

**Minutes
Santee City Council
Council Chamber – Building 2
10601 Magnolia Avenue
Santee, California
June 14, 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, Assistant City Attorney Victoria Hester, and City Clerk Annette Ortiz

INVOCATION was given by City of Praise – Bishop Stephen M. Brunson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Minto.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

The City Clerk requested Items 1, 2, and 6 be pulled for discussion.

- (1) **Item Pulled for Discussion.**
- (2) **Item Pulled for Discussion.**
- (3) **Claim Against the City by Kevin Medburg. (Human Resources – Freeman)**
- (4) **Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with D-Max Engineering, Inc. for As-Needed Storm Water Program Staffing Services. (Engineering – Schmitz) (Reso 068-2023)**
- (5) **Adoption of a Resolution Approving a Three-Year Agreement with the San Diego Humane Society and S.P.C.A. for Animal Control Services for the Period July 1, 2023, Through June 30, 2026, with the Option to Extend the Agreement for Two Additional One-Year Periods and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Agreement. (City Manager – Best) (Reso 069-2023)**
- (6) **Item Pulled for Discussion.**

ACTION: Vice Mayor Koval moved approval of the Consent Calendar and Agenda as amended.

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.

- (1) **Approval of Reading by Title Only and Waiver of Reading in Full of Ordinances and Resolutions on the Agenda. (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 as Presented. (Finance – Jennings)**

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.

- (6) **Acceptance and Appropriation of FY 2022 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Training Funds for Training and Backfill Overtime Reimbursement. (Fire – Matsushita)**

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.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT (15 minutes):

- (A) Truth spoke about inclusion, the Consent Calendar and safety concerns.
- (B) Bryant Rumbaugh spoke about community involvement in public meetings.
- (C) Kathleen Lippitt urged Council to advocate for AB1207 regarding Cannabis.

- (D) Dan Bickford spoke about upcoming Kiwanis Renaissance event and the previous Jr. Olympics and Special Olympics.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- (7) **Resolution Approving the Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2024-2028 and Adopting the Capital Improvement Program Budget for Fiscal Years 2023-24 and 2024-25. (City Manager/Finance – Best/Jennings) (Reso 070-2023)**

The City Manager introduced the Item, and the Finance Director provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions with assistance from Community Service Director, Engineering Director, Principal Traffic Engineer, and the Information Technology Manager.

PUBLIC SPEAKER:

- Truth

WITHDRAWN MOTION: Council Member Hall moved to approve the staff recommendation. Under Council discussion Council Member Hall withdrew the Motion. Mayor Minto seconded the motion and then withdrew his second.

Council provided direction to staff to bring Item back at the June 28, 2023, City Council Meeting, removing the gateway sign, the Mission Gorge median from Fanita Drive to Carlton Hills Boulevard and the roundabout projects.

NEW BUSINESS:

- (8) **Review of the Proposed Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-24. (City Manager/Finance – Best/Jennings)**

The Finance Director provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions with assistance from the Engineering Director.

PUBLIC SPEAKER:

- Truth

The Council received a report and provided feedback to staff.

Council Member Trotter requested that each department review what a 1% reduction would mean to each department and named several priorities.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: (Continued)

None.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Vice Mayor Koval requested Council review AB 1207 to determine if the Council would like to provide support for the Bill.

Council Member Hall announced MTS shutdown.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

The City Manager introduced the Human Resources Director Rida Freeman and spoke about upcoming City events: First Summer Concerts series begins June 15, 2023, and San Diego River cleanup June 24, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.; she also stated that SDG&E is working on the gas line leak near Gillespie Field.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

None.

CLOSED SESSION:

Council Members recessed at 8:54 p.m. and convened in Closed Session at 8:58 p.m.

- (9) **Conference with Labor Negotiators**
(Gov. Code Section 54957.6)
City Designated Representative: City Manager
Employee Organization: Santee Firefighters Association

Council Members reconvened in Open Session at 11:20 p.m. with all members present. Mayor Minto reported direction was given to staff regarding the labor negotiations.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

Date Approved: August 9, 2023



Annette Fagan Ortiz, CMC, City Clerk