

MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
San Luis City Council
San Luis Council Chambers
1090 E. Union Street
April 22, 2020
7:00 p.m.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:** Mayor Gerardo Sanchez called the Regular City Council meeting to order at approximately 7:13 p.m.

Mayor, City Council, and some members of staff participated remotely.

PRESENT: Mayor Gerardo Sanchez
Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz
Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr.
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco
Council Member Jose Ponce
Council Member Matias Rosales
Council Member Gloria Torres

OTHERS PRESENT: Tadeo A. De La Hoya, City Administrator
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk
Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney (remotely)
Derek Dueñas, Manager of Information Technology
Eulogio Vera, Acting Director of Public Works
Francia Alonso, Assistant to Council/PIO
Glenn Gimbut, Assistant City Attorney (remotely)
Jonathan Dumadag, Information Technology Technician
Jorge Mungaray, Information Technology Technician
Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation
Ralph Velez, City Consultant (remotely)
Richard Jessup, Chief of Police

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Gloria Torres led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. INVOCATION

Mr. Richard Jessup, Chief of Police, led the invocation.

4. PROCLAMATION

- National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week April 12 - 18, 2020

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

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez thanked the City of San Luis Telecommunicators for their work and dedication.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5. A. MINUTES OF

- Special Council meeting held March 18, 2020

5. B. DISBURSEMENTS FROM MARCH 28, 2020 THROUGH APRIL 10, 2020

Total Disbursements \$738,991.58

(Seven Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand, Nine Hundred Ninety-One Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents)

MOTION: Council Member Gloria Torres/Council Member Jose Ponce to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez	Aye
Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr.	Aye
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco	Aye
Council Member Jose Ponce	Aye
Council Member Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Gloria Torres	Aye

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:

6. A. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the approval of a contract for Nicklaus Engineering for the implementation design of a traffic signal at the intersection of County 22nd Street and 4th Avenue. (Eulogio Vera, Acting Director of Public Works)

Mr. Eulogio Vera, Acting Director of Public Works, stated staff is recommending a design contract for Nicklaus Engineering for the implementation design of a traffic signal at the intersection of County 22nd Street and 4th Avenue. Nicklaus Engineering is on the on-call list of engineers.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz/Council Member Jose Ponce to approve the contract for Nicklaus Engineering for implementation design of a traffic signal at the intersection of County 22nd Street and 4th Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$25,795.00 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez	Aye
Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr.	Aye
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco	Aye
Council Member Jose Ponce	Aye
Council Member Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Gloria Torres	Aye

6. B. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2124. A resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona authorizing and directing the entering into an Amendment No. 2 to the existing 2015 Intergovernmental Agreement (as amended by the 2017 Amendment No. 1) between the City of San Luis and Yuma County for Road Maintenance. (James R. Einwaechter, Assistant Director of Public Works)

Mr. Eulogio Vera, Acting Director of Public Works, explained this is an amendment to an existing IGA for roadway maintenance. On October 5, 2015, the City of San Luis and Yuma County agreed to a final proposed Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for Road Maintenance. The IGA was adopted by the San Luis City Council on November 24, 2015, via Resolution No. 1123. The IGA provides for Yuma County to provide road maintenance support to the City of San Luis. Support is on an as-requested basis, for a period of five years (renewable for an additional 5 years, not to exceed \$100,000 per year). Amendment No. 1 to the IGA, executed on November 15, 2017, increased the maximum not to exceed \$250,000.00 per year. The City of San Luis has an emerging and increasing requirement to timely and professionally install, maintain, and repair traffic lights, noting that many existing traffic lights are now in need of frequent repair, and the number of traffic-controlled intersections, particularly along Cesar Chavez Boulevard, will continue to increase as the pace of development throughout the city increases. Yuma County is supportive of further amending the 2015 IGA for them to expressly provide traffic signal support to the city (not to exceed \$50,000.00 per year) and have concurred in the final draft Amendment No. 2 to the IGA that is being presented to the San Luis City Council for adoption via resolution.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz/Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2124. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez	Aye
Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr.	Aye
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco	Aye
Council Member Jose Ponce	Aye
Council Member Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Gloria Torres	Aye

6. C. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2126. A resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, relinquishing the remaining property known as Friendship Park (5.22 acres) to the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) for incorporation into the San Luis Arizona Land Port of Entry 1. (Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney)

Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, explained that this is what had been anticipated for several years and the last step was for Bureau of Land Management (BLM), who gave the city the patent, and General Services Administration (GSA) who is building the port's improvements, meet; they met last week. GSA is moving forward with the project and will need the land of Friendship Park to build the port. The form of resolution has been cleared through GSA and BLM.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez mentioned without this, the improvements would not be possible. It hurts to see a part of San Luis go, however, it is necessary for the progress of the city.

Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco agreed with Mayor Gerardo Sanchez's comments.

Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz added she is excited because of all the hard work that has been done; this is getting a step closer to seeing the start of the remodeling and expansion of Port of Entry I.

MOTION: Council Member Gloria Torres/Council Member Jose Ponce to approve Resolution No. 2126. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez	Aye
Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr.	Aye
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco	Aye
Council Member Jose Ponce	Aye
Council Member Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Gloria Torres	Aye

7. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez reported he has been asked by different people if the city can provide any assistance in regard to the personal protective equipment (PPE) to tackle the coronavirus. The main hospital in San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora was closed for cleansing as medical providers and nurses were exposed. Some came positive and approximately 20 are in observation. PPE is lacking and is hard to find, there is a shortage in the United States. The city has been able to provide the proper PPE to both the Fire and Police Departments. He will look into a way for the city to donate some of the masks and isolations gowns needed, as this will help stop the spread of COVID19.

Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz thanked Mayor Gerardo Sanchez for his proactiveness and for being generous to the sister city of San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora.

Mr. Tadeo De La Hoya, City Administrator, reminded everyone about the census and informed the census response rate as of today is 6.8%. He added that the city has invested a lot of time, money and staff into this project and asked the Mayor and City Council to promote the census in their social media pages.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez mentioned the 6.8% response rate is for a population of 10,000-12,000, which was the population in 1980. The response from the residents is very important as this will help the community with schools, public safety, businesses, parks and asked residents to respond to the census.

Council Member Jose Ponce wished a Happy Administrative Day to staff.

Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco asked Council Member Gloria Torres and Mr. De La Hoya, how active is the school district in the census.

Council Member Gloria Torres responded that initially Ms. Rocio Godoy, School Representative, was organizing meetings, but with the virus pandemic the meetings were cancelled.

Mr. De La Hoya responded the board approved the same resolution the city adopted in support of the census and outreach. He is not aware of anything as of right now in regards to what the schools are doing. Given there are communities, approximately 95% free lunch meal program, it is intricate that the census number it is accurate because that is how it is funded.

Council Member Gloria Torres commented the census is the same thing that is happening with the coronavirus, people do not seem to be concerned about these things.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council Member Gloria Torres/Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr. to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at approximately 7:56 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez	Aye
Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr.	Aye
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco	Aye
Council Member Jose Ponce	Aye
Council Member Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Gloria Torres	Aye

APPROVED:

Gerardo Sanchez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of the City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, held on April 22, 2020. I further certify that the meeting was dully called and held and that a quorum was present.

Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk