



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SANGER CITY COUNCIL

May 18, 2017
6:00 P.M.
Council Chamber
1700 7th Street
Sanger, CA 93657

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Council called their meeting to order at [6:03:59 PM](#).

B. OPENING CEREMONIES

The invocation was offered by Pastor Gary Duran.

The flag salute was led by Mayor Gonzalez.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Frank Gonzalez, Mayor Pro Tem Eli Ontiveros, Council Member Humberto Garza, Council Member Melissa Hurtado, Council Member Daniel Martinez

Absent: None

C. AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS [6:05:24 PM](#)

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros approved the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Martinez and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS, GARZA, HURTADO, MARTINEZ

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

D. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

1. Fire Chief Greg Tarascou introduced newly appointed Firefighter Paramedic Mark Pisching.
2. Police Chief Silver Rodriguez introduced newly appointed Police Officer Julian Rodriguez.
3. The Council recognized *The Sanger Herald* and *The Sanger Scene* in honor of the United Nation's World Press Freedom Day.

E. PUBLIC FORUM

Oswaldo Vera provided comment regarding the Mother's Day event.

F. WORKSHOP/PRESENTATION

1. Tammy Wolfe, President and CEO of the Sanger Chamber of Commerce, provided a Quarterly Report to the Council.
2. Sarah Higginbotham of Acquisition Partners of America provided a Quarterly Report to the Council.

G. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros approved the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 4, 2017.
2. SUBJECT: REVIEWED - Warrants including Check Nos. 72674 through 72791.
3. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Payroll including Direct Deposit Nos. 40847 through 41184; Payroll Check Nos. 55970 through 56022; and Benefit Check Nos. 1266 through 1277.
4. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Fire Dispatch Services.
The City Council approved the contract for continuing fire dispatch services with the County of Fresno EMS Communications Center and authorized the City Manager to execute the contract.
5. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Letter of Support – Sanger AMVETS Post 98.
The City Council authorized the Mayor to sign a letter of support on behalf of the City of Sanger for Sanger AMVETS Post 98 to the State AMVETS Convention.
6. SUBJECT: APPROVED - 2017 Military Banner Program.
The City Council extended the application deadline of the 2017 Military Banner Program.
7. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Installation of Two EZ Valves.
The City Council awarded the contract for the installation of two EZ Valves to Ferguson Enterprises, Inc., 11909 Tech Center Court, Poway, CA 920647 in the amount of \$21,500.00 and authorized the City Manager to execute contract.

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

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS, GARZA, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

H. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: APPROVED – ORDINANCE NO. 2017-03 - Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Free Parks.

Public comment:

Oswaldo Vera provided comment in support of the ordinance.

Doris Knowlton asked if marijuana is included.

JD Bennett provided comment regarding support of the ordinance on behalf of the Sanger Young Marines.

An unidentified gentleman provided comment regarding the things that would be prohibited.

The City Council by motion of Council Member Garza approved the introduction of Ordinance No. 2017-03 amending Section 38-21 of Chapter 38 of the Sanger City Code relating to smoking prohibition in City Buildings and Vehicles and adding Section 42-32 to Chapter 42 relating to the prohibition of smoking and tobacco products in City recreation areas. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS, GARZA, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

2. SUBJECT: DENIED - Agreement with Acquisition Partners of America.

Public comment:

Jim Miser provided comment that a six month renewal may not be a bad idea.

Fred Heisman provided comment that the City should try to get all the money it can.

An unidentified gentleman provided comment that he did not know what APA is and asked for an explanation.

Council Member Garza made a motion to follow the recommendation from staff. The motion failed for lack of a second.

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros voted to give a 30-day termination notice to APA as provided by the current contract, and begin the request for proposal process for grant writing and research services. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hurtado and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
NOES: GARZA
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

3. SUBJECT: Chamber of Commerce Contract.

Public comment:

Tammy Wolfe, President/CEO of the Sanger Chamber of Commerce, provided comment regarding the adverse affect of the current contract.

Donna Bailey provided comment in support of the Chamber of Commerce.

Doris Knowlton provided comment in support of the Chamber of Commerce.

JD Bennett provided comment regarding the quota.

Henry Provost provided comment in support of the Chamber of Commerce.

Fred Heisman provided comment about having more events in town.

Kevin Carter provided comment in support of the Chamber of Commerce.

Jim Miser provided comment regarding the possibility of the City losing out on grant dollars due to not approving the agreement with the grant writer.

An unidentified gentleman provided comment suggesting a fundraiser.

Cheryl Senn, speaking as a community member, provided comment in support of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros moved to increase the current contract to \$70,000 per year. Mayor Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion failed by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS,
NOES: GARZA, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

The Council by motion of Mayor Gonzalez provided direction to staff to bring back the contract with an amendment that deletes 4.D and sets year 2 the same as year 1. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS, GARZA, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

The Council called for a recess at [7:36:45 PM](#).

The Council reconvened their meeting at [7:43:16 PM](#).

4. **SUBJECT:** TABLED - Time in Destiny Church Fee Waiver Request.

Public comment:

Valerie Villanueva provided comment in support of the fee waiver request.

Reverend Paul Zavala provided comment in support of the fee waiver request.

Katrina Soria provided comment in support of the fee waiver request.

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros tabled Item H-4 and directed staff to bring the item back with alternatives. The motion was seconded by Mayor Gonzalez and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS, GARZA, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

5. **SUBJECT:** Council Goals for FY 17-18 and FY 18-19 Budget Priorities.

Public comment:

Kevin Carter provided comment indicating that water and sewer should be priorities one and two.

An unidentified gentleman provided comment regarding a new animal shelter.

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros tabled Item H-5 to a future meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Garza and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS, GARZA, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

6. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Citizen's Oversight Committee Gang Prevention/Intervention Grants.

Public comment:

JD Bennett, Commander of Sanger Young Marines, asked the Council to reconsider the reduction of the grant amounts and fund the full amount requested.

Dr. Jerry Valadez provided comment regarding full funding of the grant requests.

Police Chief Silver Rodriguez provided comment regarding the GREAT program.

The City Council by motion of Council Member Hurtado approved the recommendations of the Measure "S" Citizen's Oversight Committee to grant \$192,551 from FY 17-18 Measure "S" Account to provide funding support to the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Central CA (\$7,107), Project Purple (\$13,897), Boys & Girls Club Street SMART (\$12,445), Community Resident Services (\$21,450), SAM Academy Inc. (\$43,623), Sanger Police Department (\$86,029) and Sanger Young Marines (\$8,000). The motion was seconded by Mayor Gonzalez and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS, GARZA, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

7. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Agreement to Form a Joint Powers Authority – South Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

Public comment:

Dick Sheppard asked what might be the reaction from CID.

The City Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros approved Resolution No. 2016-27 to: 1) agree to form and join the South Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SKGSA) Joint Powers Authority (JPA); 2) agree to the City being the Designated Authority and Custodian of Records for the JPA; and 3) selected Mayor Gonzalez to be the primary representative and City

Manager Tim Chapa to be the alternate representative to the JPA Board. The motion was seconded by Council Member Garza and approved by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS, GARZA, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

8. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Medi-Cal Intergovernmental Rate Range Program.

The City Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros approved: 1) the Health Plan Provider Agreements with Anthem Blue Cross and CalViva Health; 2) the Intergovernmental Agreements re: Transfer of Public Funds with California Department of Health Care Services for Anthem Blue Cross and with California Department of Health Care Services for CalViva Health; and 3) the Intergovernmental Transfer Assessment Fee with California Department of Health Services for Anthem Blue Cross and CalViva Health. The motion was seconded by Council Member Garza and approve by the following vote:

AYES: GONZALEZ, ONTIVEROS, GARZA, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

9. SUBJECT: Resolution in Support of Senate Bill 687.

Public comment:

JD Bennett provided comment regarding about giving the Attorney General the ability to further regulate non-profit organizations providing emergency services.

Fire Chief Greg Tarascou provided comment regarding whether this bill would deter any future plans to bring a 24-hour emergency room.

The City Council by motion of Council Member Hurtado approved Resolution No. 2017-26 in support of Senate Bill 687 relating to notice and consent requirements for reduction/elimination of emergency services. The motion was seconded by Council Member Martinez and approved by the following vote:

AYES: ONTIVEROS, HURTADO, MARTINEZ
NOES: GONZALEZ
ABSTAIN: GARZA
ABSENT: NONE

I. CITY MANAGER/STAFF COMMUNICATION

City Manager Chapa indicated that the information provided at the last meeting regarding the CDBG JPA is not entirely accurate and that staff will be bringing back to the June 1st meeting a review of information regarding the program. He also indicated that there is still time to reconsider the agreement.

City Manager Chapa indicated that he asked the FPPC for a status on his request and they indicated that they have nothing to report at this time.

City Manager Chapa announced that he along with Mayor Gonzalez and Community Development Director Tom Navarro will be attending the ICSC conference in Las Vegas next week.

J. MATTERS INITIATED BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Garza had nothing to report.

Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros said he has been approached by public works and public safety employees asking for an update regarding the health insurance and asked if it is time to look for a new broker.

Mayor Pro Tem requested a closed session item for performance evaluation of the City Manager in June.

Mayor Gonzalez agreed to a performance evaluation on a future agenda.

Council Member Hurtado had nothing to report.

Council Member Martinez thanked City Engineer Josh Rogers for the completion of the repairs of Indianola Avenue including the turning lane.

Mayor Gonzalez indicated that he does not like the two step process for placing items on Council agendas and asked that the process be amended.

Mayor Gonzalez asked for an update on Comcast.

Mayor Gonzalez announced that a meeting was taking place at the Sanger High welding shop regarding Governor Brown's bill.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business the Council adjourned their meeting at [9:38:28 PM](#).