

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, July 2, 2012.

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 Molina. Present: Council Member Mario Gomez, Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Council Member Rosa E. Perez, and Mayor Andy Molina; Absent: None.

Mayor Molina 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 (BID) Manager, distributed flyers and informed City Council that the BID will be launching their "Shop in Huntington Park" Customer Rewards Program on July 9, 2012. Ms. Frausto informed City Council that participating businesses in the Downtown Huntington Park area will stamp a passport after every purchase until filled for a chance to be entered in a drawing to win prizes and they are scheduled to have two (2) drawings per month in the months of August and September 2012. Ms. Frausto also informed City Council that participating businesses will display an identifiable blue star on their storefront and announced that if anyone has further questions to contact the BID office at (323) 584-6282 and stated that notices will go out informing merchants of the BID office relocation and new phone number.

Belen Castro informed City Council that her home was burglarized and it was reported to the Police Department but there was no response or follow-up by the Police Department regarding this matter and urged City Council to increase police patrol in the area.

Enrique Murillo addressed his concerns to City Council regarding recent criminal activity in the City and the lack of police response to calls for crime. Mr. Murillo informed City Council that families are moving out due to the lack of safety and urged the Police Department to patrol the area.

Jose Navarro questioned why Huntington Park residents pay more for refuse collection services than residents in other cities. Mr. Navarro informed City Council that he previously addressed this concern to City staff but that he was unsatisfied with the response. Mr. Navarro inquired about the terms of the refuse collection contract particularly regarding fees and rate increases and asked how this revenue is being used. Mr. Navarro asked City Council to have someone contact him regarding his questions.

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

Mayor Molina and City Council presented certificates and City pins to the following American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) Region 526 Huntington Park Local Area 11Z Spring Tournament Champions: 1) Douglas Granados, Jr.; 2) Nelson Granados; 3) Bailey Gomez-Roosinivalda; 4) Roberto Velez; 5) Robert Espinoza; 6) Alberto Gomez; 7) Alessandro Leon; 8) Manuel Espitia; 9) Issaid Mungia; and 10) Saul Aguilar.

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Perez, to approve the Consent Calendar with Council Member Gomez abstaining on the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, June 18, 2012, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

#### OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, June 18, 2012.

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 July 2, 2012.

**Adopt the City's Statement of Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.**

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Interim Director of Community Development Wong requested approval of an amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Escrow Instructions with Leonardo Lopez for a portion of the right-of-way property on 65th Street. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Gomez, to **approve an amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Escrow Instructions with Leonardo Lopez for a portion of the right-of-way property on 65th Street**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Interim Director of Community Development Wong requested approval of the revised guidelines for the City's Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program. Motion by Perez, seconded by Guerrero, to **approve the revised guidelines for the City's Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Director of Finance Padilla requested approval of a Secondhand Dealer Special Permit for Paul C. Yi, owner of Century Jewelry located at 6901 Pacific Boulevard with conditions as stated by the Huntington Park Police Department and the State of California Department of Justice. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve a Secondhand Dealer Special Permit for Paul C. Yi, owner of Century Jewelry located at 6901 Pacific Boulevard with conditions as stated by the Huntington Park Police Department and the State of California Department of Justice and directed the City Attorney to research the feasibility of increasing the 30-day period for keeping records and storing items sold to secondhand dealers in the City and report back to City Council**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Director of Finance Padilla requested approval of a Dance and Entertainment Permit for Jo-Fran-Lo Inc., dba Los Sabores Chiapanecas Mexican Grill Restaurant located at 2560 E. Gage Avenue with conditions as stated by the Police and Community Development Departments. The Fire Department has submitted approval. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to **approve a Dance and Entertainment Permit for Jo-Fran-Lo Inc., dba Los Sabores Chiapanecas Mexican Grill Restaurant located at 2560 E. Gage Avenue with conditions as stated by the Police and Community Development Departments**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested discussion and/or action regarding contract options for the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) to use the Salt Lake Park Soccer Fields and direct staff to develop an agreement. Miguel Arroyo, Treasurer of the AYSO Region 526, informed City Council that they have not come to an agreement with the Parks and Recreation Department in terms of the park fees and that the amount that they charge per player goes towards various expenses such as insurance, trophies, pictures, and uniforms for players, including training and certification for parents and coaches. Mr. Arroyo also informed City Council that AYSO Region 526 conducts an annual Thanksgiving tournament and that some of the proceeds go towards the purchase of prizes for a raffle at said tournament and trophies. Mr. Arroyo addressed his concern with the park fees they are being asked to pay and stated that AYSO Region 526 pays the Parks and Recreation Department for water and seeds to restore the soccer field, which is in poor condition. Leo Acosta, AYSO League Commissioner, distributed copies of a financial report for AYSO Region 526 and briefed City Council regarding their expenses per player. Mr. Acosta informed City Council that the amount that Parks and Recreation is asking AYSO Region 526 to pay for lights is \$8,000 and stated that as a non-profit organization, they cannot afford to pay that amount because they cannot charge players more especially because this is a low-income community. Following a discussion, motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **form an Ad-Hoc Committee consisting of Mayor Molina and Council Member Gomez with Council**

**Member Hernandez as alternate to meet with Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa and AYSO Region 526 regarding contract options and report back to City Council with a recommendation at the July 16, 2012 City Council meeting**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested approval to extend the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Alliance for a Healthier Generation for an additional year through June 30, 2013. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Perez, to **approve extension of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Alliance for a Healthier Generation for an additional year through June 30, 2013**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested retroactive approval of a License Agreement by and between Los Angeles Unified School District and the City of Huntington Park for temporary use of Raul R. Perez Memorial Park. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **retroactively approve a License Agreement by and between Los Angeles Unified School District and the City of Huntington Park for temporary use of Raul R. Perez Memorial Park**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Chief of Police Cisneros requested approval of a purchase order to VisionAir for annual software support for the Police Department in the amount of \$44,930.87. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Perez, to **approve a purchase order to VisionAir for annual software support for the Police Department in the amount of \$44,930.87**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Chief of Police Cisneros requested approval of a Service Agreement with TelePacific Communications to provide internet service for the Police Department. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve a Service Agreement with TelePacific Communications to provide internet service for the Police Department**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-27. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **FIXING THE RATE OF TAXES TO PAY THE COST OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013** AND LEVYING TAXES FOR SAID RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2012 was presented. Council Member Perez for the record, protested against this resolution. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-27, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: Council Member Perez; Absent: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-28. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ESTABLISHING AND ORDERING THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF THE ANNUAL SPECIAL TAX FOR CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK STREET LIGHTING, PARKS AND LANDSCAPING SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013** was presented. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-28, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-29. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY'S GANN LIMIT 2012-2013** was presented. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution

No. 2012-29, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-30.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK CALLING UPON THE GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION THAT WOULD CORRECT INEFFICIENCIES IN THE AUDIT AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, AND INEQUITIES IN THE FORMULAS, FOR DISTRIBUTING COURT ORDERED ARREST AND CITATION FINES, FEES AND ASSESSMENTS THAT ARE GENERATED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT was presented. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Perez, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-30, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

City Attorney Leal requested the City Council resolve into a **closed session** pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8, CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR: Property: Raul Perez Park, Agency Negotiator: City Attorney, Negotiating Parties: Los Angeles Unified School District and the City of Huntington Park, Under Negotiation: Property Transfer; and pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT, Title: City Manager. Mayor Molina declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 7:25 p.m.

Following the closed session, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 8:09 p.m. Present: Council Member Mario Gomez, Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Council Member Rosa E. Perez, and Mayor Andy Molina; Absent: None.

City Attorney Leal reported out that in closed session for Conference With Real Property Negotiator: Property: Raul Perez Park, Agency Negotiator: City Attorney, Negotiating Parties: Los Angeles Unified School District and the City of Huntington Park, Under Negotiation: Property Transfer, a status report was given to City Council, no formal action taken; and pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT, Title: City Manager, City Council authorized the City Attorney to send an offer letter to a prospective candidate.

Mayor Molina declared the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m., in memory of Dante D'Eramo, longtime resident, former President of the Huntington Park Jaycees, former Arts & Culture Commissioner, PARC Commissioner and the Executive Director/CEO of the Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce.

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Andy Molina, Mayor

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Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk