

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
IN PERSON MEETING
September 28, 2023

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

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 Pérez, Councilmember Gonzalez

Councilmembers Absent: None

OFFICIALS PRESENT

City Manager Williams, City Attorney Hodges, Community Development Director Saldana, Finance Director Viramontes, Human Resources Director McCuan, Assistant Public Works Director Cabrera, Deputy City Clerk Drake

Officials Absent: Public Works Director Ortiz, Chief of Police Knox, City Clerk Alvarado

INVOCATION

Council Member Pérez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Saul Ayon

PRESENTATIONS, INTRODUCTIONS AND AWARDS

Mayor Saul Ayon presented an award to the American Legion Post 124

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Opened: 6:09 p.m.

1. Alma Velasco- Request for resources in missing person case.
2. Jessica Oliva- Request for services in missing person case.
3. Marisol Salinas- Request for community candlelight vigil.
4. Jaime Oliva Sr.- Request for search for mission person case.
5. Alma Oliva- Request for City to assist in missing person case.
6. Phil Corr- Cannabis stores coming to McFarland.

Closed: 6:17 p.m.

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.

1. Approval of the Expense Report in the Amount of \$202,447.68 from September 6, 2023 to September 19, 2023.
2. Approval of September 14, 2023, Special Meeting Minutes.
3. Approval of the September 19, Special Meeting Minutes.

Public Comments: None

Motion was made by: Councilmember A. Ayon to approve the entire consent agenda; 2nd by: Councilmember M. Pérez

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Full consensus

PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No.0010-2023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP FOR ASSESSOR'S PARCELS 060-420-14, 060-420-20, 060-420-21, 060-420-24, 060-420-23, AND 060-420-13.

- **Staff Report: Community Development Director, Paul Saldana**

- a. Opened Public Hearing and Receive Public Testimony: 6:19 p.m.

No Comments from the public were presented.

- b. Closed Public Hearing: 6:19 p.m.

- c. Motion was made by: Councilmember Cano to Waive the Reading of the Ordinance Text in its Entirety, Read by Title Only, and Adopt Ordinance No.0010-2023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP FOR ASSESSOR'S PARCELS 060-420-14, 060-420-20, 060-420-21, 060-420-24, 060-420-23, AND 060-420-13; 2nd by: Councilmember A. Ayon.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Full consensus

- d. Mayor Ayon directed Staff to Post Within 15 days of its Passage in Designated Posting Locations.

5. Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No.0011-2023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND AMENDING MCFARLAND MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTERS 1.08.010 RELATED TO POSTINGS.

- **Staff Report: City Manager, Kenny Williams**

- a. Opened Public Hearing and Receive Public Testimony: 6:22 p.m.

No Comments from the public were presented.

- b. Closed Public Hearing: 6:22 p.m.

- c. Motion was made by: Councilmember Pérez to Waive the Reading of the Ordinance Text in its Entirety, Read by Title Only, and Introduce Ordinance No.0011-2023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND AMENDING MCFARLAND MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTERS 1.08.010 RELATED TO POSTINGS.; 2nd by: Councilmember A. Ayon.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

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

NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
Full consensus

- d. Mayor directed Staff to Schedule Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 0011-2023 for the Next Regular City Council Meeting of October 12, 2023.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

6. Motion was made by: Councilmember A. Ayon to Approve of Resolution No. 2023-0119 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND APPROVING THE CREATION AND FILLING OF A TEMPORARY ACCOUNTING CLERK I POSITION TO ENSURE CONTINUOUS OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT; 2nd by: Councilmember Gonzalez.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

AYES: S. Ayon, R. Cano, A. Ayon, M. Pérez, A. Gonzalez
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
Full consensus

7. Motion was made by: Councilmember A. Ayon to Approve of Resolution No.2023-0120 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND APPROVING A JOB DESCRIPTION FOR AN ADDITIONAL FULL TIME OR PART TIME TRANSIT DRIVER; 2nd by: Vice Mayor Cano.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

AYES: S. Ayon, R. Cano, A. Ayon, M. Pérez, A. Gonzalez
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
Full consensus

8. Motion was made by: Councilmember A. Ayon to Approve of Resolution No.2023-0121 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND, AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,609.25 FROM THE CITY'S ENTERPRISE FUND DESIGNATED FOR WATER SERVICES; 2nd by: Councilmember Gonzalez.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5/0

AYES: S. Ayon, R. Cano, A. Ayon, M. Pérez, A. Gonzalez
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
Full consensus

REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON COMMITTEE/SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETINGS

- a. Kern Council of Governments (KCOG) Mayor Ayon- Nothing to Report
b. Kern Economic Development Corp. (KEDC) Mayor Ayon- Nothing to Report
c. Kern Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Mayor Ayon- Nothing to Report
d. Delano Mosquito Abatement District (DMAD) Vice Mayor Cano- Nothing to Report
e. Poso Creek (IRWMP) Councilmember Gonzalez- Nothing to Report
f. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJV) Councilmember Ayon- Nothing to Report
g. Public Policy and Finance Committee- Mayor Ayon & Councilmember Gonzalez – Meeting cancelled
h. Public Safety Committee – Mayor Ayon & Vice Mayor Cano – Meeting cancelled

- i. Quality of Life Committee – Councilmember A. Ayon & Councilmember Gonzalez – Hired a new employee who has animal control experience and has worked with the city of Shafter. Committee is moving in the right direction with the usage of City Council Chambers.
- j. Cannabis Committee – Mayor Ayon & Councilmember Pérez – Nothing to Report

COUNCIL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS


1. Councilmember Pérez thanked the Oliva family for speaking. Went to League of Cities and was able to learn new ways to improve the community. Thanked the public for giving her the opportunity to attend.
2. Councilmember Gonzalez expressed her condolences to the Oliva family. Hopes the Council can assist the family in the search. Hopes to utilize and share what she learned at the League of Cities Conference.
3. Councilmember A. Ayon expressed his condolences and hope the City Council can try to help as much as possible. Thanked the public for their involvement. Asks community to be aware children are in the street more this time of year. Asks community to participate in events like the upcoming Trunk or Treat.
4. Vice Mayor Cano thanked the public for their attendance. Expressed that the Oliva family has his support. He would like to assist them and make sure the right areas are being safely searched.
5. Mayor S. Ayon expressed his condolences to the Oliva family. He would like to put together a search committee. He attended the League of Cities conference. In the process of advancing the city's issue with flooding. Thanked the public for attending the meeting.

Open session adjourned at 6:35 p.m. City Council continued to Closed Session

CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (§ 54956.9): Lopez/Sigala v. City of McFarland, et al. [Claim No.: FR99822] USDC- EASTERN DISTRICT – FRESNO DIVISION Case No. 1:22-CV-00106-DAD-BAK
2. Liability Claims (§ 54961): Claimant:(Gemmalyn Tom) against City of McFarland

ADJOURNMENT



Sarah Drake, Deputy City Clerk

