

**Minutes
Santee City Council
Council Chamber – Building 2
10601 Magnolia Avenue
Santee, California
March 22, 2023**

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

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

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

INVOCATION was given by Lead Pastor Jerry Phillips, Sunrise Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Savanna Johnson.

RECOGNITION: Recognition of Savanna Johnson for Her Donation of Girl Scout Cookies to the City of Santee Firefighters Three (3) Years in a Row

Council Member Trotter presented the recognition to Savanna Johnson.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Agenda was Revised March 22, 2023, at 1:59 p.m. to withdraw Item 8.

The City Clerk requested Item 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 to be pulled for discussion.

- (1) Item pulled for Discussion.
- (2) Item pulled for Discussion.
- (3) Item pulled for Discussion.
- (4) Adoption of a Resolution Accepting the Cuyamaca Street Resurfacing (CIP 2022-08) and Woodside Avenue Street Repairs (CIP 2022-09) Project as Complete and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Engineering – Schmitz) **(Reso 020-2023)**
- (5) Item pulled for Discussion.
- (6) Item pulled for Discussion.

- (7) **Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of a Grant Application to the Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP) to Enhance the Santee Farmers Market, Committing to Provide Matching Funds and Approving the Partnership Between the City of Santee and Santee Farmers Market; Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (City Manager – Best) (Reso 023-2023)**
- (8) **[WITHDRAWN]**
Claim Against the City by Kyle Wong; Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Human Resources)
[ITEM 8 WAS WITHDRAWN]

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

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

- (1) **Approval of Reading by Title Only and Waiver of Reading in Full of Ordinances and Resolutions on the Agenda; Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (City Clerk – Ortiz)**

PUBLIC SPEAKER:

- Truth

ACTION: Council Member McNelis moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

- (2) **Approval of Payment of Demands; Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Finance – Jennings)**

PUBLIC SPEAKER:

- Truth

ACTION: Council Member Trotter moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

- (3) Approval of the Expenditure of \$96,321.23 for February 2023 Legal Services and Reimbursable Costs and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Finance – Jennings)

PUBLIC SPEAKER:

- Truth

ACTION: Council Member McNelis moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

- (5) Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing Submission of the Annual Housing Element Progress Report for Calendar Year 2022 to the State of California Office of Planning and Research and the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Planning and Building – Coyne) ([Reso 021-2023](#))

PUBLIC SPEAKER:

- Truth

ACTION: Council Member Hall moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

- (6) Adoption of a Resolution Terminating the Local Emergency Declared as a Result of the COVID-19 Pandemic and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (City Manager – Best) ([Reso 022-2023](#))

PUBLIC SPEAKER:

- Truth

ACTION: Council Member McNelis moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT (15 minutes):

- (A) Truth requested Council Meeting videos be uploaded to YouTube and spoke regarding the City's website and Facebook page.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- (9) **Public Hearing on and Adoption of a Resolution Amending the TransNet Local Street Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2023 Through 2027 and Amending the Capital Improvement Program Budget and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"). (Engineering – Schmitz) (Reso 024-2023)**

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:55 p.m. The City Engineer provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

ACTION: Vice Mayor Koval moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:59 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

- (10) **Resolution Appointing Jessie Bishop as Director of Human Resources on an Interim Basis and Approving Employment Agreement; Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"). (City Manager – Best) (Reso 025-2023)**

ACTION: Council Member Hall moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

- (11) **Workshop on the Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP) City of Santee Subarea Plan and Finding that the Workshop is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"). (Planning and Building – Coyne)**

The City Manager introduced Pat Atchison with ICF who provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions with City Manager support.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

- Truth

Council received report and provided direction to staff.

- (12) **Community Risk Assessment and Long-Range Master Plan Presentation; Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Fire – Matsushita)**

The Fire Chief introduced Clay Stewart the Assistant Project Manager with AP Triton who provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

- Truth
- Dustyn Garhartt Santee Firefighters (Organized Group Speaker)
- Eddie Adame Santee Firefighters (Organized Group did not speak)
- Jason Custeau Santee Firefighters (Organized Group did not speak)
- Josh Caarby Santee Firefighters (Organized Group did not speak)
- Mark Varri Santee Firefighters (Organized Group did not speak)

Council received report, under discussion Mayor Minto recommended a tax measure, an increase in firefighters and adding a Training Chief administrative position. The Item will be brought back for review at an upcoming Council meeting.

- (13) **Resolution Establishing the Classification of a Full-Time and a Part-Time Non-Safety Emergency Medical Technician (EMT); Adopting a Revised Salary Schedule Including the Pay Range for EMTs; and Authorization to Hire Four (4) Full-Time EMTs and Eight (8) Part-Time EMTs and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Fire – Matsushita) (Reso 026-2023)**

The Fire Chief provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

PUBLIC SPEAKER:

- Truth

ACTION: Vice Mayor Koval moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: (Continued)

None.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Member Trotter spoke regarding the Mission Trails Regional Task Force meeting regarding trail head improvements.

The Community Services Director provided a brief report.

Council Member McNelis commended staff for their work on Fido Fest.

Mayor Minto spoke about the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) retreat.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

City Manager acknowledged Lieutenant LaDieu's departure from the Santee Sheriff Station, she mentioned the Chamber Awards Ceremony, Santee current events, information for the District 4 Town Hall Meeting on April 25, 2023, and the City of Santee communication flyer that is available online and at City Hall.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Date Approved: May 10, 2023



Annette Fagan Ortiz, CMC, City Clerk