

MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
San Luis City Council
San Luis Council Chambers
1090 E. Union Street
December 13, 2017
7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Mayor Gerardo Sanchez called the Regular City Council meeting to order at approximately 7:04 p.m.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Tadeo De La Hoya, City Manager
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk
Angelica Cifuentes, Finance Department
Axel Chaira, I.T. Technician
Carlos Cortes, Assistant Director of Finance
Chris Hagan, Management Analyst
Derek Dueñas, I.T. Manager
Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works
Hank Green, Fire Chief
Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager
Jorge Perez, Billing & Collections Manager
Jesus Meza, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation
Kay Macuil, City Attorney
Kristin McManus, Municipal Court Judge
Laura Herrera, PIO/Assistant to City Council
Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation
Manuel Rojas, Assistant Director of Public Works
Ralph Velez, City Consultant
Richard Jessup, Acting Chief of Police
Ric Bauermann, Fire Department
Robert Solis, Fire Department
Cesar Neyoy, Reporter

Lucy Lopez, Reporter
Raul Lomeli, Resident
Ana Lomeli, Resident

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

3. INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Mr. Hank Green, Fire Chief.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4. A. Presentation of recognition plaque to Antonio Carrillo for his hard work and dedication during the 2017 San Luis Film Festival. (Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation)

Mr. Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation, presented an award to Mr. Antonio Carrillo for his hard work and dedication during the 2017 San Luis Film Festival.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez thanked Mr. Antonio Carillo on behalf of the city for his devotion, dedication, and hard work during the 2017 San Luis Film Festival.

Mr. Antonio Carillo thanked Mayor Gerardo Sanchez and the citizens of San Luis for their continuous support during the San Luis Film Festival.

4. B. Presentation of retirement recognition to Mr. Gerardo Muñoz for his 14 years of service to the City of San Luis. (Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation)

Item continued to the next scheduled meeting as Mr. Muñoz was not able to be present to receive the plaque.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5. A. MINUTES OF

-Work Session held September 6, 2017

-Regular Council meeting held September 13, 2017

5. B. DISBURSEMENTS FROM NOVEMBER 13, 2017 THROUGH DECEMBER 13, 2017. Total Disbursements \$1,254,441.86
(One Million, Two Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand, Four Hundred Forty-One Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents)

MOTION: Council Member Gloria Torres/Council Member Africa 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 a request for the creation of city employee position of Court Interpreter. (Kristin McManus, City Magistrate)

Ms. Kristin McManus, City Magistrate, informed Mayor Gerardo Sanchez and City Council, that there is still no definite answer for the creation of city employee position of Court Interpreter. She requested item be continued to the next scheduled meeting.

MOTION: Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco/ Council Member Ruben Walshe to continue the item to the next scheduled meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

6. B. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the approval of the organizational audits and assessments contract for the San Luis Police Department by LD Consulting, LLC. (Richard Jessup, Acting Chief of Police)

Mr. Richard Jessup, Acting Chief of Police, informed City Council about the changes regarding the consulting company being used. It will cost them \$27,850.00 which is under their initial budget of \$30,000.00. He is asking for approval from City Council in order to proceed and start the project by January 1, 2018.

Council Member Gloria Torres disagrees with the proposal presented by Mr. Richard Jessup.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez stated that the City Council should consider the audit, and agreed on the idea of using an agency with no relation to the City of San Luis. Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos agreed with Mayor Gerardo Sanchez.

MOTION: Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr./Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos to approve a contract with LD Consulting, LLC as presented in the amount of \$27,850.00. Motion passed with five (5) ayes and two (2) nay votes from Council Members Africa Luna-Carrasco/Gloria Torres.

6. C. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2019. A resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, directing and authorizing the street name change of First Avenue to William Brooks Avenue. (Mayor Gerardo Sanchez & Tadeo A. De La Hoya, City Manager)

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez discussed the reasons why the street name of 'First Avenue' should be changed to 'William Brooks Avenue'.

Council Member Matias Rosales agreed with Mayor Gerardo Sanchez with changing the name of First Avenue to William Brooks Avenue for his more than Fourteen (14) years of service.

MOTION: Council Member Matias Rosales/Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2019. Motion passed with five (5) ayes and two (2) nay votes from Council Members Africa Luna-Carrasco/Gloria Torres.

6. D. Public Hearing followed by discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding a surcharge on residents of San Luis Lane between 5th and 6th Avenues for additional infrastructure to increase circulation of water. (Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works)

A. Open Public Hearing

MOTION: Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr./ Council Member Ruben Walshe to open public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

1. Staff presentation

Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works, stated that this project is to increase the water circulation of San Luis Lane. The project consists of adding a six (6) inch water line to the water distribution system of Las Casitas Apartments to increase the circulation in the cul-de-sac. The project will cost \$28,000.00.

2. Call to the public on this item only

Ms. Griselda Pelayo 1121 East San Luis Lane, San Luis, AZ, disagreed with the surcharge on residents in the amount of \$25.00.

Ms. Apolonia Corrales resident of San Luis, Arizona disagreed with the surcharge on residents in the amount of \$25.00 for three (3) years.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez asked Mr. Eulogio Vera what the options will be for people who are not financially able to pay the \$25.00.

Mr. Jorge Perez, Billing and Collections Manager explained the usage of payment plans with an extended period of time to pay that will be available to residents who contact them before the disconnection date.

Mr. Cesar Bobadilla resident of San Luis, Arizona is dissatisfied with the water temperature and the surcharge on residents for the amount of \$25.00 but assures that he is okay with the project going into effect.

Council Member Matias Rosales suggested the extension of the period of time to pay in order for the amount per month to decrease.

A resident of San Luis, Arizona has questions about a document she was previously asked to sign.

Mr. Tadeo De La Hoya, City Manager, explained that the document did not state the price of the water bill would increase by \$25.00 but that it would be a decision taken by City Council. The document was solely to keep exploring the idea of this project.

Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, stated that 9 out of 18 residents have signed to proceed with the project. Mr. Cesar Bobadilla resident of San Luis, Arizona recently agreed as well making it 10 out of 18 residents.

City Council and Mr. Cesar Bobadilla discussed on how the voting will happen. Only 13 families of the 18 affected showed up. The five (5) families that did not show up will not be taken into consideration.

Mr. Raul Lomeli 1133 San Luis Lane, San Luis, Arizona stated he has a problem with the fees. He would prefer if the period of time to pay would be extended.

Ms. Ana Lomeli 1133 San Luis Lane, San Luis, Arizona, thanked City Council for their support on this project.

Ms. Marisela Bobadilla Lomeli 1136 San Luis Lane, San Luis, Arizona, asked the City Council to vote in favor of this project because she needs a solution to the problem she is currently facing.

B. Close Public Hearing

MOTION: Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr./ Council Member Ruben Walshe to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously

C. Action on Surcharge

MOTION: Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr. to approve the surcharge on residents of San Luis Lane as presented and direct staff to take all action to construct the connecting waterline as presented. There was no seconded, therefore the motion died.

MOTION: Council Member Matias Rosales/ Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco to amend the motion to include the extension of this repayment fees to 72 months. Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr. accepted the amendment to his motion. Motion passed unanimously.

6. E. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding First Reading of Ordinance No. 375. An ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, amending subsection 51.12(C) of City Code, rates and charges for sewage collection and disposal rates and charges by amending provisions regarding liens and provisions for enforcement of liens; repealing any conflicting provisions; and providing for severability. (Jorge Perez, Billing & Collections Manager)

Mr. Jorge Perez, Billing & Collections Manager, suggested establishing a more specific procedure on collections regarding wastewater.

A. Approval of First Reading of Ordinance No. 375 by title only

(City Clerk to read ordinance by title only)

MOTION: Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco/ Council Member Gloria Torres to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 375 by title only. Motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk, read Ordinance No. 375 by title only.

7. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos reported she attended the First thing's First. She said it was very informative and added that early childhood education is very important for students. She mentioned that in the State of Arizona a quarter of students are not graduating. She believed this is something we should support. She also mentioned a new app called Right by Text, which is a free app to help parents interact with their children.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez reminded everyone about the employment recognition that will take place next Friday. He encouraged Council to attend and thanked the City of San Luis employees for their hard work and dedication to the City of San Luis.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez payed his respects towards Father Oscar Magallanes of St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church for his passing.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez reported he will be attending the Tamale Festival in Somerton, Arizona. He added that Mayor and City Council of Douglas will be attending and be given a tour of the Port of Entry 2.

Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Ramos thanked the City of San Luis employees that put time and effort into the light parade. Mayor Gerardo Sanchez agreed.

Mr. Tadeo De La Hoya, City Manager, read the winners of the Light Parade.

8. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation, thanked the Public Works Department, Police Department and Finance for their help during the Tree Lighting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

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