

**MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED MEETINGS OF THE
SANTA FE SPRINGS HOUSING SUCCESSOR,
SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND CITY COUNCIL**

March 13, 2014 – 5:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trujillo called the meetings to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Moore, Rounds, Sarno, Mayor Pro Tem Rios, Mayor Trujillo

Also present: Thaddeus McCormack, City Manager; Steve Skolnik, City Attorney; Wayne Morrell, Director of Planning; Noe Negrete, Director of Public Works; Dino Torres, Director of Police Services; Maricela Balderas, Director of Community Services; Jose Gomez, Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance; Mike Crook, Fire Chief; Anita Jimenez, Deputy City Clerk

HOUSING SUCCESSOR

There were no items on the Housing Successor Agenda for this meeting.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CITY COUNCIL

CLOSED SESSION

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Subdivision (d)(1) of Section 54956.9

Name of Case: City of Santa Fe Springs; and City of Santa Fe Springs Community Development Commission Successor Agency v. California State Dept. of Finance, et al

Case Number: **34-2013-80001528**

Mayor Trujillo recessed the meetings for the Closed Session at 5:07 p.m.

Mayor Trujillo reconvened the meetings at 6:00 p.m. The following Councilmembers were present: Moore, Rounds, Sarno, Mayor Pro Tem Rios, Mayor Trujillo

SUCCESSOR AGENCY

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval Minutes

A. Minutes of the February 13, 2014 Regular Successor Agency Meeting

Recommendation: That the Successor Agency approve the minutes as submitted.

Mayor Pro Tem Rios moved the approval of Item 4A; Councilmember Sarno seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor – Moore, Rounds, Sarno, Rios, Trujillo; Opposed – None.

CITY COUNCIL

5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

The City Manager reported the first four tanks have been successfully removed from the RDX property. There are several more to go and the next batch involves the removal of sludge in the tanks. RDX is working with AQMD in the next phase; the City is also monitoring their progress. Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Rios, and staff attended the Chamber Mid-year meeting which provided interesting and useful information. The Council CIP Subcommittee (Rounds, Sarno) is moving forward per the direction of the Council. Supervisor Don Knabe will play in the Chamber Golf Tournament with former Whittier Councilmember Greg Nordbak.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval Minutes

A. Minutes of the February 13, 2014 Regular City Council Meeting

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

Councilmember Rounds moved the approval of Item 6A; Mayor Pro Tem Rios seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor – Moore, Rounds, Sarno, Rios, Trujillo; Opposed – None.

ORDINANCE FOR PASSAGE

7. Ordinance 1054 - Amending Provisions of the Heritage Artwork in Public Places Program

Recommendation: That the City Council waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 1054 updating the bylaws of the Heritage Artwork In Public Places Program to reflect the following changes: Revise and define Heritage Arts Advisory Committee non-voting members as outlined in the body of this report.

The City Attorney read the Ordinance by title and stated that the motion should be to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 1054.

Mayor Pro Tem Rios moved the approval of Item 7; Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor – Moore, Rounds, Sarno, Rios, Trujillo; Opposed – None.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Request Approval for Artwork Proposal by Artist Candace Galvan for Traffic Signal Cabinet Art Pilot Program

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the art concept by artist Candace Galvan and authorize staff to enter agreement as part of a Traffic Signal Cabinet Art Pilot Project.

Supervisor Jeff Mahlstedt introduced project and artist Candace Galvan.

Councilmember Sarno moved the approval of Item 8; Councilmember Moore seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor – Moore, Rounds, Sarno, Rios, Trujillo; Opposed – None.

9. Interstate 5 Freeway Widening Water Main Relocation for the Florence Avenue Segment (Phase I) – Authorization to Advertise

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1). Approve the Plans and Specifications; and 2). Authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids.

Councilmember Rios moved the approval of Item 9; Councilmember Sarno seconded the motion. Councilmember Rounds asked if the project was being done in two phases, and if phase one is budgeted at \$1,260,000 does that leave enough money for phase two? Noe Negrete stated that it would not leave enough money for phase two and that staff would have to come back and ask for an amendment. Councilmember Rounds asked if there was an estimate for phase two yet. Mr. Negrete stated that it was estimated at \$1 million. The motion passed by the following vote: In favor – Moore, Rounds, Sarno, Rios, Trujillo; Opposed – None.

10. Interstate-5 (I-5) Freeway Widening/Florence Avenue Segment Project – Public Relations/Community Outreach Professional Services Contract

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1). Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Hill International, Inc. of Ontario, California to provide Public Relations/Community Outreach consulting services in connection with the Interstate-5 (I-5) Freeway Widening/Florence Avenue Segment Project, for a fee not to exceed \$50,000; and 2). Appropriate \$50,000 from the General Fund for the Professional Services Agreement with Hill International, Inc. to the Engineering Administration budget (110-397-2415-4400).

Councilmember Moore moved the approval of Item 10; Councilmember Sarno seconded the motion. Councilmember Rounds asked if this was a five-month contract. Noe Negrete stated that it was and thanked the I-5 Consortium for putting pressure on Caltrans to move on this project. The RFP has been issued for the project and this five-month contract is to fill the gap until the contract is awarded. Mr. Negrete introduced Vanessa Barriento of Hill International. The motion passed by the following vote: In favor – Moore, Rounds, Sarno, Rios, Trujillo; Opposed – None. Councilmember Rounds requested that staff monitor the progress of Caltrans to ensure that work continues at a pace the City desires. Councilmember Moore stated that he attended a Public Hearing in Norwalk at which Vanessa Barriento spoke very knowledgably about project.

11. Interstate 5 Freeway Water Main Relocation for the Alondra Boulevard Segment on Freeway Drive – Final Payment

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the Final Progress Payment (less 5% Retention) to GRF Co, Inc. of Moreno Valley California, in the amount of 90,534.87 for the subject project.

Councilmember Rounds moved the approval of Item 11; Councilmember Moore seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor – Moore, Rounds, Sarno, Rios, Trujillo; Opposed – None.

12. Acceptance of the 2012 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) Funds and Award of Bid for Purchase of Utility Response Vehicle and Related Equipment

Recommendation: That the City Council: 1). Accept SHSGP grant funds in the amount of \$139,674 and appropriate \$20,000 from General Fund Reserves (to Account #8000-7300) as the City's contribution component toward the purchase of a Fire utility response vehicle and related equipment; 2). Authorize the Fire Chief to purchase a Ford F-450 Heavy Duty Vehicle Chassis from Downtown Ford Sales in the amount of \$45,432.95; and, 3). Authorize the Fire Chief to purchase a Utility Vehicle Specialty Bed from Delson Products in the amount of \$29,827.85.

Mayor Pro Tem Rios moved the approval of Items 12 & 13; Councilmember Moore seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor – Moore, Rounds, Sarno, Rios, Trujillo; Opposed – None. Councilmember Moore commend the Fire Department for securing this grant.

13. Award for Purchase of Twelve (12) Multi-Gas Monitors and Related Equipment

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the Fire Chief to purchase twelve (12) Multi-Gas Monitors and related equipment from Safe Environmental Engineering in the amount of \$38,047.09.

See item 12.

Mayor Trujillo recessed the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Mayor Trujillo reconvened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

14. **INVOCATION**

Councilmember Rounds gave the Invocation.

15. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge was led by Jayden Brown, Kindergarten student at Lakeview School.

INTRODUCTIONS

16. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce

Susan Crowell, Health First Medical and Liz Buckingham, Friendly Hills Bank

17. Representatives from the Youth Leadership Committee

Members of the Youth Leadership Committee introduced themselves.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

18. Maricela Balderas called on the members of the Youth Leadership Committee to give the Community Announcements.

PRESENTATION

19. Proclamation to the American Red Cross

Mayor Trujillo called on Benito Garcia, instructor for the Red Cross to accept the

proclamation. He stated that the City is fortunate to have such good Fire and Police departments as well as the Community READI Team. He thanked the Council for their support of the Red Cross activities.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS

20. Committee Appointments

None.

21. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Oral Communications were opened at 7:07 p.m.

Ms. Marin, SFS Resident, spoke about her concern with the Whittier Police Dept.

Richard Dion, SFS Resident, requested that the Council consider using another Police department to serve Santa Fe Springs.

Oral Communications were closed at 7:11p.m.

22. EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS

Wayne Morrell – AB1881, a Water Landscape Ordinance requires the reduction of water usage by residents and businesses. Staff will research alternative landscaping including the use of native and low-use water plants and seek direction from the Council. Flyers with the new information will be made available to the public. Councilmember Moore asked if the changes would require any changes to City ordinances. Mr. Morrell stated that it would. He added that the information could be printed on water bills. The City and Comstock Homes have a collaborative housing acquisition program whereby first-time home buyers can acquire low-cost housing. At the present time, nine homes in The Villages have or will shortly close escrow through the program.

Noe Negrete – The fencing at Los Nietos Park has been repaired. A Community Meeting regarding the I-5 construction of the Florence Avenue Segment is planned for April 3 at 7:00pm at Santa Fe High School.

Dino Torres – The Cesar Chavez Day of Service will take place on March 19.

Mike Crook – There was a structure fire today 4pm today at 11339 Arlee. No one was home. A passerby saw the smoke and called 911. The fire destroyed the garage, but most of the home was saved. The Fire Department will participated in the St. Baldrick's Foundation Childhood Cancer Research fundraiser.

Jose Gomez – The Budget document will be available soon. The Finance Department is in the process of hiring new staff.

Maricela Balderas – The Heritage Arts Committee announced the 2nd Annual Art Fest to be held May 29, from 5-9pm at the Clarke Estate. The Fitness Facility at Activity Center has been completely renovated. The Parks & Recreation Division has prepared a new Policies and Procedures manual for the Community Gardens.

Mayor Pro Tem Rios complimented the Chamber of Commerce for the informative mid-year meeting.

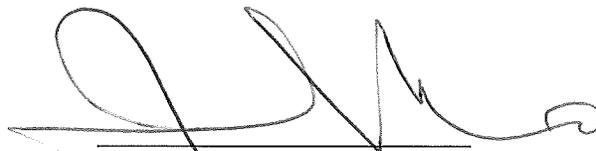
Councilmember Rounds stated that the CIP Subcommittee met with staff to give direction on upcoming projects. The Subcommittee will report back to Council as work progresses.

Councilmember Moore thanked the Chamber of Commerce for the mid-year meeting.

Mayor Trujillo thanked the City Manager for assisting the Abigail Barraza Foundation with their event which promotes Breast Cancer awareness. Meet the Mayor the 2nd Wednesday of the Month at the Library from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

23. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:26, the meetings were adjourned in memory of longtime resident Geraldine Leone and LAPD Officer John Lee.



Juanita Trujillo, Mayor

ATTEST:



Anita Jimenez, CMC
Deputy City Clerk



April 14, 2014
Date