



APPROVED: 09/03/2024

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

August 6, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sarno called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Members absent: None

INVOCATION

Councilmember Zamora led the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Rounds led the pledge of allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Mayor Sarno introduced the following members from the Chamber of Commerce:

1. Representatives from Little Lake City School District
2. Kathie Fink from Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce

PRESENTATIONS

1. **APPRECIATION AWARD FROM LITTLE LAKE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT PRESIDENT GINA RAMIREZ**
2. **MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING (MADD) DUI AWARD – WHITTIER POLICE OFFICER AUSTIN CASTRO (POLICE SERVICES)**
3. **CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY PREEXCELLENCE AWARD FOR “ARTFUL PR: JOVENES CREADORES UNLEASH TEEN TALENT AT SFS ART FEST” (COMMUNITY SERVICES)**

CHANGES TO AGENDA

There were no changes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people spoke during public comments: Lee Squire.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS ON ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

None

HOUSING SUCCESSOR, SUCCESSOR AGENCY, AND CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

4. **ORDINANCE NO. 1143 – AMENDING SECTIONS 155.865 (APPEAL AND EFFECTIVE DATE) AND 155.866 (CITY COUNCIL TO HEAR APPEAL) WITHIN TITLE 15 (LAND USE), CHAPTER 155 (ZONING), OF THE SANTA FE SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE AND DETERMINE THAT THE ACTION IS EXEMPT UNDER CEQA (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Open the Public Hearing and receive the written and oral staff report and any comments from the public regarding the proposed Ordinance; and
- 2) Find and determine that the Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3); and
- 3) Waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 1143 by title, amending Sections 155.865 (Appeal and Effective Date) and 155.866 (City Council to Hear Appeal) within Title 15 (Land Use), Chapter 155 (Zoning), of the Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code; and
- 4) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Mayor Sarno opened the public hearing at: 6:26 p.m.

There was no one wishing to speak.

Mayor Sarno closed the public hearing at: 6:26 p.m.

It was moved by Councilmember Zamora, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rounds, to find and determine that the Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 1143 by title, amending Sections 155.865 (Appeal and Effective Date) and 155.866 (City Council to Hear Appeal) within Title 15 (Land Use), Chapter 155 (Zoning), of the Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code, and take such additional, related, action that may be desirable, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Martin, Rodriguez, Zamora, Rounds, Sarno
Noes:	None
Absent:	None
Recuse:	None

5. **ORDINANCE NO. 1145 – AMENDING SECTIONS 155.062, 155.380, 155.450, 155.456, 155.460, 155.461, 155.535, AND 155.637, AND REPLACE SECTIONS 155.385 THROUGH 155.404 (NONCONFORMING USES) WITHIN TITLE 15 (LAND USE), CHAPTER 155 (ZONING), OF THE SANTA FE SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE, AND TO AMEND SECTION 157.03 WITHIN TITLE 15 (LAND USE), CHAPTER 157 (WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES), OF THE SANTA FE SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE, AND DETERMINE THAT THE ACTION IS EXEMPT UNDER CEQA (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Open the Public Hearing and receive the written and oral staff report and any comments from the public regarding the proposed Ordinance; and
- 2) Find and determine that the Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3); and
- 3) Waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 1145 by title, adopting a Zone Text Amendment to amend Sections 155.062, 155.380, 155.450, 155.456, 155.460, 155.461, 155.535, and 155.637, and replace sections 155.385 through 155.404 (Nonconforming Uses) within Title 15 (Land Use), Chapter 155 (Zoning), and to amend Section 157.03 within Title 15 (Land Use), Chapter 157 (Wireless Telecommunications Facilities), of the Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code; and
- 4) Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

Mayor Sarno opened the public hearing at: 6:29 p.m.

There was no one wishing to speak.

Mayor Sarno closed the public hearing at: 6:29 p.m.

It was moved by Councilmember Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Martin, to find and determine that the Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3), waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 1145 by title, adopting a Zone Text Amendment to amend Sections 155.062, 155.380, 155.450, 155.456, 155.460, 155.461, 155.535, and 155.637, and replace sections 155.385 through 155.404 (Nonconforming Uses) within Title 15 (Land Use), Chapter 155 (Zoning), and to amend Section 157.03 within Title 15 (Land Use), Chapter 157 (Wireless Telecommunications Facilities), of the Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code, and take such additional, related action that may be desirable, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Martin, Rodriguez, Zamora, Rounds, Sarno
Noes:	None
Absent:	None
Recuse:	None

CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine. Any items a Councilmember wishes to discuss should be designated at this time. All other items may be approved in a single motion. Such approval will also waive the reading of any ordinance.

CITY COUNCIL

6. **SANTA FE SPRINGS CITY LIBRARY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE CORPORATION FOR EDUCATION NETWORK INITIATIVES IN CALIFORNIA CONSORTIUM FOR FY 2025-26 THROUGH FY 2029-30 (COMMUNITY SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Director of Community Services to execute the *Letter of Agency*, confirming the Santa Fe Springs City Library's (Library) participation in the Corporation for Education Network Initiatives (CENIC) Consortium for FY 2025-2026 through FY 2029-2030; and
- 2) Authorize the Director of Community Services to administer the CENIC program.

7. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES FY 2024-25 ART EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM AWARDS (COMMUNITY SERVICES)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Authorize the FY 2024-25 award distribution of \$69,992.50, as recommended by the Heritage Arts Advisory Committee (HAAC), to fund the Art Education Grant Program recipients.
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

8. AGREEMENT WITH ATQOR FOR IT CONSULTANT, SUPPORT SERVICES AND SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT (FINANCE)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Incorporate this project as a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) within the current Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 CIP Program; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the agreement with AtQor for general Information Technology (IT) support and consultant services for FY 2024-25 through 2025-26; and
- 3) Award AtQor authorization to create a Water Utility Billing solution based upon the specifications of the City's Request for Proposals (FRP) for Utility Billing Software and implementation Services; and
- 4) Authorize the City Manager to execute three (3), optional one (1) year amendments for FY 2026-27 through FY 2028-29 at the City Manager's discretion.

9. APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH IBE DIGITAL FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT SERVICES (FINANCE)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Authorize the City Manager to execute a City-Wide Information Technology (IT) staff augmentation services agreement with IBE Digital on a month-to-month basis; and
- 2) Authorize issuing a Request for Qualification/Proposals (RFP) to identify consultant to provide IT support services.

11. TREASURER’S REPORT OF INVESTMENTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 2024 (FINANCE)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Receive and file the report.

12. DEPARTMENT OF FIRE-RESCUE PURCHASING CONTRACT INCREASE – SOCAL AUTO & TRUCK PARTS INC. (FIRE)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Approve a purchasing contract increase with SoCal Auto & Truck Parts Inc. for \$150,000; and
- 2) Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

13. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1142, TO AMEND CHAPTER 154 (SUBDIVISIONS) OF TITLE 15 (LAND USE) OF SANTA FE SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE TO DEFINE AND ESTABLISH PROCEDURES RELATED TO LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS, LOT CONSOLIDATIONS, AND LOT MERGERS/UNMERGERS (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Adopt Ordinance No. 1142:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS AMENDING CHAPTER 154 (SUBDIVISIONS) OF TITLE 15 (LAND USE) OF THE SANTA FE SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE TO DEFINE AND ESTABLISH PROCEDURES RELATED TO LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS, LOT CONSOLIDATIONS, AND LOT MERGERS/UNMERGERS

- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

14. POLICE SERVICES STAGING FACILITY STORM DAMAGE – EMERGENCY REPAIRS UPDATE (PUBLIC WORKS)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Pursuant to Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code Section 34.23 and California Public Contract Code Section 22050, by a four-fifths vote authorize continuing the repairs without competitive bidding; and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

15. RESOLUTION NO. 9925 – AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 9906, FULL STREET VACATION OF KOONTZ AVENUE SOUTH OF FLORENCE AVENUE, RESERVING EXISTING UTILITIES (PUBLIC WORKS)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Adopt Resolution No. 9925 amending Resolution No. 9906, to reserve any existing utilities from the street vacation of Koontz Avenue; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the quitclaim deed to the Property Developer; and
- 3) Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

16. AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MERCHANTS LANDSCAPE SERVICES, INC. (PUBLIC WORKS)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Approve Amendment No. 2 to the landscape maintenance services agreement with Merchants Landscape Services, Inc. exercising the final one-year extension and increasing the annual contract amount to \$978,824.35; and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

17. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1144 AMENDING CHAPTER 72 OF TITLE VII (TRAFFIC CODE) OF THE SANTA FE SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS (PUBLIC WORKS)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Adopt Ordinance No. 1144: An Ordinance of the City of Santa Fe Springs Amending Chapter 72 of Title VII (Traffic Code) of the Santa Fe Springs Municipal Code relating to electric Vehicle charging stations; and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Mayor Sarno requested to pull Item No. 10 and for the item to be brought back at a subsequent meeting.

It was moved by Councilmember Martin, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rounds, to approve the consent calendar without Item No. 10, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Martin, Rodriguez, Zamora, Rounds, Sarno
Noes:	None
Absent:	None
Recuse:	None

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Rounds appointed Jeannette Lizarraga to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

Mayor Sarno appointed Audrie Perez to the Youth Leadership Committee.

COUNCIL COMMENTS/AB1234 COUNCIL CONFERENCE REPORTING

Councilmember Martin commended the Whittier Police Department and thanked staff.

Councilmember Rodriguez thanked staff who worked on the aquatic center reopening. She also thanked management for moving the city in the right direction.

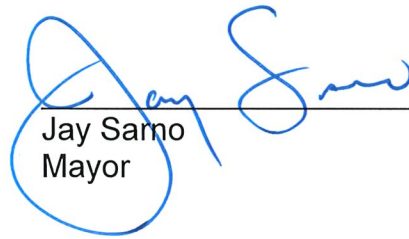
Councilmember Zamora echoed the sentiments of Council, and also talked about meeting with CalTrans with neighboring cities to discuss the maintenance of certain properties and future expansion projects. He commended Jovenes Creadores, and thanked staff.

Mayor Pro Tem Rounds thanked staff and all departments for playing a part in the success of the city. He talked about the reopening of the aquatic center. Lastly, he talked about the Summer Concert Series in coordination with National Night Out.

Mayor Sarno thanked staff and expressed his enjoyment at serving on Council.

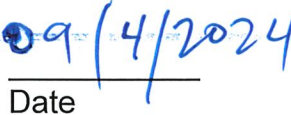
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sarno adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m. to August 22, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.


Jay Sarno
Mayor

ATTEST:


Fernando N. Muñoz
Deputy City Clerk


Date