

Minutes

City of Soledad Joint
City Council/Successor Agency
Regular Meeting

August 01, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fred Ledesma called the City Council/Successor Agency Meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The Following Councilmembers/Agencymembers were present when the meeting was called to order:

Mayor/Chair	Fred Ledesma
Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair	Alejandro Chavez
Councilmember/Agencymember	Carla Stewart
Councilmember/Agencymember	Anna Velazquez (Arrived at 5:33 p.m.)

THE FOLLOWING COUNCILMEMBERS WERE ABSENT

Councilmember/Agencymember Christopher Bourke

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- None

MEETING RECESSED FOR CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Fred Ledesma recessed to Closed Session at 5:33 p.m.

MEETING RECONVENED

Mayor Fred Ledesma reconvened from Closed Session at approximately 6:03 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION REPORTS

1. The City Council will recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) to confer with its attorney regarding pending litigation which has been initiated formally – Claim of Sansone.
2. The City Council will recess to closed session to consider personnel matters pursuant to Government Code Section 54957- continued employment/evaluation of City Manager.

3. The City Council will recess to closed session to meet with its designated representatives regarding labor relations matters pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 the unrepresented employee is the City Manager.

The City Attorney Michael Rodriguez reported that with respect to item #1, Council provided direction to legal counsel. No other reportable action taken.

With respect to items #2 and #3 which were done at the same time, Council discussed process and procedure with respect to evaluation and employment issues related to the City Manager. No decisions were made. No other reportable action taken

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led Diana Garrett

PEACEBUILDERS' PLEDGE was led by Don Wilcox

ADDITIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

- None

MAYOR/COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Ledesma reported that the annual ACCAPS 2018 conference will be held on August 9, 2018.

COUNCILMEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

- Councilmember Velazquez reported that on 7/3/18 she attended the Naturalization and Citizenship, where she witnessed seventy-seven new United States Citizens representing 20 different countries. On 7/9/18 she attended the MST Board of Directors meeting. On 7/19/18 she met with Alexis Magdaleno from MEPA (Multi Ethnic Placement Act). On 7/18/18 she met with Assemblymember Anna Caballero to discuss issues in regards to H2A Housing. On 7/31/18 she attended the Special Joint Meeting between the City of Soledad City Council and the Soledad School District. On 8/1/18 she met with

Assemblymember Anna Caballero and representatives from the four South County Communities and Salinas to discuss issues with H2A Housing.

- Councilmember Stewart reported there was no AMBAG meeting for the month of July and on 7/18/18 she attended the Special City Council meeting.
- Mayor Pro Tem Chavez reported that he attended the TAMC Executive meeting on 8/1/18 and he attended the Special Joint meeting between Soledad City Council and the Soledad School District on 7/31/18.

COUNCILMEMBER PRAISES

- Councilmember Velazquez gave praise to the Soledad Police Department for being proactive in the City. She also gave praise to the Soledad youth that participated in the 2018 Young Legislators Program, hosted by Assemblymember Caballero in the City of Gonzales. There were four youth from Soledad that attended. The program included a trip to the Capitol. They were able to see the legislative process and able to see the importance of local government and civic engagement. She also thanked the Public Works Department for all the work and improvements being done to make the City a better place.
- Mayor Ledesma acknowledged the Recreation District that has offered a free swim night and also a free movie night at the park. He also praised Joel Alvarez and all of the Public Works Department for the dedication and hard work they put forth in keeping up the new baseball fields.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Executive Director of TAMC (Transportation Agency for Monterey County) Debbie Hale presented an update.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Action: Councilmember Stewart asked that C-9 be pulled because she would like to abstain from voting on the item. Mayor Pro Tem Chavez made a motion to approve items C-1 through C-8 and C-10. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart and carried by the following vote:

Motion:

Ayes: Chavez, Stewart, Velazquez and Ledesma
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Bourke

C-1 Approval of Minutes

- a. Joint City Council/Successor Agency Regular Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2018

C-2 Approval of Warrants

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- C-3 Resolution No. 5427, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Accepting \$671,300 in Regional Surface Transportation Program Competitive Grant Funding for the Metz Road Traffic Calming Project and Approving a Change Order with Granite Construction Company in the Amount of \$144,705 for Pedestrian Improvement Additions to the Metz Road Traffic Calming Project.

- C-4 Resolution No. 5428, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Adopting Legal Holidays for Calendar Year 2019

- C-5 City Hall Holiday Office Closure December 26, 27 and 28, 2018

- C-6 Resolution No. 5429, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Agreement Between the City of Soledad and the Soledad Unified School District for a School Resource Officer.

- C-7 Designation of Mayor Pro Tem as Voting Delegate and Councilmember Stewart and Velazquez as Alternate(s) for the 2018 League of California Cities Annual Conference & Expo Scheduled for September 12 – September 14, 2018 in Long Beach, CA.

- C-8 Receive and Accept the City's Response Letter to the Civil Grand Jury's Report Regarding Homelessness and Approve Transmittal of the Response Letter.

- C-10 Receive and Accept City of Soledad Monthly Department Activity Reports.

Item C-9 The City Council of the City of Soledad Considering the SNIP Bus Request for Use of the Soledad Community Center on August 16, 18 and 19, 2018 for Their Mobile Low Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic and Authorizing Sponsorship of the Event.

- Councilmember Stewart has asked to abstain from voting on this item because she was the one who requested the sponsorship of the event.

- Councilmember Velazquez would like to know if the event is open to all Monterey County residents or is it only focused on the South County. She would also like to know what community outreach plan does the agency have in place and does that plan include bilingual materials? Bilingual materials will be needed here in our community. She said the school district had mentioned that they might be able to use their marquees to announce city events.
- Councilmember Stewart said that the SNIP Bus is offered through Monterey County. They are offering the service throughout Monterey County during the month of August. Outreach for the SNIP Bus has bilingual services. The service is \$25 and is not income restricted; you do not need to provide financial proof as you would for other organizations. Anyone from Monterey County can use the service.
- Councilmember Velazquez has asked that the City of Soledad Community Center Request for City Hours form be updated to include how the activity will benefit the residents of Soledad and also information about the agency, if they have done past work here in the City of Soledad.

Action: Councilmember Velazquez made motion to approve item C-9, motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chavez and carried by the following vote:

Motion:

Ayes: Velazquez, Chavez and Ledesma
Noes: None
Abstain: Stewart
Absent: Bourke

PUBLIC HEARING NO. 1

- Receive the Staff report
- Open the Public Hearing 6:29 p.m.
- Close the Public Hearing 6:30 p.m.
- Council Action

PH-1. Ordinance No. 717, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Soledad Amending Section 5.36.034-Bet Limit of Chapter 5.36-Cardrooms of the Soledad Municipal Code (Second Reading)

City Attorney Mike Rodriquez presented the staff report.

Council Action:

To adopt Ordinance No. 717

Motion:

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Chavez seconded by Councilmember Velazquez and carried by the following vote.

Ayes: Chavez, Velazquez, Stewart and Ledesma
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Bourke

BUSINESS

- B-1 Resolution No. 5430, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Approving a Task Order with Harris and Associates in the Amount of \$29,960 For Engineering Design Services For the CDCR Manhole Rehabilitation Project and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Said Contract on Behalf of the City of Soledad

Public Works Director Don Wilcox presented the staff report. He introduced Harris & Associates Project Manager Diana Garrett who also showed a power point presentation.

Motion: Councilmember Velazquez made a motion to approve item B-1, motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chavez and carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Velazquez, Chavez, Stewart and Ledesma
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Bourke

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Michael McHatten reported that the Council has been provided his report; he reported:

- When he was in negotiations with CalFire for the renewal of their agreement they discussed adding an additional firefighter to be able to have 3 firefighters per shift per day with paramedic services and the price to add an additional firefighter would be 2.1 million, which would be an increase of a million dollars per year. The renewed contract did not come with the additional firefighter.
- He did have a conference call with Taussig & Associates specific to the campaign for the CFD and they are working on getting an addition proposal for community outreach. We have received one from Dr. Manroose who made a presentation about his polling. We are looking to get another one from a firm in San Jose and that will be coming to Council for consideration with the thought that the City would spend 2019 on the CFD campaign and looks to the June 2020 election.

COUNCILMEMBER'S ITEMS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Velazquez had four items:

1. The 20/20 census has been talked about briefly and she would like to start looking at how to start collaborative efforts with other South County cities to make sure that we have complete count committees to make sure that we have a complete count of all residents here in Soledad. There will be changes that will involve technology and questions that may make residents not want to participate. It is very important that we look at strategical efforts to make sure that we do have a complete count for the City.
2. She would like an update on Santa Barbara Park regarding her previous questions on if creating an inclusive play structure.
 - o City Manager Michael McHatten has had conversation with Taussig & Associates who are the engineers for the Assessment District and there is question as to whether or not changing the type of playground apparatus is appropriate in a community facility district. They will review the original documents that established the CFD and see what it says and they will be getting back to him.
3. She would like Council to start looking at how we can start having discussion in terms of the housing element and establishing a task force or subcommittee that has been talked about
4. She thanked Don for giving the Council reusable water bottles


• Mayor Fred Ledesma had one item:

1. Mayor Ledesma was excited to announce that the sign went up for the movie theatre. They will be starting construction next week. They have also pulled their permit for the water pump.

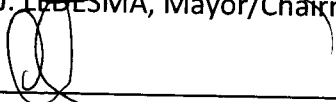
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ledesma adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Minutes Approved: September 5, 2018



FRED J. LEDESMA, Mayor/Chairman



MICHAEL MCHATTEN, City Clerk/Agency Secretary

