

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, December 3, 2007.

Following the Invocation by Father Gorman of St. Matthias Church and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Guerrero. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Mario Gomez, Council Member Elba Romo, and Mayor Elba Guerrero. Absent: Council Member Juan R. Noguez.

Mayor Guerrero presented a plaque to Donald Pruyn, Finance Director/City Treasurer of Huntington Park in recognition of his retirement.

Mayor Guerrero opened oral communications, indicating that this was the time for

anyone in the audience to address the City Council on any matter of City business.

John Santillan on behalf of Families Fighting Against Cancer invited City Council and staff to attend the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala For Life, Christmas Charity Ball at Leonardo's Restaurant on Tuesday, December 11, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Santillan stated that 50% of the proceeds will go toward the American Cancer Society's Southeast Cities Relay For Life.

Enrique Murillo addressed City Council to request the status of the donation of a pool table for seniors and a room at the new community facility which was previously requested.

Diane Spalding, Arts and Culture Commissioner, introduced Diane Sanchez, winner of the Ms. Huntington Park Pageant. Ms. Sanchez stated that she is proud to represent the great City of Huntington Park.

Mayor Guerrero called for any other oral communications, and hearing none, declared oral communications closed.

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with published notice, this is the time and place set to consider an ordinance of the City of Huntington Park, California amending Section 4-09.07 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code as it relates to alarm fees. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Guerrero declared the public hearing open and called for oral communications and hearing none, Mayor Guerrero declared the **public hearing** closed.

ORDINANCE NO. 821-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK CALIFORNIA AMENDING SECTION 4-09.07 OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE AS IT RELATES TO ALARM FEES was read by title. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Romo, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 821-NS for first reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 821-NS be introduced and approved for first reading, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Romo, to approve the Consent Calendar, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

#### OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, November 19, 2007.

Approve the reading by title of all ordinances and resolutions. Said titles which appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title and further reading waived.

#### FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Approve the Payroll Demands dated December 3, 2007.

**Adopt the City's budget schedule for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.**

#### END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Director of Community Development Gray requested approval of the Amendment No. 9 to Lease and Agreement No. 7241 formerly known as Lease No. 473-P by and between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Huntington Park for the Courthouse/Health Center Facility. Motion by Romo, seconded by Gomez, to **approve Amendment No. 9 to Lease and Agreement No. 7241 formerly known as Lease No. 473-P by and between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Huntington Park for the Courthouse/Health Center Facility with noted changes to Paragraph A and B of said amendment**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

Director of Community Development Gray presented recommendation from the Business Improvement District (BID) Advisory Board to approve the Agreement between the City of Huntington Park and SoutheastOneMedia for Services Relating to the Children's Fair Event to be held on January 6, 2008; and request approval of a purchase order in the amount of \$27,325 for said services. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Gomez, to **approve the Agreement between the City of Huntington Park and SoutheastOneMedia for Services Relating to the Children's Fair Event to be held on January 6, 2008; and a purchase order in the amount of \$27,325 for said services**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

Director of Community Development Gray requested approval of the draft policies for special events/activities in public places; and direct the City Attorney to prepare the necessary documents. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the draft policies for special events/activities in public places with the noted changes that the El Grito Parade be removed from "grandfather" status and that the Community Development Department process and forward special event applications to the necessary departments; and direct the City Attorney to prepare the necessary documents**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

City Engineer Fu requested that Project No. 08-002, Improvement of Pacific Boulevard from Randolph Street to Slauson Avenue, be awarded to E.C. Construction Co. of South El Monte in the amount of \$304,545.24. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Romo, to **award the contract to E.C. Construction Co. of South El Monte in the amount of \$304,545.24 for Project No. 08-002, Improvement of Pacific Boulevard from Randolph Street to Slauson Avenue**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested approval of a budget adjustment in the amount of \$30,000 to expand the 4th of July program in 2008. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **authorize a 2007-2008 Mid-year Budget Adjustment in the amount of \$30,000 to expand the 4th of July program in 2008**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested discussion and/or action regarding extension of the agreement with Debbie Kim for concession stand services at Civic Center Park; and require the concessionaire to make interior repairs to comply with State and County Health Codes. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **direct staff to prepare an extension to the agreement with Debbie Kim for concession stand services at Civic Center Park with the inclusion that the concessionaire make interior repairs to comply with State and County Health Codes**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested consideration to purchase a prefabricated structure; solicit a vendor through a formal bid process; and reduce the number of concession stands at Salt Lake Park from two (2) to one (1). Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **direct staff to research additional options regarding the concession stands at Salt Lake Park and report back to City Council**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa presented for discussion and/or action naming the new community facility located at Salt Lake Park, the "Huntington Park Community Center". Motion by Romo, seconded by Gomez, to **name the new community facility located at Salt Lake Park, the "Huntington Park Community Center"**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-71. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ESTABLISHING RATES FOR RECLAIMED WATER WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK** was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-71, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

ORDINANCE NO. 820-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK CALIFORNIA AMENDING SECTION 4-09.08 (a) OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE AS IT RELATES TO **FALSE ALARM RESPONSE CHARGES** was read by title. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Romo, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 820-NS for second reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 820-NS be approved for second reading and adopted, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Romo, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

City Attorney Leal requested the City Council resolve into a **closed session** pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION, Name of case: Antonio Luna vs. City of Huntington Park, WCAB Case Nos.: MON 0300203; MON 0301357; MON 0300203; MON 0300204; and MON 0315311; and pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION, Name of case: Christina Avila v. City of Huntington Park, Case No.: VC 047022. Mayor Guerrero declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 7:35 p.m. City Clerk Ramirez was excused from the closed session.

Following the closed session, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 8:14 p.m. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Mario Gomez, Council Member Elba Romo, and Mayor Elba Guerrero. Absent: Council Member Juan R. Noguez.

City Attorney Leal reported out that the closed session item for Conference With Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation, Name of case: Antonio Luna vs. City of Huntington Park, WCAB Case Nos.: MON 0300203; MON 0301357; MON 0300203; MON 0300204; and MON 0315311, was continued; and Conference With Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation, Name of case: Christina Avila v. City of Huntington Park, Case No.: VC 047022, City Council authorized settlement in this matter.

Mayor Guerrero declared the meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

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Elba Guerrero, Mayor

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Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk