

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Tuesday, August 23, 2011.

The meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Hernandez. Present: Council Member Mario Gomez, Vice Mayor Andy Molina, Council Member Elba Guerrero, Council Member Rosa E. Perez, and Mayor Ofelia Hernandez; Absent: None.

Mayor Hernandez 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.

Steve Koffroth, representing the General Employees Association as American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 1769, requested that City Council consider their options and do not rush into a decision regarding the City's Redevelopment Program and whether to participate in the State's Voluntary Alternative Redevelopment Program.

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

Director of Finance Padilla discussed the City's debt obligations. Manny Acosta, Housing and Community Development Manager, discussed the benefits of retaining a Redevelopment Program, including the ability to provide affordable housing to residents.

Community Development Commission Attorney Roxanne Diaz briefed City Council on recent Supreme Court activity on AB 26 and AB 27, the enforceable obligation schedule and deadlines for agencies to adopt necessary resolutions and/or ordinances pertaining to the City's Redevelopment Program.

Council Member Gomez left his seat at 6:14 p.m. and returned at 6:17 p.m.

Michael Busch, President of Urban Futures, informed City Council that he has reviewed the financials of the City's Redevelopment Agency activity and recommended that the City conduct an extra level of study and take time to review what the City's objectives are. Mr. Busch also stated that opting in to the Voluntary Alternative Redevelopment Program gives the City the benefit of the Court process.

Mayor Hernandez excused herself and left the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

City Clerk Ramirez distributed a revised draft of Ordinance No. 869-NS and announced that due to the revisions, it would be presented for first reading. ORDINANCE NO. 869-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK TO COMPLY WITH PART 1.9 OF DIVISION 24 OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE AND TAKING CERTAIN ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH was read by title and the additional recitals and revisions were read by Community Development Commission Attorney Roxanne Diaz. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 869-NS for first reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 869-NS be introduced and approved for first reading, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Council Members Guerrero, Perez and Vice Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Mayor Hernandez.

There being no objection, Vice Mayor Molina announced that RESOLUTION NO. A. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK DECLARING ITS INTENT TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO COMPLY WITH PART 1.9 OF DIVISION 24 OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE AND TAKING CERTAIN ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH was **continued to the next regular meeting** to be held September 6, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

City Attorney Leal requested the City Council resolve into a **closed session** for CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: (2). Mayor Hernandez declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 6:27 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 6:59 p.m. Present: Council Member Mario Gomez, Vice Mayor Andy Molina, Council Member Elba Guerrero, and Council Member Rosa E. Perez; Absent: Mayor Ofelia Hernandez.

City Attorney Leal reported out that in closed session for CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Significant exposure to litigation

pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: (2), status report by the Acting City Manager, no action taken.

Vice Mayor Molina declared the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Ofelia Hernandez, Mayor

Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk