

MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
San Luis City Council
San Luis Council Chambers
1090 E. Union Street
September 9, 2020
7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez called the Regular City Council meeting to order at approximately 7:00 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 Manager (remotely)
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk
Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney
Derek Dueñas, Manager of Information Technology
Domingo Sosa, Information Technology Technician
Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works
Francia Alonso, Assistant to Council/PIO
Jorge Mungaray, Information Technology Technician
Jose L. Cisneros, Executive Assistant
Jose Guzman, Director of Planning & Zoning
Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation
Marlene Lara, Government and Foreign Affairs Coordinator
Ralph Velez, City Consultant (remotely)
Richard Jessup, Chief of Police

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. INVOCATION

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

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.A. MINUTES OF

- Regular Council meeting held July 22, 2020
- Work Session meeting held August 5, 2020
- Regular Council meeting held August 12, 2020
- Special Council meeting held August 19, 2020

4.B. DISBURSEMENTS FROM AUGUST 15, 2020 THROUGH AUGUST 28, 2020

Total Disbursements \$641,731.34

(Six Hundred Forty-One Thousand, Seven Hundred Thirty-One Dollars and Thirty-Four Cents)

4.C. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the approval of an agreement with the nonprofit corporation, Comité de Bien Estar, Incorporated for the Off-Road Expo event in San Luis, Arizona for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. (Tadeo A. De La Hoya, City Manager, and Francia Alonso, Assistant to Council/PIO)

4.D. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the purchase of a new ambulance. (Angel Ramirez, Fire Chief)

4.E. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2139. A resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, in support of the family development project "Valley View Apartments" financed through an award of low-income housing tax credits (LIHTC) from the Arizona Department of Housing. (Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager)

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

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:

5.A. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the selection of concept design to move forward with the master plan and cost estimates for the new Community Park. (Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks and Recreation)

Mr. Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation, stated staff is presenting this item for the master plan to move forward with the proposed project. He added that in conjunction with J2 Engineering and Environmental Design they assisted in designing this park. Staff is currently working with the other departments involved to work on a plan for the two (2) acre area. Mr. Galaviz introduced Mr. Jeff Velasquez from J2 Engineering and Environment Design and briefly went over the conceptual plan, cost estimates and the swimming pool at Joe Orduño; the Mayor and City Council engaged in discussion, questions, and answers.

The Mayor and City Council asked Mr. Galaviz to proceed with this project.

5.B. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding an amendment to the agreement with Matrix Design Group, Inc. for professional planning services. (Jose A. Guzman, Director of Planning and Zoning)

Mr. Jose A. Guzman, Director of Planning & Zoning, explained that the City Council awarded a contract last February for professional services to Matrix Design Group to start the General Plan Update. The ratification will be placed on the ballot for voters on November 3, 2020 General Election. He teamed up with other departments to prepare a master plan combining the parks, bicycle, and the pedestrian pathways. A quote was obtained from Matrix in the amount of \$75,000.00. Doing this, will allow staff to apply for grants as grant applications require there be some sort of master plan established. The time frame on this project is to be completed by December but will have a March 2021 deadline date on the contract. This is a budgeted project however, it was budgeted under the impact fees and state statute does not allow for master plans documents to be paid by impact fees. Staff is requesting reallocation of the funds to a general fund account.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Maria Cecilia Cruz/Council Member Jose Ponce to approve the proposal of Matrix not to exceed \$75,000.00 for a parks, bicycle, pedestrian paths and trails master plan; waive formal purchase procedures under City Code Section 36.01(H) and reallocate the budget 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. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez reported that he and other Council Members had the opportunity to look at the new ambulance. He added how amazing it was that the City of San Luis has progressed from having to depend from Rural Metro several years back and looking at the equipment and the ambulance the city has, its just great and brings pride to the community. He thanked the City Council for the continued support and staff for the hard work and dedication to this community as their priority is public safety.

Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco reported she attended the Yuma Library Board of Trustees meeting yesterday. These meetings are now providing virtual or in-person options, which she chose to attend in-person. The library continues with their operations as much as they can considering the circumstances. Meanwhile, part of the county is working on the different types of phases they will be doing to get back into operations.

Mr. Tadeo De La Hoya, City Manager, reported the census self response rate is at 41.6%. He thanked the Planning & Zoning Department for the Censo Banquetero, events which helps reach out to people to complete their census at the different neighborhoods. There has been participation from the residents from different locations. Mr. De La Hoya emphasized on the importance of census.

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council Member Gloria Torres/Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr. to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at approximately 7:46 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 September 9, 2020. I further certify that the meeting was dully called and held and that a quorum was present.

Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk