Gomez, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Fire Chief Alex Rodriguez.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

3. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

No reports were given.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

A. **Minutes**

Minutes of the Regular Community Development Commission Meeting of January 22, 2009

Recommendation: That the Commission approve the minutes as submitted.

City Engineer's Report

B. Resolution No. 218-09 – Approving the Use of Community Development Commission Funds for the Meandering Sidewalk at the Southwest Corner of Telegraph Road and Pioneer Boulevard

Recommendation: That the Community Development Commission adopt Resolution No. 218-09 and authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids for the meandering sidewalk at the southwest corner of Telegraph Road and Pioneer Boulevard.

- C. Authorization to Advertise for Construction Bids for the Library Phase 1 and Phase 2 Improvement and Enhancement Project

Recommendation: That the Community Development Commission approve the proposed space design; approve the proposed design for the library entry and reading garden; authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids for Phase 1; authorize the City Engineer to amend the LPA contract for an amount not to exceed \$69,500 to prepare construction documents for Phase 2; and authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids for Phase 2.

Award of Contract

- D. Little Lake Park Restroom Renovation

Recommendation: That the Community Development Commission accept the bids for the subject project and award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder, if acceptable.

City Attorney Skolnik directed the Commissioners' attention to an Addendum to the Award of Contract, Item D.

Commissioner Putnam moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including Item Nos. 4-A, 4-B, 4-C and 4-D. Commissioner Rounds seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

CITY COUNCIL

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes

- A. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of January 22, 2009

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the minutes as submitted.

Award of Contract

- B. Heritage Park Carriage Barn Painting

Recommendation: That the City Council accept the bids for the Heritage Park Carriage Barn painting; appropriate \$15,000.00 from the General Fund to complete the funding for this project; and award a contract to Mario Paints Thee Painting Partnership of Whittier, California in the amount of \$38,750.00.

Conference and Meeting Reports

- C. (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 to approve the Consent Agenda, including Item Nos. 8-A and 8-B. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Putnam, Rounds, Serrano, Velasco, Mayor Velasco

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

NEW BUSINESS

9. Resolution No. 9161 – Ordering the Preparation of Plans, Specifications, Cost Estimate, Diagram, Assessment, and Report Pursuant to the Provisions of Division 15, Part 2 of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California, for Proceedings for Annual Assessment Levy after Formation of a District

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9161 ordering the preparation of plans, specifications, cost estimate, assessment diagram, assessment, and Engineer's Report for the Lighting District.

Councilmember Rounds moved to approve Item No. 9. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

10. Resolution No. 9162 - Approval of Los Angeles Radio Interoperable Communications System (LA-RICS) Joint Powers Agreement (JPA)

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9162 authorizing the City's membership in the LA-RICS Authority; authorize the City Manager to execute the JPA Agreement; and direct staff to report back on the status of the LA-RICS Authority prior to the adoption of the funding plan with a recommendation on whether to continue the City's membership in the JPA.

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam moved to approve Item No. 10. Councilmember Velasco seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

11. Resolution No. 9163 – Approving the Use of Community Development Commission

Funds for the Meandering Sidewalk at the Southwest Corner of Telegraph Road and Pioneer Boulevard

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9163 finding that the meandering sidewalk at the southwest corner of Telegraph Road and Pioneer Boulevard benefits the Consolidated Redevelopment Project Area and that no other reasonable means to complete the financing of the project is available within the community.

Councilmember Rounds moved to approve Item No. 11. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

12. Resolution No. 9164 – Agreement with Cal Trans Division of Rail for Improvements at Rosecrans/Marquardt Grade Crossing

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Agreement with Cal Trans Division of Rail for Section 130 Grade Crossing Improvement Program funding; and authorize the Director of Public Works to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam moved to approve Item No. 12. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

13. Approval of Contracts with Fulbright & Jaworski LLP to Provide Special Legal Services and Urban Logic Consultants to Perform Valuation Services, and Appropriate \$104,000 from the Water Fund

Recommendation: That the City Council approve an agreement with the law firm of Fulbright & Jaworski LLP and appoint Donald Hunt as Special Counsel to assist in the formation of a Joint Powers Authority concerning a long-term lease of the City water system; authorize Urban Logic Consultants, Inc. to perform a valuation of the City-owned domestic and reclaimed water systems; and appropriate \$104,000 from the Water Fund to cover these services.

Councilmember Rounds moved to approve Item No. 13. Mayor Pro Tem Putnam seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Putnam, Rounds, Serrano, Velasco, Mayor Velasco

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

14. Approval of Contract with William Holt for City Prosecutor Services

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Contract for City Prosecutor Services with William Holt.

Councilmember Serrano moved to approve Item No. 14. Mayor Pro Tem Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

15. Request for Out-of-State Travel for the Director of Family & Human Services Division and the Senior Services Supervisor to Attend the 2009 Annual National Council on Aging Conference in Las Vegas, NV

Recommendation: That the City Council approve out-of-state travel for Maricela Balderas, Director of Family & Human Services Division, and Jo Ann Madrid, Senior Services Supervisor, to attend the National Council on Aging Conference in Las Vegas, NV March 15-19, 2009.

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam moved to approve Item No. 15. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

16. Approval of Strategy to Determine which Waste Hauler will Service the Villages at Heritage Springs Housing Development

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize staff to develop and bring back to the Council an ordinance for introduction amending the Municipal Code to allow for a third residential waste hauling franchise permit and an RFP document for review and approval to go out to bid, which would be released exclusively to the three commercial franchise permittees.

City Manager Latham advised Council that Item No. 16 was exclusive to the Villages Housing project.

City Attorney Skolnik further advised Council that they were not making a final decision; the bid will be connected to qualitative types of issues and not rates; lastly, that Council will continue to set rate changes.

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam moved to approve Item No. 16. Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

17. Acceptance of the UASI Grant and Authorization to Purchase Inter-Operability Equipment for the Hazardous Materials Response Unit

Recommendation: That the City Council approve of the Fire Chief's recommendation to accept the grant funds and authorize the purchase of hazardous materials inter-operability equipment from Safe Environment Engineering.

Councilmember Velasco moved to approve Item No. 17. Councilmember Rounds

seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

SUBSEQUENT NEED ITEM

Request for Out-of-State Travel for Fire Rescue Mechanic to Attend Training for the Maintenance of Fire Apparatus in Las Vegas, NV

Recommendation: That the City Council approve out-of-state travel for Dana Beile, Fire Mechanic, to attend training for the maintenance of fire apparatus at the Pierce Manufacturing Facility February 23-27, 2009.

City Attorney Skolnik advised that a Subsequent Need Item was also before the Council. He explained that in order for an item to qualify for placement on the agenda as a Subsequent Need Item, it must meet two criteria: 1) that staff became aware of the item after the preparation of the agenda and 2) that the matter could not wait for the next meeting to be acted on. He further stated that this item met both criteria.

Councilmember Serrano moved to place the item on the agenda. Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Putnam, Rounds, Serrano, Velasco, Mayor Gonzalez

NOES:

ABSENT:

Councilmember Rounds moved the recommendation. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

RECESS

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 6:25 p.m., recessed the meeting to go into Closed Session for the following items:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

- 5. **CLOSED SESSION**
CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR
PROPERTY: 13210 Telegraph Road
NEGOTIATING PARTIES: Staff/Property Owner
UNDER NEGOTIATION: Terms of Agreement

CITY COUNCIL

- 7. **CLOSED SESSION**
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
CASE: Bradley-Burns Tax Claims against the California State Board of Equalization
CASES: 1

RECONVENE

Mayor Gonzalez, at 7:02 p.m., reconvened the meeting with all Councilmembers present.

City Attorney Skolnik stated that with regard to Item No. 7 on the City Council agenda, a motion was made by Councilmember Rounds, seconded by Councilmember Serrano to enter into agreements to seek recovery in the matter and authorized the appropriate persons to execute the documents with approval as to form by the City Attorney; the motion carried unanimously.

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18. INVOCATION

Councilmember Rounds gave the Invocation.

19. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

20. Representatives from the Youth Leadership Committee

Those members who were present came forward and introduced themselves.

21. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce

Lisa Boyajian, ANSA Insurance Services, was present.

22. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wayne Bergeron, Management Assistant, updated the Community Events Calendar.

PRESENTATIONS

23. Presentation by Lupe Pasillas & Karina Franco of "Generation We," a Santa Fe High School Global Awareness Club

Recommendation: The Mayor may wish to call upon Thaddeus McCormack, Assistant to the City Manager, to assist with the presentation.

Lupe Pasillas and Karina Franco gave an overview of their newly-formed club, complete with highlights of what the club had accomplished thus far; pictures with Council followed.

24. Proclaiming the Week of February 16-20, 2009 as "Student Diversity Week" to Recognize and Honor the Rich, Cultural Diversity within Santa Fe Springs

Recommendation: That the Mayor call upon staff to make a brief presentation on the 2009 Diversity Summit Program activities that will take place during the week of February 16, 2009; that the City Clerk read the proclamation for "Student Diversity Week" ; and that City and local school representatives be invited to receive the proclamation.

Rick Brown, Family & Youth Intervention Program Coordinator, gave a brief overview

of the planned Diversity Summit Program activities and called upon representatives from the various schools to accept the Proclamation. City Clerk Barbara Earl read the proclamation; pictures with Council followed.

APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS

25. Committee Appointments

Councilmember Serrano appointed Joe Avila and Jose Zamora to the Parks & Recreation Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam appointed Jeannette Wolfe to the Sister City Committee.

Councilmember Rounds appointed Karina Saucedo to the Youth Leadership Committee.

Councilmember Velasco appointed Lisa Sanchez to the Community Program Committee; Annette Ledesma to the Parks & Recreation Committee; and Victor Ramos to the Youth Leadership Committee.

26. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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

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

27. EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS

Ana Alvarez, Director of Community Services, advised that Author Pam Munoz Ryan met with over 800 children this past week; Christmas float volunteers were honored at a thank you dinner; and \$1,000 had been raised for the Family & Human Services fund through the Valentine Gram Program.

28. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 7:35 p.m., wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day and adjourned the Community Development Commission and City Council meetings.

Luis M. Gonzalez
Chairperson/Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Earl, CMC, City Clerk