

MINUTES

JOINT MEETINGS OF THE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
AUGUST 27, 2009

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson/Mayor Gonzalez, at 6:05 p.m., called the Public Financing Authority, Water Utility Authority, Community Development Commission and City Council meetings to order.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Directors/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; Carole Joseph, Director of Recreation Services; Jose Gomez, Terri Bui sitting in for Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Chris Crispo sitting in for Alex Rodriguez, Fire Chief

PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Public Financing Authority Meeting of July 23, 2009

Recommendation: That the Authority approve the Minutes as submitted.

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

NEW BUSINESS

4. Monthly Report on the Status of Debt Instruments Issued through the City of Santa Fe Springs Public Financing Authority (PFA)

Recommendation: That the Authority receive and file the report.

Director Rounds moved the recommendation. Vice-Chairperson Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5. Water Utility Authority Meeting of July 23, 2009

Recommendation: That the Authority approve the Minutes as submitted.

Director Serrano moved the recommendation. Director Velasco seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

AWARD OF CONTRACT

6. Water Reservoir Nos. 1 & 2 Refurbishment

Recommendation: That the Authority accept the bids for the Water Reservoir Nos. 1 & 2 refurbishment; award a contract to Cor-Ray Painting Company in the amount of \$896,540.00; and transfer \$600,000.00 from Arsenic Treatment Facilities New Well – Zone 2 to Interior/Exterior Recoating of Reservoir No. 2 to complete the funding for this project.

Director Serrano moved the recommendation. Vice-Chairperson Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

7. Update on the Status of Water-Related Capital Improvement Plan Projects

Recommendation: That the Authority receive and file the report.

Vice-Chairperson Putnam moved the recommendation. Director Velasco seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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

No reports were given.

9. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. **Minutes**

Minutes of the Regular Community Development Commission Meeting of August 13, 2009

Recommendation: That the Commission approve the Minutes as submitted.

Commissioner Velasco moved the recommendation. Commissioner Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

10. Resolution No. 238-2009 – Consent and Waiver Relating to Formation of City of Santa Fe Springs Community Facilities District No. 2009-1 (Villages at Heritage Springs)

Recommendation: That the Commission adopt Resolution No. 238-2009 thereby consenting to the formation of a Community Facilities District that will include Community Development Commission-owned property and waiving certain election requirements.

City Attorney Skolnik advised the Commission that Item No. 10 on the Commission Agenda and No. 15 on the Council Agenda were companion items and could be acted on together. He further advised that Item Nos. 10 and 15 related to the first step in forming the Community Facilities District for the Villages at Heritage Springs project to create a revenue stream to pay for increased costs of services to the City. He directed the Commission's/Council's attention to the Addendum in front of them and the highlighted sections of the report and explained that these revisions had no affect on the City financially. Lastly, he introduced the consultants working on behalf of the City for the formation of the district, Joan Cox, tax consultant, and Chris Lynch, bond counsel, and advised that they were available for questions.

Vice-Chairperson Putnam moved the recommendation. Commissioner Velasco seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

CITY COUNCIL

12. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes

A. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of August 13, 2009

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

B. Award Bid to JTB Supply Company for Traffic Signal Intersection Battery Backup Systems and Light Emitting Diode (LED) Traffic Signal Indicators

Recommendation: That the City Council award a bid to JTB Supply Company and authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to issue a purchase order to process the transaction.

Treasurer's Report

C. Treasurer's Report for the Month of July 2009

Recommendation: That the City Council receive and file the report.

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam moved the recommendations for Item Nos. 12-A, 12-B, and 12-C. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION

13. Ordinance No. 1003 – Amending Subsection Chapter 50 of the City Code Regarding Solid Waste

Recommendation: That the City Council waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 1003, an ordinance amending Chapter 50 of the City Code regarding solid waste.

City Attorney Skolnik introduced Ordinance No. 1003 by title as follows: An Ordinance of the City of Santa Fe Springs Amending Chapter 50 of the City Code Regarding Garbage and Refuse.

City Manager Latham advised that staff had received a request from one of the haulers to change the reporting requirement referred to in Section 50.24, Subsection (E), Paragraph (2) from 30 days to 60 days; all haulers had been contacted and were in concurrence with the change.

Councilmember Rounds moved to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 1003. Mayor Pro Tem Putnam seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14. Authorization for FY 2009-10 City Budget Review Schedule

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the review schedule for the City's FY 2009-10 Budget.

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

NEW BUSINESS

15. Resolution Nos. 9211 and 9212 Regarding the City of Santa Fe Springs Community Facilities District No. 2009-1 (Villages at Heritage Springs)

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution Nos. 9211 and 9212 in order to initiate the process to form a Community Facilities District for the Villages at Heritage Springs.

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

16. Termination of Extended Day Care Program (Latchkey) Contract with the State Department of Education (SDE) and Options for City's School Age Child Care Program

Recommendation: That the City Council approve staff's recommendation as identified in Option 2 to continue to operate a School Age Child Care Program at both the Los Nietos and Lakeview child care sites and establish a full fee-based service program.

Mayor Gonzalez directed Councils' attention to the petition which was before them and invited interested parties to come forward to address the Council.

Araceli Avalos, 10610 Harvest Avenue, read aloud a letter which she had previously mailed to the Council, which expressed her desire for the City to take action to keep the before and after-school daycare programs at Los Nietos and Lakeview open.

Jessica Cisneros spoke from the heart stating that all four of her children have been in the childcare program and how they have reaped tremendous benefits from being deeply rooted in it; without the program, their lives will be ruined.

Lillian Rodriguez, employee of Department of Child & Family Services, stated that she was a business resident who utilized the childcare services and read aloud a letter she wrote which expressed support for keeping the programs open.

Discussion amongst the Council and staff ensued.

Mary from Long Beach stated that, while she did not live in Santa Fe Springs, it was obvious to her as an outsider that the residents and children have pride in their city; she asked Council to not take that away from them. She added that Council should do whatever they have to do to stay Santa Fe Springs.

A grandmother spoke along with her two grandsons. She stated that she was in the position of having to raise her grandsons because their parents were involved in gangs and drugs. She pleaded with Council to keep the daycare open so that her grandsons had a place to go and would not have to be left to the streets. She further stated that she earned \$300 a week and could not possibly afford to pay \$88 a week for each of the boys to be in the program.

Following the discussion, City Manager Latham suggested that Council make a motion to direct staff to continue to run the childcare program within the existing fee structure until January 1st; at that time, staff will come back with recommendations that reflect the status of the budget and the program. The months of September, October, November and December will be funded out of City reserves.

Mayor Gonzalez moved the motion as stated. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Putnam, Rounds, Serrano, Velasco, Gonzalez
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

City Manager Latham advised Council that he will send out a letter on Monday to all of the families in the program explaining what action the Council had taken.

17. Request for Use of the Activity Center for Amateur Fighting Matches

Recommendation: That the City Council deny the request to use the Activity Center by an outside group to promote amateur fighting matches for profit and promotion.

18. Reconsideration of Entertainment Conditional Use Permit Case No. 7

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Entertainment Conditional Use Permit Case No. 7 for a period of five years until August 27, 2014, subject to the conditions of approval.

19. Reconsideration of Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit Case No. 21

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit Case No. 21 for a period of five years until August 27, 2014, subject to the conditions of approval.

20. Reconsideration of Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit Case No. 33

Recommendation: That the City Council approve Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit Case No. 33 for a period of five years until August 27, 2014, subject to the conditions of approval.

Councilmember Rounds moved the recommendations for Item Nos. 17, 18, 19, and 20. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

SUBSEQUENT NEED

Resolution No. 9213 – Approving the Use of Community Development Commission Funds for the Installation of Sidewalk on Slauson Avenue between Dice Road and Sorensen Avenue

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the installation of sidewalk on the south side of Slauson Avenue between Sorensen Avenue and Dice Road; and adopt Resolution No. 9213 finding that the installation of sidewalk on the south side of Slauson Avenue between Sorensen Avenue and Dice Road benefits the Consolidated Redevelopment Project Area and that no other reasonable means to complete the financing of this project is available within the community.

City Manager 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.

Mayor Pro Tem Putnam moved to place the item on the agenda. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Councilmember Velasco moved the recommendation. Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Putnam, Rounds, Serrano, Velasco, Gonzalez

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

21. INVOCATION

Councilmember Rounds gave the Invocation.

22. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Youth Leadership Committee members led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

23. Representatives from the Youth Leadership Committee

Those representatives who were present introduced themselves.

24. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce

No representatives from the Chamber were present.

25. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carole Joseph, Director of Recreation Services, updated the Community Events Calendar.

PRESENTATIONS

26. To Felix Garcia upon His Retirement

Don Jensen, Director of Public Works, gave a brief summary of Mr. Garcia's work history with the City and thanked him for his years of service to the City. Mayor Gonzalez presented him with a crystal clock and a jacket. Pictures with Council and staff were taken.

APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS

27. Committee Appointments

Councilmember Velasco appointed Omar Rodriguez, Martin Guerrero and Jose Rocha to the Youth Leadership Committee.

28. 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.

29. EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS

No reports were given.

RECESS

Mayor Gonzalez, at 7:30 p.m., recessed the meeting to go into Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

11. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Property: Property Acquisition for the Valley View Grade Separation Project

Negotiating Parties: Staff and Potential Sellers and/or Buyers

Under Negotiation: Just Compensation for Acquisition of Property

RECONVENE

Mayor Gonzalez, at 8:25 p.m., reconvened the meeting.

City Attorney Skolnik reported out from the Closed Session that Councilmember Velasco motioned to approve the just compensation for the Valley View property acquisition in the amount of \$1,544,479. Councilmember Serrano seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

30. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gonzalez, at 8:25 p.m., adjourned the Public Financing Authority, Water Utility Authority, Community Development Commission and City Council meetings in the memory of Lucille Ethridge, long-time Santa Fe Springs resident, to Wednesday, September 9, 2009, 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers.

Luis M. Gonzalez
Chairperson/Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Earl, CMC, City Clerk