

## **City of Santa Clara City Council Minutes**

The Santa Clara City Council met on **February 27, 2012**. The meeting was called to order at 6:36 P.M. by Mayor Jeff Hunt. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present for roll call was Councilman Felix, Councilman Chamberlain, Councilman Hodges and Councilman Folbre. Councilmen Jonassen was absent. Guest Commissioner Jim Wolverton

Councilmen reviewed the minutes. Councilman Folbre made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected from the February 27, 2012 meeting. Councilman Hodge seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **Citizens to be Heard:**

Steve Beisser – Item #1 Requested Item #12 be withdrawn for City Council Meeting 2-27-2012 base on the Open Meeting Act. Item #2 Requested that any new City Ordinance be heard at 2 public meetings and voted on at the 2<sup>nd</sup> public meeting. This would give time for the public to give input. Mayor can call for a vote on emergency ordinances sooner if needed.

### **Audit Report:**

Phil Vaughan, with Armstrong, Vaughan & Associated went over City of Santa Clara Annual Financial Report for Fiscal year ended 9-30-2011. Viewed Page 1, page 8, page 19 & 20 (note Child Safety revenues must be used on Child Safety only) & Statistical Section with the last 10 years. Councilman Felix made a motion to accept. Councilman Folbre seconded the motion. Motion carried

### **Financial Report:**

Went over the Financial Report through October 01, 2011 – September 20, 2012, the current physical year and viewed checking ledger. Councilman Folbre made a motion to accept. Councilman Hodges seconded. Motion Carried

### **Planning Commission Report:**

New Chairperson is John Peters and Vice Chairperson Ron Crockett. Harrell Felix has stepped down after 12 years from the Roads Committee. New Chairperson for Roads Committee is Ron Crockett. Need two Chairpersons for Communication Committee and for City Development.

### **Announcement of Appointments to Planning Commission:**

Don Johnson

### **Office Hours;**

Change office hours to be Mondays 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Councilman Hodges made a motion to accept. Councilman Folbre seconded. Motion Carried

### **Administrative Salary:**

Salary \$200.00 every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays. Councilman Flobre made a motion to accept. Councilman Felix seconded. Motion Carried.

**Discussion: Use of 43.144 of Texas Local Govt Code to provide an avenue for a uniform structure for any future tax implementations (Councilman Hodges)**

Councilman Hodges is gathering information for Ordinance to be passed on section 43.144/ uniform taxes. A letter to the public regarding this new Ordinance will be in the Newsletter, for the public can come to the next City Council Meeting (3/26) for a discussion. Mayor will resend copy of the lawyer's letter regarding use of section 43.144 to all Councilmen.

**Attorney response Road usage / attachment fee**

This topic has been table at this time. Councilman Folbre will draft a letter for the attorney pending Mayor and Councilmen approval. Councilman Hodge made a motion to table it. Councilman Chamberlain seconded the motion. Motion carried

**Upcoming elections:**

Registration for upcoming Elections closed on 3-5-2012 at 5:00 pm. Election dates on web site.

**Future agenda items:**

Ordinance with Steve Beisser input

Use of section 43.144

Disannexation (North of Weil)

Weed and Brush Ordinance

Secretary to be a Notary

Thank letter from the City to Harvest Hills – Mr. Uptmore for getting rid of the trees/brush

Barbara Trammell appreciation

**Mayor's Announcements:**

No announcement

Councilman Hodges made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Felix seconded the motion.

Jeff Hunt  
Mayor

Donna White  
Secretary