



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SANGER CITY COUNCIL

July 5, 2018
6:00 PM
Council Chamber
1700 7th Street
Sanger, California 93657

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Council called their meeting to order at approximately 6:00 PM.

B. OPENING CEREMONIES

The invocation was offered by Pastor Maria Ponce De Leon.

The flag salute was led by Mayor Frank Gonzalez.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Frank Gonzalez, Mayor Pro Tem Eli Ontiveros, Council Members
Humberto Garza, Melissa Hurtado, Daniel Martinez
Absent: None

C. AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros approved the agenda as presented. 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

D. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

The Council recognized Sanger Police Officers Sergio Arguello and Joshua Calderon as well as Sanger Firefighter Kacey King with a resolution for their life saving efforts.

Mayor Gonzalez also recognized Sanger resident Ada Fisher, who is going to celebrate her 99th birthday this year. He will be presenting her with a Proclamation at her residence on Friday, July 6.

E. PUBLIC FORUM

Cheryl Senn, speaking as a community member, invited the Council to Hope Sanger's Annual Spaghetti Fundraiser. All proceeds from the fundraiser go back to helping the Sanger community.

Julie Mendoza provided comment requesting the status of the formation of the City's Homeless Task Force.

An unidentified resident provided comment urging the Council to review the previous week's guest editorial and to take some kind of action that ensures that people understand the COC is more than an advisory committee to the Council.

Donna Bailey provided comment asking when the Council would be discussing Grand Jury information. She also provided comment regarding her concern with the train tracks on Fairbanks Avenue.

Doris Knowlton provided comment regarding the Grand Jury and wages.

F. 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 Special Meeting held on June 12, 2018 and the Special and the Regular Meetings held on June 21, 2018.
2. SUBJECT: REVIEWED - Warrants including Check Nos. 75914 through 76028.
3. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Fresno Madera Area Agency on Aging Contract. The City Council approved the contract between the City of Sanger and the Fresno Madera Area Agency on Aging for Fiscal Year 2018/19 and authorized the City Manager to execute the contract.
4. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Authorization for Out of State Travel. The City Council authorized Out of State Travel for City Manager Chapa to attend the ICMA Annual Conference in Baltimore, MD, September 21 through September 26, 2018.

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

G. PUBLIC HEARING

1. SUBJECT: APPROVED – RESOLUTION NO. 2018-39 - Adoption of Negative Declaration for Bethel Avenue Widening Project.

The Council held a public hearing to discuss the adoption of negative declaration for the Bethel Avenue Widening Project.

Public comment:

Oswaldo Vera requested an explanation of a negative declaration.

City Attorney Hilda Montoy clarified the meaning of a negative declaration and how there are no environmental impacts that will result from the widening of the road.

The Council closed the public hearing.

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros approved Resolution No. 2018-39 adopting the Negative Declaration for Bethel Avenue Widening Project, Federal-Aid Project No. STPL-5197 (032).

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

2. SUBJECT: APPROVED - Adoption of Negative Declaration for Bethel Avenue Bike Lanes Project.

The Council held a public hearing to discuss the adoption of negative declaration for the Bethel Avenue Bike Lanes Project.

No public comment was offered.

The Council closed the public hearing.

The Council by motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros approved Resolution No. 2018-40 adopting the Negative Declaration for Bethel Avenue Bike Lanes Project, Federal-Aid Project No. CML-5197 (030).

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: INFORMATION ITEM - Sanger Adopt a Park / Planter Program.

Management Analyst Daniel Galvez presented the current policies and procedures for the Adopt a Park Program / Planter Program.

City Manager Tim Chapa added that the Sanger Stars suggested the City currently has a policy that allows them to develop a park if the land is dedicated or provided to them. The presentation by Daniel Galvez shows that this does not allow that and it is specifically for maintenance and cleaning.

I. CITY MANAGER/STAFF COMMUNICATION

1. Public Works Director John Mulligan provided an update on the current Wastewater Treatment Plant projects.
2. City Manager Tim Chapa notified the Council that he will be out of the office Friday, July 6 and Monday, July 9.

J. MATTERS INITIATED BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Gonzalez addressed the question regarding the homeless task force. Police Chief Silver Rodriguez stated they will schedule a meeting in the near future.

Mayor Gonzalez asked City Manager Chapa when the Council will address the Grand Jury recommendations. City Manager Chapa stated the item will be presented at the July 19 City Council meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros said he thought the item regarding the availability of Lincoln Park for a Sports Complex would be on the current Agenda. City Manager Chapa stated it will be on the July 19 agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros requested a follow up with Fresno COG Executive Director Tony Boren regarding the widening of Bethel Avenue.

Mayor Pro Tem Ontiveros reported he received complaints about people using drugs at Sanger Park. He requested support from the Council to have it as an item on a future meeting agenda to discuss the possibility of a police substation where officers can write their reports and at the same time provide more police presence at the park. The Council provided a consensus by the following vote:

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

Council Member Martinez said he attended the 4th of July Spectacular and it was a tremendous event and a job well done by the School District, Chamber of Commerce and City Staff.

Mayor Gonzalez thanked the Fire and Police Departments for keeping things safe on the 4th of July.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business the Council adjourned their meeting at [7:07:43 PM](#).