

**Minutes  
Santee City Council  
Council Chamber – Building 2  
10601 Magnolia Avenue  
Santee, California  
July 27, 2022**

This Regular Meeting of the Santee City Council was called to order by Mayor John W. Minto at 6:32 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor John W. Minto, Vice Mayor Ronn Hall and Council Members Laura Koval, Rob McNelis and Dustin Trotter – 5.

Officers present: City Manager Marlene Best, City Attorney Shawn Hagerty, and City Clerk Annette Ortiz

**INVOCATION** was given by Deacon David Ellery Gibson – World Mission Society Church of God

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Frank Pizarro, Fire Captain

**RECOGNITION:** World Mission Society Church of God and the We Love U Foundation for Forester Creek Cleanups

Mayor Minto presented certificates to the World Mission Society Church of God and We Love U Foundation.

**PRESENTATION:** Receipt of Funds from the State of California for the Santee Community Center Project

Assembly Member Randy Voepel presented a check to the City of Santee for the Santee Community Center.

**PROCLAMATION:** Retirement of Fire Captain Frank Pizarro

Mayor Minto presented the Proclamation to Fire Captain Frank Pizarro.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- (1) **Approval of Reading by Title Only and Waiver of Reading in Full of Ordinances and Resolutions on the Agenda. (City Clerk – Ortiz)**
- (2) **Approval of Meeting Minutes of the Santee City Council for the May 25, June 8, and June 22, 2022, Regular Meetings and the June 30, 2022, Special Meeting. (City Clerk – Ortiz)**
- (3) **Approval of Payment of Demands as Presented. (Finance – McDermott)**

- (4) Approval of the Expenditure of \$82,743.35 for June 2022 Legal Services and Reimbursable Costs. (Finance – McDermott)
- (5) Adoption of a Resolution Establishing the Appropriations Limit for FY 2022-23. (Finance – McDermott) (Reso 091-2022)
- (6) Adoption of a Resolution Levying Special Taxes to be Collected During Fiscal Year 2022-23 to Pay the Annual Cost of Municipal Maintenance Services within Community Facilities District No. 2015-1 (Municipal Maintenance Services) of the City of Santee. (Finance – McDermott) (Reso 092-2022)
- (7) Adoption of a Resolution Levying Special Taxes to be Collected During Fiscal Year 2022-23 to Pay Costs Related to the Authorized Public Improvements within Community Facilities District No. 2017-1 (Weston Infrastructure) of the City of Santee. (Finance – McDermott) (Reso 093-2022)
- (8) Adoption of a Resolution Levying Special Taxes to be Collected During Fiscal Year 2022-23 to Pay the Annual Cost of Municipal Services within Community Facilities District No. 2017-2 (Weston Municipal Services) of the City of Santee. (Finance – McDermott) (Reso 094-2022)
- (9) Adoption of a Resolution Levying Charges for Fire Suppression Service (“Fire Benefit Fee”) for Fiscal Year 2022-23. (Finance – McDermott) (Reso 095-2022)

**ACTION:** Vice Mayor Hall moved approval of the Consent Calendar.

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

**NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT (15 minutes):**

- (A) Michele Perchez spoke regarding Fanita Ranch.
- (B) Steven G. Sidlovsky spoke regarding an advisory petition regarding pro-life.
- (C) Lynda Marrokal spoke regarding Fanita Ranch.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- (10) Public Hearing for the FY 2022-23 Santee Landscape Maintenance District Annual Levy of Assessments. (Finance – McDermott) (Reso 096-2022)

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:06p.m. The Finance Manager provided a PowerPoint presentation.

**ACTION:** Council Member McNelis moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:08 p.m.

**(11) Public Hearing for the FY 2022-23 Town Center Landscape Maintenance District Annual Levy of Assessments. (Finance – McDermott) (Reso 097-2022)**

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:08 p.m. The Finance Manager provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

**ACTION:** Vice Mayor Hall moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:10 p.m.

**(12) Public Hearing for the FY 2022-23 Santee Roadway Lighting District Annual Levy of Assessments. (Finance – McDermott) (Reso 098-2022)**

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:11 p.m. The Finance Manager provided a PowerPoint presentation.

**ACTION:** Council Member Koval moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:12 p.m.

**(13) Resolution Amending the Program Year 2019 Annual Action Plan Regarding CDBG-CV Funding, and Authorization of the Expenditure of Federal American Rescue Plan Act Funding. (Development Services – Engineering) (Reso 099-2022)**

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:12 p.m. The City Engineer introduced the Item and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

**ACTION:** Vice Mayor Hall moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:16 p.m.

The City Council recessed at 7:18 p.m. and reconvened in Open Session at 7:21 p.m.

- (14) Adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) Under the California Environmental Quality Act for the Santee Cannabis Business Ordinance Project; Consideration of Introduction and First Reading, or Submission to the Qualified Voters of the City of Santee, of an Ordinance of the City of Santee Amending Chapter 7.04 of Title 7 (“Public Peace, Morals, and Welfare”) of the Santee Municipal Code to Regulate Cannabis Businesses; and Consideration of Submission to the Qualified Voters of the City of Santee a Cannabis Business Tax Measure. (City Manager – Best) (Reso 100-2022)**

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:21 p.m. The Director of Finance provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions with the assistance of the City Attorney.

**PUBLIC SPEAKERS:**

- Erik Wiese
- Jim Bartell
- Lynda Marrokal

**ACTION:** Council Member McNelis moved to adopt the Resolution adopting the MND and MMRP.

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

**ACTION:** Council Member McNelis moved to adopt and conduct the first reading of Regulatory Ordinance B and set second reading for August 10, 2022.

Council Member Koval seconded the motion, which carried by the following vote: Mayor Minto: No; Vice Mayor Hall: No; and Council Members Koval: Aye; McNelis: Aye; and Trotter: Aye. Ayes: 3. Noes: 2.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:01 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- (15) **Resolution Approving a Lien and Development Impact Fee Payment Deferral Agreement for the Lantern Crest Ridge II Project, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Said Agreement. Location: 11000 Sunset Trail (APN: 384-142-04). Applicant: Santee Senior Retirement Communities LLC (Michael Grant). (Development Services – Planning) (Reso 101-2022)**

The Principal Planner provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

**ACTION:** Council Member Trotter moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

- (16) **Resolutions Finding in Support of and Authorizing an Open Market Purchase of One New Pierce Arrow XT Triple Combination Pumper, Declaring Vehicle V-083 as Surplus Property, and Authorizing the Use of Lease-Purchase Financing. (Fire – Garlow) (Resos 102-2022 and 103-2022)**

The Fire Chief introduced the Item and presented a staff report.

**ACTION:** Council Member McNelis moved approval of staff recommendation.

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

- (17) **Initial Report on Planning for the Replacement of Fire Station 4. (Finance – McDermott)**

The Director of Finance and Fire Chief provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Council questions.

**PUBLIC SPEAKER:**

- Dustyn Garhartt, President of Santee Firefighters Association Local 4373

After discussion, the City Council directed staff to bring the Item back at the September 14, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting.

**NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: (Continued)**

None.

**CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Vice Mayor Hall reported on MTS involvement for the Comic-Con event.

Council Member Koval reported on her attendance at the Borders Committee meeting and the discussions about traffic on Highway 67.

Mayor Minto reported on the process cities need to take to put pressure on SANDAG to make changes; he also reported on the League of California Cities meeting and the legislation that is being proposed.

Council Member McNelis commended Arliss Cates for her work with the City and congratulated her on her retirement.

**CITY MANAGER REPORTS:**

The City Manager reported about the Summer Concerts in the Park; she also encouraged the community to come out and engage with law enforcement at the National Night Out at Trolley Square.

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:**

None.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Date Approved: August 24, 2022

/s/ Annette Ortiz  
Annette Fagan Ortiz, CMC, City Clerk