

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
IN PERSON MEETING
October 12, 2023

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

Councilmembers Absent: Mayor S. Ayon

OFFICIALS PRESENT

City Manager Williams, City Attorney Hodges, Chief of Police Knox, Community Development Director Saldana, Finance Director Viramontes, Human Resources Director McCuan, Assistant Public Works Director Cabrera, City Clerk Alvarado

Officials Absent: Public Works Director Ortiz

INVOCATION

Councilmember Gonzalez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Pérez

APPROVE AGENDA AS TO FORM

Motion was made by: Councilmember Pérez; 2nd by: Councilmember A. Ayon.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4/0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: S. Ayon

Full consensus

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.

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

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comment was Opened at: 6:04 p.m. No Comments from the Public Were Presented. Public Comment Closed at 6:04 p.m.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

1. Community Development Director, Paul Saldaña – Quarterly Update

Community Development Director Saldaña gave brief quarterly updates to the City Council and Community with a power point presentation.

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 \$764,800.92 from 09/20/2023 to 10/03/2023.
3. Approval of the Payroll Report in the Amount of \$304,316.72 for the month of September 2023.
4. Approval of August 24, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.
5. Approval of August 25, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes.
6. Approval of the September 28, 2023 Special Closed Session Meeting Minutes.
7. Approval of the September 28, 2023 Special Open Session Meeting Minutes.
8. Approval of the September 28, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.

No comments from the public were presented.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4/0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: S. Ayon

Full consensus

PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. Second Reading and Adoption 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. Open Public Hearing and Receive Public Testimony: Vice Mayor Cano opened the public hearing at 6:14 p.m. No comments from the public were presented. Public hearing was closed at 6:14 p.m..
 - b. A Motion was made by: Council member Pérez to Waive the Reading of the Ordinance Text in its Entirety, Read by Title Only, and Adopt 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: 4/0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: S. Ayon

Full consensus

- c. Vice Mayor Cano directed Staff to Post Within fifteen days of its Passage in designated Posting Locations.

10. Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No.0012-2023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND UPDATING TITLE 8 AND TITLE 10 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE.

- Staff Report: Community Development Director, Paul Saldaña
 - a. Open Public Hearing and Receive Public Testimony: Vice Mayor Cano opened the public hearing at 6:17 p.m. No comments from the public were received. Public hearing closed at 6:18 p.m.
 - b. Motion was made by: Councilmember A. Ayon to Waive the Reading of the Ordinance Text in its Entirety, Read by Title Only, and Introduce Ordinance No.0012-2023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND UPDATING TITLE 8 AND TITLE 10 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE; 2nd by: Councilmember Pérez.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4/0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: S. Ayon

Full consensus

- c. Vice Mayor Cano directed Staff to Schedule Second Reading and Adoption.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

11. A motion was made by: Councilmember A. Ayon to approve Resolution No. 2023- 0125 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS FOR BUILDING INSPECTION AND PLAN CHECK SERVICES; 2nd by: Councilmember Gonzalez.

No comments from the public were presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4/0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: S. Ayon

Full consensus

12. A motion was made by: Councilmember Pérez to approve Resolution No. 2023- 0127 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND ACCEPTING THE WATER, SEWER, AND SOLID WASTE UTILITY RATE STUDY REPORTS, APPROVING THE PROPOSED FIVE-YEAR RATE SCHEDULES INCLUDED IN THE UTILITY RATE STUDIES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024, SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF DECEMBER 14, 2023, FOR ADOPTION OF PROPOSED RATES AND AUTHORIZING THE MAILING OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES TO PROPERTY OWNERS AND UTILITY CUSTOMERS; 2nd by: Councilmember A. Ayon.

- *Chris Fisher from Willdan Financial Services was present. He gave a brief power point presentation on the rate study and process for the City Council and the Public and was available for any questions.*

No comments from the public were presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4/0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: S. Ayon

Full consensus

13. A motion was made by: Councilmember A. Ayon to Approve Resolution No.2023- 0128 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND APPROVING FUNDS FROM THE CITY'S ENTERPRISE FUND (WATER) TO REHABILITATE THE BROWNING WELL; 2nd by: Councilmember Pérez.

No comments from the public were presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4/0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: S. Ayon

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) -Vice Mayor mentioned that Mayor Ayon was absent due to LAFCO Conference attendance.
- d. Delano Mosquito Abatement District (DMAD) Vice Mayor Cano- Gave brief update on mosquito issues around the county.
- 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 – Nothing to Report.
- h. Public Safety Committee – Mayor Ayon & Vice Mayor Cano – Nothing to report.
- i. Quality of Life Committee – Councilmember A. Ayon & Councilmember Gonzalez –Nothing to report.
- j. Cannabis Committee – Mayor Ayon & Councilmember Pérez – Nothing to Report

COUNCIL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

1. Councilmember Pérez thanked the public watching on Facebook live and the ones who attended the meeting in person.
2. Councilmember Gonzalez thanked the staff for the PowerPoint presentations and the public for their attendance.
3. Councilmember A. Ayon thanked the public for their attendance. He expressed the need for the water rate study and thanked the staff for the presentation.
4. Vice Mayor Cano informed the community that they are doing everything they can to fix the Browning Road Well situation. He informed them that they were in the rehabilitation process and thanked the city staff and council for their efforts to help find solutions to the issue.

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by: Councilmember Pérez and seconded by Councilmember Gonzalez with a full consensus to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4/0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: S. Ayon

Full consensus



Francisca Alvarado, City Clerk

