

**Minutes
Santee City Council
Council Chamber – Building 2
10601 Magnolia Avenue
Santee, California
October 9, 2024**

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 Dustin Trotter, and Councilmembers Ronn Hall, Laura Koval, and Rob McNelis – 5

Officers present: City Manager Marlene Best, City Attorney Shawn Hagerty and City Clerk James Jeffries

INVOCATION was given by Pastor Marshall Masser, Lakeside Christian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Vice Mayor Trotter

RECOGNITION: VFW Post 9327 of Santee Recognition of Vice Mayor Trotter and Councilmember McNelis

Members of the VFW recognized Vice Mayor Trotter and Councilmember McNelis for their contributions.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- (1) Approval of Reading by Title Only and Waiver of Reading in Full, of Ordinances and Resolutions on the Agenda. (City Clerk – Jeffries)
- (2) Approval of Payment of Demands as Presented. (Finance – Jennings)
- (3) Approval of the Expenditure of \$110,830.88 for August 2024 Legal Services. (Finance – Jennings)
- (4) Adoption of a Resolution Accepting the West Hills Park ADA Parking Improvements (CIP 2024-37) Project as Complete and Finding the Action is Not a Project Subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”). (Engineering – Schmitz) (Reso 108-2024)
- (5) Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Homeless Encampment Cleanup Services to Alpha Project for the Homeless. (Community Services – Chavez) (Reso 109-2024)

- (6) **Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing an Application for a Neighborhood Reinvestment Program Grant from the County of San Diego for the Shadow Hill Park Playground Renovation Project. (Community Services – Chavez) (Reso 110-2024)**

ACTION: Councilmember Koval moved approval of the Consent Calendar.

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

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT (15 minutes):

None.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- (7) **Public Hearing for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP-2024-0004) for a Wireless Telecommunications Facility Located within a 1,900-Square-Foot Lease Area at Santee Lakes Addressed as 10400-CS Fanita Parkway (APN 378-020-49-00) in the Public (PUB) General Plan Land Use Designation and Park/Open Space (P/OS) Zone and Finding the Project Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303. (Applicant: Atlas Tower 1, LLC). (Planning and Building – Sawa) (Reso 111-2024)**

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:48 p.m. Rachael Lindebrekke, Associate Planner, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions with the assistance of Cory Kading, Santee Lakes Director of Park and Recreation.

Public Speaker:

- Tom Walters

Action: Councilmember Koval moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

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

NEW BUSINESS:

- (8) **Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Santee Municipal Code Title 1 (General Provisions) to Address Regulation of Unpermitted Privately Sponsored Community Events. (City Attorney – Hagerty)**

Shawn Hagerty, City Attorney, introduced the Item and Tari Williams, Assistant City Attorney provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

Public Speakers:

- Dan Bickford

Action: Councilmember Hall moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: (Continued)

None.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Koval shared her experience attending the second annual Lōkahi Festival hosted by Guardian Angels Catholic Church.

Vice Mayor Trotter reminded the community about the upcoming Liberty and Libations event at the Santee VFW.

Mayor Minto discussed his recent vacation and the upcoming League of California Cities Annual Conference.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

The City Manager reminded the community about upcoming City events.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

None.

CLOSED SESSION:

Councilmembers recessed at 7:15 p.m. and convened in Closed Session at 7:20 p.m. except for Councilmember McNelis who recused himself from Item 9 due to conflict of interest and left the meeting.

(9) Conference with Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation

(Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(1))

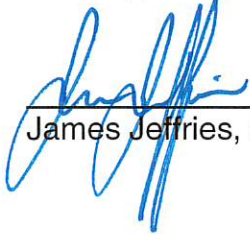
Name of Case: Preserve Wild Santee v. City of Santee, SDSC Case No. 37-2022-00041478-CU-MC-CTL

Councilmembers reconvened in Open Session at 7:33 p.m. with all members present, except Councilmember McNelis. Mayor Minto reported for Item 9 information was received and direction was given to staff.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Date Approved: November 13, 2024



James Jeffries, City Clerk