



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SANGER CITY COUNCIL

THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2021
6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBER
1700 7th Street, Sanger, CA 93657

This meeting was conducted via teleconference pursuant to provisions of Paragraph 11 of the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20 which suspends certain requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, and as a response to mitigating the spread of COVID-19.

A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council called their meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

B. OPENING CEREMONIES

The invocation was offered by Pastor Paul Canaday.

The flat salute was led by Mayor Ontiveros.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Eli Ontiveros, Mayor Pro Tem Daniel Martinez, Councilmember Humberto Garza, Councilmember Esmeralda Hurtado, Councilmember Michael Montelongo

Absent: None

C. AGENDA APPROVAL

The Council by motion of Councilmember Hurtado approved the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Montelongo and approved by the following vote:

AYES: ONTIVEROS, MARTINEZ, GARZA, HURTADO, MONTELONGO
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

D. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

1. Police Chief Greg Garner introduced newly appointed Police Officers Daniel Battenfield and Jose Medina.

2. The City Council recognized Mia Geil for her service on the Planning Commission.
3. The City Council proclaimed March 21 as Tom Flores Day in Sanger.

E. PRESENTATIONS

1. City Engineer Josh Rogers provided an update on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.
2. Administrative Services Director Bret Harmon presented the Community Connection and Transparency Initiative program.

F. PUBLIC FORUM

Vincent Wall commented on the agendas not posted to the City's social media accounts and advised Council of an email he sent with an article on public water systems.

Marina Sanchez, mentor at SAM Academy, said the City Council should consider adopting an ordinance regarding zoning for local tobacco retailers.

Juliana Leon Garcia, mentor at SAM Academy, asked what the Council is doing for Sanger youth regarding stores located within 1,000 feet of schools that sell and advertise tobacco.

Kevin Carter said the transparency initiative is a wonderful thing and the City should get it out because there is information around town that is false and causing problems to the City.

Mia Geil said more trash has been dumped at the home located at Indianola and Jensen Avenues and it is an eyesore.

Jerry Valadez thanked the Council for embracing the youth voice that students are bringing to the meeting. He said the students are researching issues and educating themselves. He said he enjoyed the SGMSA presentation and that the Central Valley is often skipped over in terms of water education.

G. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Council by motion of Councilmember Montelongo removed Item G-9 and approved the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Minutes of the Special and Regular Meetings held on February 18, 2021.

2. SUBJECT: REVIEWED - Warrants including Check Nos. 83594 through 83781.
3. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Payroll including Direct Deposit Nos. 53052 through 53277; Payroll Check Nos. 57819 through 57841; and Benefit Check Nos. 1656 through 1663.
4. SUBJECT: INFORMATION ITEM - Police Department Monthly Report.
5. SUBJECT: INFORMATION ITEM - Fire Department Monthly Report.
6. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Final Acceptance – Faller Avenue Rehabilitation- Church to Florence Avenue.
The City Council: 1) accepted the work for the Faller Avenue Rehabilitation Project in the amount of \$539,625.64; 2) authorized recordation of the Notice of Completion with Fresno County Recorder; and 3) authorized payment of 5% retention in the amount of \$26,981.28 to Doug Ross, Inc. dba Central Valley Asphalt upon expiration of the 35-day lien period.
7. SUBJECT: APPROVED – RESOLUTION NO. 2021-14 - Sanger Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1.
The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-14 initiating proceeding to levy the annual assessment for Sanger Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1.
8. SUBJECT: APPROVED – RESOLUTION NO. 2021-15 - Sanger Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District No. 2.
The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-15 initiating proceeding to levy the annual assessment for Sanger Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District No. 2.

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

AYES: ONTIVEROS, MARTINEZ, GARZA, HURTADO, MONTELONGO
 NOES: NONE
 ABSTAIN: NONE
 ABSENT: NONE

9. SUBJECT: APPROVED – ORDINANCE NOS 2021-01, 2021-02, 2021-03 - Ordinances Relating to Code Enforcement including Public Nuisances, Abatement of Public Nuisances, Enforcement Remedies and Procedures, Cost Recovery and Penalties, and Administrative Hearing Procedures.

Public comment:

Vincent Wall provided comment regarding the definition of “frequent” as used in the ordinance.

After further discussion, the City Council by motion of Councilmember Hurtado waived the second reading and adopted three ordinances:

1. Ordinance No. 2021-01 regarding Public Nuisance and Management of Real Property,
2. Ordinance No. 2021-02 regarding General Provisions, Code Enforcement Authority and Procedures, Administrative Hearings, and Cost Recovery for Code Enforcement, and
3. Ordinance no. 2021-03 regarding Registration and Maintenance of Vacant Buildings.

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

AYES: MARTINEZ, GARZA, HURTADO, MONTELONGO
NOES: ONTIVEROS
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

The City Council adjourned the City Council meeting and convened a Joint Session with the City of Sanger as Successor Agency to the Sanger Redevelopment Agency.

H. PUBLIC HEARING

1. SUBJECT: Public Hearing to Consider a Resolution of the Sanger Redevelopment Agency approving the Purchase and Sale Agreement with Phillip Perez of All State Homes for the 12-acre parcel located at the northeast corner of Academy Avenue and Central Avenue (Portion of APN#332-042-94T) in Sanger, CA.

The City Council by motion of Councilmember Montelongo continued the public hearing to April 1, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hurtado and approved by the following vote:

AYES: ONTIVEROS, MARTINEZ, GARZA, HURTADO, MONTELONGO
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

The City Council adjourned the City of Sanger as Successor Agency to the Sanger Redevelopment Agency meeting and resumed the City Council meeting.

I. CITY MANAGER/STAFF COMMUNICATION

1. COVID-19 Update – informational only.

City Manager Tim Chapa provided a COVID-19 update.

Public comment:

Vincent Wall thanked the City Manager for doing a good job during the COVID crisis.

J. MATTERS INITIATED BY CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

Mayor Pro Tem Martinez requested an update on the status of the grant to hook up the Tombstone area to city water.

Councilmember Hurtado announced the District 1 Virtual Town Hall will be held on April 8. She announced the Women’s History Month celebration will be held virtually at 6 pm on March 24. She asked for an update on the downtown business watch group. She asked that Staff look at the City’s ordinance regarding tobacco sales to try to reduce the number of sales.

Councilmember Mike Montelongo advised that he is meeting with Jose Esparza who worked with the City of Fresno on a marketing initiative act regarding tobacco sales.

Councilmember Montelongo thanked the City Manager for his work in helping to get vaccines to Sanger.

Mayor Ontiveros thanked Walgreens for partnering with the City on a vaccine clinic. He announced that Barr Pharmacy is networking with FCRTA to provide vaccines to people with no transportation.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the Council adjourned their meeting at 8:33 pm.

ATTEST:



Rebeca P. Ramirez, City Clerk