

# MEETING MINUTES

The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh  
Vol. No. 22/01-03

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**PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 11 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER N-25-20,  
EXECUTED BY THE GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA ON MARCH 12, 2020**

City Council Meeting held via teleconferencing

**\*Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953 (b) (2), all action taken during this teleconferenced meeting shall be by roll call vote.**

**Location of Meeting:** Andrew Firebaugh Community Center  
1655 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622

**Date/Time:** January 3, 2022/6:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER** Meeting called to order by Mayor Valdez at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** Mayor Brady Jenkins  
Mayor Pro Tem Felipe Pérez  
Council Member Elsa Lopez  
Council Member Freddy Valdez

**ABSENT:** Council Member Marcia Sablan

**OTHERS:** City Attorney James Sanchez; City Manager/Acting Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos; Deputy Clerk, Rita Lozano; Finance Director, Pio Martin; Police Chief, Sal Raygoza; Fire Chief, John Borboa; P. Anthony Thomas, Josh Black of Element 7, Matthew, Amy Fleming, BJ Fleming, & others.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** *Police Chief Raygoza led pledge of Allegiance.*

## APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

*Motion to approve agenda by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Lopez, motion passed by 4-0 vote.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT** *Attendee stated they were happy to be in open in-person meetings.*

**PRESENTATION** *None*

## CONSENT CALENDAR

### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council regular meeting on December 20, 2021.

*Motion to approve Consent Calendar by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Valdez, motion passed by 4-0 vote.*

### PENDING – UNTIL MARCH 2022

### 2. ORDINANCE NO. 21-04 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH REPEALING SECTIONS 9-1.1, 9-1.2, 9-1.3, AND 9-1.4 OF CHAPTER 9 [TRAILERS AND TRAILER PARKS] OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE, REPLACING THE HEADING OF CHAPTER 9 WITH THE TITLE “MOBILE HOME PARKS ACT”, AND ADDING SECTIONS 9-1.1 THROUGH 9-1.11 RELATING TO THE ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITY OF ENFORCING THE MOBILE HOME PARKS ACT AND SPECIAL OCCUPANCY PARKS ACT OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE – SECOND READING.

Recommended Action: Council receives public comment & approves Ord. No. 21-04.

## PUBLIC HEARING

### 3. ORDINANCE NO. 21-07 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH AND ELEMENT 7, LLC – SECOND READING.

*Opening hearing at 6:03 pm – No comment given .– Close hearing at 6:04 pm*

*Motion to approve Ord. No. 21-07 by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Perez, motion failed by 2-2 vote.*

## NEW BUSINESS

*None*

## STAFF REPORTS

- Police Chief Sal Raygoza – it was a quite New Year’s Eve, no large parties, possibly due to COVID, no gun fire but there was a lot of fireworks.
- City Manager, Ben Gallegos – will be out of the office the rest of the week.
- Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano – Form 700 is due April 1, 2022, looks like council’s availability for the joint meeting with the school district will be held after 6:00 pm, sometime between Tuesday through Thursday, in February. I’m still working with Susan to finalize the date.
- Finance Director, Pio Martin – will be starting the new texting service, “TextMyGov”. Individuals will be able submit services request, report issues, make payments and receive a response from staff. We can also notify public of emergency shutoffs; they can report when light poles are out, but they will still need to provide the pole number because some poles are PG&E.
- City Attorney, James Sanchez – requested council for any comments regarding the City Manager’s contract to finalize for approval at the next Council meeting.
- City Attorney, James Sanchez – nothing to report
- Council Member Lopez – nothing to report
- Council Member Sablan – nothing to report
- Council Member Perez - nothing to report.
- Council Member Jenkins – nothing to report
- Council Member Valdez – nothing to report

## CLOSED SESSION

## ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION

## ADJOURNMENT

*Motion to adjourn at 6:19 pm by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Lopez, motion passes by a 4-0 vote.*