

**Minutes
Santee City Council
Council Chamber – Building 2
10601 Magnolia Avenue
Santee, California
May 24, 2023**

This Regular Meeting of the Santee City Council was called to order by Mayor John W. Minto at 6:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor John W. Minto and Council Members Ronn Hall, Rob McNelis and Dustin Trotter – 4. Absent: Vice Mayor Laura Koval – 1.

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

INVOCATION was given by Pastor James Huenink, First Lutheran Church of El Cajon

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Girl Scout Troop 5400.

PROCLAMATION: Proclamation of the City Council Declaring May 21-27, 2023, as Public Works Week in the City of Santee

Mayor Minto presented the Proclamation to the Parks and Landscape Supervisor along with other Public Services Division staff.

RECOGNITION: Presentation of a Certificate of Recognition to Girl Scout Troop 5400 for their Planting of a Butterfly Pollinator Garden at the City of Santee Operations Center.

Council Member Trotter presented the Certificate to Girl Scout Troop 5400.

PRESENTATION: San Diego County Fair 2023

Tristan Hallman, Chief Communications Officer, Del Mar Fairgrounds, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

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 Payment of Demands as Presented. (Finance – Jennings)**
- (3) **Approval of the Expenditure of \$76,743.60 for April 2023 Legal Services. (Finance – Jennings)**

- (4) Adoption of a Resolution Acknowledging Receipt of a Report Made by the Fire Chief in Accordance with Section 13146.4 of the California Health and Safety Code (Annual Fire Inspection Compliance Report). (Fire – Matsushita) (Reso 053-2023)
- (5) Adoption of Resolutions Approving the Engineer’s Report and Declaring the City Council’s Intention to Levy Assessments and Setting a Public Hearing for the FY 2023-24 Santee Roadway Lighting District Annual Levy of Assessments. (Finance – Jennings) (Reso 054-2023 and 055-2023)
- (6) Adoption of Resolutions Approving the Engineer’s Report, and Declaring the City Council’s Intention to Levy Assessments and Setting a Public Hearing for the FY 2023-24 Santee Landscape Maintenance District Annual Levy of Assessments. (Finance – Jennings) (Reso 056-2023 and 057-2023)
- (7) Adoption of Resolutions Approving the Engineer’s Report and Declaring the City Council’s Intention to Levy Assessments and Setting a Public Hearing for the FY 2023-24 Town Center Landscape Maintenance District Annual Levy of Assessments. (Finance – Jennings) (Reso 058-2023 and 059-2023)
- (8) Adoption of a Resolution Awarding a Professional Services Agreement to Harris & Associates, Inc. for the Preparation of a Comprehensive Development Impact Fee Study per RFP #22/23-40029 and Finding the Agreement Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) Pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15262 and 15306. (Finance – Jennings) (Reso 060-2023)
- (9) Adoption of a Resolution Adopting a List of Projects for Fiscal Year 2023-24 Funded by Senate Bill 1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. (Engineering – Schmitz) (Reso 061-2023)
- (10) Adoption of a Resolution for Specified Grant Funds from Budget Act 2022/23, AB179, Chapter 249, Control Section 19.56, Item 3790-101-0001(K) Other Community Services, (16) \$4,500,000.00 to the City of Santee for the Completion of the New Santee Community Center. (Community Services – Chavez) (Reso 062-2023)
- (11) Adoption of a Resolution to Extend Contract with Life-Assist, Inc. for the Purchase of Emergency Medical Services Supplies on an As-Needed Basis per National Purchasing Partners DBA NPPGOV Contract #PS20180. (Fire – Matsushita) (Reso 063-2023)

- (12) **Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Network Switches, Firewalls, Related Peripheral Equipment, Software and Licensing; and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Professional Services Agreement for Configuration and Installation Services to Upgrade the City’s Information Technology Infrastructure to Improve Cybersecurity Protection, and Enhance Network Speed and Performance. (City Manager – Valverde) (Reso 064-2023)**

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

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

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT (15 minutes):

- (A) Michael Ranson spoke about the collaboration with Christine’s Floral Designs to place a floral arrangement at the Santee Veterans Memorial Monument from Friday, May 26 through Monday, May 29, in honor of Memorial Day; he also suggested the Santee Drive-In sign be donated to the City of Santee for the upcoming Arts and Entertainment District.
- (B) Lillie A. Sullivan spoke about the Waste Management contract not allowing smaller green waste bins.
- (C) Dan Bickford spoke about the Kiwanis Club of Santee and the Special Olympics event in Santee and thanked City Staff for their assistance.
- (D) John Hossick spoke about the Consent Calendar.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- (13) **Public Hearing on a Resolution Vacating a 35-Foot-Wide Corridor Open Space Easement (VAC 2023-01); Excepting and Reserving Easements and Rights for Existing Drainage Facilities; and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) or is Otherwise Exempt Pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). (Engineering – Schmitz) (Reso 065-2023)**

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:11 p.m. The Engineering Director provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

ACTION: Council Member Hall moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:14 p.m.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- (14) **Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Santee Municipal Code (“SMC”) Title 13, “Zoning” (Case File: Za2023-1), and 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) (Ord 611 and 612)**

The City Attorney provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions with assistance from the Building Official and Principal Planner.

The Building Official responded to Council questions regarding Residential Accessory Structures.

Under discussion, the City Attorney requested staff bring the item back to address Council’s concerns.

ACTION: Council Member McNelis moved approval of staff recommendation.

Council Member Trotter seconded the motion, which carried by the following vote: Mayor Minto: Aye; and Council Members Hall: No; McNelis: Aye; and Trotter: Aye. Ayes: 3. Noes: 1. Absent: Vice Mayor Koval – 1.

NEW BUSINESS:

- (15) **Presentation of the Proposed Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2024-2028. (City Manager/Finance – Best/Jennings)**

The City Manager introduced the Item, and the Finance Director provided a PowerPoint presentation and with the assistance of the City Attorney, Engineering Director, Fire Chief and Community Services Director, responded to Council questions.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

- Dean Velasco
- Dan Bickford

Under discussion, Council provided direction to staff.

- (16) **Resolution Awarding the Construction Contract for the Citywide Slurry Seal and Roadway Maintenance Program 2023 (CIP 2023-06) Project and 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 066-2023)**

The Engineering Director provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

ACTION: Council Member Trotter moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

- (17) **Resolution Awarding the Construction Contract for the Citywide Pavement Repair and Rehabilitation Program 2023 (CIP 2023-05) Project and 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 067-2023)**

The Engineering Director provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

ACTION: Council Member Hall moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: (Continued)

None.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Member Hall announced that Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) Board appointed Stephen Whitburn as the new Chair and Steven Goble as Vice Chair.

Council Member Trotter spoke about attending the Santee Special Olympics hosted by Santee Kiwanis Club.

Mayor Minto reported on attending the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) alongside City Staff.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

The City Manager spoke regarding a few events occurring in the City: Friday Nights Live happening at Trolley Square; the Santee Street Fair sponsored by Santee Chamber of Commerce on Saturday; the upcoming Memorial Day Holiday; Santee's two adopted Military units: Units Two-One out of Camp Pendleton and HMMH-462 out of Miramar, Hometown Heroes Program recognizes members of the public who have served in the Military. She also commended Michael Ranson and Council Member Trotter for the Memorial Monument.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

None.

CLOSED SESSION:

Council Members recessed at 8:44 p.m. and convened in Closed Session at 8:51 p.m.

(18) Conference with Labor Negotiators

(Gov. Code Section 54957.6)

City Designated Representative: City Manager

Employee Organization: Santee Firefighters Association

(19) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

(Gov. Code §54956.9(d)(2))

Significant Exposure to Litigation: One case

Council Members reconvened in Open Session at 10:27 p.m. with all members present, except Vice Mayor Koval, who was absent. Mayor Minto reported for Item 18 and 19 direction was given to staff.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:27 p.m.

Date Approved: August 9, 2023



Annette Fagan Ortiz, CMC, City Clerk