

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
IN PERSON MEETING
February 08, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Mayor S. Ayon, Vice Mayor Cano, Councilmember A. Ayon, Councilmember Gonzalez, Councilmember Pérez

Councilmembers Absent: None

OFFICIALS PRESENT

City Manager Williams, City Attorney Hodges, Chief of Police Knox, Community Development Director Saldaña, Assistant Public Works Director Cabrera, Human Resources Director Serrena McCuan, Deputy City Clerk Drake

Absent: Finance Director Viramontes

INVOCATION

Vice Mayor Cano

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember A. Ayon

INTERPRETATION: If you need an interpretation of your communications to the City Council into English, please contact the City Clerk Department at 661-792-3091 ext. 2135 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Marco Perez was present for any interpretation needs.

FEATURED PET

Is a feature that highlights a pet available for adoption from the McFarland Animal Shelter.

Presented by: Chief of Police Knox

PRESENTATIONS, INTRODUCTIONS AND AWARDS

1. Safe Surrender Baby Awareness Month Proclamation. Presented to Kern County Department of Human Services and Fire Chief Joe Appleton - Mayor presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT: At regularly scheduled meetings, members of the public may address the city on any item listed on the agenda, or on any non-listed matter over which the city has jurisdiction. Council/Board Members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; may refer the item to staff for further study or for placement on a future agenda. Speakers are limited to two minutes for each person. Please state your name and address for the record prior to making a presentation. Fifteen minutes total will be allowed for any one subject.

1. Jim White- Thanked City Manager Williams for getting a legal American flag for the Council Chambers. Inquired about receiving an update of City Staff.
2. Phil Corr- Inquired about the construction of the marijuana store and voiced his concern of its effect on the city of McFarland.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

None

CONSENT AGENDA: The Consent Agenda consists of items that in staff's opinion are routine and non-controversial. These items are approved in one motion unless a Council Member/ Board Member or Member from the Public requests to remove a particular item.

2. Approval of the Expense Report in the Amount of \$429,824.30 from 1/13/2024 to 1/26/2024.

3. Approval of Payroll Report for the Month of January 2024 in the Amount of \$342,831.48.
4. Approval of February 01, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes.
5. Approval of the Letter of Support for the City of Shafter RAISE Application Santa Fe Way Widening Project.

No comments from the public were presented.

A Motion was made by: Vice Mayor Cano to approve consent agenda items 3, 4, AND 5; 2nd by: Councilmember A. Ayon.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

AYES: S. Ayon, R. Cano A. Ayon, A. Gonzalez, M. Pérez

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Full consensus

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. Public Hearing Requesting Input Regarding the Composition of Potential Council Election Districts.
 - a. Staff report: Community Development Director Paul Saldana.
 - b. Open public hearing and receive public testimony.
7. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 1-2024, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND ADOPTING ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 17 ZONING AMENDING TITLE 17, CHAPTER 17.16.060 AND CHAPTER 17.136.150 ADDITIONAL DWELLING UNITS AND ACCEPT CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION.
 - a. Staff Report: Community Development Director, Paul Saldaña
 - b. Open Public Hearing and Receive Public Testimony:
 - c. Motion to Waive the Reading of the Ordinance Text in its Entirety, Read by Title Only and Adopt Ordinance No. 1-2024 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND ADOPTING ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 17 ZONING AMENDING TITLE 17, CHAPTER 17.16.060 AND CHAPTER 17.136.150 ADDITIONAL DWELLING UNITS AND ACCEPT CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION.
 - d. Direct staff to post in designated posting location within fifteen days of its passage.

Presented by: Joseph Levitt

No comments from the public were presented.

A Motion was made by: Vice Mayor Ricardo Cano to approve consent agenda item 7; 2nd by: Councilmember M. Pérez.

No comments from the public were presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

AYES: S. Ayon, R. Cano A. Ayon, A. Gonzalez, M. Pérez

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Full consensus

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

8. Motion was made by: Councilmember A. Ayon to Approve Resolution No. 2024-14 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND APPROVING FUNDS FROM THE CITY'S PARK IMPACT FEES FOR THE MCFARLAND RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT (MRPD) TO FUND THE DESIGN OF LIONS PARK IN TRACKS 7393 AND 7394; 2nd by: Vice Mayor R. Cano.

No comments from the public were presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

AYES: S. Ayon, R. Cano A. Ayon, A. Gonzalez, M. Pérez

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Full consensus

9. Motion was made by: Vice Mayor R. Cano to Approve Resolution No. 2024-10 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW K9 VEHICLE; 2nd by: Councilmember M. Pérez.

No Comments from the public were presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

AYES: S. Ayon, R. Cano A. Ayon, A. Gonzalez, M. Pérez

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Full consensus

10. Motion was made by: Councilmember A. Ayon to Approve Resolution No. 2024-11 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND APPROVING THE CREATION OF A NEW POSITION IN THE MCFARLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT AS POLICE OFFICER TRAINEE; 2nd by: Councilmember M. Perez.

Mayor opened the public hearing to receive public testimony at: 6:41 p.m. and closed it at 6:43 p.m.

Public comments:

1. Ron Woods- 13053 Garzoli Ave

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

AYES: S. Ayon, R. Cano A. Ayon, A. Gonzalez, M. Pérez

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Full consensus

REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON COMMITTEE/SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETINGS

- a. Kern Council of Governments (KCOG)
- b. Kern Economic Development Corp. (KEDC)
- c. Kern Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)
- d. Delano Mosquito Abatement District (DMAD)
- e. Poso Creek (IRWMP)
- f. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJV)
- g. Public Policy and Finance Committee
- h. Public Safety Committee
- i. Quality of Life Committee -
- j. Cannabis Committee -

The council adjourned to closed session at 6:51 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

11. Public Employment (Government Code §54957) City Manager

Reportable Action: No Action Taken

12. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(b): One Case

Reportable Action: No Action Taken

Closed Session Adjourned at approximately 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Sarah Drake
Sarah Drake, Deputy City Clerk

