

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**San Luis City Council**  
**San Luis Council Chambers**  
**1090 E. Union Street**  
**October 14, 2015**  
**7:00 p.m.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Mayor G. Sanchez called the Regular City Council meeting to order at approximately 7:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Gerardo Sanchez  
Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr.  
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco  
Council Member Gloria Torres  
Council Member Ruben Walshe

**ABSENT:** Vice-Mayor Matias Rosales  
Council Member Maria Cecilia Ramos

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tadeo De La Hoya, Interim City Manager  
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk  
Andrea Moreno, Police Administrator  
Angelica Cifuentes, Procurement and Budget Compliance Officer  
Chris Kasid, Parks and Recreation Director  
Derek Dueñas, I.T. Technician  
Eulogio Vera, Public Works Director  
Geraldine Gutierrez, Assistant to Council/PIO  
Glenn Gimbut, City Attorney  
Hank Green, Fire Chief  
Jennifer Cisneros, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director  
Jenny Torres, Community Development Director  
Kay Macuil, Assistant City Attorney  
Katie St. Louis, Finance Director  
Maria Sabori, Human Resources Senior Analyst  
Olivia Jenkins, Utilities Director  
Yolanda Dueñas, Fleet/Facilities Director  
Francisca Guzman, Translator  
Rick Bauerman, Fire Department  
Lucy Lopez, San Luis News  
Cesar Neyoy, Bajo El Sol

## **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member R. Walshe.

## **3. INVOCATION**

The invocation was made by Mr. Hank Green, Fire Chief.

## **4. PRESENTATIONS**

### **4. A. Introduction of recently hired employees to City Council and members of the public. Employees hired from July through September, 2015. (Tadeo A. De La Hoya, Interim City Manager)**

Mr. Tadeo De La Hoya, Interim City Manager, introduced employees that were hired from July through September by name and department.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez welcomed the new employees to the City of San Luis.

### **4. B. Presentation by Ms. Gladys Wiggins, Airport Director, on the Rolle Airfield Masterplan dated May 2015. (Gladys Wiggins, Airport Director)**

Ms. Gladys Wiggins, Airport Director, provided City Council Member and residents information relating to the Rolle Airfield Masterplan dated May 2015. A copy of this presentation is on file with the complete agenda packet in the Office of the City Clerk.

Mr. Hank Green, Fire Chief, stated his safety concerns. Ms. Wiggins agreed to meet with Mr. Green to go over his concerns and to place a plan together.

## **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **5. A. Minutes of:**

- Regular Council meeting held August 26, 2015
- Regular Council meeting held September 9, 2015
- Work Session held September 16, 2015
- Regular Council meeting held September 23, 2015
- Special Council meeting held September 28, 2015

### **5. B. DISBURSEMENTS from September 14, 2015 through October 1, 2015**

Total disbursements \$1,465,186.04

(One Million, Four Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand, One Hundred Eighty-Six Dollars and Four Cents)

### **5. C. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the purchase of a new WACHS Waste Valve Maintenance Trailer for Public Works Department- Water Division. (Manuel Rojas, Assistant Public Works Director)**

**MOTION:** Council Member M. Buchanan Jr/ Council Member A. Luna-Carrasco to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

## **6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:**

### **6. A. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the appointment of a San Luis Economic Development Commission Member. (Jenny Torres, Community Development Director)**

Ms. Jenny Torres, Community Development Director, stated that Mr. Marco Garcia from Goodwill had resigned. She added that she recommended Mr. Ismael Ramirez to be a member of the Commission.

**MOTION:** Council Member M. Buchanan Jr./ Council Member A. Luna-Carrasco to appoint Ismael Ramirez to the San Luis Economic Development Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

### **6. B. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding contract to James Davey and Associates, Inc. to provide design and construction management services associated with the improvements on Lakin Drive, to be paid with a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) through the Arizona Department of Housing, Grant #107-16. (Jenny Torres, Community Development Director)**

Ms. Jenny Torres, Community Development Director, stated that the City of San Luis received a grant from the Arizona Department of Housing for a total of \$400,000.00. Ms. Torres added that the money will be used to repair street and sewer improvements. She asked for a contract with James Davey to be approved for the improvements.

**MOTION:** Council Member M. Buchanan Jr./ Council Member A. Luna-Carrasco to approve the contract and payment of \$46,680.00 from the CDBG Funds #107-16 for design and constructions services by James Davey and Associates for the CDBG Street and Sewer Improvements project along Lakin Drive as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

### **6. C. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the City of San Luis Department of Public Works, entering into contract with Rob's Backhoe Services for construction of sewer lateral from the property of St. Jude Thaddeus Roman Catholic Church to the collector at Beach Street in San Luis. (Eulogio Vera, Public Works Director)**

Mr. Eulogio Vera, Public Works Director, stated that the City of San Luis would be entering into contract with Rob's Backhoe Services for the sewer service at St. Jude Thaddeus Roman Catholic Church that was completed the previous weekend. He added that they had to move the sewer lateral from the East Main canal to the collector at Beach Street. Because of the change the City would have to pay half of the total cost.

**MOTION:** Council Member G. Torres/ Council Member A. Luna-Carrasco to approve and ratify acceptance of the low bid by Rob's Backhoe Services, LLC for construction of

a sewer lateral from the property of St. Jude Thaddeus Roman Catholic Church to the collector at Beach Street in an amount of \$37,395.00. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. D. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the transfer of funds from Human Resources Salaries line to Special Services line item account. (Maria Sabori, Human Resources Senior Analyst)**

Ms. Maria Sabori, Human Resources Senior Analyst, stated that the Human Resources department would like to transfer funds from the Human Resources Salaries line to Special Services line in the amount of \$30,000.00. She added that the account covers current programs and events for employees.

**MOTION:** Council Member M. Buchanan Jr./ Council Member A. Luna-Carrasco to approve a budget transfer of \$30,000.00 from Human Resources Salaries Line Item account to Special Services Line item account. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. E. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the declaration of surplus equipment items at the City of San Luis Fire Department and authorizing the disposal by donation to various Fire Department in Mexico and the Arizona Western College Fire Academy. (Hank Green, Fire Chief)**

Mr. Hank Green, Fire Chief, stated that the Fire Department is requesting the approval to dispose of the equipment that was replaced with the FEMA Assistance to Firefighter Grant. He added that items will be donated to Bomberos de México, SCBA, and AWC Fire Academy.

**MOTION:** Council Member G. Torres/ Council Member M. Buchanan Jr. to dispose of the surplus fire equipment as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. F. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 1116. A resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona approving the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of San Luis, Arizona and City of Somerton, Arizona for Firefighters Personnel Services. (Hank Green, Fire Chief)**

Mr. Hank Green, Fire Chief, stated that two (2) previous IGAs that were presented late fall of 2011 were remodified. He added that the City of San Luis Fire Department will still be welcoming the City of Somerton's personnel and ambulance to the station but the City of San Luis Fire Department will not be leasing their ambulances.

**MOTION:** Council Member R. Walshe/ Council Member A. Luna-Carrasco to approve and adopt Resolution No. 1116 approving the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of San Luis, Arizona and City of Somerton, Arizona for Firefighter Personnel Services. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. G. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters to approve Resolution No. 1119. A resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona declaring October 18-24, 2015, Arizona Cities and Towns Week. (Geraldine Gutierrez, Assistant to Council)**

Ms. Geraldine Gutierrez, Assistant to Council, recommended that the Mayor and Council approve Resolution No. 1119 and declare October 18-24 as Arizona Cities and Towns week. She added that citizens will be provided with important information regarding services and programs provided by the City and it will also be used to introduce the Elected Officials.

**MOTION:** Council Member G. Torres/ Council Member M. Buchanan Jr. to approve and adopt Resolution No. 1119 and declaring October 18-24, 2015 Arizona Cities and Towns week. Motion passed unanimously.

**7. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

Mayor G. Sanchez stated that there is a contest being provided to the high school students called "Being Mayor for a Day".

Ms. Jenny Torres, Community Development Director, stated that the Principal, staff and Council Member M.C. Ramos will select the winner.

Mayor G. Sanchez added that the next Regular Council meeting scheduled for October 28, 2015 will be held at the San Luis High School Auditorium. The winner will also have a dinner and a movie provided by Council.

**8. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Ms. Harper Valenzuela, San Luis High School swim team, stated that on behalf of the swimmers, parents, and the coach, they feel honored to have the opportunity to be part of the San Luis High School swim team. She added that as swimmers, they currently use the San Luis Aquatic Center to practice, and asked the City, if the public swimming pool could be fixed for practices by adding lane markers at the edges and at the bottom.

Mr. Chris Kasid, Parks and Recreation Director, stated that there are difficulties with the pool and stated that the parts needed are on back order from the East Coast. Mr. Kasid added that the pool is still safe to swim in.

Ms. Diane Umphress, Director of Amberlys Place, stated that she would like the Mayor and Council to lid City Hall purple to raise awareness about domestic violence.

Ms. Margarita Patiño, resident, stated that something needs to be done about the speed limits in the area she resides to prevent accidents. She mentioned that the church and a public park are near her home and there are children in the area and vehicles drive in her neighborhood at excessive speeds. She asked the Mayor and Council to place speed bumps to force vehicles to slow down their speed.

Mayor G. Sanchez stated that he agrees that there are parts of the City that require speed bumps. He added that no action could be taken at the moment but it could be an item for discussion at a different meeting.

Mr. Gerardo Sanchez, 1057 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, stated he does not think it is fair that the City of Yuma, Foothills, the County, or the City of Somerton have their mail delivered to their homes. It is unbelievable that the City of San Luis counts with 35,000 residents and there is not a decent Post Office that delivers mail to one's house. As Council and community something has to be done as taxes are being paid in this City. He has inquired at the Post Office about mail boxes located at the different subdivisions of the City, like other cities have and he has been told that those boxes get stolen. If they are not stolen in the Yuma, Foothills or Somerton, why will they be stolen in the City of San Luis. He also has been told that there is an agreement between the City of San Luis and the Post Office to not have mail delivered to homes and added that as of today he has not seen such agreement. This is a service needed for the community.

## **9. ADJOURMENT**

**MOTION:** Council Member M. Buchanan Jr./ Council Member G. Torres to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at approximately 8:14 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.