

SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL

**SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES**

April 24, 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 6:10 p.m.

PRESENT:

City Council: Mayor Nury Martinez, Mayor Pro Tem Julie Ruelas, and Councilmembers Dr. José Hernández and Maribel De La Torre (arrived at 7:11 p.m.)

Staff: City Administrator José E. Pulido and City Clerk Elena G. Chávez

ABSENT: Councilmember Steven Veres

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Hernández, seconded by Mayor Martinez, to approve the agenda. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Hernández, Martinez, De La Torre, Ruelas – 4

ABSENT: Veres – 1

PUBLIC STATEMENTS

None.

STUDY SESSION

1) FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2006-2007 – BUDGET STUDY SESSION PART II

Mr. Pulido introduced consultant Dorriah Rogers, Management Action Program (MAP), and she presented an overview of the MAP program and the City's Strategic Goals and responded to questions from Councilmembers.

In response to Councilmember Hernández' question, Ms. Rogers stated that the City Council has been disconnected from the process and she is suggesting a monthly meeting to review vital factors and allow Councilmembers the opportunity to provide input.

Councilmember Hernández reported that some employees do not have a good working environment and that the City Council did not have the opportunity to see survey comments made by employees regarding their supervisors or departments heads.

Ms. Rogers replied that the surveys were done confidentially (no names associated with comments); Councilmembers may see those although she does not know the timing in presenting that to the City Council.

Mr. Pulido reported that he would check with the City Attorney.

Councilmember De La Torre stated that a priority of this community is to lay out a healthy city and she is concerned that the Strategic Goals do not address health issues.

Mayor Martinez reiterated Councilmember Hernández' concern regarding building and improving relationships and providing a teamwork environment.

Finance Director Lorena Quijano presented the City Council budget and discussion ensued regarding travel, mileage allowance, and Councilmember membership dues to organizations such as NALEO, ICA, and the League of California Cities. It was suggested to increase travel allowance and allow for parking reimbursement.

Director of Recreation and Community Services Dan LaBrado presented the budget regarding Special Events and reported that participation has increased in all City events.

It was suggested to increase Community Based Organization funding back to \$75,000.

Councilmembers inquired about additional buses (Prop C – Fund 7) provided to local organizations and schools for their trips. Mr. LaBrado reported that the allotment per Councilmember could be increased to four buses per fiscal year.

ADJOURNMENT (7:35 P.M.)

Motion by Mayor Martinez, seconded by Councilmember Hernandez, to adjourn. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Hernández, Martinez, De La Torre, Ruelas – 4
ABSENT: Veres – 1