

City of Fontana

8353 Sierra Avenue
Fontana, CA 92335



Minutes

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

2:00 PM

Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers

Special City Council Meeting

Acquanetta Warren - Mayor
Peter A. Garcia - Mayor Pro Tem
John B. Roberts - Council Member
Jesus "Jesse" Sandoval - Council Member
Phillip Cothran - Council Member
Germaine Key - City Clerk
Janet Koehler-Brooks, City Treasurer

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

A. 2:00 P.M. Call To Order/Roll Call:

The Special Meeting of the Fontana City Council was held on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers located at 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, CA 92335.

Mayor Warren called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Warren, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, Council Members Cothran, Roberts, and Sandoval.

ABSENT: None

City Clerk Key and City Treasurer Koehler-Brooks were also in attendance.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

A. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance:

The invocation was led by Council Member Roberts, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Public Communications

No public Communications were received.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia requested that both items "A and B" be pulled from the Consent Calendar for further discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia suggested making revisions on both the Decorum and Facility Use policies. The changes would be reflected in Section 3.5 and Section 3.6 of the Decorum policy and Section 3.1 of the Facility Usage policy.

Council Member Sandoval suggested putting aside some of the Rescue Plan Act Funds towards scholarships for San Bernardino County Seniors.

City Manager Matt Ballantyne provided clarification to City Council of the usage of the Rescue Plan Act Funds and the city's request to use the remaining funds for additional projects.

ACTION: Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, seconded by Council Member Roberts, and passed unanimously by a vote of 5-0 to adopt the Consent Calendar Items “A-B” with the amended changes to Item “A” and Council Member Sandoval voting NO on Consent Calendar Item “A”. The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, Roberts and Sandoval; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

- A.** Establish a decorum policy for City meetings and City facilities to create a safe and effective environment in which members of the public can participate and recreate. **21-2463**

1. Adopt the Policy for the Use of City Facilities and Other Public Property.
2. Adopt the City Council Meeting Policy.

- B.** Contract amendments between the County of San Bernardino and the City of Fontana to make improvements to Veterans Park and Jack Bulik Park. **21-2456**

1. Approve Amendment No. 1 to contract 22-837 between the County of San Bernardino and the City of Fontana increasing the contract by \$130,000, for a total contract amount to \$660,000 to make improvements to Veterans Park.
2. Approve Amendment No. 1 to contract 22-834 between the County of San Bernardino and the City of Fontana decreasing the contract by \$130,000, for a total contract amount of \$1,415,000 to make improvements to Jack Bulik Park.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FONTANA IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65858 EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM ON THE APPROVAL OF ANY BUILDING PERMIT, OCCUPANCY PERMIT, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, VARIANCE, SUBDIVISION MAP, DESIGN REVIEW, ADMINISTRATIVE SITE PLAN REVIEW OR OTHER LAND USE ENTITLEMENT OR PERMIT, OR REGULATORY LICENSE OR PERMIT REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OR SPECIFIC PLAN FOR SERVICE BASED, NON-ENTERTAINMENT USES FOR AN ADDITIONAL TEN (10) MONTHS AND FIFTEEN (15) DAYS. 21-2413**

Waive the reading of the text in its entirety, read by title only, and adopt **Ordinance No.1924**, “AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FONTANA IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65858 EXTENDING A MORATORIUM ON THE APPROVAL OF ANY BUILDING PERMIT, OCCUPANCY PERMIT, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, VARIANCE, SUBDIVISION MAP, DESIGN REVIEW, ADMINISTRATIVE SITE PLAN REVIEW OR OTHER LAND USE

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Mayor Warren opened the public hearing.

City Clerk Key noted for the record that the City Clerk’s Department received two (2) written correspondence in opposition of this item.

Deputy City Manager, Phillip Burum, provided the staff report.

The following individuals spoke in opposition of the item:

1. Ramona Thomas

Mayor Warren closed the public hearing.

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia to approve staff recommendation on Public Hearing Item “A”. The motion carried by a vote of 4-1 as follows: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran and Roberts; NOES: Sandoval; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS:

A. City Manager Communications

No City Manager Communications were received.

ELECTED OFFICIALS COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

A. Elected Officials Communications/Reports

City Treasure Koehler-Brooks, City Clerk Key and Council Member Cothran had no Elected Officials Communication Reports.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia commented on the well-intentioned but unsuccessful attempts at Revitalizing Downtown and the city’s success in planning efforts.

Council Member Sandoval commented on the reasoning behind not supporting Public Hearing Item “A”.

Council Member Roberts commented on continuing Fontana’s ability to finance public services and sales tax generation along Foothill Avenue and Sierra corridors.

Mayor Warren commented on her recent meeting with an organization that will bring help to all

small business and expressed interest in businesses that want to expand or improve their fascia in the front of their business or that need assistance in marketing efforts. Mayor Warren briefly spoke about her recent visit with a local business and the importance of eateries in the city.

ADJOURNMENT:

A. Adjournment

Mayor Warren adjourned the meeting at 2:38 p.m. to the next Regular City Council Meeting on September 12, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers located at 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California.

Susana Gallardo
Specialist to the Deputy City Clerk

THE FOREGOING MINUTES WERE ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE FONTANA CITY COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2023.

Germaine Key
City Clerk