

**CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS**

**MINUTES  
FOR THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE:**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
CITY COUNCIL**

**SEPTEMBER 9, 2010**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Putnam called the Regular Community Development and City Council Meetings to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmembers González, Rounds, Trujillo, Mayor Pro Tem Serrano, Mayor Putnam

Also present: Fred Latham, City Manager; Anita Jimenez, Deputy 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; Hilary Keith, Director of Library & Cultural Services; Jose Gomez, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Alex Rodriguez, Fire Chief

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

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

City Manager Fred Latham had nothing to report.

Paul Ashworth, Director of Planning and Development had nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 4. Request for an Appropriation of \$9,955.86 to Fund the City's Share for the Preparation of the Gateway Cities Sustainable Communities Strategy Required under SB 375

**Recommendation:**

That the Community Development Commission appropriate \$9,955.86 from the Housing Setaside Fund (Fund 482) for the purpose of funding the City's share for the preparation of the Gateway Cities Sustainable Communities Strategy required under SB 375.

Mayor Pro Tem Serrano moved to approve Item 4 as recommended. Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

- 5. Appropriation of Funds from the Community Development Commission Fund for Repairs to the Sculpture Garden Security System and Authorization to Enter into a Contract with Netversant Solutions LP

**Recommendation:** That the Community Development Commission: 1) Approve the appropriation of funds from the Community Development Commission Fund, in the amount of \$11,000 to repair the Sculpture Garden Security System; and, 2) Award a contract to NetVersant Solutions LP and authorize the Director of Police Services to execute the contract for repairs to the Sculpture Garden Security System.

Mayor Pro Tem Serrano moved to approve Item 5 as recommended. Councilmember González seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**CLOSED SESSION**

- 6. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Property:	13403-13471 Telegraph Road
Negotiating Parties:	Staff and Property Owner
Under Negotiation:	Terms of Agreement

Staff determined that this item was not necessary at this time. No Closed Session was held.

**CITY COUNCIL**

- 7. **ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION**

Ordinance No. 1012 – Adding Chapter 126 to Title XI of the Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code Relating to the Establishment and Operation of Medical Marijuana Collectives for Non-Profit Use

**Recommendation:** That the City Council: 1) Find and determine that the proposed Ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), per CEQA Guidelines sections 15060 (c) (2). Since the proposed Ordinance merely establishes regulations for medical marijuana collectives, it will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment; and, 2) Pass

the first reading of Ordinance No. 1012, an Ordinance permitting the establishment and operation of Medical Marijuana Collectives for Non-Profit use.

Richard Brizendine, 5826 E. Naples Plaza, Long Beach, CA, addressed the Council regarding the strict limitations relating to Item 7.

City Attorney Steve Skolnik stated that all the items addressed by Mr. Brizendine had already been taken into consideration. Mr. Latham stated options available to Council including requesting further study on the Item or reading the Ordinance by title and continuing Council action.

Mayor Pro Tem Serrano stated that for safety reasons, it was the intention of the sub-committee to make the requirements very stringent and the permitting process highly regulated. Mayor Pro Tem Serrano thanked Mr. Brizendine for his comments.

Victor Nuñez, 14721 Riverton Drive, Whittier, CA, addressed the Council regarding the fairness of the permitting process in regards to those dispensaries currently operating illegally.

Management Assistant Phillip DeRousse described the permitting process as having no preference or bias for or against any dispensary currently operating illegally.

City Attorney Steve Skolnik read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Pro Tem Serrano moved to approve the recommendation. Councilmember Trujillo seconded the motion, which failed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Serrano, Councilmember Trujillo  
NOES: Councilmembers González and Rounds, Mayor Putnam  
ABSENT:  
ABTAIN:

Councilmember Rounds thanked Mayor Pro Tem Serrano and Councilmember Trujillo for their work on this subject and stated that he also agreed that these types of businesses need to be highly regulated. Councilmember Rounds requested, in light of recent criminal activity that has occurred, that staff work with the City Attorney to bring to Council an Ordinance that would ban medical marijuana collectives in Santa Fe Springs.

8. **ORDINANCE FOR PASSAGE**  
Ordinance 1017- Amending Certain Sections of the City Code Relating to Fireworks Regulations

**Recommendation:** That the City Council waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 1017.

The City Attorney read Ordinance No. 1017 by title. Councilmember González moved the approval of Items 8-10. Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers González, Trujillo, and Rounds, Mayor Pro Tem Serrano, Mayor Putnam  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABTAIN:

9. **AWARD OF CONTRACT**

Pumice Street, Spring Avenue, and Freeway Drive Street Improvements

**Recommendation:** That the City Council: 1) Accept the bids for the Pumice Street, Spring Avenue, and Freeway Drive Street Improvements (Project 200A); and, 2) Award a contract to Universal Asphalt Co., Inc. of Santa Fe Springs, California, in the amount of \$463,636.06.

10. **APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS**

City Hall Sewage Pump System Repair

**Recommendation:** That the City Council appropriate \$8,000 from the General Fund for repairs to the sewage pump system at City Hall.

11. **COUNCILMEMBER REQUESTED ITEM**

Adoption of Policy Relating to Dedication of Benches at the Library Reading Garden

**Recommendation:** That the City Council Adopt the Policy as outlined in the body of this report.

Mayor Pro Tem Serrano stated that he feels the proposed policy limits who is eligible to be considered. Councilmember Rounds stated that he felt those eligible should be residents and business residents only.

Councilmember Rounds moved the approval of Item 11 including the dedication of trees. Councilmember Trujillo seconded the motion which failed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Rounds and Trujillo  
NOES: Councilmember González, Mayor Pro Tem Serrano, and Mayor Putnam  
ABSENT:  
ABTAIN:

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### 12. Resolution No. 9283 - Request for Parking Restrictions on Tabor Place

**Recommendation:** That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9283, which would prohibit parking of vehicles weighing over 6,000 pounds on both sides of Tabor Place cul-de-sac north of McCann Drive and implement a tow-away zone for vehicles that violate the restriction.

Mayor Pro Tem Serrano moved the approval of Items 12-14. Councilmember González seconded the motion which carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers González, Trujillo, and Rounds, Mayor Pro Tem Serrano, Mayor Putnam

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABTAIN:

### 13. Appropriation of Funds from the City's Art in Public Places Fund for Repairs to the Sculpture Garden Security System and Authorization to Enter into a Contract with Netversant Solutions LP

**Recommendation:** That the City Council: 1) Approve the appropriation of funds from the City's Art in Public Places Fund, Activity 6350-6100, in the amount of \$11,000 to repair the Sculpture Garden Security System, and; 2) Award a contract to NetVersant Solutions LP and authorize the Director of Police Services execute the contract for repairs to the Sculpture Garden Security Systems.

### 14. Authorization to Fill Firefighter Vacancies

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve Staff's recommendation to fill four (4) of eight (8) Firefighter vacancies.

Mayor Putnam recessed the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

At 7:15 p.m., Mayor Putnam reconvened the meeting.

### 15. **INVOCATION**

Mayor Pro Tem Serrano gave the invocation.

### 16. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro Tem Serrano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **INTRODUCTIONS**

17. Mayor Putnam introduced Sylvia Southerland representing the SFS Chamber of Commerce.

18. There were no members from the Youth Leadership Committee present.

19. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

City Manager Fred Latham announced that Councilmember Rounds would celebrate his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 16. The audience sang *Happy Birthday* to Councilmember Rounds.

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

**PRESENTATIONS**

20. Presentation to Milestone Event Celebrants

Mayor Putnam called on Assistant City Manager Thaddeus McCormack. Mr. McCormack introduced the Milestone recipients. Mayor Putnam, on behalf of the City Council, presented plaques to:

Rex and Mary Sorenson, commemorating their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary; Emilia Covarrubias, commemorating her 91<sup>st</sup> Birthday; and Isaura Figueroa, commemorating her 101<sup>st</sup> Birthday.

21. Richard Rosenberg, Ph.D., the 2010 Whittier Union High School District Teacher of the Year

Mayor Putnam called on Assistant City Manager Thaddeus McCormack. Mr. McCormack introduced Superintendent Sandy Thorstenson who in turn introduced Dr. Richard Rosenberg, Ph.D. Mayor Putnam presented Dr. Rosenberg with a crystal apple in recognition of his accomplishments.

22. Recognition of the City Employees' Team Championship Title for the SCMAF Southeast 2010 Dan Ablott Memorial Co-ed Softball Tournament

Mayor Putnam called on Carole Joseph, Director of Parks & Recreation Services. Ms. Joseph introduced the players from the championship team. Mayor Putnam presented certificates to the players.

City Manager Fred Latham introduced special guest Congresswoman Grace Napolitano who shared photographs of the Congressional Softball Team.

**PROCLAMATIONS**

23. Proclamation Declaring September 10, 2010, as the City of Santa Fe Springs 2010 Fiestas Patrias Cultural Celebration

Mayor Putnam called on Family & Human Services Supervisor Eddie Ramirez to make the presentation. Mr. Ramirez described some of the festivities planned for the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Fiestas Patrias celebration. Mayor Putnam read the proclamation and presented it to members of the Family & Human Services Advisory Committee.

24. Proclamation Declaring September as National Emergency Preparedness Month

Mayor Putnam called on Management Assistant Wayne Bergeron to make the presentations. Mr. Bergeron stressed the City's commitment to Emergency Preparedness with the assistance of residential and business support. Mayor Putnam read the proclamations and presented one to Sylvia Southerland of Southern California Edison and one to community resident Gloria Duran.

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

No appointments were made.

26. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

This is the time when comments may be made by interested persons on matters not on the agenda having to do with City business.

Mayor Putnam opened Oral Communications at 8:20 p.m. Mayor Putnam announced that the City had received a plaque from the Norwalk/SFS Saints Football League expressing their appreciation of the City's support.

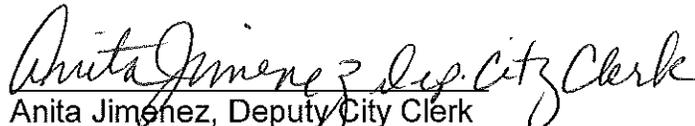
27. **EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS**

There were no additional reports.

The meeting was adjourned in memory of Marvin Putnam, longtime City resident and husband of Mayor Putnam at 8:22 p.m.

  
Betty Putnam  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Anita Jimenez, Deputy City Clerk