

**Minutes
Santee City Council
Council Chamber – Building 2
10601 Magnolia Avenue
Santee, California
April 14, 2021**

This Regular Meeting of the Santee City Council was called to order by Vice Mayor McNelis at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor John W. Minto, Vice Mayor Rob McNelis and Council Members Ronn Hall, Laura Koval and Dustin Trotter – 5.

Officers present: City Manager Marlene Best, City Attorney Shawn Hagerty, and City Clerk Annette Ortiz

INVOCATION was given by Tyrone Hatch – The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Trotter

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- (1) **Approval of Reading by Title Only and Waiver of Reading in Full of Ordinances and Resolutions on the Agenda. (City Clerk – Ortiz)**
- (2) **Approval of Meeting Minutes of the Santee City Council for the March 24, 2021, Regular Meeting. (City Clerk – Ortiz)**
- (3) **Approval of Payment of Demands as Presented. (Finance – McDermott)**
- (4) **Adoption of a Resolution Accepting the Public Improvements for the East County Estates Project (TM2005-13) as Complete. Location: 8530-8548 Rhone Road and 9432-9440 Slope Street. (Development Services – Kush)**

ACTION: Council Member Trotter moved approval of the Consent Calendar.

Council Member Hall seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote: Mayor Minto: Aye; Vice Mayor McNelis: Aye; and Council Members Hall: Aye; Koval: Aye; and Trotter: Aye. Ayes: 5. Noes: 0.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT (15 minutes):

- (A) Kevin Prescott discussed the need for a skate park in the City of Santee.

NEW BUSINESS:**(5) A Report on the Status of the Housing Element Update. (Development Services – Kush)**

The Director of Development Services introduced the Item and the Associate Planner provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Minto requested staff be mindful of the changes brought on by SB 828.

Council Member Koval urged staff to pay attention to the parking situation when the policy is made for the City.

Vice Mayor McNelis concurred with the importance of parking; he stated all segments of housing need to be built.

ACTION: Direction was given to staff.

(6) Resolution Awarding the Construction Contract for the Santee Lakes Storm Drain Replacement Project (CIP 2020-24) and Determining a Categorical Exemption Pursuant to Section 15302(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act. (Development Services – Kush)

Council Member Koval registered an abstention, muted her microphone and turned off her camera at 6:42 p.m.

The Director of Development Services introduced the Item and the Principal Civil Engineer provided a PowerPoint presentation.

ACTION: Council Member Hall moved approval of staff recommendation.

Mayor Minto seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote: Mayor Minto: Aye; Vice Mayor McNelis: Aye; and Council Members Hall: Aye; and Trotter: Aye. Ayes: 4. Noes: 0. Abstain: Council Member Koval – 1.

Council Member Koval rejoined the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

(7) Resolution Awarding the Construction Contract for the Traffic Signal Visibility Enhancement Project CIP 2020-05, HSIPL 5429 (032). (Development Services – Kush)

The Director of Development Services introduced the Item and provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

ACTION: Council Member Koval moved approval of staff recommendation.

Vice Mayor McNelis seconded the motion, which carried by the following roll call vote: Mayor Minto: Aye; Vice Mayor McNelis: Aye; and Council Members Hall: Aye; Koval: Aye; and Trotter: Aye. Ayes: 5. Noes: 0.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: (Continued)

None.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Member Trotter reported that he received positive feedback on the District 4 Town Hall meeting held on April 7; he posed a friendly wager on the Santana High School versus West Hills High School football game on April 16; he mentioned the work being done to have a Veterans Memorial in the City of Santee, on the bridge over Santee Lakes at Mast Boulevard.

Council Member Koval mentioned the park improvement project at Santee Lakes; she stated that June of 2021 is Santee Lakes 60th Anniversary and there will be more information to follow.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

The City Manager reported that the City will soon be transitioning to in person meetings; she stated that SanteeTV will potentially start broadcasting for the June 9 Council meeting; she mentioned the support letter to Congressman Issa that is located on the City website to address some of the priorities in the City.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

None.

CLOSED SESSION:

Council Members recessed at 7:20 p.m. and convened in Closed Session at 7:20 p.m.

- (8) **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**
(Government Code Section 54957.6)
City Designated Representative: City Manager
Unrepresented employees: All unrepresented employees other than the City Manager

- (9) **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION**
(Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1))
Name of case: *Santee Trolley Square 991, LP v. City of Santee et al.*
Case Number: San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2020-00007895-CU-WM-CTL

(10) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

(Government Code section 54956.8)

Property: Parcel 4 of Parcel Map 18857 located in Trolley Square (Library site)

City Negotiator: City Manager

Negotiating Parties: Excel Hotel Group and Santee Trolley Square 991, LP

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

Council Members reconvened in Open Session at 8:06 p.m. with all members present. Vice Mayor McNelis reported that on Items 8, 9 and 10 direction was given to staff.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Date Approved: May 12, 2021



Annette Ortiz, CMC, City Clerk