

MINUTES
Work Session
San Luis City Council
San Luis Council Chambers
1090 E. Union Street
February 17, 2016
6:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez called the Work Session to order at approximately 6:34 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Gerardo Sanchez
Vice-Mayor Matias Rosales-arrived at approximately 6:52 p.m.
Council Member Ruben Walshe
Council Member Gloria Torres
Council Member Maria Cecilia Ramos
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco

ABSENT: Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tadeo A. De La Hoya, Interim City Manager
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk
Kay Macuil, City Attorney
Aracely de la Hoya, Senior Center Director
Chris Kasid, Parks and Recreation Director
Derek Dueñas, IT Manager
Eulogio Vera, Public Works Director
Hank Green, Fire Chief
Jennifer Cisneros, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director
Jenny Torres, Community Development Director
Johnathan Dumadag, IT Technician
Katie St. Louis, Finance Director
Ralph Velez, City Consultant
Alfredo Campa, Police Department
Craig Higgins, Chief of Police
Gary Black, Comite de Bienestar
Rick Bauerman, Fire Department
Victor Figuerora, Police Lieutenant
Yolanda Dueñas, Fleet Services/Facilities Manager

2. AGENDA ITEM(S):

2. A. Discussion on any and all matters regarding Resolution No.1130. A resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, approving Intergovernmental Agreement regarding joint use of recreational facilities at Yuma Union High School District #70 (San Luis High School) and the City of San Luis. (Chris Kasid, Parks and Recreation Director)

Ms. Jenny Torres, Community Development Director, informed that staff has been working with Yuma Union High School District (YUHSD) #70 in developing an Intergovernmental Agreement for a joint use of recreational facility, this Agreement is a five (5) year Agreement. This Agreement states that YUHSD #70 will provide the land and the City will pay for the installation of lighting and maintenance of the soccer fields. She added that the concept of this project is to provide a sports complex that both the high school kids and other kids in the community will benefit from. Furthermore, she added that the funding for this project will have to be committed during the fiscal year 2016-2017 budget. She mentioned that the YUHSD #70 is very excited about this project and they would like to present this IGA to their board on the second week in March 2016.

Mr. Chris Kasid, Parks and Recreation Director, informed that approximately \$4 million from the bonds will be used towards, putting a new track around the field. He stated that staff is trying to alleviate the Joe Orduño Park and hold some soccer games at this new field. He informed that the LED lighting will cost approximately \$215,000.00, which in the long run, will save approximately 75% of regular lights. He added that the installation price will range from \$40,000.00 to \$60,000.00, and this price will depend on what APS charges, as there is no access to get the electricity. Furthermore, Mr. Kasid added that the total estimated cost will be approximately \$265,000.00, which staff will allocate during the next fiscal year budget preparation. He mentioned that City's Parks Department staff will be in charge of giving the maintenance to the fields. He added that part of the IGA is that San Luis High School will be able to use the City's pool at no charge and the City will be able to use their facilities at no charge.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez asked how the track field be built and if the contract can be extended to more than five years.

Mr. Kasid replied that the track field will be built around the soccer field, with asphalt material and the lighting will go outside the track.

Ms. Torres replied that the contract can be extended once it expires. She added that staff is looking into creating a school sports complex and taking on an additional field every year and both entities will benefit from it.

Council Member Maria Cecilia Ramos asked how staff is planning to do a field every year and how is it plan to use those fields. Does the City have to wait until the five years are up or how is it going to work.

Mr. Kasid replied that the goal is to do one field a year and work with a master plan for all the available land that the high school has. He informed that depending on the funding, then the City will try to do one field a year.

Council Member Maria Cecilia Ramos asked if the field is going to have easy access.

Mr. Kasid replied that currently there is easy access, but in the future new parking and fencing will need to be installed, as of this moment there is no fencing around it.

2.B. Discussion on any and all matters regarding waiver of impact fees and all associated building permit fees for the construction of an affordable housing project, San Luis Prudential Youthbuild USA. (Jenny Torres, Community Development Director)

Ms. Jenny Torres, Community Development Director, informed that Comite de Bienestar approached the City for a possible partnership in this project. She mentioned that with this project they will build two affordable housing units. She added that Prudential will be contributing \$50,000.00 per home, Comite de Bienestar will be contributing \$7,500.00 and they would like the City to waive the impact fees and all associated building permits for the constructions.

Mr. Gary Black, Comite de Bienestar, informed that Prudential Youthbuild USA approached Comite de Bienestar, as they wanted to build two houses in San Luis. He stated that prudential will be coming to San Luis to help Comite de Bienestar with the construction of the two houses for two low income families. He informed that Prudential Youthbuild USA will be coming to San Luis on March 2, 2016 in which dignitaries for the Secretary of State, Congressman Raul Grijalva and State Representatives will be present during this event. Furthermore he informed that other Youthbuild programs will be present, including Youthbuilds from El Salvador, Mexico and United States. He informed that Comite de Bienestar is a charter member of Neighborworks. He asked Mayor and Council for their support and to be part of this project.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez asked when this project will start.

Mr. Black replied that this project already started. He mentioned that he has been working with the City's Attorneys Office and permits have been obtained.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez stated that this is an excellent project and should be supported.

3. DISCUSSION ITEM(S):

3.A. Discussion on any and all matters regarding a City of San Luis K-9 Police Service Dog candidate as the City of Luis' mascot. (Council Member Maria Cecilia Ramos)

Council Member Maria Cecilia Ramos stated that since the City of San Luis is on the list as the 7th Safest City, this will be a great opportunity to recognize canines at the San Luis Police Department.

Mr. Craig Higgins, Chief of Police, stated that staff has agreed to name Denis, K-9. He informed that Denis has been with the corporation for 7 years, he is a kid friendly dog.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez agreed with Council Member Maria Cecilia Ramos about having a mascot for the City.

3.B. Discussion on any and all matters regarding Operation Grad Night/No Drinking campaign. (Council Member Maria Cecilia Ramos)

Council Member Maria Cecilia Ramos stated that last year City staff and San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora, started to work in conjunction on doing a program for Graduation Night. She mentioned that if something can be done the week before graduation, to make teens aware about the risks of drinking and driving.

Mr. Hank Green, Fire Chief, mentioned that previously in a job demonstration that was given to the students. He added that other agencies were involved in the demonstrations.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez asked Mr. Hank Green, Fire Chief, to look into this project and work with Mr. Craig Higgins, Chief of Police, in putting this campaign together.

Mr. Craig Higgins, Chief of Police, stated that he will be working in conjunction with the pertinent departments and/or agencies.

4. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council Member Gloria Torres/Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:10 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.