

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Gonzales called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Al Guilin led the invocation and City Clerk Josie Herrera led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmember Gabino Aguirre, Councilmember John T. Procter, Councilmember Ray C. Luna, Vice Mayor Ralph J. Fernandez, and Mayor Robert S. Gonzales responded to roll call. City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz, City Attorney Karl H. Berger, City Clerk Josie Guzman Herrera, and Acting Deputy City Clerk Tiffany Leon were also present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Public Comment.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS TO DEPARTING COUNCILMEMBERS AND CITY CLERK**

Mayor Gonzales presented a City Tile and Proclamation to City Clerk Josie G. Herrera.

Mayor Gonzales presented a City Tile and Proclamation to Councilmember Ray C. Luna.

Mayor Gonzales presented a City Tile and Proclamation to Councilmember John T. Procter.

**COMMENTS FROM DEPARTING CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AND CITY CLERK**

City Clerk Josie G. Herrera thanked her family, staff, and the community for their support.

Councilmember Ray C. Luna thanked staff for their efforts and his family and community for their support. Mr. Luna spoke in regards to the projects that were accomplished during his two terms in the City Council.

Councilmember Procter thanked the community for the opportunity to serve on the City Council. Mr. Procter spoke in regards to the accomplishments of the City Council. Lastly, he thanked staff for their support.

### **OATH OF OFFICE**

City Clerk Josie G. Herrera administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Councilmembers Jim Tovias and Fred W. Robinson, and to City Clerk Judy Rice, and to newly re-elected City Treasurer Sandra Easley.

### **SEATING OF ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Councilmember Fred W. Robinson and Councilmember Jim Tovias took their seats at the dais.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILMEMBERS**

City Treasurer Sandra Easley thanked the community for their support.

City Clerk Judy Rice thanked the community for their support and stated that she looks forward to serving the community as the new City Clerk.

Councilmember Fred W. Robinson acknowledged Ray C. Luna and John T. Procter for their hard work and thanked his supporters and the people who helped him with his campaign. Lastly, Mr. Robinson gave special thanks to his wife and children and expressed he looked forward to serving the community for the next four years.

Councilmember Jim Tovias thanked his wife and the people who supported him during his campaign. Mr. Tovias expressed he looked forward to serving the community and stated he commits to doing his best for the residents of Santa Paula.

### **ROLL CALL**

Councilmember Gabino Aguirre, Councilmember Fred W. Robinson, Councilmember Jim Tovias, Vice Mayor Ralph J. Fernandez, and Mayor Robert S. Gonzales responded to roll call.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

A. Review Procedure for Election of Mayor and Vice Mayor

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz's report dated November 24, 2008.

B. Selection Process for the Mayor of the City of Santa Paula

City Clerk Judy Rice declared that the office of Mayor of the City of Santa Paula was vacant, and opened the nominations.

It was moved by Mayor Gonzales, seconded by Councilmember Aguirre to nominate Ralph J. Fernandez as Mayor.

It was moved by Councilmember Tovias, seconded by Councilmember Robinson to close the nominations. All were in favor under roll call vote and the motion carried.

Under roll call vote to nominate Ralph J. Fernandez as Mayor, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Fernandez presented a gavel plaque to Councilmember Robert S. Gonzales and thanked him for his hard work.

C. Selection Process for the Vice Mayor

Mayor Fernandez opened the nominations for Vice Mayor of the City of Santa Paula.

It was moved by Councilmember Gonzales, seconded by Councilmember Robinson to nominate Jim Tovias as Vice Mayor.

It was moved by Councilmember Gonzales, seconded by Mayor Fernandez to close the nominations. All were in favor under roll call vote and the motion carried.

Under roll call vote to nominate Jim Tovias as Vice Mayor, all were in favor and the motion carried.

D. Holiday Season Filming Restrictions

Community Services Director Brian Yanez's report dated November 25, 2008.

It was moved by Councilmember Gonzales, seconded by Councilmember Aguirre to approve the request by Jeff Smith of Partizan Entertainment to film in the downtown on December 10, 2008. All were in favor under roll call vote and the motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

No Communications.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

No Future Agenda Items.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Fernandez adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Judy Rice  
City Clerk