

**CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
AND CITY COUNCIL**

APRIL 14, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Serrano called the Community Development Commission and City Council meetings to order at 6:05pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners/Councilmembers González, Moore, Trujillo, Vice Chairperson/Mayor Pro Tem Rounds, and Chairperson/Mayor Serrano

Also present: Thaddeus McCormack, City Manager; Anita Jimenez, Deputy City Clerk; Steve Skolnik, City Attorney; Paul Ashworth, Director of Planning & Community Development; Don Jensen, Director of Public Works; Dino Torres, Director of Police Services; Carole Joseph, Director of Parks & Recreation Services; Jose Gomez, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Mike Crook, Fire Department

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

3. REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Thaddeus McCormack reported that there had been no new action regarding the State budget.

Paul Ashworth reported that there was not much to report on sales at the Villages and requested that his report be given on a quarterly basis. There were no sales to report for the Comstock portion of the development. Seven homes sold and 8-14 are on reserve in the Far West portion of the development.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes

- A. Minutes of the 5:30pm Special Community Development Commission Meeting of March 10, 2011

Recommendation: That the Community Development Commission approve the minutes as submitted.

- B. Minutes of the Regular Community Development Commission Meeting of March 10, 2011

4A

Recommendation: That the Community Development Commission approve the minutes as submitted.

Vice Chairperson Rounds moved the approval of Items 4A & B. Commissioner González seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

5. **CLOSED SESSION**

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Property: 9735 Bartley Avenue

Negotiating Parties: Commission staff and property owner

Under Negotiation: Price

Mayor Serrano stated that this item would be moved to the end of the 6:00 pm agenda.

CITY COUNCIL

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval Minutes

A. Minutes of the 5:00pm Special City Council Meeting of March 10, 2011

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

B. Minutes of the 5:30pm Special City Council Meeting of March 10, 2011

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

C. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of March 10, 2011

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

Councilmember González moved the approval of Items 6A, B & C. Councilmember Trujillo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. Approval of Resolution No. 9312 – Calling for Special Election to Amend and Restate the Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Tax under City of Santa Fe Springs Community Facilities District No. 2002-1

Recommendations: 1) That the Mayor open the Public Hearing and hear from anyone wishing to speak on this matter; 2) That, if the proposed amendment and restatement of the Rate and method of Apportionment of Special Tax under Community Facilities District No. 2002-1 is not opposed by more than 50% of the owners of land within the CFD, the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9312 Calling for Special Election to Amend and Restate the

Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Tax under Community Facilities District FD No. 2002-1.

Mayor Serrano opened the Public Hearing at 6:09pm. There being no one wishing to speak on this matter, Mayor Serrano closed the Public Hearing at 6:10pm.

Councilmember González moved the approval of Item 7; Mayor Pro Tem Rounds seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

8. Approval of Resolution No. 9313 Calling for Special Election to Amend and Restate the Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Tax Under City of Santa Fe Springs Community Facilities District No. 2004-1

Recommendations: 1) That the Mayor open the Public Hearing and hear from anyone wishing to speak on this matter; 2) That, if the proposed amendment and restatement of the Rate and method of Apportionment of Special Tax under Community Facilities District No. 2004-1 is not opposed by more than 50% of the owners of land within the CFD, the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9313 Calling for Special Election to Amend and Restate the Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Tax under Community Facilities District FD No. 2004-1.

Mayor Serrano opened the Public Hearing at 6:10pm. There being no one wishing to speak on this matter, Mayor Serrano closed the Public Hearing at 6:11pm.

Councilmember Moore moved the approval of Item 8; Councilmember Trujillo seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

COUNCILMEMBER REQUESTED ITEM/ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION

9. Ordinance No. 1023 - Amending Section 130.04 of the City Code Banning Smoking within Public Parks

Recommendation: That the City Council waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 1023, an Ordinance amending Section 130.04 of the City Code to make it unlawful to smoke within Public Parks.

Steve Skolnik read the Ordinance by title and stated that a motion could be made to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 1023. Mayor Pro Tem Rounds moved the approval of Item 9; Councilmember Moore seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Serrano asked if there would be a designated area for smoking. Thaddeus McCormack indicated that there would be a designated smoking area. Mayor Pro Tem Rounds stated that he acknowledged that smokers and non-smokers alike had rights and this Ordinance addressed both. Councilmember Moore commended Mayor Pro Tem Rounds for his persistence in pursuing this issue.

COUNCILMEMBER REQUESTED ITEM

10. Renaming of the Neighborhood Center in Honor of Gus Velasco

Recommendation: That the City Council approve renaming the Neighborhood Center as the "Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center", and direct staff to incorporate the new name into the design of the sign for the renovated facility.

Councilmember González moved the approval of Items 10 and 11; Councilmember Trujillo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

FINAL PAYMENT

11. Rosecrans Avenue & Valley View Avenue Street Improvements

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Final Progress Payment (less 10% Retention) to Sully Miller Contracting Company of Brea, California, in the amount of \$35,058.47 for the subject project.

NEW BUSINESS

12. Designation of Voting Delegate/Alternate for the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Conference and General Assembly – May 5-6 – La Quinta

Recommendation: That the City Council appoint a voting delegate or, alternatively, up to two alternate voting delegates for purposes of voting at the SCAG Regional Conference.

Mayor Serrano nominated himself as the delegate. Councilmember González moved the approval of the nomination; Mayor Pro Tem Rounds seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. No alternate was named.

13. Authorization to Issue a Request for Proposals for the Construction Management Services for the Valley View Grade Separation Project

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the Director of Public Works to issue a Request for Proposals to provide Construction Management Services for the Valley View Avenue Grade Separation Project.

Item 13 was pulled from the agenda in order for staff to finalize the request.

14. Resolution No. 9311 – Request for Parking Restriction on Marquardt Avenue

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 9311, which would prohibit parking of vehicles weighing over 6,000 pounds on the west side of Marquardt Avenue north of Bora Drive and implement a tow-away zone for vehicles that violate the restriction.

Councilmember González moved the approval of Item 14; Councilmember Moore seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

15. Application for Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit Case No. 51
Request for approval to allow the operation and maintenance of an alcoholic beverage use involving the storage and wholesale distribution of alcoholic beverages at 10155 Painter Avenue, located in the M-2/PD Heavy Manufacturing Zone, located within the Consolidated Redevelopment Project Area. (Hong Chang Corporation/ Jay Sohn, Applicant)
Recommendation: That the City Council approve the application for Alcohol Sales Conditional Use Permit Case No. 51 for a period of one (1) year until May 11, 2012, subject to the listed conditions of approval contained within this staff report.

Mayor Pro Tem Rounds moved the approval of Items 15 and 16; Councilmember González seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

16. Request for Approval of a Recyclable Materials Dealer Permit for RC Metals (Angelica Montes/Applicant)

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the issuance of Recyclable Materials Dealer Permit No. 22 to RC Metals for an annual renewal period set to expire on June 30, 2011, subject to the conditions of approval as contained within this report.

17. Approve Artwork Concept for the El Greco Development on Burke Street

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the artwork concept by Dan Ho for the El Greco development at 11630 Burke Street.

Hilary Keith stated that this would be the City's 101st art piece. A presentation on the Art Concept was given by Consultant Larry Cochran. Councilmember Moore asked what the amount of the development's art fee obligation would be. The consultant stated that the obligation would be \$47,000 but, the current art project budget was \$160,000. Mayor Serrano thanked the property owner for his commitment to Santa Fe Springs.

Councilmember González moved the approval of Item 17; Councilmember Trujillo seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

18. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--EXISTING LITIGATION
(Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9)

Names of Cases: **City v. PPF Industrial Valley View LP;**
City v. Valley View Santa Fe Springs, LLC

Mayor Serrano recessed the meetings 6:33pm for Closed Session Items 5 and 18.

Mayor Serrano reconvened the meetings at 7:29pm.

Steve Skolnik stated that there were no reportable actions as a result of the Closed Session.

19. **INVOCATION**

Mayor Pro Tem Rounds gave the invocation.

20. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Colors were posted and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cub Scout Pack #553.

INTRODUCTIONS

21. Members of the Youth Leadership Committee introduced themselves.

22. Mayor Serrano introduced Dan Stepanian of CR&R Waste and Recycling Services and Wendy Meador of Tangram Interiors.

23. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Serrano called on Carole Joseph for community announcements.

Mayor Serrano announced that Councilmember González celebrated his 50th birthday on April 10. Happy Birthday was sung to Councilmember González and cake was served to all.

PRESENTATIONS

24. Proclaiming April 22, 2011, as "Earth Day"

Recommendation: That the City Council proclaim April 22, 2011, as "Earth Day" in SFS.

Mayor Serrano called on Management Assistant Wayne Bergeron to assist with the presentation. The Deputy City Clerk read the proclamation. Mayor Serrano presented the proclamation to Cub Scout Pack #553.

25. Proclaiming April 2011 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and April 27, 2011, as "Denim Day"

Recommendation: That the City Council proclaim April 2011 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and April 27, 2011, as "Denim Day" in Santa Fe Springs.

Mayor Serrano called on Dino Torres. Mr. Torres called on Lead Public Safety Officer Cee Del Toro to assist with the presentation. The Deputy City Clerk read the proclamation. Mayor Serrano presented the proclamation to Ms. Del Toro. Councilmember Moore asked about the City's Sexual Harassment Prevention training policy. Thaddeus McCormack stated that all employees are required to attend training every two years.

26. Proclaiming April 29, 2011, as "Arbor Day"

Recommendation: That the City Council proclaim April 29, 2011, as Arbor Day in Santa Fe Springs.

Don Jensen reported that a tree would be planted at Jersey Elementary School on April 29 to commemorate Arbor Day and reminded the Council that their presence is encouraged. The Deputy City Clerk read the proclamation. Mayor Serrano presented the proclamation to

the Beautification Committee. Councilmember Moore commended the Beautification Committee and Don Jensen for the City's tree maintenance program.

27. Presentation to Nickie Stradley in Recognition of 33 Years of Volunteer Service

Mayor Serrano called on Management Assistant Wayne Bergeron to assist with the presentation. Mayor Serrano presented a plaque to Nickie Stradley.

28. Presentation to Raquel Cabral in Recognition of Outstanding Athletic and Academic Achievements

Mayor Serrano called on Management Assistant Wayne Bergeron to assist with the presentation. Mr. Bergeron introduced SFS Head Gymnastics Coach Shari Sanchez and Los Nietos Middle School Principal Jaclyn Cardenas who both commented on Raquel's accomplishments. The Mayor presented a plaque to Raquel Cabral.

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

Councilmember González appointed Angelica Miranda to the Family and Human Services Advisory Committee.

30. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Serrano opened Oral Communications at 8:02pm.

David Burwell, 11732 Nova Street, SFS, spoke about the Pete Vallejo Memorial Scholarship. Their goal is to award two scholarships this year to Santa Fe High seniors to attend the Rio Hondo Fire Academy. A fundraiser is being held on Sunday, May 1, at the Brea Improv. Tickets are available by pre-sale only. Donations can be made to the SFS Fire Dept. Mayor Serrano closed Oral Communications at 8:05pm.

31. **EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS**

Dino Torres reported that the "Every 15 Minutes" program held at Santa Fe High School on April 13 and 14 in conjunction with the City, Whittier Police Dept., Cal. Highway Patrol, and SFS Fire Dept. was a huge success. A presentation will be given at an upcoming Council meeting. Councilmember Trujillo stated that she was deeply moved by the event and commended all the staff involved in putting on the event.

Councilmember Moore inquired as to the status of his request at the last Council meeting to bring a recommendation to the Council regarding a policy addressing Annual Employee Evaluations. He stated that the program should have employee input. He added that Human Resources should evaluate the City Manager on an annual basis as well. Councilmember González stated that this was already addressed in the City Manager's contract. Thaddeus McCormack stated that there is a document and a process for evaluating employees which may need revising. Once these items are completed, the policy can be brought to Council for approval. Mr. McCormack stated that he has discussed this with Dept. Heads and they are working toward bringing a recommendation to the Council as soon as possible.

Steve Skolnik recommended getting the approval of the City's labor attorney as well. Mayor

Serrano concurred with the urgent need to implement this policy.

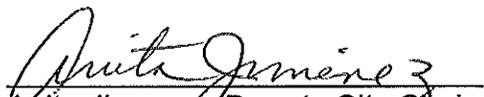
32. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Serrano adjourned the meetings in memory of long-time resident Edelberto Sandoval at 8:15 p.m.



Joseph D. Serrano, Sr.
Mayor

ATTEST:



Anita Jimenez, Deputy City Clerk

5-12-11

Date