

## MINUTES

### JOINT MEETINGS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS  
AUGUST 13, 2009

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 6:08 p.m., called the Community Development Commission and City Council meetings to order.

2. **ROLL CALL**

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

Excused: Commissioner/Councilmember Velasco

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; Hilary Keith, Director of Library & Cultural Services; Jose Gomez, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Alex Rodriguez, Fire Chief

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

3. **REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Paul Ashworth, Executive Director, gave a status report on the ongoing demolition at the Lakeland development site.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Minutes**

- A. Minutes of the Community Development Commission Meeting of July 23, 2009

**Recommendation:** That the Commission approve the Minutes as submitted.

Vice-Chairperson Putnam moved to approve the Minutes. Commissioner Rounds seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

5. Authorization to Advertise - Temporary Neighborhood Center Facilities

**Recommendation:** That the Community Development Commission authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids for the Temporary Neighborhood Center Facilities.

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

6. Authorization to Negotiate a Change Order with Erickson-Hall Construction Company for the Construction of the Library Phase 2 Reading Gardens Project

**Recommendation:** That the Community Development Commission (CDC) authorize the Director of Public Works to negotiate a Change Order with Erickson-Hall Construction Company (“Erickson-Hall”) to construct the Library Phase 2 Reading Gardens Project.

Vice-Chairperson Putnam moved the recommendation for Item No. 6. Commissioner Rounds seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Commissioner Rounds modified the recommendation to include that Council review the Change Order when it comes back and that the Order not exceed staff’s estimate.

Chairperson Gonzalez so ordered the modification.

**CITY COUNCIL**

10. **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Minutes**

A. Minutes of the City Council Meeting of July 23, 2009

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the Minutes as submitted.

Councilmember Serrano moved to approve the Minutes. Mayor Pro Tem Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

11. Resolution No. 9209 – Self-Certification of Conformance to Congestion Management Program

**Recommendation:** That the City Council conduct a public hearing and adopt Resolution No. 9209 certifying that the City is in conformance with the Congestion Management Program.

Mayor Gonzalez opened the Public Hearing and invited interested parties to come forward to address the Council.

Having no one come forward, Mayor Gonzalez closed the Public Hearing.

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam moved the recommendation for Item No. 11. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**12.** Reconsideration of FY 2009-10 City Budget – Supplemental Recommendation No. 1 (Deferred Action Items)

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the personnel recommendations as set forth herein and, in so doing, amend the adopted FY 2009-10 City Budget and direct the City Manager to take all appropriate implementation actions.

Councilmember Serrano moved the recommendation for Item No. 12. Mayor Pro Tem Putnam seconded the motion.

Mayor Gonzalez questioned the part-time position referenced in No. 3 on the report being benefited, which caused discussion amongst Council.

Following the discussion, City Manager Latham framed a motion to eliminate the full-time Public Safety Officer position, create the part-time position of Public Safety Officer with the salary range as stated, but not provide benefits, and for staff to come back to Council with a policy to be consistent with the action taken.

Mayor Gonzalez moved the motion as stated. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion.

Further discussion ensued.

Councilmember Rounds moved the recommendation for Item Nos. 1, 2 and 3 with the amendment that staff bring back a policy to Council on benefits for part-time employees.

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam stated that the matter should be acted on as stated in the staff report.

Mayor Gonzalez and Councilmember Serrano withdrew the previous motion.

Councilmember Serrano seconded Councilmember Rounds' motion, including the amendment, which Mayor Gonzalez then ordered without objection.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**13.** Renewal of Contract with Graffiti Tracker, Inc. for Graffiti Analysis Services

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the renewal of contract with Graffiti Tracker, Inc. to provide graffiti analysis services, and, in doing so, authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement document.

14. Approval of Agreements for the Formation of the Community Facility District for the Villages at Heritage Springs

**Recommendation:** That the City Council Authorize the City Engineer to enter into the following agreements for the formation of the Villages at Heritage Springs Community Facilities District: 1) Harris & Associates for Special Tax Consulting Services; 2) Coory Engineering for Engineering Services; 3) Jones Hall for Bond Counsel; 4) Stone and Youngberg for Legal Services.

15. Resolution No. 9210 – Adoption of Amended and Restated Local Goals and Policies For Community Facilities Districts

**Recommendation:** That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9210 approving Amended and Restated Local Goals and Policies for the formation of Community Facilities Districts.

16. Amendment to the Letter of Agreement with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Regarding CMAQ Funds for the Valley View Grade Separation Project

**Recommendation:** That the City Council take the following actions: 1) Approve the Amendment to the Original Letter of Agreement with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Regarding CMAQ Funds for the Valley View Grade Separation Project; 2) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Amendment.

17. Approval of RFP Document and Authorization to Go Out to Bid for Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services for the Villages at Heritage Springs Housing Development

**Recommendation:** That the Council: 1) Approve the attached RFP document and 2) authorize staff to solicit bids from qualified contractors.

Councilmember Serrano moved to approve the recommendations for Item Nos. 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17. Mayor Pro Tem Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Councilmember Rounds inquired, with reference to Item No. 13, how much the City recouped from use of the Graffiti Tracker System.

City Manager Latham responded it was in the neighborhood of \$5,000.

**RECESS**

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 6:25 p.m., recessed the Community Development Commission and City Council meetings to go into Closed Session.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

### **CLOSED SESSION**

#### **7. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Case: Community Development Commission vs. Bueno

Number of Cases: 1

## **CITY COUNCIL**

### **CLOSED SESSIONS**

#### **8. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**

Agency Negotiator: City Manager

Employee Organizations: Santa Fe Springs Firemen's Association

Santa Fe Springs Employees' Association

#### **9. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Significant exposure to litigations pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9:

One potential case

### **RECONVENE**

Mayor Gonzalez, at 7:07 p.m., reconvened the Community Development Commission and City Council meetings.

City Attorney Skolnik reported out regarding Item No. 9 that a motion was made by Councilmember Serrano, seconded by Councilmember Rounds, and carried unanimously to authorize the Ana Alvarez Severance Agreement and Release; authorize the City Manager to sign the Agreement; and authorize the City Manager to make a matching appropriation from the Transitional Funding Reserves Account.

#### **18. INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Putnam.

#### **19. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Youth Leadership Committee members.

### **INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **20. Representatives from the Youth Leadership Committee**

Committee members introduced themselves.

#### **21. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce**

Marc Essensa, President, was present representing the Chamber.

#### **22. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Doris Yarwood, Miss Santa Fe Springs representative, introduced the 2009-2010 court consisting of Miss Santa Fe Springs Lupe Pasillas; Princess Bernadette Gomez; and Princess Sara Llanes.

Anita Jimenez, Program Coordinator, introduced Young Ambassadors who recently traveled to Ireland for a conference and members of the Sister City Committee who were present. The students shared photos and gave an overview of their trip. They thanked Council for their continued support.

Hilary Keith, Director of Library & Cultural Services, updated the Community Events Calendar.

**SUBSEQUENT NEED**

**Authorization to Award a Bid for Construction of the Rio Hondo Regional Training Center Utilizing Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Funding**

Mr. Latham 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, Mayor Gonzalez

NOES:

ABSENT:

Councilmember Serrano moved the recommendation. Mayor Pro Tem Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS**

**23. Committee Appointments**

Councilmember Serrano appointed Ariana Gonzalez to the Youth Leadership Committee.

**24. 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.

**25. EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS**

City Manager Latham thanked the three division heads for their work and support and stated that he looked forward to watching them as they took on their new leadership roles.

Mayor Gonzalez invited everyone to come and support him on August 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Keystone Lanes in Norwalk as he participates in a Journey for the Blind bowling tournament.

**26. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Gonzalez, at 7:30 p.m., adjourned the Community Development Commission and City Council meetings in the memory of Sarah Garcia, mother-in-law of Councilmember Joseph D. Serrano, Sr., and mother of Traffic Commissioner Sarah Garcia.

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Luis M. Gonzalez  
Chairperson/Mayor

ATTEST:

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Barbara Earl, CMC, City Clerk