



APPROVED: 6/15/2021

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

May 18, 2021

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Mora called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Members present: Councilmembers Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, and Mayor Mora.

Members absent: None.

City Clerk, Janet Martinez announced that the teleconference location of Councilmember Joe Angel Zamora was not necessary as he attended the meetings in person.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

CITY COUNCIL

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Santa Fe Springs Park Recreation Building – New Cabinets - Authorization to Advertise for Construction Bids (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Approve the Plans and Specifications; and
- Authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids.

It was moved by Council Member Trujillo, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to approve the Plans and Specifications, and authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nays: None

Absent: None

STUDY SESSION

5. General Plan Update Presentation (Planning)

Recommendation:

- Receive presentation from the City's General Plan consultant, MIG, and provide feedback as desired.

Director of Planning, Wayne Morrell called upon Jose Rodriguez, consultant from MIG, Inc. to provide a presentation on Item No. 5.

Mayor Mora inquired about the noise specialist and if they would check for traffic and train noise. Mr. Rodriguez stated that part of the environmental impact report which looks at the changes of

land usage would require noise monitoring, including existing and projected conditions due to new traffic. Train traffic would not be included as it is not part of the general plan.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to receive the presentation from the City's General Plan consultant, MIG, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nays: None

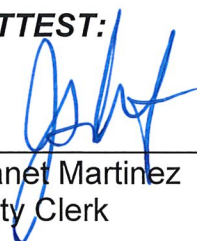
Absent: None

6. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mora adjourned the meeting at 5:53 p.m.



John M. Mora
Mayor

ATTEST:


Janet Martinez
City Clerk



Date



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MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

May 18, 2021

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Mora called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Members present: Councilmembers/Directors: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Rodriguez and Mayor/Chair Mora.

Members absent: None.

3. **INVOCATION**

Councilmember Sarno led the invocation.

4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Youth Leadership Committee led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The following people spoke during Public Comments: Joseph Trevizy, and Eddie Pardo.

City Clerk, Janet Martinez announced that a total number of 71 emails were received from citizens in favor of Item Number 20, Resolution No. 9713.

Mayor Mora requested to move Item No. 20 to the beginning of the agenda:

CITY COUNCIL

20. Consideration of a Resolution Expressing a Vote of No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón's Special Directives (City Manager)

Recommendation:

- Discussion and consideration of Resolution No. 9713, A Resolution Expressing a Vote of No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón's Special Directives.

City Manager, Raymond R. Cruz, provided a brief presentation on Item No. 20.

Council Members expressed their support for law enforcement.

Mayor Mora added that not supporting the approval of such Resolution is almost the same as defunding the police.

Council Member Zamora acknowledged public speaker Joseph Trevizy.

It was moved by Council Member Trujillo, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to approve Resolution No. 9713, expressing a Vote of No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon's Special Directives, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nays: None

Absent: None

PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda items are considered routine matters which may be enacted by one motion and vote. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately by the Public Financing Authority.

- a. Minutes of the April 20, 2021 Public Financing Authority Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

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

Recommendation:

- Receive and file the report.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez to approve Items No. 6A and 6B, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nays: None

Absent: None

WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda items are considered routine matters which may be enacted by one motion and vote. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately by the Water Utility Authority.

- a. Minutes of the April 20, 2021 Water Utility Authority Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

- b. Monthly Report on the Status of Debt Instruments Issued through the City of Santa Fe Springs Water Utility Authority (WUA) (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Receive and file the report.

- c. Status Update of Water-Related Capital Improvement Projects (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Receive and file the report.

It was moved by Council Member Sarno, seconded by Council Member Trujillo, to approve Items No. 7A through 7C, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS

8. Water Well No. 2 Assessment – Request for Proposal (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Authorize the Director of Public Works to issue a Request for Proposal for Water Well No. 2 Assessment.

Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete, introduced Water Utility Services Manager, Jesse Sira, to provide a brief presentation on Item No. 8.

Councilmember Sarno asked about the treatment for arsenic.

Councilmember Zamora asked if the City is working with any other cities or treatment centers that have worked with similar issues.

Manager Sira provided additional information.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to authorize the Director of Public works to issue a Request for Proposal for Water Well No. 2 Assessment, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

9. On-Call Emergency Water Repair Services – Issue a Request or Proposal (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Authorize the Director of Public Works to issue a Request for Proposal for On-Call Emergency Water Repair Services.

Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete, introduced Water Utility Services Manager, Jesse Sira, to provide a brief presentation on Item No. 9.

Director Negrete stated locking in a rate and contract would assist in case of emergency services.

Councilmember Sarno inquired if the City would accept bids from local contractors; Manager Sira confirmed the City would accept bids from local contractors.

Councilmember Zamora inquired about previous response times, and if there would be a fee associated with the on-call services.

Director Negrete said there would be no fee for the contract and provided additional information on previous occurrences.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Zamora, to authorize the Director of Public Works to issue a Request for Proposal for On-Call Emergency Water Repair Services, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

10. Water Storage Tank Cathodic Protection Systems – Issue a Purchase Order (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Add the Water Storage Tank Cathodic Protection Systems to the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP);
- Appropriate \$21,854 from the Water Reserve/CIP Funds to the Water Storage Tank Cathodic Protection Systems;
- Accepts the bids; and
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a Purchase Order for Cathodic Protection Systems for Two Water Storage Tanks for \$21,854.00.

Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete, introduced Water Utility Services Manager, Jesse Sira, to provide a brief presentation on Item No. 10.

It was moved by Council Member Sarno, seconded by Council Member Zamora, to add the Water Storage Tank Cathodic Protection Systems to the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), appropriate \$21,854 from the Water Reserve/CIP Funds to the Water Storage Tank Cathodic Protection Systems, accept the bids, and authorize the Director of Purchasing to issue a Purchase Order for Cathodic Protection Systems for Two Water Storage Tanks for \$21,854.00, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

HOUSING SUCCESSOR

11. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda items are considered routine matters which may be enacted by one motion and vote. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately by the Housing Successor.

Minutes of the April 20, 2021 Housing Successor Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to approve the minutes as submitted, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

SUCCESSOR AGENCY

12. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda items are considered routine matters which may be enacted by one motion and vote. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately by the Successor Agency.

Minutes of the April 20, 2021 Successor Agency Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

It was moved by Councilmember Trujillo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez to approve the minutes as submitted, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

CITY COUNCIL

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda items are considered routine matters which may be enacted by one motion and vote. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately by the City Council.

- a. Minutes of the May 2, 2021 and April 20, 2021 Regular and Special City Council Meetings (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Approve the minutes as submitted.

- b. Quarterly Treasurer's Report of Investments for the Quarter Ended March 31, 2021 (City Clerk)

Recommendation:

- Receive and file the report.

- c. Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Santa Fe Springs and the Santa Fe Springs City Employees' Association (SFSCEA) and the Santa Fe Springs Firemens' Association (SFSFA), effective July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Approve the Fiscal Year 2020-21 MOU between the City of Santa Fe Springs and the Santa Fe Springs City Employees' Association (SFSCEA), effective July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021.
- Approve the Fiscal Year 2020-21 MOU between the City of Santa Fe

Springs and the Santa Fe Springs Firemens' Association, Inc. (SFSFA), effective July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.

It was moved by Council Member Sarno, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to approve Item Nos. 13A through 13C, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora
Nayes: None
Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS

14. Heritage Arts Advisory Committee (HAAC) Recommendation for Cancellation of 2021 SFS Art Fest Event (Community Services)

Recommendation:

- Approve the cancellation of the Professional Services Agreement and Amendment Number One to the Professional Services Agreement with Crepes & Grapes, LLC. for 2021 SFS Art Fest.

Director of Library Services, Joyce Ryan provided a presentation on Item No. 14.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Trujillo, to approve the cancellation of the Professional Services Agreement and Amendment Number One to the Professional Services Agreement with Crepes & Grapes, LLC. for 2021 SFS Art Fest,, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora
Nayes: None
Absent: None

15. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Santa Fe Springs and Empowered 4 Life Foundation (Community Services)

Recommendation:

- Approve a two-year Memorandum of Understanding with Empowered 4 Life to provide no cost meals for the City's Teen Program and Summer Free Lunch Program at the parks.

Community Services Manager, Wayne Bergeron provided a presentation on Item No. 15.

Councilmember Zamora asked if monthly menus would be provided.

Mr. Bergeron responded that menus would be provided.

It was moved by Council Member Sarno, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, to approve a two-year Memorandum of Understanding with Empowered 4 Life to provide no cost meals for the City's Teen Program and Summer Free Lunch Program at the parks, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora
Nayes: None
Absent: None

16. New Proposed Locations for Fitness Court at Los Nietos Park (Community Services)

Recommendation:

- Provide staff with direction in regards to a new location for the Fitness Court previously approved for Los Nietos Park.

Parks and Recreation Manager, Gustavo Hernandez provided a presentation on Item No. 16. Discussion ensued amongst Council on the proposed locations.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Council Member Trujillo, to select Fitness Court Site - Option 1, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

17. Approval of Modified Agreement with Active Network for Recreation Management Software (Community Services)

Recommendation:

- Approve the Modified Agreement with Active Network in a final form approved by the City Attorney's office.
- Authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

Parks and Recreation Manager, Gustavo Hernandez provided a presentation on Item No. 17.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Trujillo, to approve the Modified Agreement with Active Network in a final form approved by the City Attorney's office, and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the City, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

18. Approve the Purchase of Additional Audio and Visual Equipment and Installation for the City Council Chamber Audio Visual System (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Issue a Purchase Order to Western Audio Visual in the amount of \$41,974.87;
- Appropriate \$41,974.87 from the General Fund Unassigned Reserve to the Finance Nonrecurring budget account; and
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing to execute the Purchase Order.

Director of Finance and Administrative Services, Travis Hickey provided a presentation on Item No. 18.

It was moved by Council Member Sarno, seconded by Council Member Zamora, to issue a Purchase Order to Western Audio Visual in the amount of \$41,974.87, appropriate \$41,974.87 from the General Fund Unassigned Reserve to the Finance

Nonrecurring budget account, and authorize the Director of Purchasing to execute the Purchase Order, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

19. Approve the Purchase of a Replacement for the City's Core Networking Switch (Finance)

Recommendation:

- Issue a Purchase Order to Lanair Group, LLC in the amount of \$49,363.67;
- Authorize the Director of Purchasing to execute the Purchase Order.

It was moved by Council Member Sarno, seconded by Council Member Zamora, to issue a Purchase Order to Lanair Group, LLC in the amount of \$49,363.67, and authorize the Director of Purchasing to execute the Purchase Order, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

20. Consideration of a Resolution Expressing a Vote of No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón's Special Directives (City Manager)

Recommendation:

- Discussion and consideration of Resolution No. 9713, A Resolution Expressing a Vote of No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón's Special Directives.

Item No. 20 was moved to be considered at the beginning of the Council Meeting

21. Little Lake Park Bus Stop Improvements - Authorization to Advertise for Construction Bids (Public Works)

Recommendation:

- Approve the Plans and Specifications; and
- Authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids.

Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete provided a brief presentation on Item No. 21.

It was moved by Council Member Zamora, seconded by Council Member Sarno, to approve the Plans and Specifications, and authorize the City Engineer to advertise for construction bids, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sarno, Trujillo, Zamora, Rodríguez, Mora

Nayes: None

Absent: None

22. CITY MANAGER AND EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORTS

- City Manager, Raymond R. Cruz spoke about welcoming City employees back into the office, and stated that City facilities would be reopening to the public on a limited basis on June 14th, 2021. He also spoke about the groundbreaking event for the Town Center Plaza Parking Lot Improvement Project scheduled to be completed in November 2021.
- Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete talked about the opening of the southbound entrance to the I-5 Freeway. He also mentioned the removal of the trees corresponding to the Town Center Parking Lot project would commence tomorrow. Lastly, he spoke about the replacement of lights at a dual-arm light pole at Los Nietos Park.
- Director of Planning, Wayne Morrell thanked Community Services and City Manager staff for the welcoming decorations and goodies.
- Director of Police Services, Dino Torres talked about the cancellation of the “Every 15 Minutes” event at Santa Fe High School and mentioned that a separate video would be shown to highlight previous year’s events.
- Fire Chief, Brent Hayward provided an update on COVID-19 cases within the City and across the County. He also spoke about Whittier PD Fireworks seizures and about the safety guidelines for the fireworks booth.
- Director of Finance and Administrative Services, Travis Hickey spoke about continuing work on the budget for the next fiscal year about the ongoing labor negotiations.
- Director of Library Services, Joyce Ryan spoke about the reopening of the Library on May 17th with social distancing guidelines. She spoke about registration opening on May 20th for the 4th of July celebration event, and also announced that registration for Summer Camp is now open. She spoke about registration being open for summer sport activities such as soccer and adult softball, and spoke about a baseball skill showcase which will require free registration. Lastly, she talked about virtual orientation and on-boarding for the new parks and program hires.

23. PRESENTATIONS

- a. Proclamation - Proclaiming May 9-15, 2021 as “Law Enforcement Week” (Police Services)

24. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS

There were no appointments.

25. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Sarno expressed his excitement at returning to the office and thanked law enforcement for their work. He also welcomed back staff and thanked Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete for his work for advocating for the City in regards to the I-5 Project.

Councilmember Trujillo stated she was glad to return to the office, and thanked staff for

their help. She thanked first responders, and was happy to hear the additional staff being hired to assist with the summer programs.

Councilmember Zamora echoed the sentiments of his colleagues, and spoke about the L.A. CADA event for teens. He thanked law enforcement for their continued work, and spoke about the "Every 15 Minutes" event. He thanked everyone in attendance.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez thanked first responders and expressed her gratitude at the ground breaking event. She also thanked Director of Public Works, Noe Negrete for his work and also thanked the Department of Police Services for their assistance with the "Every 15 Minutes" program. Lastly, she thanked the Santa Fe Springs Women's Club for continuing to serve the youth.

Mayor Mora thanked law enforcement for their work, and thanked staff for the preparations taken to ensure a safe and welcoming environment work. Lastly, he thanked Public Works staff and Councilmember Sarno for their work with Caltrans.

CLOSED SESSION

26. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

(Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager, Labor Negotiator Colin Tanner.

Employee Organizations: Santa Fe Springs City Employees' Association, Santa Fe Springs Firefighters' Association, and Santa Fe Springs Executive, Management and Confidential Employees' Association

Mayor Mora recessed the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Mayor Mora reconvened the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

27. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney, Ivy M. Tsai provided a report on Closed Session Items: Direction was given to staff and no reportable action was taken.

28. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mora adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m. in memory in memory of Harvey Berg.

ATTEST:



Janet Martinez
City Clerk



John M. Mora
Mayor



Date