

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SANGER CITY COUNCIL

October 3, 2013
6:00 P.M.
Council Chamber

The regular meeting convened at 6:09 P.M.

Councilmembers Present: MITCHELL, NIELSON, PACHECO, ONTIVEROS, CANTU

Councilmembers Absent: None

PUBLIC FORUM PRIOR TO CLOSED SESSION

None

CLOSED SESSION

Council went into Closed Session to:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Conference with Labor Negotiators
Agency Representatives: City Manager Brian Haddix, City Attorney Jenell Van Bindsbergen, Finance Director Debby Sultan, City Clerk Becky Hernandez
Employee Organizations: All Bargaining Groups
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9
Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
1 potential case

The City Council reconvened their meeting at 7:08 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES

The invocation was given by Pastor Duran of Family Worship Center.

The flag salute was led by Mayor Mitchell.

ROLL CALL

Present: MITCHELL, NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU, PACHECO

Absent: NONE

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Jenell Van Bindsbergen reported no action taken.

AGENDA APPROVAL

APPROVED AS AMENDED – The Council by motion of Councilmember Ontiveros pulled Agenda Item K-3 Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Free Parks and approved the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pacheco and unanimously approved.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

1. The Council recognized Sunset Waste for their sponsorship of the City of Sanger Sunset Waste Men's Basketball League.
2. Police Chief Rodriguez introduced newly hired Police Captain Kent Matsuzaki.

ANNUAL ELECTION UPDATE BY FRESNO COUNTY CLERK BRANDI ORTH

Fresno County Clerk Brandi Orth provided an update on the year's County-held elections and the City of Sanger's voter participation ratios.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE QUARTERLY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Chamber CEO David Phillips provided an update to the Council on the Chamber's recent activity and distributed the Chamber's Business Plan.

PUBLIC FORUM

Public comment was received from Doris Knowlton, Osvaldo Vera, and Cheryl Senn.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Council by motion of Councilmember Ontiveros pulled Item J-1 Monthly Warrants for separate discussion and approved the following items on the Consent Calendar:

APPROVED – Item J-2 Approval of Payroll

APPROVED – Item J-3 Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Sanger City Council held on September 17, 2013

RECEIVED – Item J-4 Treasurer's Report as of July 31, 2013

RECEIVED – Item J-5 Treasurer's Report as of August 31, 2013

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cantu and unanimously approved.

After separate discussion, the Council by motion of Councilmember Cantu approved the following item on the Consent Calendar:

REVIEWED – Item J-1 Monthly Warrants Nos. 61625 through 61765

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pacheco and unanimously approved.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

ITEM K-1 – APPROVED – Agreement for Special Services with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore

The Council by motion of Councilmember Pacheco approved the Agreement for Special Services with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore to provide consulting, representational, and legal services pertaining to bargaining group negotiations with the Sanger Police Officers Association and authorized the City Manager to sign the Agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cantu and approved by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	MITCHELL, ONTIVEROS, CANTU PACHECO
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	NIELSON
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	NONE

The Council called for a recess at 7:48 p.m.

The Council reconvened their meeting at 7:55 p.m.

The Council adjourned to a joint meeting of the Sanger City Council and the Sanger Financing Authority at 7:56 p.m.

The Council reconvened their regular meeting at 8:36 p.m.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS (continued)

ITEM K-2 – APPROVED – ORDINANCE NO. 1139 - Committee/Commission Reorganization

The Council conducted a public hearing on Ordinance No. 1139 as revised, creating an Economic Development Committee; revising the Parks & Recreation Committee to be the new Parks and Community Services Committee; revising the Planning Commission and eliminating the Municipal Services Advisory Commission and the Tree and Landscape Commission; waived the reading of the Ordinance in its entirety and adopted the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pacheco and approved by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	MITCHELL, ONTIVEROS, CANTU PACHECO
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	NIELSON
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	NONE

ITEM K-3 – PULLED – ORDINANCE NO. 1143 – Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco Free Parks

ITEM K-4 – APPROVED – RESOLUTION NO. 4439 – Master Fee Schedule

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Nielson approved Resolution No. 4439 approving a master fee schedule for fiscal year 2013/2014 with the direction to bring an updated schedule back to Council at mid-year. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ontiveros and approved by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	NIELSON, ONTIVEROS, CANTU PACHECO
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	MITCHELL
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	NONE

ITEM K-5 – INFO ITEM – Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS)

Economic & Redevelopment Manager Dan Spears presented scenarios developed by the Fresno Council of Governments related to regional growth that will be considered for the Draft Regional Transportation Plan.

CITY MANAGER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Brian Haddix reported the following: the jobs training center has made giant leaps forward; working on the community constituent program; met with Local 39 members; attended the ICSC conference and met with many vendors; read a letter to Council from the President of Reedley College; Sanger Fire employees have been painting hydrants and the Public Works staff have been painting curbs; October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and asked that Staff and Council wear the go-pink polo shirts to the October 17 city council meeting; Pitman Farms expansion is ongoing; the Sanger groundwater study is coming together; obtaining a cost estimate for a sewer industrial line to the Tech Park; auditors have completed the audit; United Health Centers is moving forward with their location change.

MATTERS INITIATED BY CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Pacheco announced the Suicide Prevention Seminar that will be held on October 19, 2013 at the Sanger Community Center from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Councilmember Ontiveros had nothing to report.

Councilmember Cantu reported the following: attended the Public Safety Subcommittee meeting where the dispatch center was discussed and direction given to staff to provide options on a Sanger dispatch center; announced the Fire and Police Open House to be held on October 12.

Mayor Pro Tem Nielson reported on the following: attended the Public Safety Subcommittee meeting; the Fire and Police Open House will be a great event.

Mayor Mitchell commented that the Suicide Prevention Seminar will be a good seminar to attend.

Being no further business, the Council adjourned their meeting at 9:18 p.m.