

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
IN PERSON MEETING
March 10, 2022

McFARLAND CITY COUNCIL
McFARLAND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
McFARLAND PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY
McFARLAND IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY
McFARLAND PARKING AUTHORITY

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tafoya called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Tafoya, Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez, Councilmember S. Ayon, Councilmember Cano, Councilmember A. Ayon

Councilmembers Absent: None

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Chief of Police/City Manager Williams, Assistant City Manager Cosentini, Interim City Attorney Hodges, Interim Community Development Director Ronk, Public Works Director Gonzales, City Clerk Alvarado, Accounting Supervisor Lara

Officials Absent: None

**Mayor Tafoya excused audience for closed session.*

CLOSED SESSION

1. Threat to Public Services or Facilities (Government Code §54957): Consultation with: City Attorney and Assistant City Manager. *Interim City Attorney Hodges reported no reportable action was taken.*

**Mayor Tafoya resumed meeting back to open session at 6:09 p.m.*

INVOCATION

Councilmember Cano

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember S. Ayon

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

2. *Mayor Tafoya Requested to table:* Certificate of Recognition to the Following: Annika Fernandez, Alexandria Hernandez, Jasmine Contreras, Lindzee Garza, Olivia Samaniego, Mia Samaniego, Sarah Lopez, Emily Lopez, Delilah Cervantes, Mari Gonzalez, and Savanna Carrillo.

We would also like to recognize the Following Coach, and Assistant Coaches: Johnny Samaniego, Alyssa Medina, and Geno Barajas.

3. *Mayor Tafoya Request to table:* Certificate of Recognition to McFarland High School VEX Robotics Coach David Cisneros.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. *Margie Martinez 212 7th Street McFarland- Public Comment / Non-Agenda Related*
2. *Pastor Phil Corr 117 5th Street McFarland- Exact amount remaining in the bond? How much of the bond will be paid to the County? Square footage of the conference room of the current*

library? Request independent research on conflict of interest of Mr. Kenny Williams being both the Chief of Police and the City Manager.

Public Comment Closed at 6:23 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

4. It is recommended that the City Council conduct a public hearing to receive input regarding unmet transit needs and direct staff to forward all comments to Kern County Council of Governments (KCOG).

- a. Mayor Tafoya opened the Public Hearing and Receive Public Testimony at 6:23 p.m.

No Comments.

Mayor Tafoya closed the Public Hearing at 6:23 p.m.

- b. Motion was made by: Councilmember S. Ayon to Adopt **Resolution No. 2021-0013** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of McFarland Finding There Are No Unmet Public Transit Needs Which Can Reasonably be Met in the City of McFarland (2022/2023); 2nd by: Councilmember Cano.

Vote: 5/0

Ayes: S. Ayon, Cano, Pérez, A. Ayon, Tafoya (Mayor)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

Full consensus 6:24 p.m.

City Clerk Alvarado stated for the record Resolution Number should read "2022"-0013 not "2021".

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Motion was made by: Councilmember Cano to approve Payroll Register in the Amount of **\$244,013.95** for February 2022; 2nd by Councilmember S. Ayon.

Vote: 5/0

Ayes: Cano, S. Ayon, A. Ayon, Pérez, Tafoya (Mayor)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

6. Motion was made by: Councilmember Cano to approve Expense Report in the Amount of \$282.95 from February 16, 2022 to February 28, 2022; 2nd by: Councilmember S. Ayon.

Vote: 5/0

Ayes: Cano, S. Ayon, A. Ayon, Pérez, Tafoya (Mayor)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

7. Motion was made by: Councilmember Cano to approve March 3, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes; 2nd by: Councilmember S. Ayon.

Vote: 5/0

Ayes: Cano, S. Ayon, A. Ayon, Pérez, Tafoya (Mayor)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

8. **Mayor Tafoya gave direction** to staff to draft a Resolution for Creation of Euthanasia Committee under the Quality-of-Life Committee and bring back for motion.

9. Motion was made by: Councilmember S. Ayon to approve the City of McFarland's Audited Financial Statements for the period of July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020; 2nd by: Councilmember Cano.

Vote: 5/0

Ayes: S. Ayon, Cano, A. Ayon, Pérez, Tafoya (Mayor)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

10. Motion was made by: Councilmember S. Ayon to **table:** Report, Discuss and Approve Letter of Engagement with Lisa Tucker of A1 Multi Business Center Inc. to Assist with 2020-2021 Bank Reconciliations and Other Accounting Services for Audit; 2nd by: Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez.

Vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

11. Motion was made by: Councilmember Cano to approve Task Orders and **Resolution No.2022-0012** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FROM SB1 FOR THE DESIGN OF VARIOUS PROJECTS; 2nd by: Mayor Pro- Tem Pérez.

Vote: 5/0

Ayes: Cano, Pérez, S. Ayon, A. Ayon Tafoya (Mayor)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

12. Motion was made by: Councilmember S. Ayon to approve the Quote from GotoConnect for City Hall's Phone System; 2nd by: Councilmember Cano.

Vote: 5/0

Ayes: S. Ayon, Cano, A. Ayon, Pérez, Tafoya (Mayor)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON COMMITTEE/SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETINGS

- a. Delano Mosquito Abatement District (DMAD) – Ricardo Cano gave brief updates
- b. Kern Council of Governments (KCOG)- Mayor Tafoya
- c. Kern Economic Development Corp. (KEDC) – Mayor Tafoya did not attend meeting.
- d. Kern County Association of Cities (KCAC) – Nothing to report
- e. Poso Creek (IRWMP)- Councilmember S. Ayon reported meeting cancelled
- f. Ken Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) – Councilmember S. Ayon March 23, next meeting.

COUNCIL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

Councilmember S. Ayon- Informed the community about SB1383 organic waste workshop Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the McFarland Veteran's Hall and invited the community to attend. Ayon stated that they had met with the McFarland Recreation and Parks District and had a positive and productive meeting. Mr. Ayon gave a special thank you to Interim City Attorney Hodges for his due diligence reviewing our city ordinance and discovered a sales tax measure was passed and adopted in 1973 and never collected. Councilmember Ayon directed City Manager to contact the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration to begin collecting a one percent sales tax the following quarter.

Mayor Pro Tem Pérez- Thanked everyone present and on Facebook. She also thanked Councilmember S. Ayon.

Councilmember Cano- Expressed his contentment with the new billing system and recommended the community to enroll in paperless billing. Thanked everyone and Councilmember S. Ayon.

Councilmember A. Ayon- Thanked everyone for bringing him on board.

Mayor Sally Tafoya- Thanked Interim City Attorney Hodges and thanked the community for their support.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Public Employment (Government Code §54957) - Title: Finance Director
No Reportable Action.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.



Francisca Alvarado, City Clerk

