

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 6:02 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; Fernando Tarin, Director of Police Services; Ana Alvarez, Director of Community Services; Jose Gomez, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Alex Rodriguez, Fire Chief.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

3. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

City Manager Latham requested that Item No. 21 on the Council Agenda be deferred until staff could further consult with Council.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

A. **Minutes**

Minutes of the Regular Community Development Commission Meeting of February 26, 2009

Recommendation: That the Commission approve the minutes as submitted.

City Engineer's Report

B. **Median Island Improvements – Norwalk Boulevard/Bloomfield Avenue Final Progress Payment (Less 5% Retention)**

Recommendation: That the Community Development Commission approve the Final Progress Payment (less 5% Retention) to Alliance Streetworks, Inc. of Anaheim, CA in the amount of \$341,072.96 for the subject project.

Vice-Chairperson Putnam moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including Item Nos. 4-A and 4-B. Commissioner Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

5. Termination of Contract

Installation of Above-Ground Fuel Tank at Fire Station Headquarters

Recommendation: That the Community Development Commission take the following actions: de-authorize a transfer of \$42,000 from the Fire Station Generator Project (480-0806) to the Above-Ground Fuel Tank Project (484-R508); and terminate a contract with Environmental, Engineering & Construction Services of Santa Fe Springs, California in the amount of \$84,120.

Vice-Chairperson Putnam moved to approve Item No. 5. Commissioner Rounds seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

6. Unfinished Business

Resolution No. 219-09 – Approving the Use of Community Development Commission Funds for the Villages at Heritage Springs Artwork

Recommendation: That the Community Development Commission take the following actions: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 219-09 finding that the Villages at Heritage Springs Artwork benefits within and outside the Consolidated Redevelopment Project Area and that no other reasonable means to complete the financing of this project is available within the Community; and 2) Appropriate \$136,114 from the Community Development Commission unallocated tax exempt funds to complete the funding for the Villages at Heritage Springs Artwork.

Hilary Keith, Director of Library & Cultural Services, introduced the artist, Lynn Goodpasture. Ms. Goodpasture stated that her inspiration for the project came from the Tongva Village, which was located in Santa Fe Springs many years ago, and that her theme is flora and fauna. She proceeded to narrate a PowerPoint presentation showing various overlays of the art on the exterior gates surrounding the project. Staff assisted her with displaying material and color samples for the Council and audience to see.

Councilmember Velasco moved to approve the recommendations in Item No. 6. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

7. New Business

Reconsideration of Development Plan Approval Case No. 796

Recommendation: Request for approval to allow a 206,864 sq. ft. addition to an existing 610,500 sq. ft. building located at 13500 Foster Road in the M-2, Heavy Manufacturing, Zone and within the Consolidated Redevelopment Project Area. (Golden Springs Development Company, LLC)

Commissioner Rounds moved to approve Item No. 7. Commissioner Velasco seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

8. New Business

Award of Consultant Contract – For the Preparation of an Initial Study and Related CEQA Documents Relating to the Development of the Jersey/Alburtis Condominium Project which will Include the Production of Affordable Units

Recommendation: That the Community Development Commission accept and award the contract for the preparation of an initial study and related CEQA documents to The Planning Center in the amount of \$39,893 and authorize the Executive Director to execute the contract.

Commissioner Rounds moved to approve Item No. 8. Commissioner Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

9. Commission Member-Requested Item

Reconsideration of the Request for Qualifications Seeking Affordable Housing Developers for the 3.9-Acre Property at 13231 Lakeland Road

Recommendation: That the Community Development Commission direct staff to describe the type of housing development in the Request for Qualifications as affordable ownership.

Commissioner Serrano moved to approve Item No. 9. Vice-Chairperson Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

CITY COUNCIL

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes

- A. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of February 26, 2009

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

Award of Contract

- B. Miscellaneous Street Repairs (FY 2008/09 Program)

Recommendation: That the City Council accept the bids for the Miscellaneous Street Repairs (FY 2008/09 Program); and award a contract to D&L Paving of Yucaipa, CA in the amount of \$110,610.

- C. **City Engineer's Reports**

Traffic Study – Cecelia Street and Gard Avenue

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the City Engineer to install a STOP sign for the southbound direction at the intersection of Cecilia Street and Gard Avenue.

Conference and Meeting Reports

- D. (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 Serrano moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including Item Nos. 13-A, 13-B and 13-C. Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14. Resolution No. 9166 - Approving the Use of Community Development Commission Funds and Proposed Art Program for the Villages at Heritage Springs Artwork

Recommendation: That the City Council 1) Adopt Resolution No. 9166, finding that the Villages at Heritage Springs Artwork benefits within and outside the Consolidated Redevelopment Project Area and that no other reasonable means to complete the financing of this project is available within the Community; and 2) Appropriate \$136,115 from the Art in Public Places Fund to complete the funding of the Villages at Heritage Springs Artwork.

Councilmember Rounds moved to adopt Resolution No. 9166 and appropriate the necessary funds. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

NEW BUSINESS

15. Resolution No. 9167 – Authorizing the City of Santa Fe Springs to Enter into an Agreement with the State of California Department of Education to Receive Funds for the Purchase of Instructional Materials and Supplies for Child Care and Development Programs

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9167 and authorize the Director of Community Services to enter into an agreement with the State of California Department of Education to receive one-time-only Infant/Toddler Resource Funds in the amount of \$2,697 for the City's childcare programs.

16. Resolution No. 9168 – Authorizing the City of Santa Fe Springs to Enter into an Agreement with the State of California Department of Education to Receive Funds for the Purchase of Instructional Materials and Supplies for Childcare and Development Programs

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9168 and authorize the Director of Community Services to enter into an agreement with the State of California Department of Education to receive one-time-only, School-age Resource Funds in the amount of \$2,049 for the City's childcare programs.

17. Transmittal of Draft Program Environmental Impact Reports and Draft Preliminary Reports for Proposed Amendment No. 4 to the Consolidated Redevelopment Project Area and for Proposed Amendment No. 2 to the Washington Blvd. Project Area

Recommendation: Accept and receive the Draft Program Environmental Impact Reports and Draft Preliminary Reports for proposed Amendment No. 4 to the Consolidated Redevelopment Project Area and proposed Amendment No. 2 to the Washington Blvd. Project Area.

Councilmember Rounds moved to approve the recommendations in Item Nos. 15, 16 and 17. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

18. Adoption of Various Policies Pertaining to Council-Appointed Committees and Commissions

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt the policies pertaining to Council-Appointed Committees and Commissions relating to applications, appointments, and absences outlined in the body of this report.

19. Acceptance of Dedication and Approval of Tract Map No. 71030 – Villages at Heritage Springs

Recommendation: That the City Council accept the sewer and water easement dedications on the Final Map and Approve Tract Map No. 71030; find that Tract Map No. 71030, together with the provisions for its design and improvement, is consistent with the City's General Plan; and authorize the City Engineer and City Clerk to sign Tract Map No. 71030.

20. Authorize the Sister City Committee to Send a Delegation to the Sister Cities International Conference in Northern Ireland

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the Sister City Committee to send a delegation of four youth from the Young Ambassadors Association and one adult chaperone from the Sister City Committee to the Sister Cities International Conference in Northern Ireland.

City Manager Latham requested that Item No. 19 be deferred to a future Council meeting.

Councilmember Serrano moved to approve the recommendations for Item Nos. 18 and 20. Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Councilmember Velasco requested that he be given the names of the Young Ambassadors and the adult chaperone.

21. Approve Renewal of General Services Agreement Between the City of Santa Fe Springs and the County of Los Angeles

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Renewal of General Services Agreement between the City of Santa Fe Springs and the County of Los Angeles for a five-year period commencing July 1, 2009, and, in so doing, authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement documents.

City Manager Latham again requested that Item No. 21 be deferred to a future meeting.

22. Deferral of City Councilmember Scheduled Pay Increase

Recommendation: Councilmember Rounds is proposing the Council defer a scheduled pay increase. The Council should respond to the request by taking whatever action it deems appropriate.

Councilmember Serrano moved to approve Item No. 22. Mayor Pro Tem Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mayor Gonzalez applauded Councilmember Rounds for making the proposal and thanked him for his leadership, noting that the Council should serve as an example to the Management Team and the general employees.

23. **ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION**
Ordinance No. 997 – Amending Subsection (A) of Section 50.22 of the City Code Regarding Garbage and Refuse

Recommendation: That the City Council waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 997, an ordinance amending Subsection (A) of Section 50.22 of the City Code regarding garbage and refuse.

City Attorney Skolnik introduced Ordinance No. 997 by title as follows: An Ordinance of the City of Santa Fe Springs Amending Subsection (A) of Section 50.22 of the City Code Regarding Garbage and Refuse.

Councilmember Rounds moved to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 997. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

24. **APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS**
Appropriation of Funds for City Hall Gas Main Replacement

Recommendation: That the City Council appropriate \$6,000 from the General Fund Reserves for the replacement of the gas main at City Hall.

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam moved to approve Item No. 24. Councilmember Velasco seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

RECESS

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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

CLOSED SESSION

10. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Property: 9845 Alburdis Avenue and 9836 Jersey Avenue

Negotiating Parties: Staff and Property Owner

Under Negotiation: Terms of Agreement for Affordable Housing Opportunities

11. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Property: Villages at Heritage Springs – Bounded by Telegraph Rd., Bloomfield Ave., Clark Street and Norwalk Boulevard

Negotiating Parties: Staff and Property Owner

Under Negotiation: Terms of Agreement

CITY COUNCIL

CLOSED SESSION

12. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

Agency Negotiator: City Manager

Employee Organizations: Santa Fe Springs Firemen's Association

Santa Fe Springs Employees' Association

RECONVENE

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez reconvened the meeting at 7:15 p.m. with all Commissioners/Councilmembers present.

25. INVOCATION

Councilmember Rounds gave the Invocation.

26. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Senior Girl Scout Troop #009 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

27. Representatives from the Youth Leadership Committee
Those youth who were present came forward and introduced themselves.
28. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce
Cheryl Romero of Preferred Bank was present.
29. Introduction of New Santa Fe Springs Policing Team Members
Captain Bar introduced Officers John King, Jed Dineen, Chris Leffler, Jose Bolanos and Detective Rob Wolfe.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Gonzalez announced that Councilmember Velasco's birthday was coming up. He invited the Council and audience to stand and join him in singing Happy Birthday; a cake was brought out.

30. **PRESENTATION**
Presentation of 2008 Community Health Needs Assessment

Dana Molina, Vice-President of Clinic Operations, and Dawn Marie Kotsonis, Community Benefit Development Director, presented the Needs Assessment via a narrated PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Gonzalez thanked them for coming, noting that the statistics were informative as well as shocking.

31. **APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS**
Committee Appointments

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam appointed Art Escobedo to the Historical Committee.

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

Lydia Manriquez, 11050 Milano, Norwalk, voiced her disappointment in the manner in which City staff handled a recent incident where she and her dog were attacked by another dog and its owner at Heritage Park.

33. **EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS**
Ana Alvarez, Director of Community Services, reminded Council of Opening Day for the Baseball Association on March 14 at 10:00 a.m. at Los Nietos Park.

34. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 8:17 p.m., adjourned the Community Development Commission and City Council meetings to Thursday, March 19, 5:00 p.m., in Council Chambers, for a CIP Study Session.

Luis M. Gonzalez
Chairperson/Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Earl, CMC, City Clerk