

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE
SANTA FE SPRINGS PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY
WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY, HOUSING SUCCESSOR
SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND CITY COUNCIL**

FEBRUARY 26, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rios called the meetings to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers/Directors Rounds, Sarno, Trujillo, Mayor Pro Tem/ Vice Chair Moore, Mayor/Chair Rios

The City Clerk announced that members of the Public Financing Authority and Water Utility Authority receive \$150 for their attendance at meetings.

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, Director of Finance/Asst City Manager; Mike Crook, Fire Chief; Anita Jimenez, City Clerk

PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes

- A. Minutes of the January 22, 2015 Public Financing Authority Meeting

Recommendation: That the Public Financing Authority approve the minutes as submitted.

Monthly Report

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

Recommendation: That the Public Financing Authority receive and file the report.

Director Trujillo moved the approval of Items 3A & B; Director Rounds seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor –Rounds, Sarno, Trujillo, Moore, Rios; Opposed – None.

WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes

- A. Minutes of the January 22, 2015 Water Utility Authority Meeting

Recommendation: That the Water Utility Authority approve the minutes as submitted.

Vice Chair Moore moved the approval of Items 4A, B & C; Director Trujillo seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor –Rounds, Sarno, Trujillo, Moore, Rios; Opposed – None.

HOUSING SUCCESSOR

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

SUCCESSOR AGENCY

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval Minutes

A. Minutes of the January 22, 2015 Successor Agency Meeting

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

Councilmember Rounds moved the approval of Item 5A; Councilmember Sarno seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor –Rounds, Sarno, Trujillo, Moore, Rios; Opposed – None.

CITY COUNCIL

6. CITY MANAGER REPORT

The City Manager reported on the passing of Alicia Mora. Services are pending. The City received notice that the Von's distribution facility will be closing within next 18 months. This is a large property and may provide an opportunity for a major development. The City Manager would like the Council to consider revising the zoning in this area.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval Minutes

A. Minutes of the January 22, 2015 City Council Meeting

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

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

PUBLIC HEARING

8. Weed Abatement

Recommendations: That the City Council: 1). Conduct a Public Hearing on Weed Abatement; and 2). Direct the Agricultural Commissioner to abate the nuisance by having weeds, rubbish, and refuse removed.

Mayor Rios opened the Public Hearing at 6:05 p.m. There being no one wishing to speak, the Public Hearing was closed.

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

NEW BUSINESS

9. Abandonment of the Carmenita Underpass Underground Storage Tank – Final Payment

Recommendations: That the City Council: 1). Appropriate an additional \$6,200.00 for the cost of removing the Norwalk underground storage tanks; and 2). Approve the Final Payment (less 5% Retention) to Petro Builders, Inc. of Santa Fe Springs, California in the amount of \$33,430.54 for the subject project.

Councilmember Trujillo moved the approval of Item 9; Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor –Rounds, Sarno, Trujillo, Moore, Rios; Opposed – None.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore requested that anytime there is a request to change a contract, all previous reports be included. Mayor Pro Tem Moore asked for clarification between the work already completed and paid for and the current request for payment.

10. Valley View Ave Grade Separation Project - Resident Engineer Services Amendment No. 2

Recommendations: That the City Council: 1). Approve contract Amendment No. 2 in the amount of \$56,389.88 to PreScience Corporation to provide Resident Engineer Services (Project and Construction Management) for the Valley View Avenue Grade Separation Project; and 2). Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute contract Amendment No. 2 with PreScience Corporation.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved the approval of Item 10; Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Moore asked for clarification of the terms of Mr. Ho's previous contract. After discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a substitute motion to continue this item until the details could be clarified; Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor –Rounds, Sarno, Trujillo, Moore, Rios; Opposed – None.

11. Valley View Avenue Grade Separation Project – Project and Construction Management Services Contract Amendment No. 2 with AECOM

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the Director of Public Works to execute Contract Amendment No. 2 with AECOM to extend the contract term for the Valley View Avenue Grade Separation Project to provide Project and Construction Management Services.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Moore pointed out the date of completion and acceptance by Council should be reflected as Feb 12, 2015.

12. Traffic Engineering Services – Contract Extension

Recommendations: That the City Council: 1). Renew the contract with Coory Engineering to provide traffic engineering services for a two-year term; and 2). Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute the Agreement.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved the approval of Item 12; Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore asked what the savings would be if the City contracted directly with Tom Lopez. The City Attorney stated that there could be a conflict with PERS. The City Manager stated that the item could be brought back to Council after researching the details. Mayor Pro Tem Moore withdrew his motion. The item was tabled.

13. Request for Out-of-State Travel for the Director of Planning to Attend the 2015 American Planning Association (APA) Annual Conference

Recommendation: That the City Council approve out-of-state travel for the Director of Planning to attend the 2015 APA Annual Conference in Seattle, Washington.

Councilmember Sarno moved the approval of Item 13; Councilmember Rounds seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor –Rounds, Sarno, Trujillo, Moore, Rios; Opposed – None.

14. FY 2014-15 Midyear Budget Review and Modifications

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the proposed revenue and expenditure adjustments as detailed in Attachments A through C.

Jose Gomez gave a presentation on this item. Mayor Pro Tem Moore commended the Department Heads for reducing spending and staying on top of the budget.

Councilmember Sarno moved the approval of Item 14; Councilmember Trujillo seconded the motion which passed by the following vote: In favor –Rounds, Sarno, Trujillo, Moore, Rios; Opposed – None.

PRESENTATIONS

15. Proposed Changes to California Sales and Use Tax

Jose Gomez gave a presentation on this item.

16. Update by Goodman Birtcher Representatives Regarding the Site Development at the Former Ridgeline/Lakeland Property Located at 12345 Lakeland Road

Chief Crook introduced the representatives from Goodman Birtcher, Lang Cotrell and Ryan Jones. They stated that they are committed to the development of this project and gave an overview of their company.

Councilmember Rounds thanked the representatives for the work that has been completed and their future plans. Councilmember Sarno asked when the development was expected to be completed. Mr. Cotrell stated that they are prepared to go to the Planning Commission in April and that remediation was already happening. It is possible that the first building could be constructed by this summer. All current structures should be gone by the end of the year.

Mayor Rios recessed the meetings at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Rios reconvened the meetings at 7:14 p.m.

17. **INVOCATION**

Councilmember Trujillo gave the Invocation.

18. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

INTRODUCTIONS

19. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce

Lisa Boyajian of Ansa Insurance Services

20. Representatives from the Youth Leadership Committee

Members introduced themselves.

21. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Youth Leadership Committee made the Community Announcements. Community Services Supervisor Michelle Smith recapped the President's Day Carnival.

PRESENTATIONS

22. Presentation to Milestone Event Celebrants

Public Relations Specialist Julie Herrera introduced the recipient, Esther Valenzuela, who celebrated her 90th birthday.

23. Youth Leadership Committee Report on Retreat to Green Valley, California, January 16 - 28, 2015, and Recognition of Retreat Sponsor

Community Services Supervisor Ed Ramirez introduced the members who recapped the retreat and highlighted some of the learning experiences. They presented gifts to the sponsor, John Prohoroff of Serv-Wel Disposal, and Mayor Rios.

24. Introduction and Presentation of Certificates to Firefighters from the City of Navojoa and the State of Sinaloa

Chief Crook introduced 17 firefighters from Sinaloa, Mexico and our Sister City of Navojoa who participated in fire training at the SFS Fire Headquarters. All participants received a certificate of completion.

25. 2014 Holiday Home Decorating Contest Winners

Community Services Program Coordinator Jean Madrid introduced the winners.

COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

26. Selection of Liaisons to Various City Committees and Representatives to Governmental Organizations

Recommendation: That the City Council select Council Liaisons to the various City Committees and Council Delegates/Representatives for selected governmental organizations for 2015.

Mayor Rios accepted the positions of representative to the Sanitation District and the City Selection Committee. All other representatives were reappointed.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS

27. Committee Appointments

Councilmember Rounds appointed Robert Wolfe to the Sister City Committee. Councilmember Sarno appointed Raymond Reyes to the Sister City Committee. Councilmember Trujillo appointed Lydia Gonzales to the Community Program Committee. Mayor Pro Tem Moore appointed William Logan to the Parks & Recreation Committee.

28. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Oral Communications were opened at 8:09 p.m. There being no one wishing to speak, Oral Communications were closed.

29. **EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS**

Wayne Morrell reported that the Jack-in-the-Box was closed only due to repairs to the sewer pipe. He gave an update on the residential property development at the Villages. Councilmember Rounds asked about the status of the development on Jersey and Telegraph. Mr. Morrell stated that there was no further action to report.

Noe Negrete gave an update on the Clarke Estate reception area project. Mayor Pro Tem Moore asked what the status was on the wall that came down in the courtyard. Mr. Negrete stated that he was working with the insurance company on reconstruction options. The target date for completion is May 1. Mr. Negrete also reported that I-5 construction has been frustrating because the schedule is not being followed by Caltrans. Our residents are frustrated by the unannounced changes. Questions should be directed to Public Works.

Dino Torres stated that the Traffic Officer has been monitoring the traffic flow due to the I-5 construction to provide input for future construction. Mr. Torres also reported on a vehicle chase in which the suspect rammed a PSC vehicle twice; the driver is recovering and handled the situation very well.

Mike Crook reported that the SFS Firefighters raised the 12th largest amount in the State, \$33,000. The Firefighters also participated in Read Across America at Jersey School. Chief Crook reminded everyone to check their smoke detectors when Daylight Savings time begins on March 8. The Fire Department responded to a pulseless non-breather who had received CPR from a bystander until paramedics arrived. Firefighters praised the bystanders for his lifesaving efforts.

Jose Gomez reported that Finance staff will also participate in Read Across America at Lakeview next week.

Maricela Balderas reported that 100 2nd graders went to the City's Farmers Market and learned about healthy food choices. Approximately 30 people attended an informational meeting on Special Olympics. The TEENS program held a Securing Your Safety workshop. The City Manager reported that there would be a soft opening of the batting cages this Saturday.

Councilmember Trujillo reported that the Silver Shields event recognized many SFS Officers. She also participated in Read Across America.

Councilmember Rounds read to 4th graders at Jersey School. He thanked the Sister City Committee for their assistance with the visiting firefighters.

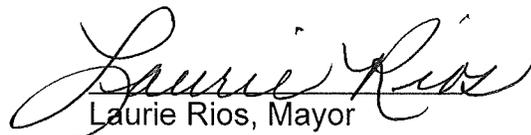
Councilmember Sarno thanked the Whittier Police Department for a great event. He commended Mayor Rios for her great leadership during last two meetings.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore thanked the Whittier Police Department for their handling of recent situations on north side of town.

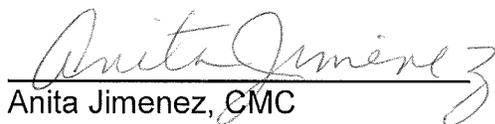
Mayor Rios thanked Chief Crook for the great training that was given to the firefighters.

30. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:33 p.m., the meetings were adjourned in memory of former resident Raul Rodriguez and beloved community member Alicia Mora.


Laurie Rios, Mayor

ATTEST:


Anita Jimenez, CMC
City Clerk

March 26, 2015
Date