



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANGER CITY COUNCIL

February 6, 2014
6:00 P.M.
Council Chambers

A regular meeting of the Sanger City Council was held on Thursday, February 6, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

The regular meeting was called to order at [6:01:34 PM](#).

Councilmembers Present: Mitchell, Nielson, Cantu
Councilmembers Absent: Ontiveros, Pacheco

A. PUBLIC FORUM

None.

B. CLOSED SESSION

The Council went into closed session to:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Conference with Labor Negotiators
Agency Representatives: City Manager Brian Haddix, City Attorney Jenell Van Bindsbergen, Labor Negotiator Shelline Bennett, Finance Director Debby Sultan, City Clerk Becky Hernandez
Employee Organizations: All Bargaining Groups
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9
Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 (Deciding Whether to Initiate Litigation)
1 case
3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (1)
Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
City of Sanger, et al. v. County of Fresno
Fresno Superior Court Case No. 08CECG03535

Councilmember Ontiveros arrived during closed session.

The Council reconvened their meeting at [7:02:34 PM](#).

C. OPENING CEREMONIES

The invocation was led by Pastor Sam Estes.
The flag salute was led by Mayor Pro Tem Nielson.

Roll Call:

Present: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
Absent: PACHECO

City Manager Haddix announced that Councilmember Pacheco was absent due to illness.

D. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Mitchell announced that no action was taken during closed session.

E. AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

The Council by motion of Councilmember Ontiveros approved the agenda as amended; pulled Item K-1 and directed Staff to bring item back on the February 20 agenda, moved Item K-10 and Item K-11 immediately following Item K-6. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Nielson and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

F. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

1. Introduction of Sanger Fire Explorers Post 1700.

Fire Chief Tarascou introduced Firefighter Levi Howlett who introduced some members of the newly formed Sanger Fire Explorers Post 1700.

2. Recognition of Scott Haugland.

The Council recognized Scott Haugland for his years of service on the Planning Commission.

G. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE QUARTERLY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Chamber CEO/President David Phillips presented the Chamber of Commerce quarterly report to Council.

H. CITIZEN'S OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (MEASURE S) ANNUAL REPORT TO COUNCIL

Committee Member Jeanne Adams presented the COC Annual Report to Council.

I. PUBLIC FORUM

Public comment was received from Pastor Sam Estes and Fred Heisman.

J. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Council by motion of Councilmember Ontiveros approved the following items on the consent calendar:

2. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Minutes of the Regular and Special City Council Meeting of January 16, 2014.
3. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Approval of Payroll
Payroll checks Nos. 53855 through 53928; Direct Deposit Nos. 32176 through 32474; Benefit Checks Nos. 922 through 935.
5. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Agreement between the City and Target Solutions
The City Council approved the contract between the City and Target Solutions for the use of online fire and emergency medical training and authorized the City Manager to sign the appropriate documents on behalf of the City.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cantu and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

After separate discussion, the Council by motion of Councilmember Ontiveros approved the following item on the consent calendar:

1. SUBJECT: REVIEWED - Monthly Warrants

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

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

Public comment regarding Agenda Item K-4 was received from Eve Castellanos.

After discussion, the Council by motion of Councilmember Cantu approved the following item on the consent calendar:

4. SUBJECT: APPROVED - 2014 Nuisance Abatement Assessment
The City Council adopted Resolution No. 4454 assessing the abated parcels listed with detail in Exhibit "A".

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ontiveros and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

K. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: PULLED - Sanger Strategic Plan
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt the Sanger Strategic Plan covering the years 2014 – 2019 as a guide for the appropriate utilization of City fiscal and human capital in an effort to maximize services to our community.

Agenda Item K-1 was pulled from the agenda.

2. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Phone System

Public comment was received from David Phillips and Dick Sheppard.

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Nielson authorized staff to purchase the VoIP telephone system and authorized the City Manager, after Legal Counsel approval, to enter into a contract with Comcast to provide telephone service for the City of Sanger. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ontiveros and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

The Council/Board Members called for a recess at [8:25:35 PM](#).
The Council/Board Members reconvened their joint meeting at [8:30:30 PM](#).

3. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Requesting the President of the United States to Declare California in a State of Emergency due to the Drought

The Council by motion of Councilmember Ontiveros approved Fresno Council of Government's Resolution 2014-05, urging the President to declare a state of emergency due to unprecedented drought conditions. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cantu and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

4. SUBJECT: INFO ITEM- State Highway Guidance Signs to Sanger
RECOMMENDATION: This is an informational item.

City Engineer Josh Rogers provided an update on the status of establishing new State Highway guidance signage.

5. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Final Acceptance – Sanger Streetlight Improvements Project (Phase I)

The Council by motion of Councilmember Cantu: 1) accepted the work for the Sanger Streetlight Improvements Project (Phase I) in the amount of \$287,512.00; 2) approved Contract Change Order No. 1 (Balancing) in the amount of <\$1,588.00>; 3) authorized recordation of the Notice of Completion with Fresno County Recorder; and 4) authorized payment of 5% retention in the amount of \$14,375.60 to Madco Electric, Inc. upon expiration of the 35 day lien period. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Nielson and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

6. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Contract between Sanger Fire Department and Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

The Council by motion of Councilmember Ontiveros approved the contract between the City of Sanger Fire Department and Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District (Metro Fire) for the recovery of administrative costs and authorized the City Manager to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the City. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cantu and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

10. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Joint Powers Agreement between Sanger Fire Department and Novato Fire Protection District for Paramedic Ambulance Billing Services

The Council by motion of Councilmember Ontiveros approved the joint powers agreement between the City of Sanger Fire Department and the Novato Fire Protection District for Paramedic Ambulance Billing Services and authorized the City Manager to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the City. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Nielson and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

11. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Purchase of ESO Solutions Software and Equipment

The Council by motion of Councilmember Ontiveros approved Resolution No. 4456 for the purchase of ESO Solutions software and related equipment and authorized the City Manager to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the City. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cantu and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

7. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Replacement of Taser CEW Devices
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council: 1) approve the expenditure of Measure "S" funds in the amount of \$16,761.06 for the purchase of 15 Taser X-26P Conducted Electrical Weapons (CEW) and related accessories; and 2) authorize the City Purchasing Agent to issue purchase orders and initiate the purchase of fifteen (15) new Taser CEW devices and accessories.

The Council by motion of Councilmember Cantu: 1) approved the expenditure of Measure S funds in the amount of \$16,761.06 for the purchase of 15 Taser X-26P Conducted Electrical Weapons (CEW) and related accessories; and 2) authorized the City Purchasing Agent to issue purchase orders and initiate the purchase of fifteen (15) new Taser CEW devices and accessories. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ontiveros and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

8. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Purchase of a Dual Purpose Police Service Canine

The Council by motion of Councilmember Cantu: 1) approved the payment of funds to purchase a dual purpose Police Service Canine, handler training, initial maintenance and husbandry equipment at a cost of \$15,372, from Measure S funds; 2) authorized the City Purchasing Agent to initiate the purchase of a dual purpose Police Service Canine, handler training, and associated equipment by selecting the vendor best suited for such a purpose; and 3) approved Resolution No. 4455 authorizing the Finance Department to amend the Measure S fiscal year 2013-2014 Budget to cover the expenditure. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Nielson and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: PACHECO

L. CITY MANAGER/STAFF COMMUNICATION

City Manager Haddix reported the following: held a meeting for the Sanger Job Training Center with Sanger's top 10 businesses and the President and Dean of Reedley College; met with the Executive Director of LAFCO; met with representatives of the San Joaquin Valley Railroad; the RFP for the downtown revitalization is due next week; involved in labor negotiations; received questions regarding the streetlights in Sanger converted to LED which is actually a JCI project; working diligently on the 180 monument, spoke with the new land owner about donating land for the monument; spoke with a gentleman wishing to develop the land where Sanger Ford was formerly located.

M. MATTERS INITIATED BY CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Cantu thanked the religious groups involved in the prayer for rain.

Councilmember Ontiveros had nothing to report.

Mayor Pro Tem Nielson had nothing to report.

Mayor Mitchell reported the following: disappointed with the condition of the bathrooms at parks, there is no toilet paper as early as 9 a.m.; concerned with the overall maintenance of parks and has been waiting on a resolution for some time; attended the COG meeting, grant monies were approved that could only go to them; Project 180 is close to conclusion; took a tour of EOC, recommended other councilmembers to take the tour and offered to help make the arrangements.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business the Council/Board adjourned their meeting at [9:21:48 PM](#).