



Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Sanger City Council

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2023
6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBER
1700 7th Street, Sanger, California 93657

A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council called their meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

B. OPENING CEREMONIES

The flag salute was led by Mayor Frank Gonzalez.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Frank Gonzalez, Mayor Pro Tem Daniel Martinez, Councilmember Esmeralda Hurtado, Councilmember Michael Montelongo
Absent: Councilmember Dolores Melendez

C. AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Martinez approved the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Montelongo and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, MARTINEZ, HURTADO, MONTELONGO
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: MELENDEZ

D. PUBLIC FORUM

Oswaldo Vera welcomed Mayor Gonzalez and said this is going to be a good year.

Joe Villalobos said several years ago he asked the Council to address the City Hall parking lot and it still has not been repaired.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Council by motion of Councilmember Montelongo approved the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Minutes of the Regular Meetings held on December 15, 2022 and January 5, 2023.

2. SUBJECT: INFORMATIONAL ITEM - Warrants including Check Nos. 88084 through 88279.
3. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Payroll including Direct Deposit Nos. 58555 through 58782; Payroll Check Nos. 58767 through 58797; and Benefit Check Nos. 1848 through 1855.
4. SUBJECT: INFORMATIONAL ITEM - Police Department Monthly Report.
5. SUBJECT: APPROVED - 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Grant Program.
The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2023-03 authorizing a grant application to the California Department of Water Resources for the Sanger Water Storage Enhancement Project, and authorizing acceptance of grant and execution of agreement by the City Manager.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, MARTINEZ, HURTADO, MONTELONGO
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: MELENDEZ

F. PUBLIC HEARING

1. SUBJECT: Amendment to Chapter 14 Building codes and Building Regulations of the Sanger City Code.

The Council held a public hearing to discuss an amendment to Chapter 14 of the Sanger City Code relating to building codes and building regulations.

Community Development Director David Brletic presented on the item.

No public comment was offered.

The Council closed the public hearing.

The Council by motion of Councilmember Montelongo:

- (i) Approved the finding of CEQA exemption under Guidelines section 15063(b)(3);
- (ii) Waived the full reading of the ordinance; and
- (iii) Introduced Ordinance No. 2023-01 amending Chapter 14 of the Sanger City Code Relating to Buildings and Building Regulations for the Purpose of Adopting the 2022 California Building Standards Code by Reference, Adding Article XVII to Chapter 14 Relating to Electric Vehicle Charging Station Procedures, and Adding Article XVIII to Chapter 14 Relating to Safety Assessment Placards.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, MARTINEZ, HURTADO, MONTELONGO
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: MELENDEZ

G. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: Planning Commission Appointments.

Councilmember Hurtado announced for the record that she and former Mayor Eli Ontiveros interviewed the applicants in December and the top two candidates were Mary Lopez and Andrea (last name unknown).

The Council by motion of Councilmember Hurtado approved Mayor Frank Gonzalez' recommendation to reappoint Kevin Carter and Drew Esquer, and appoint Mary Lopez on the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, MARTINEZ, HURTADO, MONTELONGO
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: MELENDEZ

2. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Consideration of Reasonable Accommodations Policy for City Meetings.

The Council by motion of Councilmember Hurtado approved Resolution No. 2023-04 adopting a Reasonable Accommodations Policy for City meetings subject to the Brown Act to comply with Assembly Bill No. 2249. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, MARTINEZ, HURTADO, MONTELONGO
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: MELENDEZ

H. CITY MANAGER/STAFF COMMUNICATION

Fire Chief Greg Tarascou reminded the Council of the training scheduled for 6 pm on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 regarding the Brown Act.

I. MATTERS INITIATED BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Pro Tem Martinez

1. Advised Staff that the lights on the sign a Highway 180 are not lighting up.
2. Advised Staff that there are overgrown trees at Holt and Reagan Avenues.
3. Thanked Public Works Staff for removing hanging branches on Holt and Indianola Avenues.
4. Thanked Public Works Staff for their work during the recent storms and for fixing many potholes.

Councilmember Hurtado

1. Requested an update on parking lot repairs at City Hall.

Councilmember Montelongo

1. Thanked Public Works Staff for their work during the recent storm.
2. Said he would like to see more hiring and is not a proponent of contracting out.
3. Said he wants to make sure Staff is working as fast as possible on the rezone.
4. Said in October he asked staff to look into P and Jensen, and 9th and Bethel regarding the red marks but people are still parking in the red area.
5. Said trees in downtown need trimming.


Mayor Gonzalez

1. Thanked Staff for the updates.
2. Requested Staff provide information on the status of the parking lot repairs at City Hall.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the Council adjourned their meeting at 6:39 PM.

ATTEST:



Rebeca P. Ramirez, City Clerk