

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**San Luis City Council**  
**San Luis Council Chambers**  
**1090 E. Union Street**  
**April 11, 2018**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**APPROVED** by Council

**Date:** May 9, 2018

**Clerk's Office:** /s/ S. Cornelio

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:** Mayor Gerardo Sanchez called the Regular City Council meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Gerardo Sanchez  
Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos  
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco  
Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr.  
Council Member Matias Rosales  
Council Member Gloria Torres  
Council Member Ruben Walshe

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tadeo De La Hoya, City Manager  
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk  
Angel Ramirez, Assistant Fire Chief  
Carlos Cortes, Assistant Director of Finance  
Damian Miller, Police Department  
Derek Dueñas, I.T. Manager  
Edgar Carbajal, Human Recourses Specialist  
Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works  
Fausto Gonzalez, Human Resources Program Coordinator  
Glenn Gimbut, Assistant City Attorney  
Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager  
Jesus Meza, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation  
Jorge Perez, Billing & Collections Manager  
Laura Herrera, PIO/Assistant to City Council  
Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation  
Manuel Rojas, Assistant Director of Public Works  
Marco A. Santana, Police Sergeant  
Margarita Dominguez, Finance Department  
Miguel Alvarez, Police Lieutenant  
Miguel Ramirez, Finance Department  
Monica Castro, Director of Finance

Nigel Reynoso, Police Sergeant  
Olivia Jenkins, Human Resources Manager  
Ralph Velez, City Consultant  
Ric Bauermann, Fire Department  
Roula Encinas, Finance Department  
Cesar Neyoy, Reporter  
David Lara, Resident  
Guillermina Fuentes, Resident  
Jorge Villicaña, Resident  
Lucy Lopez, Reporter  
Yolanda Molina, Resident

## **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos.

## **3. INVOCATION**

The Invocation was led by Sergeant. Nigel Reynoso.

## **4. PROCLAMATION/PRESENTATIONS**

### **4. A. Presentation of retirement plaque to Police Canine "Zaza" in recognition of 7 years of service to the City of San Luis Police Department and the citizens of San Luis Arizona. (Richard Jessup, Acting Chief of Police)**

Mr. Richard Jessup, Acting Chief of Police presented the retirement plaque to Zaza the first Police Canine the city had. He stated that this was a very memorable moment for him, and that the handler of Zaza will get to keep her at his home. Chief Jessup also presented plaques to Officer Galvan, the current handler of Zaza and Corporate Miller, Zaza's original handler.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez thanked Zaza for her 7 years of service. He proceeded to thank the Police Department, especially the Canine unit.

### **4. B. Introduction of the City of San Luis new hires for the first quarter from January through March 2018. (Olivia Jenkins, Human Resources Manager and Edgardo Carbajal, Human Resources Coordinator)**

Ms. Olivia Jenkins, Human Resources Manager and Mr. Edgardo Carbajal, Human Resources Coordinator presented the new hires for the first quarter of 2018. Mr.

Carbajal proceeded to call out the names of the 11 individuals that joined the organization between January and March 2018.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez thanked the new employees for considering working with the city, and welcomed them.

**4. C. Presentation and recognition of first, second, and third place winners for grades 7th-12th, as well as, first and third place for grades K-6th for the City of San Luis César Chávez Art and Poetry Scholarship Contest. (Laura Herrera, Public Information Officer/Assistant to the City Council)**

Ms. Laura Herrera, Public Information Officer/Assistant to the City Council, presented the winners for the 2018 City of San Luis César Chávez Art and Poetry Scholarship Contest. Winners were presented as follows: 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade 1<sup>st</sup> place: Julissa Bustamante, 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Margoth Flores, 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Yulianna Ramirez. K-6<sup>th</sup> grade, 1<sup>st</sup> place: Nicole Nieto, 2<sup>nd</sup> place: MariaJose Covarrubias, 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Alexis Botello.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez gave the winners 2 tickets to see their favorite movie on behalf of council.

Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco thanked the participants and the judges.

Ms. Laura Herrera thanked everyone who participated and everyone who was able to make this happen, including students and teachers.

**4. D. Proclamation - National Public Safety Telecommunications Week April 8-14, 2018**

Mrs. Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk read the Proclamation in its entirety.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez thanked the dispatchers for everything they do.

**4. E. Proclamation - April Child Abuse Prevention Month**

Mrs. Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk read the Proclamation in its entirety.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez thanked all the agencies that work with abused children, especially Amberley's Place, Police Officers, Firefighters, EMT's and workers for all they do for the children.

## **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **5. A. MINUTES OF**

-Regular City Council meeting held March 14, 2018

**5. B. DISBURSEMENTS FROM MARCH 17, 2018 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018 Total Disbursements \$545,926.35  
(Five Hundred Forty-Five Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars and Thirty-Five Cents)**

**5. C. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding authorization to purchase two (2) truck bed vault systems, emergency vehicle lighting and emergency vehicle siren packages for two (2) new 2018 unmarked police Ford Super Crew XL F150 pickup trucks using Fiscal Year 2018 Capital Project Budgeted funds. (Richard Jessup, Acting Chief of Police)**

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**5. E. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the approval of a Pureflow Filtration Division proposals. (Manuel Rojas, Assistant Director of Public Works)**

**5. F. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the purchase approval of a Vactor 2100 Plus Sewer Truck. (Manuel Rojas, Assistant Director of Public Works)**

**MOTION:** Council Member Gloria Torres/Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr. to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

## **8. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez opened call to the public, there was no opposition from the City Council.

Ms. Yolanda Molina, 327 Street Stan Luis, AZ, stated that her sidewalk is completely wrecked. She mentioned she has a hard time going into her home, because there is no safe space to walk through and asked the mayor and council to consider fixing it.

Ms. Socorro Perucho, 1478 Bentu Avenue International Plaza #1 San Luis, AZ, apologized to council for not believing them when they said they would help her. She came more than two years ago asking Council to fix her streets, and Council since then has started to fix the streets, and thanked the City Council for allowing them to keep their ramadas.

David Lara, resident stated "Good evening, as you know my father was the founder of the Police Athletic League, something that is close to my heart, his project. I was forced to act, because the city turned a blind eye. I filed a complaint, which now is in the county, I'm going to read it to you. I have to contain myself because I am thinking of my father. I am requesting that the investigation be done into Officer Luis Marquez, an officer of the San Luis PD. Officer's names by the means of identity theft and forgery, according to Chief Jessup. Specifically the names of Ernesto Prieto and Officer Marco Santana were forged to make it appear as if they were members of the Police Athletic League board, which they are not. This was done without their consent or knowledge. Memos were written, and submitted by Officer Prieto and Santana to the San Luis PD and the Chief stating that they did not give their consent for the names to be used by Officer Marquez. A third memo was written by police administrator Andrea Moreno, had been found stating that her name had also been used by Officer Marquez at the state, um, on the state forms submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission, on behalf of the Police Athletic League, of which he was the treasurer. Andrea Moreno did not give Luis Marquez permission to use her name as a board member on the Police Athletic League, just as Officer Prieto and Santana were not. All their names were used without their consent, and without their knowledge. The use without consent and, and forgery at least, uh names violates Arizona Revised Statutes 13-2002 and 13-, 13-2009 and 2008, and probably others. Police Chief Jessup, has evidence, or he had it, he gave it to the county. Documentation providing, or proving, excuse me, the above statements. But is handled in to this, he stalled. You guys got to him, just like Chief Jessup, excuse me, Higgins. This was presented when Higgins was Chief, and you guys got to him. For re, uh, I'm also requesting that investigation for interference. You Mayor, you are just as guilty as Joe Harper was the last election. It appears that the political figures, others are also involved, and suppression of the investigation a clear evidence of a complicit, conflict of interest in their parts. Your names will be made public at the appropriate time. I've been requesting copies of the memos written by Officer Prieto and Santana and Andrea Moreno. I have yet to receive them. Because of the investigation I'm not gonna, I'm not gonna get them, that's fine, the county has them. I demand an investigation be uh done into uh Officer Marquez for forgery and identity theft, by use of the Officers and co-workers. I'm also demanding that the Mayor Sanchez be investigated for interfering in the police department investigation. Now, in honor of my father, I have to do this that was his project. I presented the evidence when Chief Higgins was here; he sat on it, by

order of certain people. Then Jessup started again, but then you guys got a hold of him. Several of you others up here, are just as corrupt as the Mayor, and exactly the same thing that Joe Harper did withholding evidence. Thank you.”

“My name is Guillermina Fuentes, and since this is the place that is publicly used to dirty the reputation of all those who feel like doing so, I have a lot to talk about. But as I'm not going to take this forum to dirty every person I want, because he who throw the rock hides the hand. And the man who just spoke is talking about corruption, about this, about accusations and such. He has years, years behind a person chasing them, if this person was guilty he would already be in jail. And what intrigues me is, I have a person who has gone after me for the past 11 years, sending me the corrupt officers the police department has. They go to my house, they follow me, they harass me, and what do they do? What does the defender of humanitarian rights do? If you're my friend, you're not corrupt, but you're my friend. If you are my friend if you are corrupt, or what is that? Many of the officers that he, uh, is mentioning as good people, are the worst thing that the department has had. And that they have lent themselves, they have lent help to the mentally incapacitated that exists in the town, so that she follows me, so that she harasses me, so that she follows me, so that she takes me to the court. Well if this is the forum to use then everything that that crazy lady, Mrs. Nieves Riedel,so that it is very clear, I will come to report it. I already reported her to the police, they went to take things she ordered be stolen from me, I already have everything in my camera, and I will see what they do, the police, which according to Mr. Lara, are people who are providing him with information. The people that he mentioned are the most corrupt that are here, because they lend themselves to follow me. I do not have the years that he has here, I have many more, and I have not yet been proven to be guilty, and they follow me anyways. What can you do? Nothing. The only thing I'm going to do is that every time that woman does something to me, like chasing my contractors and subcontractors, or she's chasing me, I'm going to come and give her away so that when something really happens to me. Thank you.”

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

### **6. A. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the approval and acceptance for filing the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the City of San Luis, fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. (Heinfeld, Meech & Co., P.C.)**

Ms. Monica Castro, Director of Finance, introduced Ms. Brittney Williams from Heinfeld, Meech & Co. Ms. Williams gave the annual report for the City of San Luis as of June 2017. She then proceeded to explain the contents of the letter to council, as well as presenting the report.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez thanked Ms. Williams for coming, and congratulated the finance department for this being the fourth year they get recognized for exceeding on their work.

**MOTION:** Council Member Matias Rosales/Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos to approve and accept the filing of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the City of San Luis for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. B. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the City of San Luis accepting and ratifying slurry seal application services from American Pavement Preservation for application of Type 2 and Type 3 slurry seal as part of the 2018 Pavement Preservation Project. (Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works)**

Mr. Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works asked for approval from Council, in order to be able to use the American Pavement Preservation services. He proceeded to explain what the difference is between Type 2 and Type 3 slurry seal, Type 2 referring more to residential or smaller areas, and Type 3 more towards larger areas such as Juan Sanchez Boulevard.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez thanked Mr. Vera and his staff for all the work they have done for the city.

**MOTION:** Council Member Matias Rosales/Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr. to ratify and approve American Pavement Preservation for slurry seal application services in a total amount not to exceed \$220,000.00. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. C. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding contract award to Pilkington Commercial Co., Inc. for the Price Center Roofing Replacement Project. (Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager)**

Mrs. Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager, stated that the Price Center, a 23 year old building requires roof repairs. She mentioned that they contracted an engineer and an architect to make the design and that they went out to bid. She added that only one bid was received in the amount of \$889,023.45 by Pilkington Construction. Mrs. Torres stated that only half a million dollars had been set aside for this project, so therefore this project is over budget. She concluded by mentioning all the reasons as to why this roof has to be replaced and why it is over budget.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez asked what the time frame for the project was, to what Mrs. Torres responded it would take 90 days which will start around May.

**MOTION:** Council Member Matias Rosales/Council Member Gloria Torres to approve the contract as presented and direct staff to take all steps necessary to put it into effect. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. D. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2038. A resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, adopting a fair housing policy, making known its commitment to the principle of fair housing, and describing actions it shall undertake to affirmatively further fair housing. (Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager)**

Mrs. Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager, stated that Resolution No. 2038 will be valid for 5 years and will reestablish the city's fair housing policy.

**MOTION:** Council Member Matias Rosales/Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2038. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. E. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2039. A resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, adopting a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan as required under section 104(D) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended. (Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager)**

Mrs. Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager, stated that by adopting and approving Resolution No. 2039, the anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan will be re-adopted. She proceeded to explain that this resolution consists of helping persons re-locate if displaced.

**MOTION:** Council Member Gloria Torres/Council Member Ruben Walshe to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2039. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. F. Public hearing followed by discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2040. A resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, authorizing the submission of application for FY 2017 State Community Development Block Grant State Special Projects funds (CDBG-SSP), certifying that said application meets the community's previously identified housing and community development needs and the requirements of the State CDBG program, and authorizing all actions necessary to implement and complete the activities outlined in said application. (Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager)**

## **A. Open Public Hearing**

**MOTION:** Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr./Council Member Gloria Torres to open public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

### **1. Staff presentation**

Mrs. Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager, stated that this application was presented last year and is requesting authorization to re-submit the same project which will address streets in International Plaza I. She informed that this is the second public hearing for this project, the first public hearing was held in February 28, 2018. She stated that the CDBG application amount is \$300,000.00.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez stated that this is a much needed project.

### **2. Call to the public on this item**

There were no comments made by the public.

## **B. Close Public Hearing**

**MOTION:** Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr./Council Member Matias Rosales to close public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

## **C. Action on Resolution No. 2040**

**MOTION:** Council Member Gloria Torres/Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr. to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2040. Motion passed unanimously.

## **6. G. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2041. A resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, committing local funds as leverage for FY 2017 Community Development Block Grant State Special Project application. (Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager)**

Mrs. Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager, informed that based on the updated engineer's cost estimate for International Plaza I a \$230,000.00 financial gap was presented. Therefore by committing leverage funds in this amount will allow for the completion of the project.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos/Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr. to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2041. Motion passed unanimously.

## **7. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez thanked everyone who attended the naming of First Avenue to William Brooks Avenue. Mr. William Brooks also attended with his family. Mayor Gerardo Sanchez proceeded to mention the many great things Mr. Brooks did for the port of entry.

Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos reported she attended a meeting where ADOT provided an update on the Arizona Metrical Quarter Study. She proceeded to explain more in depth about what the study is about. Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos also attended the ribbon cutting for the New Port Yuma, where everyone was excited about the new addition of the gorgeous facility.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez added that he attended the Presentation of the Algodoneros, along with the Council Members. He mentioned that he enjoyed seeing many baseball fanatics and that they were all thankful for the donation of the scoreboard.

## **8. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the public.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr./Council Member Ruben Walshe to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting at approximately 8:21 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.



### **Certification of Council Minutes**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of the San Luis City Council held on April 11, 2018. I further certify the meeting was dully called and held and that the quorum was present and that the City Council approved these minutes at their Regular Council meeting held on May 9, 2018.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018.

/s/ Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk