SAN JOAQUIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER – Called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Dhaliwal at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM -

Julia Hernandez Absent
Amarpreet Dhaliwal Present
Abel Lua Present
Jose Ornelas Present
Betty Vallejo Present

Staff present was Elizabeth Nunez, City Manager; Hilda Montoy, City Attorney and Diana Brooks, City Clerk.

Guest Present – See Attached

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –

Motion: Councilmember Lua moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vallejo and approved by the following vote: 5 Ayes

3. PRESENTATION(s) – No Presentations

Mayor Hernandez arrived at 6:07 P.M.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR -

A. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2017 – Staff to review prior meeting recording and bring back any additions -

B. Approval - Warrant #'s 048491 - 048633 –

Motion: Councilmember Lua moved to approve item 4 B as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ornelas and approved by the following vote: 5 Ayes

5. SHERIFF REPORT –

6. CITY MANAGER REPORT – Informational

7. PUBLIC FORUM –

• Angelina Aguilar – Thank you to the council on raising the rates of dog license so they won’t take advantage. Also, she had spoken with Elizabeth and would like to make payments on her house for 20 years.
• Eva Luna – What happened to the street sweeper is it not working? Also, there are lots of dogs out she’s not walking because pit bulls are out.

City Manager stated the city has 1 person who is licensed to drive the sweeper and he’s been out of work for a few weeks. Tomorrow the sweeper will be back on the street.

8. OLD BUSINESS –


Motion: Councilmember Ornelas moved to waive the second reading and approve Ordinance No. 2017-102 Addition to Title IX of the San Joaquin Municipal Code Relating to Vacant, Blighted Building-Registration and Maintenance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lua and approved by the following vote: 5 Ayes

9. NEW BUSINESS –

A. Report and Recommendation- Consideration and approval of the License Agreement between The City of San Joaquin and Crescent View West Public Charter, Inc. –

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Dhaliwal moved to approve the License Agreement between The City of San Joaquin and Crescent View West Public Charter, Inc.. The motion was seconded by Mayor Hernandez and approved by the following vote: 5 Ayes

B. Report and Recommendation- Consideration and Direction regarding Animal Control: Update on current matters regarding services –

Discussion regarding an overflow of dogs that have been picked up and kennels are impacted due to the fact there is no longer a facility to take the animals. After much discussion the following was directed to staff:

1. Pet owners should take accountability of their own dogs
2. Place photo of picked up dogs on city’s facebook page
3. Every dog will have a micro chip
4. Pursue facility for euthanasia of unclaimed dogs
5. Try and locate another veterinarian
6. Staff to be trained by humane society (minimal fee) on how to administer shots to the dogs
7. Staff to be trained on fire arm certification
8. Prioritize job duties when called to pick up loose dogs
Motion: Councilmember Vallejo moved to approve the recommendations regarding the overcrowding of the city’s kennels. The motion was seconded by Mayor Hernandez and approved by the following vote: 5 Ayes

10. CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT – No Items

11. COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA ITEMS -

Mayor Pro Tem Dhaliwal –
- He noted the high school students walked out regarding DACA – He was in Washington DC and spoke with Congressman Valadao and Senator Feinstein they both understand and did not feel comfortable with piece meal immigration of DACA & Dreamers
- He was at Fresno State regarding measure C – The awarded $29M to help transportation Institutes – FCTA and COG

Councilmember Ornelas –
- WELL training until March – Majority of elected officials afraid of water issues, should prepare to what happened in LA not out of the drought yet, water issues are in the whole state. How to get prepared. PG&E will help communities to make a presentation.
- Business Hispanic Chamber meeting in LA – Will help us to get a business such as a pharmacy or other businesses we may need.
- 12 loans to be paid back – send them a letter so when the time comes when they will know what they owe.

12. CLOSED SESSION-

A. Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9)
   Juan Sandoval v. City of San Joaquin

B. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Government Code Section 54956.8)
   Property: West Hills Daycare site located at 22058 A, Railroad Ave., San Joaquin
   Agency Negotiator: City Manager
   Under Negotiation: Price, terms of payment for lease of property

C. Conference with Legal Counsel: Liability Claims (Government Code Section 54956.95)
   Claimant: Jose Ornelas
   Agency Claimed Against: City of San Joaquin

Went into closed session at 7:32 P.M. – Councilman Ornelas left the meeting
Came out at 8:22 P.M. Mayor reported:

Items 12A and 12B - No reportable action.

Item 12C – Claim by Jose Ornelas against the city regarding the applicant’s claim of $1,339.66 to be considered – The vote was to deny the claim:
Mayor Hernandez – No; Mayor Pro Tem Dhaliwal – No; Councilmember Lua – No; Councilmember Vallejo – Yes

13. ADJOURN MEETING –

Motion: Councilmember Vallejo moved to adjourn the council meeting at 8:24 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lua and approved by the following vote: 3 Ayes, 1 Absent (Councilmember Ornelas)