

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Luna called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Bishop Terry Nelson from the Church of Latter Day Saints offered the invocation, and Mayor Luna led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

Councilmember Richard C. Cook, Councilmember John T. Procter, Vice Mayor Laura Flores Espinosa, and Mayor Ray C. Luna responded to roll call. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz, City Attorney Phillip H. Romney, and Deputy City Clerk Josephine G. Herrera were also present. Councilmember Donald L. Johnson was absent due to his having to work. City Clerk Steven J. Salas arrived at 6:36 p.m.

### **PRESENTATION**

#### A. Proclamation Recognizing Santa Paula's Foster Families

Councilmember Procter presented a proclamation to County Supervisor Kathy Long recognizing Santa Paula's Foster Families. Ms. Long thanked the City Council for their consideration and spoke regarding the need for foster parents in Santa Paula. She also introduced Superior Judge Charles Campbell. Judge Charles Campbell thanked the City Council for recognizing the need for foster parents, and asked the community to reach out and become foster parents. He also introduced Trish Cavanaugh, County of Ventura Foster Care Program Administrator. Trish Cavanaugh distributed the annual report of foster care, and introduced Ted Meyers, Social Worker Kathy de la Torre, Irene Jenay, Foster Parent Matt Becker, the Robles Family, Mrs. Ruiz, and the Gonzales Family.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Luna expressed his concerns regarding the weekend political activities, and urged everyone to keep citizen behavior in order.

Mark Delgado, 105 Sonoma Lane, expressed his concerns with negativity during the election season and with political signs being removed by an elected official.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

It was moved by Councilmember Cook, seconded by Vice Mayor Espinosa, to waive the reading of Ordinances and Resolutions appearing on the Consent Calendar; to waive the reading of all other Resolutions appearing on the Agenda; to read all other Ordinances appearing on the Agenda, in title only; and to adopt the Consent Calendar as presented.

Under roll call vote, Councilmember Cook, Councilmember Procter, Vice Mayor Espinosa, and Mayor Luna were in favor. Councilmember Johnson was absent. The Consent Calendar was adopted.

A. Warrants and Certifications – Approved the Warrants and Certifications dated October 14, 2002. (88-2)

Wire Transfers	\$ 54,678.44
Salaries	\$ 597,873.25
Invoices	\$ 690,766.91
TOTAL	\$1,343,318.60

B. Minutes – Adopted the Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of October 7, 2002. (50-6)

C. Minutes – Adopted the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of October 7, 2002. (50-6)

D. Council Expense and City Manager Travel Monthly Report of Transactions – Reviewed and filed the attached reports. Finance Director Alvertina Rivera’s report dated October 4, 2002. (50-6/88-4)

E. September Monthly Report of Transactions - Reviewed and filed the attached monthly transactions report. Finance Director Avertina Rivera’s report dated October 4, 2002. (88-4)

F. Approval of an Amendment to Agreement to Drill Groundwater Monitoring Well in the Public Right-of-way; Allowing Circle K Stores, Inc., to Drill Four Additional Groundwater Monitoring Wells in the Public Right-of-way Near Their Facility Located at 765 W. Harvard Boulevard - Approved the attached Amendment No. 2 to Drill Groundwater Monitoring Well in the Public Right-of-way with Circle K Stores, and authorized the Public Works Director/City Engineer to execute the amendment on behalf of the City. Public Works Director/City Engineer Norman S. Wilkinson’s report dated October 11, 2002. (136)

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

A. Community Center Roof Replacement, Project No. 02.03.238 OTH, Award of Contract - (136)

Public Works Director/City Engineer Norman S. Wilkinson’s report dated October 9, 2002. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz stated that due to concerns with the bid, staff had asked to remove this item from the agenda and have it brought back at a future meeting.

- B. Safety at Crosswalks and
- C. Traffic Safety for the Crosswalk at Ventura and Tenth Streets – (162)

Public Works Director/City Engineer Norman S. Wilkinson provided a verbal report on the City's flashing light program for crosswalks. He responded to a question regarding whether the City has considered an employee exchange program with another agency to complete this project by stating that the City participates in mutual aid for emergencies, but not for routine, day-to-day work. He also spoke briefly on the flashing crosswalk project installed by City staff at the City of Port Hueneme, and noted that because eight to nine crosswalks are planned for Santa Paula, that it would be inappropriate to divide Santa Paula's project into separate projects due to State law bidding requirements. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz added that staff would be presenting a report in December with the status of all capital improvement projects.

A discussion ensued regarding the City's terminated crossing guard program, which was terminated in the 1980s due to the responsibility for administration and costs being transferred to the school districts, and a discussion regarding training for volunteer crossing guards.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Norman S. Wilkinson responded to a question regarding the LED crosswalk project by stating that the bids received were higher than expected, and that staff is in the process of performing a traffic study of Tenth and Ventura Street to see if it meets the State warrant for installation of more than flashing lights. The City Council asked that this be referred and agendaized for the Santa Paula Elementary School District/City Council Joint Committee.

- D. Junior Council (50-6)

Derek Luna, 634 N. Ninth Street, spoke in favor of the City having a Junior Council.

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz reviewed the types of youth representation in other communities, and stated that it is challenging to find youth interested in serving on this type of body.

A discussion ensued regarding having a written report on all potential options for youth representation to include what it would take to initiate a Junior Council, whether the intent is to have an advisory committee, practice parliamentary procedures, and/or educational experience.

- E. Requirements from Other Cities for Special Events - (86)

Community Services Director Brian J. Yanez reported on the requirements from several cities in Ventura County and the City of San Luis Obispo. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz added that this information would be made available to the City Council as a pass-through memorandum.

Pam Colvard, 15315 Ojai Road, spoke regarding her experience with events planning, and asked to City Council to consider: 1) allocating funds to be used for each event; 2) continued support from City staff; 3) reasonable fees; 4) continued support from City services to include the Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works, and Building and Safety; 5) a future agenda item to discuss events planning; and 6) allowing events planners to purchase a rider on the City's insurance policy that covers all vendors.

F. Training City Hall Staff on City Yard Issues - (144)

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz stated that he is proposing to address customer service in general and would work with the Department Heads during an upcoming retreat.

G. Resolution in Support of Proposition 46 - The Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2002

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz's report dated October 10, 2002.

Ellen Brokaw, 3430 Ojai Road, spoke in support of Proposition 46.

Dora Crouch, 739 Yale Street, Apt. 6B, spoke in support of Proposition 46.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Espinosa, seconded by Councilmember Procter, to adopt Resolution No. 5534 in support of Proposition 46.

Under to roll call vote, Councilmember Procter, Vice Mayor Espinosa, and Mayor Luna were in favor. Councilmember Cook was opposed. Councilmember Johnson was absent. The motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 5534**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA PAULA  
SUPPORTING PROPOSITION 46 - THE HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTER  
TRUST FUND ACT OF 2002

**CITY COMMUNICATIONS**

A discussion ensued regarding the possibility of the City Council going “dark” for the November 4, 2002 City Council Meeting due to the November 5 election. City Attorney Phillip H. Romney advised that this should have been agendaized in order to consider this request; however, one possibility would be not to have a quorum at the November 4 meeting. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz added that staff could place nothing on the agenda, post it, notify the press and the public, and have staff available at the appointed hour to let people know there would not be a meeting.

Councilmember Procter mentioned that the Ghost Walk would be held one more weekend at the California Oil Museum. He also mentioned that he met with the Santa Paula Association of Skaters and congratulated them and Purkiss Rose on the great ideas for the skate park.

The City Council allowed Gerard Kapuscik to take Vice Mayor Espinosa’s turn for City Communications.

Gerard Kapuscik, 3625 Loma Vista Road, expressed his concerns with one of the law firms engaged by the City declaring a conflict of interest in representing the City’s Police Chief on an issue that has not been discussed by the City Council. He urged the City Council to consider placing a policy so that this type of situation does not occur again in the future.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

It was moved by Councilmember Procter, seconded by Councilmember Cook, for staff to bring back a report on insurance in regards to events planning and the use of increased city services, reasonable fees, city staff support, and allocation for special events. Under roll call vote, Councilmember Cook, Councilmember Procter, Vice Mayor Espinosa, and Mayor Luna were in favor. Councilmember Johnson was absent. The motion carried.

It was moved by Mayor Luna, seconded by Councilmember Cook, to have staff get together with the school district to find out about joint responsibility for crosswalks, see if there is any money available not only from the school district but from the City, and a joint partnership for funding crossing guards. Under roll call vote, Councilmember Cook, Councilmember Procter, Vice Mayor Espinosa, and Mayor Luna were in favor. Councilmember Johnson was absent. The motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Luna adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

ATTEST:

Steven J. Salas  
City Clerk