

City of Santa Clara
July 23, 2012
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Santa Clara City Council met on **July 23, 2012**. The meeting was called to order at 6:33 P.M. by Mayor Jeff Hunt. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present for roll call was Councilman **Felix**, Councilman **Folbre**, Councilman **Chamberlain**, and Councilman **Courtney**. Councilman **Jonassen** was absent.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Councilmen reviewed the minutes. Councilman Felix made a motion to approve the minutes from June 25, 2012. Councilman Courtney 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

City Council reviewed June 26, 2012 to July 23, 2012 statement. Councilman Courtney made a motion to accept, Councilman Felix seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Citizens to be Heard:

None

Planning Commission Report:

Chairperson Peters informed the city Council of the Planning Commission meeting on July, 2012.

- Roads committee is now part of City Development committee.
- Discussion regarding 1296 Country Lane
- Ronald and June Trotter, presented a letter requesting to Annex their balance of their property at 3160 Weil Rd, Santa Clara, Texas to City of Santa Clara.
- Councilman Courtney appointed David Cale to the Planning Commission Committee. This appointment is to replace John Terry.
- Handed out time line for Budget of 2012-2013
- Special meeting on 7-16 to discussion on Property Tax Exemptions:
 - Homestead and age 65 and older Tax Rate Freeze ordinance
 - Disability Tax Rate Freeze
 - Exemption dollar amount Ordinance

Announcement of new member to Planning Commission

Councilman Courtney appointed David Cale to the Planning Commission Committee. This appointment is to replace John Terry.

Private Road Sign Request:

Mr & Mrs Friesenhahn request to put up a private road sign “ Kayla Lane” at 2476/2466 Santa Clara Rd. Their application has been approved for “Kayla Lane” by the Guadalupe County, Bexar Metro 911 and US Postal Service. Councilman Courtney made a motion to accept the request from Mr & Mrs. Friesenhahn for a private road sign “Kayla Lane” at the present policy fee at \$100.00 dollars. Councilman Felix seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

Mayor Hunt, attending the MPO meeting held in New Braunfels. At this meeting they voted on the image to put on the paper work that will be submitted to the state. At this time the voting structure is for each major city (25,000 and over) gets one vote, every county gets one vote and they have grouped the small city together in each county to equal one vote. City of Santa Clara is with Marion, Staples, New Berlin and Cibolo for 1 vote. Motion to continue with attending the MPO meetings; Motion carried with a vote of yes from all Councilmen present.

Ordinance of Ordinance reading and passing:

First Reading by Mayor Hunt of the Property Tax Code Ordinance with the changes of the following: *Disabled exemption \$7,500, 65 Older exemption \$7,500 & Homestead exemption \$7,500.* Ordinance has been sent to lawyer.

Boundary Line Adjustment Ordinance (tabled from 10-24-11 vote by current council to updated status)

Discussion and vote by current council on the current status of Boundary Line Adjustment Ordinance presented by then Councilman Hodges. The Ordinance was to reduce the south line of the southern bounties up of the city to reduce the road expense. Councilman Folbre made a motion to terminate Boundary Line Adjustment Ordinance. Councilman Felix seconded the motion. Vote was three Yes (Felix, Folbre & Courtney) and one Obtain (Chamberlain). Motion carried.

Use of Section 43.144 of the Texas Local Govt Code (from 3-26-2012 Ordinance is pending being sent to attorney)

Discussion and vote by current council on the current status of Ordinance to Use 43.144 of the Texas Local Govt Code, presented by then Councilman Hodges. Councilman Courtney made a motion to terminate any further action of Ordinance. Councilman Felix seconded the motion. Vote was three Yes (Felix, Folbre & Courtney) and one Obtain (Chamberlain). Motion carried.

Budget process updated (Final Budget due September 24, 2012)

Final budget due by September 24, 2012. All the committee will be submitting their estimate budget for 2012-2013 by the next Planning Commission on August 13, 2012 and then submit to City Council Meeting on August 27, 2012.

Announcements by Mayor Hunt . . . Road Project for \$70,000 for City of Santa Clara 2 ½ miles, of level up/chip coat. Audit will start on October 2012 for the fiscal year ending 09-31-2012.

Councilman Folbre made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Felix seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Jeff Hunt
Mayor

Donna White
Secretary