

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF FONTANA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 23, 2016**

WORKSHOP:

A. 5:30 P.M. Joint City Council and Planning Commission Workshop

A Joint City Council and Planning Commission Workshop Meeting of the Fontana City Council was held on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 in Fontana City Hall Executive Conference Room at 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California. The workshop was called to order by Mayor Warren at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert and Council Member Sandoval present; Council Members Roberts and Tahan arrived at 5:32 p.m.

Planning Commission Chair Cothran and Planning Commissioner Quiroga were present; Commissioner Meyer arrived at 5:45 p.m.; Commissioners Garcia and Rowland were absent.

Development Services Deputy City Manager Debbie Brazill presented the workshop item concerning Development Process Authorities/Responsibilities. The Fontana City Council Regular Meeting Agenda was reviewed and City Manager Comments were heard. City Manager Hunt announced that correspondence had been received on Public Hearing Item PH-A. A copy of the correspondence was provided to the City Council.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

A. 7:00 P.M. Call the Meeting to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Fontana City Council was held on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers, 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California. Mayor Warren called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Warren, Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert, Council Members Roberts, Tahan and Sandoval.

Absent: None.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Following the Invocation by Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Tahan.

PROCLAMATIONS:

A. National Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week

Mayor Warren and the City Council proclaimed the week of March 7-11, 2016, as National Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week. Ms. Katherine Lee, Community Development Manager, Inland Empire National Multiple Sclerosis Society was present to accept. Ms. Lee announced two upcoming events as follows: Inland Empire Walk for MS to be held on April 23, 2016 at the Citizens Bank Arena in Ontario, and a fundraiser to be held by the Pomona Valley Corvette Association, All American Car Show, at the Auto Club Speedway, on May 21, 2016. Proceeds of the events to benefit the MS Society.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

A. Special Recognition of Inland Valley Football Classic Players

Mayor Warren and the City Council honored the Inland Valley Football Classic Fontana Players. Mr. Brian Arrington, IE Network, introduced the football players and summarized their outstanding performance in the Inland Valley Football Classic. Mr. Arrington thanked the Mayor and the City Council for their support of youth sports.

B. Police Department January Employee of the Month

Mayor Warren and the City Council recognized Officer Mark Wyrick as the January 2016 Employee of the Month. Interim Police Chief Ramsey summarized Officer Wyrick's outstanding actions; Officer Wyrick was present to accept.

C. Fontana's New Firefighter Introductions

Fire Chief McLinn introduced Fontana's New Firefighters: David Columbel, Enrique Pena, Julian Estrada, Ethan Blood, Brian Bradley, and George Tom; all were present.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Public Communications

Mr. Steven Perales, Calvary Chapel-Summit Church, stated that their office was located at Cherry Avenue and Foothill Boulevard in Fontana, and their church services were held at Summit High School on Sundays at 10 a.m. He announced Easter services to be held at Summmit High School and invited everyone to attend..

Ms. Cathy Ritchey, Kiwanis Club of Fontana, announced the annual Hen Derby that was created by City Clerk Tonia Lewis' father. She announced that chickens would be sold for \$10 each and coffee cups to be sold for \$10 each. She added that first place would win \$300; second place would win \$200; third place would win \$100; and last place would win \$50. If a hen died, the amount would be \$25.

It is noted that Mr. Brian Arrington, Inland Valley Classic, previously spoke under Special Presentations.

Mr. Michael Cervantes, representing Congresswoman Norma Torres, read a letter addressed to Fire Chief McLinn into the record regarding the pallet yard fires.

Community Development Director James Troyer announced that the General Plan Workshop that was held on February 22, 2016, which covered the Healthy Fontana topic had been well attended. He announced the upcoming General Plan workshop on Fontana by Design to be held on Thursday, February 25, 2016, 6:00 p.m.; Fontana as a Complete Community to be held on Monday, March 7, 2016, 6:00 p.m.; and Sustainable and Resilient Fontana to be held on Thursday, March 10, 2016, 6:00 p.m. The General Plan Workshops would be held at the Fontana Senior Center and food and child care would be provided. Assistant Planner Alex Ricco provided the Spanish translation announcing the General Plan workshops.

Mr. Danny Marquez, Veterans Partnering with Communities, announced that Ms. Elvia Lopez, lost her battle with cancer, was a Marine and a former Board Member, and would be sorely missed and asked that the City Council meeting adjourn in her memory. Mr. Marquez added that Ms. Lopez had been a letter carrier in Fontana and served at the Veterans and Resource Center, had two sons and a daughter.

Mr. Marquez announced the Health and Wellness Fair to be held on March 19, 2016, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Mr. Marquez announced a veterans homeless count to be held on March 13, 2016 at the Veterans Resource Center, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mr. Marquez announced a tax service to be offered every Monday, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and appointments could be made by contacting (909) 355-3036.

Ms. Lina Montes, G.O. Pallets, thanked the City Council for donating \$5,000 to assist in catching the arsonist. She thanked Council Members Tahan and Sandoval for attending the pallet owners' meeting and arranging the meeting with the Police and Fire Departments and other City staff. She also thanked the City for providing information in Spanish. Ms. Montes stated that \$27,000 had been collected for the award and thanked all the pallet yards for their donations, and her insurance company offered \$5,000; the total award amounted to \$37,000. She provided the contact number (909) 356-TIPS for tips leading to the arrest of the arsonist.

Mr. Matt Slowik, Fontana resident, thanked everyone who participated in the 10th annual Chicken McNugget challenge and added that he had 39 nuggets and Council Member Tahan had 40 nuggets. Mr. Slowik stated that donations would continue to be accepted for the travel club, and Mr. Daniel Quiorga could be contacted for further information at (909) 260-8674.

Ms. Deborah Hall Lindsey, Concerned Citizens for the Development of North Fontana, announced the 48th Annual Black History Month Parade and Expo (Going for the G.O.A.L.) to be held on Saturday, February 27, 2016, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., south on Citrus Avenue to Sierra Lakes Parkway in Fontana. She announced that Ms. Irma Poole Amsberry would be the grand marshal of the parade, and that the Expo and Car

Show would be held at Home Depot Parking Lot from 12 noon to 4 p.m. following the parade

Ms. Fran Givens, Fontana resident, spoke on the ribbon cutting ceremony at the Minerva Manor apartments and that the event had been wonderful. She also spoke on senior housing and that back in the 1990s it was determined that a new approach to senior housing was needed.

Ms. Sandy Guerrero, Culichi VIP, thanked everyone for attending the grand opening and thanked the City Council for all their support.

Ms. Socorro Enriquez, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, thanked the City Council for the phenomenal job that the City was doing.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert, seconded by Council Member Roberts, and passed unanimously by a vote of 5-0 to approve Consent Calendar Items "CC-A through CC-L" (AYES: Warren, Salazar-Wibert, Roberts, Tahan and Sandoval; NOES: None) as follows:

A. Approval of Minutes

Approve the Minutes of the February 9, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting.

B. Fiscal Year 2015-16 Mid-Year Budget Status Report

Approve the recommended Mid-Year Budget adjustments.

Deputy City Manager David Edgar provided the staff report on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), Emergency Repair Grant Program, and Alternate Vehicle Fuel Rebate Program.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert inquired about the management company who operated the home.

Mr. Edgar stated that the NSP program was managed by QMG (Quality Management Group) and the contact number provided was (909) 931-9763.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert asked whether the Emergency Repair Grant Program was geared for senior citizens and disabled individuals.

Mr. Edgar confirmed that was correct.

Council Member Tahan asked how much of the funds were from the Asset Seizure funds.

Management Services Director Lisa Strong stated that the amount was \$4.0 million, and \$1.269 million did not include the amount in the report. She added that about half had been spent. Ms. Strong stated that the City had received about \$1.4 million this year and had been informed that the City would not be getting more revenue this year.

Council Member Tahan stated that he was looking for new adjustments and asked

whether staff had looked at combining certain positions because there seemed to be a duplication.

City Manager Hunt stated that adjustments were made routinely and positions had been combined, when the Building and Safety Department had been combined with the Community Development Department. Mr. Hunt added that he looked at it as using the money to provide the highest quality of service and if four to six positions were cut out of the budget that he did not see how it could be sustained. Overall, the City was a very lean organization and Fontana was not a wealthy community and that the City had invested in technology because more was done with less.

Council Member Tahan stated that he was trying to look at next year's budget. Mr. Tahan stated that an organization sometimes did things for a long time and then it became a habit, and if they were doing well then it was kept on. He added that he was looking for savings and knew that the City spent its money wisely, but there were other ways to look at it.

Discussion ensued regarding identifying revenues in the budget.

C. Adoption of 2016 Legislative Priorities

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached 2016 legislative priorities.

D. Approve a Professional Services Agreement for Environmental Services related to the Foothill Boulevard Street Improvement Project from Oleander Avenue to 600 feet East of Cypress Avenue

Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with ECORP Consulting, Inc. for environmental services for the Foothill Boulevard Street Improvement Project from Oleander Avenue to 600 feet East of Cypress Avenue. (SQ-22-DE-16).

E. Adoption of Resolution of Intent and to Set the Public Hearing on Annexing Territory to Community Facilities District No. 56M for Street Lighting and Park Maintenance Located North of Arrow between Laurel and Locust

1. Adopt **Resolution No. 2016-016** of the City Council of the City of Fontana Declaring Intention to Annex Territory to Community Facilities District No. 56M of the City of Fontana and Adopting a Map of the Area to Annexed thereto (Annexation No. 4). Located North of Arrow between Laurel and Locust.

2. Set the Public Hearing for April 12, 2016, for the Annexation of the Territory to the District and Call the Special Election for April 12, 2016.

F. Approve a Professional Services Agreement for the Design of the Fontana Safe Routes to School Project

Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with TKE, Inc. for design services for the Fontana Safe Routes to School Project on Arrow Boulevard from Alder Avenue to Maple Avenue and Fontana Avenue from Randall Avenue to Poplar Avenue (SP-10-DE-16).

Award Bids for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funded

G. Projects

1. Authorize the Purchasing Office to award to the lowest responsible bidders for the CDBG funded items identified within the 14/15 Amended Action Plan and 15/16 Action Plan.
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute all contracts related to the awards to the lowest responsible bidders for the CDBG funded items within the 14/15 Amended Action Plan and 15/16 Action Plan.

H. Agreement with San Bernardino County Behavioral Health

1. Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreement with the San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health and the City of Fontana Police Department to provide office workspace, and access to a desk phone, fax machine and photocopier within the police department facility and a vehicle for transportation.
2. Authorize Interim Police Chief Robert Ramsey or his designee to sign the agreement, all related documents and any amendments for the term of the agreement.

I. Final Acceptance of the Construction of Randall Avenue and Palmetto Avenue Traffic Signal Project

Accept as complete the work performed by Traffic Development Services, Inc. for the construction of the Randall Avenue and Palmetto Avenue Traffic Signal Project; and approve the final construction amount of \$208,084.57. (SB-27-DE-15)

J. County of San Bernardino Public Works Department Pavement Resurfacing Project

Authorize the City Manager to execute a Cooperative Agreement between the City of Fontana and San Bernardino County for a pavement resurfacing project on Jurupa Avenue from Locust Avenue to Maple Avenue and Eleventh Street from Locust Avenue to Linden Avenue.

K. Live Aerial Imagery Vertical Camera System

1. Approve the purchase of Live Aerial Imagery Vertical Camera System (VCS).
2. Approve appropriation in the amount of \$32,200 from Federal Asset Seizure Fund #223.

L. Night Vision Thermal Optic Equipment

1. Approve the purchase of Night Vision/Thermal Optics Imaging Devices for the Regional Inland Valley Special Weapon and Tactics (SWAT) Team.
2. Award the bid to Summit Night Vision Group, Inc. of Plano, TX in the amount of \$215,993.52 for the purchase of night vision equipment.
3. Approve appropriation in the amount of \$216,000 from Federal Asset Seizure Fund #223 and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all related contract documents.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. Proposed Specific Plan Amendment and Design Review for Slover Avenue Distribution Center, a 671,324 Square Foot High-Cube Logistics Distribution Center on 30.8 Acres in the Fontana Gateway Specific Plan at 13032 Slover Avenue (APN 0238-062-07)

Mayor Warren opened Public Hearing Item PH-A.

Community Development Director James Troyer and Senior Planner Shannon Casey provided the staff report.

Council Member Roberts asked about the status of the improvements at Etiwanda Avenue and Slover Avenue.

Engineer Director Ricardo Sandoval stated that the result of the January City Council Goal Setting Meeting, was that the Council gave direction to staff to move this project forward. The preliminary design was 90% complete and staff had held a cooperative meeting with the City of Ontario and talked about the funding plan. He reported that the final design, environmental review, and right-of-way acquisition would be done this next fiscal year and the project would be completed in 2017.

Council Member Roberts asked about the funding contributions.

Engineering Director Sandoval stated that the project cost was \$8.0 million; the cost share for the City of Ontario was \$2.0 million and the cost share for Fontana was \$6.0 million.

Discussion ensued regarding the funding plan.

Council Member Tahan asked about the parking ratio going from 500 spaces to 200 spaces.

Senior Planner Casey stated that the Gateway Specific Plan was adopted in 1988 and the parking standard for warehouse distribution was different. He stated that for high cube warehouse distribution, the parking ratio was for a more modern use and the demand for that parking use was the need for less parking. He noted that the project's parking ratio was consistent with the zoning and development code.

Council Member Tahan asked what type of screening would be used along the I-10 Freeway.

Senior Planner Casey stated that staff looked at the layout and site plan and a safer design was for the screening to face Slover Avenue. Passenger vehicles would be separate from truck aisles. He added that a 14-foot wall would be removed and replaced with a more aesthetic wall and would hide the truck doors and trailers.

Council Member Sandoval asked whether federal funding had been sought for the project.

Engineering Director Sandoval stated that an aggressive stance in the future would be taken. He added that staff had met with existing businesses and they had brought forward some really good issues about the timing and to possibly change the timing for the north/south bound traffic.

Council Member Sandoval stated that staff might want to look at lighting on Jasmin, and the timing for the Etiwanda and Slover signals.

Discussion ensued regarding funding and the use of development impact fees.

Council Member Roberts stated that due to the age of the specific plan, that it did not take into consideration all the advancements from the last 20 years, and that it might be necessary to take a look at those items and bring it up to date.

Council Member Sandoval asked whether the Council's SANBAG representative could assist in pushing this item along.

There were two public communications received; correspondence dated February 22, 2016 from T & B Planning concerning comments on the environmental impact report for the Slover Avenue Distribution Center (Master Case No. 14-052); and an email dated February 9, 2016 from Mr. Evan Kaizer, Sieroty Company, regarding concerns about traffic and circulation at the intersection of Etiwanda and Slover Avenues.

There were no other public communications received.

The public hearing was closed.

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Council Member Tahan, and passed unanimously by a vote of 5-0 to approve Public Hearing Item PH-A and to have staff return in 60 days for a status report of the improvements at Etiwanda and Slover Avenues (AYES: Warren, Salazar-Wibert, Roberts, Tahan and Sandoval; NOES: None) as follows:

1. Adopt City Council **Resolution No. 2016-017**, certifying the Environmental Impact Report [State Clearinghouse No. 2014101070], adopt a statement of overriding considerations, a mitigation monitoring and reporting program, and a statement of facts and findings, and direct staff to file a Notice of Determination.
2. Introduce **Ordinance No. 1742**, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fontana approving a Specific Plan Amendment to the Fontana Gateway Specific Plan (SPA 14-003), and that the reading of the title constitutes the first reading thereof; and,
3. Approve Design Review (DRP 14-020) for a 671,324 square foot high-cube logistics distribution center on 30.8 acres in the Fontana gateway specific plan.

ELECTED OFFICIALS COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

A. Elected Officials Communications/Committee Reports

City Treasurer Janet Koehler-Brooks thanked Management Services Director Lisa Strong and her staff for their hard work on the mid-year budget report.

City Clerk Tonia Lewis announced that Ms. Deborah Lindsey and Ms. Ellen Turner would like to thank Community Services Director Garth Nelson and his staff for all their help with the Black History Parade.

City Clerk Lewis announced that her father had invented the Hen Derby back in 1936, and added that she bought the chickens every year and they died but she got her money back.

Council Member Tahan congratulated the new board of directors of the Fontana Police Officers' Association, who were recently installed.

Council Member Tahan announced that he attended the grand opening of Culichi Restaurant and that it was a great facility with multiple options.

Council Member Tahan announced that the Westgate Ad Hoc Committee had met and a lot of progress had been made.

Council Member Tahan announced that he would take the message back to SANBAG to look at the funding for Slover Avenue and Etiwanda Avenue.

Council Member Sandoval congratulated Council Member Tahan for winning the Chicken McNugget challenge.

Council Member Sandoval announced that the City has staff that were open to listening to all the issues and would help solve the issues and that the City Manager could also help solve the issues as well.

Council Member Sandoval announced that it was very important for the community to attend the General Plan workshops so that staff can obtain input to include in the General Plan for the next 10 years. He added that their input was important.

Council Member Sandoval stated that for senior apartments that walk in tubs would be very helpful for seniors.

Council Member Roberts stated that it was an honor to speak at the Minerva Manor grand opening and noted that the project had been brought to the City by Deputy City Manager Edgar and his staff and other unsung heroes.

Council Member Roberts requested that the City Council meeting adjourn in memory of Mr. Sheldon Swedlove, formerly with Fontana Middle School.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert wished a happy birthday to her daughter, Jennifer.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert announced that she had attended the community meeting at Palmetto Elementary School and Police Department staff had answered a lot of questions concerning traffic. She added that the meeting had been well attended.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert announced that she had attended the swearing in ceremony for the new board of directors of the Police Officers' Association.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert announced that she had attended the Culichi VIP grand opening, and added that the restaurant was located at the southwest corner of Juniper Avenue and Foothill Boulevard in Fontana.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert announced that a new restaurant, Miguel's Sushi Restaurant, was open and is located on Foothill Boulevard and Sierra Avenue in Fontana.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert announced that she had attended the Teen Summit that was held at A.B. Miller High School and gave a shout out to Felix, who had done a great job.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert announced that the Black History Parade would be held on Saturday, February 27, 2016 and that the Little League Baseball Opening Ceremonies would be held on the same day at Bill Martin Park at 9 a.m.; Coyote Canyon Park at 10 a.m.; and at Catskill at 11 a.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert congratulated the Bloomington Christian Alumni on their game.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert announced that a Celebration of Life would be held at Post 772 for Ms. Elvia Lopez, who was a Marine, mother, sister and great friend. She sent condolences and prayers to Francisco, Sauli and the family.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert announced that she would like to expand the Open for Business program which is produced by the KFON. She stated that the City had a lot of businesses, and that the City Council Members, City Treasurer and City Clerk could visit and interview the businesses and let people know what was going on.

Mayor Warren stated that there are a lot of new restaurants that are family oriented, and that earlier this year that a restaurant review had been discussed and would work on interviewing them.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert stated that she would like to show up live and ask patrons why they came to the restaurant.

City Manager Hunt suggested that it would be helpful to have an idea in writing and then provide it to KFON staff, so that they can get an idea on the cost.

Mayor Warren suggested that she and Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert meet to discuss the format.

Council Members Roberts, Tahan and Sandoval concurred that Mayor Warren and Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert should meet to discuss the format.

Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert asked everyone to continue to support our military troops.

Mayor Warren thanked the KFON staff for the Open for Business program, and noted that there was so much involved in producing the show, and looked forward to working with Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert.

Mayor Warren announced that the City was not laying off and the that City's reserves were in tact and was doing the right thing for the community.

Mayor Warren announced that the grand opening of the Minerva Manor had been wonderful and everybody had been happy.

Mayor Warren announced that the Employee Service Award ceremony had been very nice and it was great to see all the employees and that City Manager Hunt had been with the City for 25 years. Mayor Warren stated that Interim Police Chief Ramsey had done a great job with summarizing the accomplishments of the many PD employees.

Mayor Warren congratulated all the employees on their service awards and congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Salazar-Wibert and Council Member Tahan for attaining their five-year service pins.

Mayor Warren announced that Black History Month would be ending and announced the Black History Parade and Expo to be held on Saturday, February 27, 2016 and invited everyone to attend.

Mayor Warren announced that she had been invited to be on a conference call with the Department of Transportation at 4:30 p.m., and talked about how to supplement the fees that the City needed to have.

Mayor Warren announced that the City Council meeting would adjourn in memory of Ms. Elvia Lopez, a former Marine; Mr. Rudy Rodriguez, A.B. Miller High School; and Mr. Sheldon Swedlove, who recently passed.

CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS:

A. City Manager Communications

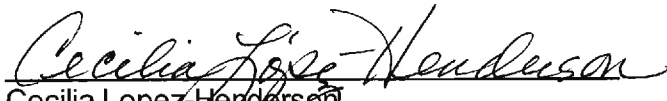
City Manager Hunt announced that he had attended the grand opening of the Minerva Manor apartments and recognized Administrative Services Deputy City Manager Edgar and his staff for putting together a wonderful housing project. Mr. Hunt thanked the City Council for their support and thanked Development Services Deputy City Manager Brazill and her staff for assisting in the process.

There were no other City Manager Communications received.


ADJOURNMENT:

A moment of silence was held for the following individuals who recently passed: Ms. Elvia Lopez, former Marine and Fontana resident, Mr. Rudy Rodriguez, instructor at A. B. Miller High School, and Mr. Sheldon Swedlove, Fontana resident.

The City Council Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m. in memory of Ms. Elvia Lopez, Mr. Rudy Rodriguez and Mr. Sheldon Swedlove to the next Regular City Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, with a Workshop at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Executive Conference Room and the Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers located at 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California.


Cecilia Lopez-Henderson
Deputy City Clerk

**THE FOREGOING MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON THE
8TH DAY OF MARCH 2016.**


Tonia Lewis
City Clerk