

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Procter called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmember Jenny Crosswhite, Councilmember Ginger Gherardi, Councilmember James A. Tovias, Vice Mayor Martin F. Hernandez, and Mayor John Procter responded to roll call. City Manager Jaime M. Fontes, City Attorney John C. Cotti and City Clerk Judy Rice were also present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

**CLOSED SESSION**

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1) – *In re City of Santa Paula v. Santa Paula Water, LLC, et al.*; Arbitration proceeding (Formally initiated) – JAMS Ref. # 1210031284..

Mayor Procter recessed the City Council to a closed session at 5:30 p.m. and reconvened the City Council into the Regular Meeting at 6:15 p.m. Mayor Procter recessed the City Council at 6:15 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Procter called the meeting to order at 6:430 p.m. Deacon Al Guilin led the invocation and Vice Mayor Hernandez led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Jenny Crosswhite, Ginger Gherardi and James A. Tovias, Vice Mayor Martin F. Hernandez and Mayor John Procter responded to roll call. City Manager Jaime M. Fontes, City Attorney John C. Cotti, City Clerk Judy Rice and Deputy City Clerk Lucy Blanco were also present.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

No reportable action.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Nikki Dryden, 411 E. Santa Barbara Street thanked Chief McLean for responding to her complains to have a couch picked up from Santa Barbara Street after multiple calls to Public Works.

Kevin Beyer, 1157 Say Road, spoke regarding the need for police protection. He asked that Council work with the citizen's group to find attainable goals for protection for the community.

Ronda McKaig, 1332 Woodland Drive, congratulated all Councils for their victory. She spoke on behalf of Citizens for a Safer Santa Paula Group. She asked that Council provide a plan and work with the citizen's group to find ways they can provide support for Council for a safer Santa Paula.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Gherardi shared regarding the accident scene at Peck and Foothill Road. She stated that something needs to be improved such as flashing lights or consideration of raised pavement markers at this area.

Mayor Procter shared regarding the Santa and Me event taking next week at Las Piedras Park Store Front.

**APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA**

It was moved by Councilmember Tovias, seconded by Vice Mayor Hernandez to approve final agenda as presented. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Gherardi pulled Item 9E and Mayor Procter pulled Item 9F. It was moved by Councilmember Tovias, seconded by Vice Mayor Hernandez to approve the Consent Calendar as amended. All were in favor and the motion carried.

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- A. Waiver of Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions– Waive reading of Ordinances and Resolutions appearing on the Agenda.
- B. Receive and File Reimbursement Reports– In accordance with Government Code §§ 53232.2, 53232.3, and Resolution No. 6258, receive and file reimbursement reports as specified.
- C. Minutes - It is recommended that the City Council approve the Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting of December 15, 2014 and Special City Council Meeting of December 22, 2014. Deputy City Clerk Lucy Blanco's report dated December 30, 2014.
- D. Notice of Completion Fire Station 82 Addition Project - It is recommended that the City Council: (1) accept the construction of the Fire Station 82 Addition Project; (2) authorize staff to record the Notice of Completion; (3) authorize staff to record the closeout of this project; and (4) take such additional related action that may desirable. Fire Chief Richard C. Araiza's report dated December 8, 2014.

**CONSENT CALENDAR (SEPARATE ACTION ITEMS)**

- E. Set up of Council Email Accounts - It is recommended that City Council: (1) authorize the assigning of individual email addresses to elected officials; (2) adopt Resolution No. 6910 to require the City Council's use of the City's electronic mail system to conform to the City's Electronic Mail and Internet Use Policy; and (3) take such additional, related action as may be desirable. City Manager Jaime M. Fontes' report dated December 8, 2014.

It was moved by Councilmember Gherardi, seconded by Councilmember Tovias to authorize the assigning of individual email addresses to elected officials and adopt Resolution No. 6910 to require the City Council's use of the City's electronic mail system to conform to the City's Electronic Mail and Internet Use Policy. All were in favor and the motion carried.

- F. Consideration and Possible Action to Appoint the City's Labor Negotiating Team -

City Manager Jaime M. Fontes' report dated December 9, 2014.

Chris Mahon, Ventura County Firefighters Association Representative, asked that the City consider continuing to conduct negotiations with current negotiation group without having to use an outside negotiation group.

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Danny Carrillo, SEIU Local 721 asked that Council consider maintaining the current staff negotiating team before making a decision on this proposal.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hernandez, seconded by Councilmember Gherardi to appoint Lorena Alvarez, Sandy Easley & Elisabeth Paniagua' s as the City's Labor Negotiation Team.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Procter recused himself due to conflict.

- A. 2006- CDP-02 East Area 1 Specific Plan Amendment and Vesting

This item was continued for a future meeting.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- A. Update on the Fire at the Santa Clara Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant-

Fire Chief Rick Araiza's report dated December 9, 2014.

Rose Coughlin, 330 Arden Ave, Glendale, CA, questioned the Council as to why Patriot is being allowed to continue involvement after the incident.

Bill Stratton and Chris Stevens from Environmental Health; Matt Carol, Executive Assistant for Mike Powers; and Henry Gonzales, Ventura County Ag Commissioner all provided information regarding the incident at the Santa Clara Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant.

It was moved by Councilmember Tovias, seconded by Vice Mayor Hernandez to receive and file this report. All were in favor and the motion carried.

### **RECESSED TO BREAK**

Mayor Procter recessed the City Council to a break at 8:15 p.m.

**RECONVENED TO THE REGULAR MEETING**

Mayor Procter reconvened the City Council at 8:30 p.m.

C. Study Session Led by Thomas Gardner, DPA on the Status of the 2014-2015 Budget -

City Manager Jaime M. Fontes' report dated December 10, 2014.

It was moved by Councilmember Gherardi, seconded by Councilmember Tovas to receive and file the report. All were in favor and the motion carried.

B. Discussion and Possible Action to Provide Translation Services at City Council Meetings -

Assistant to the City Manager Elisabeth Paniagua's report dated December 9, 2014.

It was moved by Councilmember Gherardi seconded by Mayor Procter to receive and file the report and authorize the City Manager to contract with a professional translation service temporarily until the mid-year budget when this item can be addressed and request that staff to return to Council February 17, 2015 with a scope of work and cost associated from a translation service. Under roll call vote, Councilmembers Gherardi and Crosswhite, Vice Mayor Hernandez and Mayor Procter were in favor. Councilmember Tovas was opposed. The motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

City Manager Fontes shared regarding upcoming items for future meetings: Mayor's Standing Committee selection, Council Goal Setting and Mid-year budget.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

It was moved by Councilmember Tovas, seconded by Councilmember Gherardi to request that Chief McLean provide an update regarding the influx of release of prisoners and how we can mitigate the problem. All were in favor and the motion carried.

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It was moved by Councilmember Gherardi, seconded by Councilmember Tovas to request that a joint meeting be scheduled with the full School Board regarding joint use of facilities and joint grants. All were in favor and the motion carried.

It was moved by Councilmember Gherardi, seconded by Mayor Procter to request that staff provide a report on sales tax audit. All were in favor and the motion carried.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hernandez, seconded by Councilmember Tovas to request that staff to return at future meeting with a report on Redevelopment Agency (RDA) status; an update on the accounting system, an update on City lease and rent review; and a full cost recovery policy. All were in favor and the motion carried.

It was moved by Mayor Procter, seconded by Vice Mayor Hernandez to consider a presentation to Council by Kosmont. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Procter adjourned the Meeting at 10:04 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Judy Rice  
City Clerk

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