

Minutes

City of Soledad Joint
City Council/Successor Agency
Regular Meeting

July 10, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ledesma called the City Council/Successor Agency Meeting to order at 6:01 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 Strobbridge Stewart
Councilmember/Agencymember	Anna Velazquez
Councilmember/Agencymember	Marisela Lara

THE FOLLOWING COUNCILMEMBERS WERE ABSENT

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- N/A

MEETING RECESS FOR CLOSED SESSION

- N/A

MEETING RECONVENED

- N/A

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- None

CLOSED SESSION REPORTS

- None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Leah Frost

PEACEBUILDERS' PLEDGE was led by Tennille Frost, Salinas Valley State Prison - Community Resources Manager

ADDITIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

- Seated at the Youth Council table – Ximena Mandujano and Diana Mendoza
- City Manager McHatten pulled Consent Item No. C-1, as the item was not available in time for Council approval

MAYOR/COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Youth Council Members – Amber Solorio, Ximena Mandujano, Diana Mendoza, Cesar Hernandez, Bryanna Harrell, and Laura Rivera provided a summary of the youth workshop.
- Jorge Madrigal, city employee and union negotiator, thanked the City negotiation team for the smooth negotiation cycle.
- Soledad Resident, Connie Katz of 9668 Sierra Madre, had a complaint regarding the overgrown shrubs behind her backyard which is on San Vicente. Mrs. Katz would like the City to clean up the shrubs because they look ugly and is dangerous during this hot weather. The last time clean-up was done was two years ago. Area is the corner of Vista De Soledad and San Vicente.
- Soledad resident and business owner, Juvencio Chavez of Delicia's Bakery had a complaint regarding multiple cars parked in front of his business that have not been moving. Car are often left there and moved before the 72-hours. He would like Code Enforcement to check on the vehicles that are parked for long periods of time.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Ledesma conducted an ACCAPS presentation at the City of Greenfield on 7/9 and on 6/19 attended the Monterey Bay Air Resources District board meeting.

COUNCILMEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

- Councilmember Stewart attended the Soledad High School graduation on 6/8, SCAR fundraiser on 6/9 at Manzoni Vineyards and on 6/29 attended the Main Street Middle School ribbon cutting event. She also took part in the Animal Control video shoot on 7/2 and was also appointed to the Monterey County Animal Services Advisory Board by Supervisor Chris Lopez.
- Mayor Pro Tem Chavez attended the Soledad High School graduation on 6/8, Mayors meeting in King City on 6/24 and TAMC on 6/26.
- Councilmember Velazquez attended the Soledad High School graduation on 6/8. On 6/24 she attended the Housing 101 Forum at City Hall. On 6/29 she attended the Main Street Middle School ribbon cutting event. On 7/4 she took part in the 4th of July parade and festivities, on 7/8 she attended the Board of Director's Meeting for the Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) and shared information on the upcoming Micro Transit Pilot Program.
- Councilmember Lara attended the Goal Setting meeting at City Hall on 6/6 and on 6/26 attended the Budget Workshop at City Hall.

COUNCILMEMBERS' PRAISE

Councilmember Velazquez thanked the Youth Council for being present at tonight's meeting as well as for their outreach and their investment to the community. She also thanked the Police Department for their efforts with the 4th of July event.

Councilmember Stewart thanked the Soledad Police Department for their enforcement efforts before and after 4th of July. She also thanked City Manager McHatten and City Employee Joel Alvarez for their assistance with accommodating the SNIP Bus, and Maury Treleven for maintaining the City's website and social media and for posting the agenda dates on the City's Facebook page. She also thanked the City's PR Company for their PSAs.

Mayor Pro Tem Chavez thanked the Council. He thanked Councilmember Stewart for her efforts with the SNIP Bus, thanked Councilmember Velazquez for her focus on housing. He also thanked City Employee Joel Alvarez and the Soledad Police Department for their efforts with the 4th of July event.

Mayor Ledesma thanked Joel and City Staff for their efforts with the 4th of July event and handling issues that came up regarding utilization of the park.

PRESENTATIONS

Salinas Valley State Prison Warden Tammy Foss and Community Resources Manager Tennille Frost presented information on the Place 4 Grace event taking place at Salinas Valley State Prison on Friday, 7/26 with festivities beginning at noon.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Chavez made a motion to approve items C-2 through C-12. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart and carried by unanimous vote:

Action:

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

C-2 Approval of Warrants

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- C-3 Resolution No. 5512, 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-4 Street Closure of Main Street Between Market and Monterey Streets on Sunday, August 11, 2019 for the 33rd Annual Our Lady of Solitude Church Fiesta.
- C-5 Resolution No. 5513, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Certifying Compliance with State Law with Respect to the Levying of General and Special Taxes, Assessments and Property Related Fees and Charges for Fiscal Year 2019/2020.
- C-6 Resolution No. 5514, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Rejecting all Bids for Construction Services for the City of Soledad 18/19 Street Maintenance Project.
- C-7 Resolution No. 5515 & 5526, Resolutions of the City Council of the City of Soledad Approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Soledad and the Service Employees International Union – Local 521 Relating to the Mid-Management Unit for the Term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021 and Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Soledad and the

Service Employees International Union – Local 521 Relating to the General Unit for the Term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021.

- C-8 Consideration of Approving a Tri-Cities Disposal and Recycling Services Side Letter.
- C-9 Resolution No. 5516, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Approving the Application for Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program Grant Funds.
- C-10 Receive and Accept City of Soledad Monthly Department Activity Reports.
- C-11 Resolution No. 5527, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Soledad and the Soledad Police Officers Association Beginning July 1, 2019 and Ending June 30, 2021
- C-12 Resolution No. 5528, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Approving the Updated Salary and Benefit Plan for the City's Unrepresented Confidential Group dated July 1, 2019

PUBLIC HEARING NO. PH-1

- Receive the Staff report
- Open the Public Hearing 6:50 p.m.
- Close the Public Hearing 6:51 p.m.
- Council Action

- PH-1 Ordinance No. 723, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Soledad Adding New Chapter 5.45 – Sidewalk Vending to Title 5 Business Taxes and Regulations of the Soledad Municipal Code.

Economic Development Housing Program Manager Jennifer Nieto presented the staff report.

Motion: Councilmember Velazquez made a motion to approve Ordinance 723. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart and carried by unanimous vote:

Action:

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

PUBLIC HEARING NO. PH-2

- Receive the Staff report
- Open the Public Hearing 6:52 p.m.
- Close the Public Hearing 6:52 p.m.
- Council Action

PH-2 Resolution No. 5517, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Establishing the Master Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

City Manager McHatten presented the staff report.

Motion: Councilmember Stewart made a motion to approve Resolution No. 5517. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chavez and carried by unanimous vote:

Action:

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

PUBLIC HEARING NO. PH-3

- Receive the Staff report
- Open the Public Hearing 6:56 p.m.
- Close the Public Hearing 6:56 p.m.
- Council Action

PH-3 Resolution Nos. 5518, 5519, 5520, 5521, 5522, Resolutions of the City Council of the City of Soledad Ordering the Levy and Collection of Assessments Within the Diamond Ridge Benefit Assessment District No. 1 (Miravale I), The Diamond Ridge Parks and Open Space Maintenance Assessment District No. 1 (Miravale I) The Parks and Open Space Maintenance Assessment District No. 1, Orchard Villas/Miravale II, The Benefit Assessment District No. 2, Orchard Villas./Miravale II, and the Rancho San Vicente Parks and Open Spaces Maintenance Assessment District.

City Attorney Rodriguez presented the staff report.

Councilmember Stewart and Mayor Pro Tem Chavez recused themselves for this portion of the meeting.

Motion: Mayor Ledesma made a motion to approve Resolution No. 5518 and 5519. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Velazquez and carried by the following vote:

Action:

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

Councilmember Stewart and Mayor Pro Tem Chavez returned for this portion of the meeting.

Councilmember Lara recused herself for this portion of the meeting.

Motion: Councilmember Velazquez made a motion to approve Resolution No. 5520 and 5521. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart and carried by the following vote:

Action:

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

Councilmember Lara returned for this portion of the meeting.

Motion: Councilmember Velazquez made a motion to approve Resolution No. 5522. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chavez and carried by unanimous vote:

Action:

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

BUSINESS

- B-1 Resolution No. 5523/SA-2019-01, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad and the Successor Agency of the Soledad Redevelopment Agency Accepting and Approving the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Proposed Budget and Approving and/or Directing Implementation of Other Budget Related Actions.

City Manager McHatten presented the staff report and Power Point presentation.

Council agreed on the following Measure Y allocations:

Police	\$768,506
Fire	\$353,684
Public Works-Parks	\$638,920
Economic Dev	\$205,000
<u>Administration</u>	<u>\$72,890</u>
	\$2,039,000

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Chavez made a motion to approve Resolution No. 5523/SA-2019-01 with amendments to Measure Y allocation. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart and carried by unanimous vote:

Action:

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

- B-2 Resolution No. 5524, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Authorizing Application for, and Receipt of, SB 2 Planning Grants Program Funds.

Economic Development Housing Program Manager Jennifer Nieto presented the staff report.

Motion: Councilmember Stewart made a motion to approve Resolution No. 5524. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chavez and carried by unanimous vote:

Action:

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

- B-3 Resolution No. 5525, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Soledad Amending a Contract for Professional Services with CSG Consultants, Inc. to Provide Building Official and Other Related Services.

Community & Economic Development Director Brent Slama presented the staff report.

Motion: Councilmember Velazquez made a motion to approve Resolution No. 5525. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart and carried by unanimous vote:

Action:

Ayes: Velasquez, Stewart, Ledesma, Lara and Chavez
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager McHatten informed Council of the following:

- He met with Joseph Reyes with Hartnell. There is a delay with the Department of State Architects (DSA). Hartnell cannot go out to bid until the plans are approved. Mr. Reyes anticipates the plans to be out in August and a potential groundbreaking date in November.
- He spoke to Dr. Garcia and is looking at a couple of August dates to coordinate scheduling a meeting with Council.
- Employee Hilda Ramirez is leading the Loaves, Fishes and Computers program.
- He has engaged a recruiter for Public Works Director.
- The City is preparing a response letter to the Civil Grand Jury regarding the Rape Kit Processing.
- The most recent video shoot was for Animal Control. The next one is going to be on tourism and then on the Youth Council and Youth Programs. The first video shoot was on Hartnell. This has been a great tool for outreach.

COUNCILMEMBER'S ITEMS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Lara had three items:

1. She would like to see the City's Emergency Plan.
 - City Manager McHatten informed her that there would be no benefit at this time, as the document is very outdated.
2. She would like an update on the Community Center.
 - City Manager McHatten informed her that an update was included in his City Manager's report. Contracted with CSG and provided an overview of how it is going to be studied.
3. She would like a summary of the community meeting regarding the new community park.
 - City Manager McHatten informed her that a summary will be provided on the July 17th community meeting. The Parks and Rec committee was provided the final plan at last night's meeting (7/9/19).

Councilmember Velazquez had three items:

1. She spoke about the 4th of July event booth that she had set up. She turned in to City Manager McHatten applications to the Loaves, Fishes and Computers event, as well as Comment Cards she received regarding parks and housing.

2. She would like to continue the conversation regarding a draft MOU with the school district on the roles and responsibilities of the Youth Council.
3. She would like an update on the contract with the Greenfield Science Center; where they are going and what they are doing. She would also like to see more outreach done.
 - o City Manager McHatten informed her that Soledad is supporting continued operations and will look into providing more outreach.

Councilmember Stewart had three items:

1. She wanted to know if the Civil Grand Jury response was going to City Council for approval first.
 - o City Manager informed her - yes, that is correct.
2. She asked Police Chief Sills to have our Code Enforcement Officer check on the vehicles that are parked on Front Street with for sale signs. She has also noticed the students that are attending school in the old Soledad Bee office are parking their vehicles for a long period of time in front of the businesses.
3. Also spoke to Mayor Ledesma briefly about consideration of appointing a new AMBAG representative and have her as the alternate.

Mayor Pro Tem Chavez had one item:

1. Continue to work with Union Pacific to have the rail cars moved.

Mayor Ledesma had five items:

1. He wanted to share an invite to the September 19th ACCAPS Cannabis Forum in Coalinga.
2. Graffiti – He is seeing more and more graffiti around town; Dixi Street, Lassen Market, Kidder Street. He can recall an old ordinance or policy that the City had that gave the business owner 3-5 days to remove the graffiti from their building. The City needs to implement this ordinance or policy again to keep Soledad looking clean.
 - o City Manager McHatten informed him that City Employee (Public Works Supervisor) Joel Alvarez has been working with the businesses on the removal.
3. Youth Council – Let's make sure that next time there is a place on the agenda for the Youth Council. They should not be reporting under public comment.
4. City to continue working on "Sister-City" policy.
5. Cal Fire – He does not appreciate the comments made by the Cal Fire Chief in regard to Paraiso Hot Springs. He would like to know what authority Cal Fire has when it comes to these types of issues.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ledesma adjourned the Regular meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Minutes Approved: August 7, 2019



FRED J. LEDESMA, Mayor/Chairman



MICHAEL MCHATTEN, City Clerk/Agency Secretary

