

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
May 9, 2024
McFARLAND CITY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

OFFICIALS PRESENT

City Manager Viramontes, City Attorney Hodges, Chief of Police Knox, Community Development Director/Deputy City Clerk Saldana, Public Works Director Hernandez, Human Resources Director McCuan,

INVOCATION

Council Member Gonzales

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Perez

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS TO FORM

Motion by Cano to approve agenda as amended, moving Public Comment to the end of the meeting, Second by Gonzales and approved by unanimous vote.

FEATURED PET

Chief Knox presented Shelby the featured pet available for adoption.

PRESENTATIONS, INTRODUCTIONS AND AWARDS

Motion by Perez to approve proclamations and recognitions, second by Gonzales and approved by unanimous vote. The following proclamation and recognition were presented.

1. Proclamation: National Police Week
2. Proclamation: Economic Development Week
3. Proclamation: National Mental Health Awareness Month
4. Proclamation: Community Action Month
5. Recognition: Lauren Cella, History Teacher, McFarland High School
6. Recognition: Henry Roblero, Pastor, Iglesia del Salvador Viviente
7. Recognition: Anthony Blanco, Associate Pastor, Iglesia del Salvador Viviente

COUNCIL COMMENTS

City Council members provided statements of appreciation to the audience for attending and congratulatory statements to those receiving proclamations and recognitions.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

8. Finance Department - Utility Billing Platform Launch Presentation

CONSENT AGENDA

9. Approval of Expense Report in the Amount of \$426,577.25 from 4/13/2024 to 4/26/2024.
10. Approval of Payroll Report for the Month of April 2024 in the Amount of \$332,351.95.
11. Approval of April 11, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Recommended Action: Approve the Consent Calander

Public Comment: None

Council Action: It was moved Cano, second by Perez to approve the Consent Calander as presented.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT:
PASSED 5-0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

12. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-57 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING AND/OR APPROVING THE FINAL ENGINEER'S REPORT REGARDING THE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO.1, AND THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS RELATED THERETO FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025.

Recommended Action: Approve Resolution 2024-57

Presented by Diego Viramontes

Public Comments: Phil Corr

Council Action: It was moved Cano, second by Perez to approve Resolution 2024-57 as presented.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT:

PASSED 5-0

13. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-58 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND, CALIFORNIA ORDERING THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025.

Recommended Action: Approve Resolution 2024-58

Presented by Diego Viramontes

Public Comments: Phil Corr

Council Action: It was moved Gonzales, second by Perez to approve the Resolution 2024-58 as presented.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT:

PASSED 5-0

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

14. RECEIVE AND FILE THE CITY OF MCFARLAND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 2023.

Recommended Action: Receive and file

Presented by City Auditor

Public Comments: Phil Corr

Council Action: It was moved Cano, second by Gonzeles to receive and file as presented.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT:

PASSED 5-0

15. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-59 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND APPROVING THE TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM POLICY

Recommended Action: Approve Resolution 2024-59

Presented by Serrena McCuan

Public Comments: None.

Council Action: It was moved by Cano, second by A. Ayon to approve the Resolution 2024-59 as presented.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT:

PASSED 5-0

16. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-52 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND APPROVING STAFFING CHANGES TO THE

MCFARLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Recommended Action: Approve Resolution 2024-52

Presented by Chief Knox

Public Comments: Georgina Diaz

Council Action: It was moved by Cano, second by Perez to approve the Resolution 2024-52 as presented.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT:

PASSED 5-0

17. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-60 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND APPROVING A RESTRUCTURING OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL AND CODE ENFORCEMENT STAFFING

Recommended Action: Approve Resolution 2024-60

Presented by Chief Knox

Public Comments: None.

Council Action: It was moved by Gonzales, second by A. Perez to approve the Resolution 2024-59 as presented.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT:

PASSED 5-0

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following provided public comment:

1. Phil Corr – regarding cannabis.
2. Georgina Diaz – regarding police department.

COUNCIL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:

Mayor highlighted the work of the city staff, particularly finance staff in attendance.

REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON COMMITTEE/SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETINGS

- a) Delano Mosquito Abatement District (DMAD): Vice Mayor Cano provided update.
- b) Public Policy and Finance Committee: Council Member Gonzales provided update.
- c) Public Safety Committee: Mayor Ayon provided update.
- d) Quality of Life Committee: No update.

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Gonzales, second by A. Perez to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.



Paul Saldana
Deputy City Clerk

