



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE SANGER CITY COUNCIL

May 21, 2015  
6:00 P.M.  
Council Chamber

A. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order at [6:03:09 PM](#).

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Raul Cantu, Council Member Eli Ontiveros,  
Council Member Tony Pacheco, Council Member Humberto Garza

Absent: Mayor Joshua Mitchell

B. PUBLIC FORUM PRIOR TO CLOSED SESSION

Public comment was received from Henry Provost, Kathryn Pacheco, Osvaldo Vera, and Jim Miser.

Mayor Mitchell arrived at the dais at [6:07:45 PM](#).

The Council adjourned to closed session at [6:07:59 PM](#). Mayor Mitchell did not attend closed session.

C. CLOSED SESSION

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957  
Public Employee Appointment/Employment  
Title: City Manager

The Council reconvened their meeting at [6:53:27 PM](#).

Mayor Pro Tem Cantu did not return to the dais. Acting City Manager Debby Sultan announced that Mayor Pro Tem Cantu had a family commitment.

D. OPENING CEREMONIES

The invocation was offered by Pastor Gary Duran.

The flag salute was led by Council Member Tony Pacheco.

Roll Call

Present: MITCHELL, ONTIVEROS, PACHECO, GARZA  
Absent: CANTU

E. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION 6:55:35 PM

City Attorney Scott Cross announced that the Council by motion of Council Member Pacheco formally accepted the resignation of City Manager Brian Haddix effective June 7, 2015. The motion was seconded by Council Member Garza and approved by the following vote:

AYES: CANTU, ONTIVEROS, PACHECO, GARZA  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: MITCHELL

F. AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

The Council by motion of Council Member Ontiveros removed Item J-7 from the Consent Calendar to be discussed as a separate action item and approved the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ontiveros and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, ONTIVEROS, PACHECO, GARZA  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: CANTU

G. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

1. The Council recognized Foster's Freeze on its 41<sup>st</sup> anniversary in Sanger.

H. WORKSHOP 7:02:59 PM

John Quiring of Acquisition Partners of America presented a quarterly report to the Council.

I. PUBLIC FORUM 7:08:14 PM

Public comment was received from Pastor Gary Duran, Sanger Chamber of Commerce President & CEO David Phillips, and Geof Lickey.

J. CONSENT CALENDAR 7:19:24 PM

The Council by motion of Council Member Pacheco removed items J-5 and J-7 and approved the following items on the consent calendar:

1. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held on May 7, 2015.
2. SUBJECT: REVIEWED - Monthly Warrants.
3. SUBJECT: APPROVED – Payroll including Check Nos. 54669 through 54732; Direct Deposit Nos. 35571 through 35861; and Benefit Check Nos. 1058 through 1069.
4. SUBJECT: ACCEPTED - Treasurer’s Report – April 30, 2015.
6. SUBJECT: APPROVED – ORDINANCE NO. 1158 - Adoption of Ordinance No. 1158 an Ordinance amending the City of Sanger Official Zoning Map.

The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1158 amending the City of Sanger Official Zoning Map for an Approximate Five Acre Site from the RSC (Resource, School, Conservation) District to the R-1-6 (Single Family Residential, 6,000 Square Foot Minimum Lot Size) District.

8. SUBJECT: APPROVED – ORDINANCE NO. 1160 - Adoption of Ordinance No. 1160 Amending Sections 1-2 and 1-8-5 of Chapter 1 of the Sanger City Code, Amending Sections 30-57 and 30-58 of Article III of Chapter 30 of the Sanger City Code and Amending Section 38-17 of Article 1 of Chapter 38 of the Sanger City Code Pertaining to Fireworks.

The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1160 amending the Sanger City Code relating to the use of fireworks in Sanger.

9. SUBJECT: APPROVED – RESOLUTION NO. 4557 - Big Trees Transit.

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 4557 approving the MOU between the City and Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA) for operation of the Big Trees Transit.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Garza and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, ONTIVEROS, PACHECO, GARZA  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: CANTU

5. SUBJECT: APPROVED – RESOLUTION NO. 4556 - Kings River, Sanger Access Non-Motorized Boat Launching Facility.

Public comment was received from Ed Cuadros.

After separate discussion, the City Council by motion of Council Member Pacheco adopted Resolution No. 4556 approving the Grant Agreement with the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways for the Kings River, Sanger Access Non-Motorized Boat Launching Facility. The motion was seconded by Council Member Garza and approved by the following vote:

AYES: MITCHELL, ONTIVEROS, PACHECO, GARZA  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: CANTU

Mayor Pro Tem Cantu arrived at the dais at [7:39:18 PM](#).

7. **SUBJECT:** APPROVED – ORDINANCE NO. 1159 - Adoption of Ordinance No. 1159 approving a Development Agreement with DR Horton, Inc.

Mayor Mitchell abstained from item J-7 due to a conflict of interest.

Public comment was received from Geof Lickey, Ed Cuadros, Osvaldo Vera, Jaime Garza, Pedro Amezola, Sanger Chamber of Commerce President & CEO David Phillips, and Jim Miser.

After separate discussion, the City Council by motion of Council Member Pacheco adopted Ordinance No. 1159 approving a Development Agreement with DR Horton, Inc. – Fresno regarding the project commonly known as the Sanger IV Project. The motion was seconded by Council Member Garza and approved by the following vote:

AYES: CANTU, ONTIVEROS, PACHECO  
NOES: GARZA  
ABSTAIN: MITCHELL  
ABSENT: NONE

K. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS** [7:43:04 PM](#)

1. **SUBJECT:** APPROVED – RESOLUTION NO. 4558 - Adopting a Paid Sick Leave Policy for Part-time and Temporary Employees.

Public comment was received from Sanger Chamber of Commerce President & CEO David Phillips.

The City Council by motion of Council Member Ontiveros adopted Resolution No. 4558 approving a Paid Sick Leave Policy for Part-time and Temporary Employees pursuant to AB 1522. The motion was seconded by Council Member Garza and unanimously approved.

2. **SUBJECT:** APPROVED - Contract for Services with Elinor Hall for Health Policy and Management Consulting. [7:46:41 PM](#)

The City Council by motion of Council Member Ontiveros approved the contract between the City of Sanger Fire Department and Elinor Hall, an independent consultant, for the purposes of assisting with Medi-Cal Rate Range Intergovernmental Transport programs and managed care health insurance programs, added the condition that quarterly reports be made to the Council for determining the City's return on investment, and authorized the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the City. The motion was seconded by Council Member Garza and unanimously approved.

3. **SUBJECT:** Veteran's Banner Project. [7:54:15 PM](#)

Executive Assistant to the City Manager Kristina Chamberlin introduced and presented the City of Sanger Veteran's Banner Project.

4. **SUBJECT:** APPROVED - Grant Review Process, Grant Program Criteria and Application Process of the Citizen's Oversight Committee. [8:00:16 PM](#)

The City Council by motion of Council Member Pacheco adopted the Citizen's Oversight Committee's recommendation that the City Council affirm the Grant Review Process, Grant Program Criteria and Application Process currently in place. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ontiveros and unanimously approved.

The Council called for a recess at [8:04:20 PM](#).

The Council reconvened their meeting at [8:14:09 PM](#).

5. **SUBJECT:** State Route 180 Gateway Monument Sign

Public comment was received from John Bart, Sanger Chamber of Commerce President & CEO David Phillips, Jaime Garza, Efren Rubio, Victor Ruiz, Henry Provost, and Ed Cuadros.

The City Council provided direction to Staff on how to move forward with this project. Direction included the following: eliminate landscaping, artificial turf, graffiti proof, electric components (i.e. plan for future message sign), In God We Trust sign, backlight or floodlight, wrought iron fencing, and increase height.

L. CITY MANAGER/STAFF COMMUNICATION

Acting City Manager Debby Sultan announced the Big Trees Transit ribbon-cutting ceremony to be held tomorrow (May 22, 2015) at 1 p.m.

M. MATTERS INITIATED BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Ontiveros had nothing to report.

Council Member Garza asked that the Council complete the RFP process for city attorney services that was initiated in 2014.

Council Member Pacheco stated that Brian Haddix' last day is June 7 and that he would like to see all staff continue employment with the City because they are professional in what they do.

Mayor Mitchell asked Public Works Director John Mulligan to provide information related to a comment that had been brought up at a previous Council meeting regarding a house not having been inspected. Public Works Director Mulligan stated that a resident of the Evergreen Community indicated that no inspection was conducted at her home. After review of the inspection files, it was determined that the home was actually inspected 19 times and the building was finalized by the Building Inspection Division. Mayor Mitchell asked that copies be provided to Council.

Mayor Mitchell reported the following: expressed his appreciation to the Council in moving forward with the 180 Monument sign; grateful for the report regarding the ICSC RECon in Las Vegas and is excited about new businesses coming to Sanger; grateful to Dan Spears for his ongoing efforts in economic development.

Council Member Pacheco thanked Council Member Cantu and Chamber President David Phillips for attending the ICSC RECon in Las Vegas and for representing the City in a professional manner.

Mayor Pro Tem Cantu reported on his attendance at the ICSC RECon in Las Vegas. He and Chamber President David Phillips worked diligently in selling our community to businesses. David Phillips was very instrumental in making many contacts and it is likely that the efforts resulted in a handful of businesses potentially considering locating to Sanger. There is now a lot of follow-up work to be done. He was very honored to represent the City along with David Phillips.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business the Council adjourned their meeting at [9:04:10 PM](#).