

**Minutes
Santee City Council
Council Chamber – Building 2
10601 Magnolia Avenue
Santee, California
May 10, 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 Cornerstone Transitional Housing, Pastor John Simon

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Captain Michael McNeill.

PROCLAMATION: Proclaiming April 30 – May 6, 2023, as National Small Business Week

Mayor Minto presented the Proclamation to James Sly, CEO of the East County Economic Development Council. Vice Mayor Koval Presented the Certificate to Ku'uipo Lawler brewery founder of Pacific Islander Beer Company (PIB).

CONSENT CALENDAR:

The City Clerk requested Item 1, 2, 3, 4 and 11 to be pulled for discussion.

- (1) **Item Pulled for Discussion.**
- (2) **Item Pulled for Discussion.**
- (3) **Item Pulled for Discussion.**
- (4) **Item Pulled for Discussion.**
- (5) **Adoption of a Resolution Awarding the Construction Contract for the Citywide Crack Sealing Program 2023 (CIP 2023-04) Project, Determining the Project is Categorically Exempt from Environmental Review Under the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) per State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c). (Engineering – Schmitz) (Reso 047-2023)**

- (6) Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Installation of a Loading Zone (White Zone) at 10580 Prospect Avenue for Passenger Drop-Off and Pick-Up and Finding the Action Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) per Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines. (Engineering – Schmitz) (Reso 048-2023)
- (7) Adoption of a Resolution Awarding the Citywide Streetlight Maintenance Contract to Southwest Signal Services, Inc., Authorizing Change Orders for Fiscal Year 2023-24, and Approving a Categorical Exemption Pursuant to the Guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Engineering – Schmitz) (Reso 049-2023)
- (8) Adoption of a Resolution Accepting the Public Improvements for the Riverview Subdivision Project (TM2018-01) as Complete and Finding this Acceptance is not a California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) Project. Location: North of Town Center and West of Riverview Parkway in the Town Center Specific Plan Area. (Engineering – Schmitz) (Reso 050-2023)
- (9) Authorize the Award of a Contract for Audio Visual Services to ETS Productions, Inc. and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Community Services – Chavez)
- (10) Adoption of a Resolution Rejecting a Bid Protest Received, Waiving One Immaterial Deviation in the Low Bid, Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Electrical Repairs and Related Maintenance to Advanced Railway Innovations DBA Advanced Electrical Innovations per RFB #23/24-20067, and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Community Services – Chavez) (Reso 051-2023)
- (11) Item Pulled for Discussion.

ACTION: Council Member McNelis moved approval of the Consent Calendar and Agenda as amended.

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.

- (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 Meeting Minutes of the Santee City Council for the February 22, March 8, March 22, April 12, 2023, Regular Meetings, the April 25, 2023, Special Meeting and the April 26, 2023, Regular Meeting; 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.

- (3) **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: 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.

- (4) **Adoption of a Resolution Adopting the First Amendment to the Santee-Lakeside Emergency Medical Services Authority (SLEMSA) Joint Exercise of Power Agreement and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Fire – Matsushita) (Reso 046-2023)**

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.

- (11) **Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Community Services Director or Designee to Create and Implement a “Parks Outdoor Athletic Field and Court Advertising Program,” and a Policy to Govern Such Program; Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Community Services – Chavez) (Reso 052-2023)**

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

- Truth
- Dan Bickford

ACTION: Vice Mayor Koval 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.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT (15 minutes):

- (A) Nanette Burrell spoke about Santee United Methodist Church and the upcoming Santee Pride Walk on June 10, 2023.
- (B) Janet Garvin spoke about the upcoming event Santee Pride Walk sponsored by the United Methodist Church.
- (C) Ryn Corbeil (Rin Corbay) expressed concerns for the educational bans on books and curriculum pertaining to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning persons (LGBTQ) in our schools and communities.
- (D) Truth spoke regarding SANDAG and the current events involving the YMCA.
- (E) Lynda Marrokal spoke regarding her support of the City Council and the community, as well as the specific needs of the City for future growth.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- (12) **Public Hearing and Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Santee Municipal Code (“SMC”) Title 13, “Zoning” (Case File: ZA2023-1), and Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance Amending SMC Title 1 “General Provisions,” Title 2, “Administration and Personnel,” Title 3, “Purchasing,” Title 4, “Business Licenses, Taxes and Regulations,” Title 5, “Health and Safety,” Title 8, “Streets, Sidewalks and Public Property,” Title 9, “Public Services,” Title 10, “Vehicles and Traffic,” Title 11, “Buildings and Construction,” and Title 12, “Subdivision of Land, Development Fees, and Dedications” and Finding that the Action is Exempt from Environmental Review Under the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (City Attorney – Hagerty)**

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:15 p.m. The City Attorney introduced the Item, and the Assistant City Attorney provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council

questions with the assistance of the City Attorney, Senior Planner, Finance Director, Engineering Director and Principal Planner.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

- Truth
- Nicholas Zoree

FAILED MOTION: Council Member Hall moved to approve the staff recommendation with removal of the commercial tattooing section in Title 13, requesting that Title 13 be brought back at a later date.

The motion failed for lack of a second.

Council Member Trotter stated that he believed that the commercial tattooing section in Title 13 is a policy change and not a Municipal Code update.

The City Attorney provided additional information for clarification in relation to the proposed commercial tattooing changes.

Council Member McNelis requested changes to the food truck section of Chapter 13 of the code.

Vice Mayor Koval spoke regarding Title 3 and how low the spending thresholds are for the City Manager and staff to be able to conduct City business effectively.

MOTION: Council Member McNelis moved approval of staff recommendation. Council Member Trotter seconded the motion.

AMENDMENT: Under discussion, Council Member Trotter requested a friendly amendment to Title 3 purchasing changes to increase the following authority levels to; \$50,000.00 for City Manager; \$25,000.00 for Department Director approval and \$25,000.00 to service professionals. Council Member McNelis accepted the friendly amendment.

ACTION: The Motion carried by the following vote: Mayor Minto: Aye; Vice Mayor Koval: Aye; and Council Members Hall: No; McNelis: Aye; and Trotter: Aye. Ayes: 4. Noes: 1.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:02 p.m.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- (13) **Update on the Santee Community Center (CIP 2018-31) Project and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Community Services/Engineering – Chavez/Schmitz)**

The Engineering Director introduced the Item and James Krueger with HMC Architects,

and the Principal Civil Engineer, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions with assistance from the City Manager and Community Services Director.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

- Michael Ranson
- Truth
- Lynda Marrokal
- Dan Bickford

The council received the report and provided feedback to staff.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: (Continued)

None.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Vice Mayor Koval spoke about SLEMSA and SANDAG borders meetings.

Council Member Trotter spoke about the various meetings he attended.

Council Member McNelis announced it was Council Member Trotters birthday and lead the room in a Happy Birthday song.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

The City Manager announced Friday Nights Live which runs May 19, 2023, through June 9, 2023, at Santee Trolley Square from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.; she also announced Santee Summer Concerts will be begin on Thursdays at Town Center Park.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Date Approved: August 9, 2023



Annette Fagan Ortiz, CMC, City Clerk