

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**IN PERSON MEETING**  
**June 24, 2021**

**MCFARLAND CITY COUNCIL**  
**MCFARLAND SUCCESSOR AGENCY**  
**MCFARLAND PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY**  
**MCFARLAND IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY**  
**MCFARLAND PARKING AUTHORITY**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Members Present: Mayor Gonzalez, Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez, Councilmember Ayon, Councilmember Cano

Council Members Absent: None

*\*Council Member Rodriguez resigned June 9, 2021.*

**OFFICIALS PRESENT**

City Manager Lara, Chief of Police Williams, Interim City Attorney Hodges, City Clerk Alvarado, Acting Community Development Director Ronk, Finance Director Lara, Public Works Director Gonzales

**INVOCATION**

Council Member Cano

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez

**PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

1. Juan M. Pantoja, Contract City Engineer gave brief presentation on the Basics of Road Funding and Reconstruction Process.
  - a. Q & A was held to answer any questions from Council and the Community.

Closed at 6:50 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Roy Gonzalez 159 10<sup>th</sup> Street McFarland- Stated that they had reached out to residents of the community to ask for donations to contribute to the McFarland Recreation and Park District Fire Work Show and was happy to have raised over 1,000 dollars. He thanked City Manager Maria Lara and everyone who helped raise the donations and the donors for their generous contribution to this community event.

*Public comment closed at: 6:52 p.m.*

*Public comment reopened at: 6:54 p.m.*

Dolores Nunez 317 5<sup>th</sup> Street McFarland- Asked if the city could raise the amount of yard sales allowed from two to four per year.

*Public comment closed at: 6:58 p.m.*

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Motion was made by: **Councilmember Ayon** to approve warrant register for \$ 556,259.04 from June 1, 2021, through June 15, 2021; 2<sup>nd</sup> by: **Councilmember Pérez**.  
**Vote: 3/0**  
**Ayes: Ayon, Pérez, Gonzalez (Mayor)**  
**Nays: None**  
**Absent: None**  
**Abstentions: Cano, Gonzalez (Mayor)**



*\*Mayor Gonzalez recused herself from item #1 due to marriage. (Mayor Voted)  
\*Councilmember Cano recused himself from item #1 due to conflict of interest.*

*Due to no quorum Interim City Attorney Hodges recommended random selection based on The Fair Political Practices Commission- Hudson opinion, 4 FPPC Ops. 13, 17 (1978) Mayor Gonzalez was selected to vote based on a draw.*

2. Motion was made by: **Councilmember Ayon** to approve Regular Minutes of **June 10, 2021**; 2<sup>nd</sup> by: **Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez**.  
**Vote: 4/0**  
**Ayes: Ayon, Pérez, Cano, Gonzalez**  
**Nays: None**  
**Absent: None**  
**Abstentions: None**
3. Motion was made by: **Councilmember Ayon** to approve Regular Minutes of **June 04, 2021**; 2<sup>nd</sup> by: **Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez**.  
**Vote: 4/0**  
**Ayes: Ayon, Pérez, Cano, Gonzalez**  
**Nays: None**  
**Absent: None**  
**Abstentions: None**
4. Motion was made by: **Councilmember Ayon** to approve Regular Minutes of **May 05, 2021**; 2<sup>nd</sup> by: **Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez**.  
**Vote: 4/0**  
**Ayes: Ayon, Pérez, Cano, Gonzalez**  
**Nays: None**  
**Absent: None**  
**Abstentions: None**

*Mayor Gonzalez closed the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:59 p.m.  
Mayor Gonzales resumed the Regular City Council Meeting at 7:02 p.m.*

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

- a. **Administration** – City Manager Lara- Requested City Council approve a Special Meeting to address Budget Resolution, CPA, and Ad Hoc Committee findings.
- b. **Police Department** – Chief of Police Williams- Introduced Joe from the McFarland Fire Department. Joe gave Council a brief overview on how the McFarland Police Department and the Fire Department are working together this year to combat illegal firework use during this season.
- c. **Finance Department**- Finance Director Lara- Informed that the Finance Department has finished submitting the requested documents to the auditors for fiscal year 18/19. He stated he is working on setting a date for Proteus Inc. to come out and hold a community workshop to inform on assistance programs available to those who qualify.
- d. **Public Works Department**- Public Works Director Gonzales- Gave brief overview on the status of his departments and the Ev Charging Station. He notified residents that transit is still offering free rides to anyone who is interested.
- e. **Community Development**- Acting Community Development Director Ronk- Gave brief overview on his departments. He informed Council that the Planning Commission approved a site plan for a Medical Office Building. He also notified the Community that SNIP will be offering free spay, neuter, rabies vaccines and microchip assistance to McFarland residents.



## ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

5. Motion was made by: **Councilmember Ayon** to table **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-0038 A** Resolution of the City Council of the City of McFarland Adopting the Annual Operating and Capital Budgets for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022; 2<sup>nd</sup> by: **Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez**.  
**Vote: 4/0**  
**Ayes: Ayon, Pérez, Cano, Gonzalez**  
**Nays: None**  
**Absent: None**  
**Abstentions: None**
  
6. Motion was made by: **Councilmember Cano** to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-0037 A** RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO FROM THE 2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM- CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE ROUND 2 and 3 (CDBG-CV2 and CV3) NOFA DATED DECEMBER 18, 2020; 2<sup>nd</sup> by: **Councilmember Ayon**.  
**Vote: 4/0**  
**Ayes: Cano, Ayon, Pérez, Gonzalez**  
**Nays: None**  
**Absent: None**  
**Abstentions: None**
  
7. Motion was made by: **Councilmember Ayon** to approve **AMENDMENT 1** to the Grant Agreement with the County of Kern for Reimbursement of Out-of-Pocket Cost Related to COVID-19 Public Health Response (CARES Act); 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez**.  
**Vote: 4/0**  
**Ayes: Ayon, Pérez, Cano, Gonzalez**  
**Nays: None**  
**Absent: None**  
**Abstentions: None**
  
8. Motion was made by: **Councilmember Cano** to approve **AMENDMENT 2** to the Grant Agreement with the County of Kern for Reimbursement of Out-of-Pocket Cost Related to COVID-19 Public Health Response (CARES Act); 2<sup>nd</sup> by: **Councilmember Ayon**.  
**Vote: 4/0**  
**Ayes: Cano, Ayon, Pérez, Gonzalez**  
**Nays: None**  
**Absent: None**  
**Abstentions: None**
  
9. Motion was made by: Councilmember Ayon to **terminate** the Landscape Maintenance Agreement Between the City of McFarland and McFarland Recreation and Parks District; 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez.  
**Vote: 4/0**  
**Ayes: Ayon, Pérez, Gonzalez**  
**Nays: None**  
**Absent: None**  
**Abstentions: Cano**

(Councilmember Ayon instructed staff to start the process to hire someone to continue the maintenance to those areas).

## ORAL REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON COMMITTEES

- a. Delano Mosquito Abatement District (DMAD) – Councilmember Cano- Reported they had their last meeting Thursday.
- b. Kern Council of Governments (KCOG) – None to Report
- c. McFarland Tri-Agency Partners (MTAP) – None to Report
- d. Kern Economic Development Corporation (KEDC) – None to Report
- e. Kern County Association of Cities (KCAC) – None to Report
- f. Poso Creek IRWMP- Councilmember Ayon- None to Report

**COUNCIL STATEMENTS**

Councilmember Cano- Thanked the community, city workers, and McFarland Police Department for all that they do for our community.

Councilmember Ayon- Thanked the community members who donated to the McFarland Recreation and Park Firework Show.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pérez- Thanked the community and everyone who attended the meeting.

Mayor Gonzalez- Stated she values the community and asked them to reach out to them with any concerns they have. She thanked Chief of Police Williams and the McFarland Police Department for everything they do.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.**

  
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Francisca Alvarado, City Clerk

