

SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

MAY 15, 2006 – 6:00 P.M.

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE CITY COUNCIL. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPES OF THE ACTUAL MEETING ARE AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Nury Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and reported that City Council Presentations would be made prior to the Redevelopment Agency meeting.

The following persons were recorded as present:

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor Nury Martinez, Mayor Pro Tem Julie Ruelas, Councilmembers Steven Veres, Dr. José Hernández (arrived at 6:05 p.m.) and Maribel De La Torre (arrived at 6:03 p.m.)

City Treasurer: Margarita Solis

Staff: City Administrator José E. Pulido, City Attorney Michael Estrada, and City Clerk Elena G. Chávez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Angel Avila led the pledge.

INVOCATION

Mayor Martinez called for a moment of silence.

PRESENTATIONS

A) PUBLIC WORKS WEEK (MAY 21-27, 2006)

Mayor Martinez presented the certificate to Public Works Superintendent Nazri Hasbun and he accepted on behalf of the department.

B) OLDER AMERICAN VOLUNTEERS

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Mayor Martinez presented the certificates to Angelita Alvarado, Angel Avila, Nicolasa-Bustamante-Castillo and Maria Guadalupe Serna.

C) NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH - JUNE

Mayor Martinez reported that this presentation would be moved to the next meeting because the individuals that would be accepting the certificate could not attend today.

RECESS CITY COUNCIL MEETING (6:18 P.M.)

Mayor Martinez recessed the City Council meeting and the Redevelopment Agency meeting was called to order.

RECONVENE (6:47 P.M.)

At this time, the Mayor Martinez reconvened the City Council meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Hernández, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ruelas, to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Ray Groff, 327 No. Alexander St., stated that he did not want to miss his opportunity to speak but said that he had laryngitis which made it difficult to do so.

Carole Gallegos, 500 No. Everett St., Glendale, representing the Chamber of Commerce and Farmers Market, stated that after five weeks it was going slow and they are spending most of their money on advertising and the on-duty police officer and asked for consideration of eliminating the need for an officer or assistance in the cost.

Mayor Martinez asked that Mr. Pulido arrange a meeting with Chief Anthony Alba and the necessary entities to discuss this.

Eugene Hernández, 13406 Eldridge St., Sylmar, spoke about the recent concert at SF High School and reported that the students won the contest for sending the most Verizon text messages. He stated that the concert was in violation of many LAUSD rules and suggested reporting those concerns to Los Angeles Unified School District representatives.

Sister Carmel Somers, Valley Family Center (302 S. Brand Blvd.), informed staff that earlier today a person near their building exposed himself to the children. She also mentioned that the

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cost of their project has increased and asked if some costs incurred through the permit process could be reimbursed.

Mayor Martinez asked staff to set up a meeting with Sister Somers and the Valley Family Center.

Regarding the incident at Valley Family Center, Lt. Michael Langston said that a witness obtained a vehicle license number and Police Department staff is working on the case.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Pro Tem Ruelas pulled Item No. 2 for further discussion.

Motion by Councilmember Hernández, seconded by Councilmember Veres, to approve the remaining Consent Calendar Items. The motion carried unanimously.

- 1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 1, 2006
- 3) PERMIT REQUEST FOR ANNUAL FIESTA – ST. FERDINAND CATHOLIC CHURCH
- 4) CALIFORNIA HEALTHY CITIES AND COMMUNITIES GRANT
- 5) ARTICLE XIII B APPROPRIATIONS (GANN) LIMIT FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007

Items Pulled for Further Discussion:

- 2) APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER NO. 06-052

In response to Mayor Pro Tem Ruelas' question, Public Works Director Ron Ruiz reported that they have been using temp services in order to fill vacancies at the City Yard and the department is in the process of filling those positions.

Mayor Pro Tem Ruelas asked about the purchase of a Ford Escape vehicle and Lt. Langston replied that it is a budgeted item for the Community Service Officer program.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Julie Ruelas, seconded by Mayor Martinez, to approve the Warrant Register. The motion carried unanimously.

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GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

In response to Councilmember De La Torre's concern regarding calls from Gridley Street School, Lt. Langston reported that even though part of the school is located in the City of Los Angeles, police representatives answering calls should not be asking which area/building of the school they are calling from. He will follow up.

Mayor Pro Tem Ruelas: 1) in response to her question, Mr. Ruiz said that street improvement maps are available at City Hall and the Internet; 2) requested that the resolution regarding Standby Officers be agendaized for the next meeting; and 3) reported that the Children, Youth & Families Advisory Committee along with the Youth Council will be holding a Youth Forum at Las Palmas Park.

Mayor Martinez: 1) announced that the Trolley meeting will be held on Wednesday at Las Palmas Park; 2) the Senior Expo will be held on Friday at Las Palmas Park; 3) reported that the Solar Cup meeting is coming up; 4) reminded everyone of Budget Study Session V on May 22; 5) announced the Public Works Open House on May 23; and 6) said she initially believed that SF High School students won a contest due to academics but as a result believes they ended up paying for the concert due to text messaging costs.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

None.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (7:09 PM)

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Ruelas, seconded by Councilmember Hernandez, to recess to Closed Session, thereafter to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (G.C. 54956.9 (a))

Name of Case: City of San Fernando v. CBS Outdoor, Inc.
Case No: LASC BC 350557

Approval of settlement agreement.