

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, May 3, 2010.

Following the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Noguez. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Council Member Elba Guerrero, Council Member Andy Molina, and Mayor John R. Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Mario Gomez.

Mayor Noguez and City Council presented a proclamation declaring April 2010 as Month of the Young Child to Aide Bautista and a group of young children. Ms. Bautista and a group of young children presented City Council with a poster in honor of Month of the Young Child.

Mayor Noguez and City Council presented a proclamation declaring May 2010 as Motorcycle Awareness Month to Ron Mohler. Mr. Mohler thanked City Council for the recognition and encouraged all citizens to work together towards motorcycle safety, education and awareness.

City Clerk Ramirez presented for discussion and/or action a request from Vice Mayor Gomez for Veronica Martinez of Bluebird Art House to display a collection of photographs dated 1800 to early 1900 in the City Hall lobby during the month of May 2010. Ms. Martinez informed City Council that this collection of photographs is a historical treasure portraying the culture and people of Mexico. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Guerrero, to **authorize use of the City Hall lobby/hallway to display a collection of photographs dated 1800 to early 1900 from Veronica Martinez of Bluebird Art House during the month of May 2010**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez.

Mayor Noguez and City Council presented a certificate of appreciation to Veronica Martinez of Bluebird Art House for giving the City the opportunity to showcase a collection of photographs dated 1800 to early 1900. Ms. Martinez thanked City Council for the certificate of appreciation.

Eric Garcia, Planning Manager, informed City Council that May 2010 is National Historic Preservation Month and displayed a PowerPoint presentation on certain properties that were nominated by the Historic Preservation Commission for the distinguishing features of their structure. Mayor Noguez, City Council, and Historic Preservation Commissioner Wally Shidler presented certificates of recognition to the following property owners for their dedication in preserving the historic elements of their properties: 1) Carlos and Araceli Garibay, 6900 Passaic Avenue (not present); 2) Oldtimers Housing Development Corp., 6822 Malabar Avenue (not present); 3) Howard Kim Huntley, 6205 Rugby Avenue (not present); 4) Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 6531 Middleton Street; and 5) Ersel Shakibkoo, 6207 Pacific Boulevard (not present).

Mayor Noguez 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.

Erica Frausto, Business Improvement District Manager, invited everyone to attend the Mother's Day celebration at Florence and Pacific Avenues on Sunday, May 9, 2010 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Ronald V. Garcia, Southern California Edison Regional Manager Public Affairs, informed City Council that he is now servicing additional cities and Edison is working on implementing smart meters and smart grid to help monitor service and identify power outages and service interruptions. Mr. Garcia also stated that Edison has scheduled an upcoming service interruption in the area and encouraged City Council to contact him if they have any questions.

Rudy Griego addressed his concerns to City Council regarding a letter he sent to the City addressing the financial hardship businesses in the City are experiencing when trying to obtain permits and licenses for rental properties. Mr. Griego asked City Council to look into this matter and offered to meet with City Council and present some of the challenges local businesses are facing.

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

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with Resolution No. 2010-8 this is the time and place set to consider any protest or public comment regarding the abatement of weeds growing upon and in front of certain lots and parcels of land in the City of Huntington Park in accordance with California Government Code Section 39560 Et Seq. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Noguez called for any other oral communications, and hearing none, declared the **public hearing** closed.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-21 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ORDERING THE ABATEMENT OF NOXIOUS AND DANGEROUS WEEDS GROWING UPON AND IN FRONT OF CERTAIN LOTS AND PARCELS OF LAND IN THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 39560 ET SEQ** was presented. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2010-21, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez.

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with Resolution No. 2010-8 this is the time and place set to consider public comment on the Five Year Consolidated Plan 2010-2011 through 2014-2015; Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Annual Action Plan for HUD Funds. Director of Community Development Gray displayed a PowerPoint presentation on the Annual Action Plan and Five Year Consolidated Plan for Community Development Block Grant and HOME Reinvestment Act Program. Council Member Molina recused himself from the public hearing and left the dais at 6:35 p.m. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Noguez declared the **public hearing** open and called for oral communications. Yolanda Alaniz, Youth Services Librarian at the Huntington Park Library, thanked City Council for including their homework center as a recipient of the Community Development Block Grant Program. Mayor Noguez called for any other oral communications, and hearing none, declared the public hearing closed.

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **adopt the City's Five Year Consolidated Plan and Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Annual Action Plan; and authorize the City Manager to execute all required documents for transmittal to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez and Council Member Molina.

Council Member Molina returned to his seat at 6:37 p.m.

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with published notice, this is the time and place set to consider public comment on an ordinance amending Title 9, Chapter 4, Article 2, of the Huntington Park Municipal Code relating to standards for check cashing, currency exchange, money advance and money transfer uses within the City. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Guerrero called for any other oral communications, and hearing none, declared the **public hearing** closed.

ORDINANCE NO. 853-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK

AMENDING TITLE 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2, OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE **RELATING TO STANDARDS FOR CHECK CASHING, CURRENCY EXCHANGE, MONEY ADVANCE AND MONEY TRANSFER USES WITHIN THE CITY** was read by title. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Molina, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 853-NS for first reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 853-NS be introduced and approved for first reading, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez.

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with published notice, this is the time and place set to consider public comment on an ordinance amending Title 9, Chapter 3, Article 8 Off-Street Parking Standards and Chapter 4-4.9 Off-Street Parking Standards of the Downtown Huntington Park Specific Plan. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Noguez declared the public hearing open and called for oral communications. Rudy Griego informed City Council that he paid for eighteen (18) parking spaces at 6400-6500 Rugby Avenue and asked that if the policy is to close the City parking lot, can it be left open past 10:00 p.m. Mayor Noguez referred Mr. Griego to Director of Community Development Gray and Director of Public Works Fu regarding this matter. Mayor Noguez called for any other oral communications, and hearing none, declared the **public hearing** closed.

ORDINANCE NO. 854-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AMENDING TITLE 9, CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 8 OFF-STREET PARKING STANDARDS AND CHAPTER 4-4.9 OFF-STREET PARKING STANDARDS OF THE DOWNTOWN HUNTINGTON PARK SPECIFIC PLAN was read by title. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Molina, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 854-NS for first reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 854-NS be introduced and approved for first reading, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, April 19, 2010.

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 Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants dated May 3, 2010.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Clerk Ramirez presented a request from Vice Mayor Gomez for discussion and/or action for the City to host a friendship luncheon for the visitors of Suzhou, Jiangsu Providence, the People's Republic of China during their visit scheduled for June 15 and 16, 2010. **There being no objection, Mayor Noguez continued this item to the next Council meeting.**

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested discussion and/or action

regarding a Facility Use Agreement between the City of Huntington Park and American Cancer Society to conduct their “Relay for Life” event on June 19 and 20, 2010; and a request from the American Cancer Society for the City to waive fees associated with the event. Salvador Velasco, representing the American Cancer Society, addressed City Council to request approval of the facility use agreement and asked for clarification on the total amount of City fees associated with the event. **Following a discussion, City Council agreed to meet with the American Cancer Society at their next meeting to discuss this request.**

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested approval of an agreement with the U.S. Soccer Federation Foundation for the 2010 Footprint Fields Program Grant, subject to City Attorney approval. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve an agreement with the U.S. Soccer Federation Foundation for the 2010 Footprint Fields Program Grant, subject to City Attorney approval; and authorize use of the City seal for promotional material associated with this program**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez.

Director of Community Development Gray requested authorization for three (3) City staff members to attend the mandatory 2010 Program Manager School in Memphis, TN, as part of the Lead Based Paint Hazard Control Program by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Motion by Molina, seconded by Guerrero, to **authorize three (3) City staff members to attend the mandatory 2010 Program Manager School in Memphis, TN, as part of the Lead Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Program by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to be paid for by said grant**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-22. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION IN CALRECYCLE’S USED OIL PAYMENT PROGRAM AND DELEGATING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS THE AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER THIS PROGRAM was presented. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2010-22, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez.

Mayor Noguez declared the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m., in memory of the following: 1) Maria A. Anaya Guerrero, aunt of John R. Noguez, Mayor for the City of Huntington Park; 2) Fred Garcia, former Maintenance Worker for the City of Huntington Park; and 3) Larry Nelson, Council Member for the City of Artesia.

John R. Noguez, Mayor

Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk