

**SAN FERNANDO CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**MAY 27, 2008 -- 6:30 P.M.  
SPECIAL MEETING**

City Hall Community Room  
117 Macneil Street  
San Fernando, CA 91340

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Mayor Nury Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Present:

City Council: Mayor Nury Martinez, Mayor Pro Julie Ruelas, Councilmembers Steven Veres (arrived at 6:40 p.m.), Maribel De La Torre, and Dr. José Hernández

Staff: City Administrator José E. Pulido, City Attorney Michael Estrada, and Deputy City Clerk Laura Valdivia

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Ruelas, seconded by Councilmember Hernández, to approve the agenda and move public statements to the end of the agenda. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Ruelas, Hernández, De La Torre, Martinez – 4  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Veres – 1

**STUDY SESSION**

1) FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2008-2009 – BUDGET STUDY SESSION PART III

Motion by Mayor Martinez, seconded by Councilmember Veres to recommend funding in the Special Events budget only for the Fourth of July event and the Concerts in the Park, and that staff work with the committees of the other events to encourage them to fundraise for next year. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember De La Torre, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ruelas to place a moratorium on all requests for fee waivers for any special event that will cost the City money. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mayor Martinez, seconded by Councilmember Veres, to reinstate the General Fund Graffiti budget in the amount of \$58,610; reduce the General Fund Tree Trimming budget by \$50,000 and revisit it during the mid-year budget process; and accept Councilmember De La Torre's motion amendment to reinstate the overtime budget for graffiti removal. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mayor Martinez, seconded by Councilmember Dr. Hernández, to continue with the Pension Obligation Bond process immediately in order to complete the POB process by October 2008, and approve the recommended Financial Advisor and Underwriter. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Martinez, Hernández, Ruelas – 3  
NOES: De La Torre, Veres - 2

2. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SERVICES FOR THE SAN FERNANDO REGIONAL POOL FACILITY

Temporary Public Works and Parks Director Ron Ruiz presented the report.

Motion by Councilmember Veres, seconded by Mayor Martinez that the City Council direct staff to send a letter approving a Request of Services to the County of Los Angeles to provide short-term operation and programming services for the San Fernando Regional Pool Facility.

AYES: Veres, Martinez, Ruelas, Hernandez – 4  
ABSTAIN: De La Torre - 1

**PUBLIC STATEMENTS**

Adriana Gomez, resident, spoke regarding the proposed City budget, pension obligation bonds and employee salaries.

Sharron Aisenman, resident, spoke regarding the payment of legal fees by the City for Councilmembers.

Leslie Aisenman, resident, spoke regarding City Council's hurried vote on the pension obligation bond.

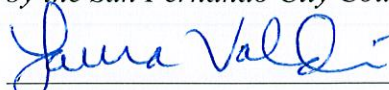
Brenda Esqueda, resident, stated she has had to take time from her family to go door to door educating San Fernando residents why the City is in the situation it is in.

Councilmember De La Torre read a letter on behalf of Michael Rodriguez, stating residents deserve to have a pool open and programmed well.

**ADJOURNMENT (9:45 P.M.)**

By consensus, the meeting was adjourned.

*I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of May 27, 2008, meeting as approved by the San Fernando City Council.*



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Laura Valdivia  
Deputy City Clerk