

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, July 16, 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.

City Attorney Leal requested the City Council resolve into a **closed session** pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957 for 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 6:00 p.m.

Following the closed session, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:14 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 Public Employee Appointment, Title: City Manager, City Council was presented with a proposed employment agreement for the position of City Manager for the City of Huntington Park. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Gomez, to **approve the Employment Agreement for the position of City Manager between the City of Huntington Park and Rene Bobadilla**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None. City Attorney Leal stated that a final version of the agreement will be made available for public viewing.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested approval of a Revocable Permit with American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) for the use the Salt Lake Park soccer fields from August 1, 2012 through April 27, 2014. Everardo Bogarin, Assistant Regional Commissioner (RC) with AYSO, informed City Council that the AYSO Board had a meeting and they did not agree to the terms and fees proposed by the Parks and Recreation Department for use of the Salt Lake Park soccer fields. Mr. Bogarin requested additional time to come to an agreement with the City and stated that perhaps they could agree to pay \$10 per hour for use of the soccer field lights and increase the fee to \$7 per child. Following a discussion, motion by Gomez, seconded by Perez, to **approve a Revocable Permit with American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) for use of the Salt Lake Park soccer fields from August 1, 2012 through April 27, 2014 as presented by the Parks and Recreation Department**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Dr. Roberta Benjamin of Aspire Public Schools displayed a PowerPoint presentation regarding an overview on the history and highlights of Aspire Public Schools' current work in Huntington Park. Dr. Benjamin informed City Council that Aspire Public Schools have opened a total of eleven (11) schools in the Los Angeles area since 2006. Ms. Benjamin also informed City Council that next year they will have their first graduating 12th Grade class and invited City Council to visit their school. Dr. Benjamin distributed literature regarding Aspire Public Schools' Annual Performance Index (API) scores in 2011 and their future goals and expectations. Dr. Benjamin also informed City Council that Aspire Public Schools have a high success rate of graduating students that will get accepted to college. Sarah Ali, Principal of Antonio Maria Lugo Academy, informed City Council of Antonio Maria Lugo Academy's core values, mission and accomplishments. Ms. Ali also informed City Council of Aspire Maria Lugo Academy's student motivational techniques and teachers' commitment to helping students achieve success. Ms. Ali stated that Aspire Antonio Maria Lugo Academy also promotes wellness by having school workouts and by providing healthy snacks.

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.

Ana Goins-Ramirez, Latino Campaign Coordinator for the Network for a Healthy California with the California Department of Public Health, addressed City Council in support

of the annual healthy walk proposed by Council Member Hernandez and briefed City Council on the benefits of walking and having these types of events. Ms. Goins-Ramirez also briefed City Council of the high percentage of children who are obese in Huntington Park and stated that she looks forward to working with the City and helping create signage to encourage walking.

Jim Williams, Manager of the South West Water Company (SWWC), informed City Council that SWWC has been servicing the City since 1990 and introduced the SWWC staff and briefed City Council on each staff member's professional background, personal history with Huntington Park, and experience in working for SWWC and serving the City.

Jose Navarro addressed his concerns to City Council regarding the proposed water rate increases and current property taxes in the City. Mr. Navarro stated that the literature that the City sent out regarding the proposed water rate increase had the proposed monthly fee for various pipe sizes but asked for clarification as to how much he would have to pay if the water rate increases are approved. Mr. Navarro informed City Council that raising the water rates will financially impact the people of Huntington Park as well as impact the aesthetics of properties in the City because it will be too costly to water the lawns. Mr. Navarro asked if there is a group in the community opposing the City's proposed water rate increase.

Edmundo Perez, addressed his concern to City Council regarding the proposed water rate increase in the City and stated that there are better solutions and encouraged City Council to contact him regarding potential solutions to this matter.

Christina Dixon, Staff Analyst, announced that the City will be scheduling community workshops regarding the proposed water rate increase.

Mayor Molina 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 the adoption of an ordinance amending Title 9, Chapter 3, Article 12 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code (HPMC) and Chapter 5 of the Downtown Huntington Park Specific Plan (DTSP) applicable to development standards for signs within the City. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk and distributed revised copies of this proposed ordinance. Mayor Molina declared the public hearing open and called for oral communications. Jack Wong, Interim Director of Community Development, informed City Council that this proposed ordinance was changed primarily to address temporary signs and to clarify that portable signs shall not be placed more than 12 inches from the edge of the ground level of a structure. Mayor Molina called for any other oral communications and hearing none, Mayor Molina declared the **public hearing** closed.

ORDINANCE NO. 899-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AMENDING TITLE 9 OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE (HPMC) AND THE DOWNTOWN HUNTINGTON PARK SPECIFIC PLAN (DTSP) RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR SIGNS WITHIN THE CITY was read by title. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 899-NS for first reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 899-NS be introduced and approved for first reading, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with published notice, this is the time and place set to consider public comment regarding the collection of delinquent fees as a special assessment to be collected at the same time and on the same manner as county taxes (172.56 Recycling Fees), (172.54 Residential Refuse Collection Fees), (172.53 Sewer Maintenance Fees), and (172.57 Utility Tax). The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Molina

declared the public hearing open and called for oral communications and hearing none, Mayor Molina declared the public hearing closed.

Resolution Nos.: 2012-31, 2012-32, 2012-33, and 2012-34 were presented as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-31. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY ASSESSOR TO INCLUDE DELINQUENT RECYCLING FEES AS A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT TO BE COLLECTED AT THE SAME TIME AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS COUNTY TAXES (172.56 RECYCLING FEES).**

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-32. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY ASSESSOR TO INCLUDE DELINQUENT REFUSE COLLECTION FEES AS A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT TO BE COLLECTED AT THE SAME TIME AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS COUNTY TAXES (172.54 REFUSE COLLECTION FEES).**

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-33. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY ASSESSOR TO INCLUDE DELINQUENT SEWER MAINTENANCE FEES AS A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT TO BE COLLECTED AT THE SAME TIME AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS COUNTY TAXES (172.53 SEWER MAINTENANCE FEES).**

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-34. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY ASSESSOR TO INCLUDE DELINQUENT UTILITY TAXES AS A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT TO BE COLLECTED AT THE SAME TIME AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS COUNTY TAXES (172.57 UTILITY TAX).**

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Perez, to adopt Resolution Nos.: 2012-31, 2012-32, 2012-33, and 2012-34, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with published notice, this is the time and place set to consider public comment regarding the collection of delinquent commercial rubbish charges pursuant to Section 6-2.205 of the City of Huntington Park Municipal Code (HPMC). The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Molina declared the public hearing open and called for oral communications and hearing none, Mayor Molina declared the public hearing closed.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-35. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO INCLUDE DELINQUENT REFUSE COLLECTION FEES AS A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT TO BE COLLECTED AT THE SAME TIME AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS COUNTY TAXES (172.52 WASTE MANAGEMENT FEE)** was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-35, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to approve the Consent Calendar, 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 special meeting of the City Council held Monday, June 25, 2012.

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, July 2, 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 16, 2012.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Clerk Ramirez presented for discussion and /or action a request from Council Member Hernandez for the City to co-sponsor the 5th Annual Healthy Walk scheduled for Saturday, September 29, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to **approve a request from Council Member Hernandez for the City to co-sponsor the 5th Annual Healthy Walk scheduled for Saturday, September 29, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; and authorize use of the City seal for literature pertaining to this event**, carried as follows: carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Hernandez, Perez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: None.

City Clerk Ramirez on behalf of Mayor Molina requested discussion and/or action regarding a presentation from Francisco Quirozagua about bringing a potential television station in the City of Huntington Park. Francisco Quirozagua presented a proposal to City Council regarding bringing a potential television station in the City of Huntington Park. Mr. Quirozagua briefed City Council on his vision and potential marketing and promotions for the City. Mr. Quirozagua also briefed City Council of possible revenue generating ideas if the City was to own a television station. Council Member Perez left the meeting at 7:05 p.m. **Following a discussion and there being no objection, City Council directed the City Attorney to research the feasibility of bringing a television station to the City of Huntington Park and report back to City Council.**

Interim Director of Community Development Wong requested approval of the City's Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Subrecipient Agreements with City departments and Amended and Restated Subrecipient Agreements with non-profit organizations; and authorize the Vice Mayor to execute said agreements. Mayor Molina recused himself and left the dais at 7:15 p.m. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the following Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Subrecipient Agreements with City Departments and Amended and Restated Subrecipient Agreements with non-profit organizations for Fiscal Year 2012-2013: 1) Parks and Recreation Department-After School Program \$60,803; 2) Public Works Department-Community Beautification (Graffiti Removal) Program \$56,000; 3) Police Department-Juveniles At Risk (JAR) Program \$15,000; 4) Police Department-Code Enforcement Program \$340,000; 5) Los Angeles County Public Library-Huntington Park Library Homework Center \$5,000; 6) Southeast Rio Vista Y.M.C.A-Healthy Kids Zone After School Program \$5,000; 7) Steelworkers Oldtimers Foundation-Senior Nutrition Center Program \$14,250; 8) Southeast Churches Service Center-Emergency Food Program \$10,000; 9) Salvation Army Southeast Communities-Family Services Program \$13,774; and 10) Fair Housing Foundation-Fair Housing Services Program \$10,000; and authorized the Vice Mayor to execute said agreements**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Perez and Mayor Molina.

Mayor Molina returned to his seat at 7:16 p.m.

Director of Finance Padilla requested approval of budget adjustments for HUD Lead Base Grant budget and expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 by increasing the following accounts: 1) Contractual Services Account No.: 246-5098-463.56-41 - \$38,550; 2) Capital Improvement Account No.: 246-5098-463.73-10 - \$205,512; and 3) HUD Grant Revenues Account No.: 246-000-331.30-00 - \$125,768. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to **approve budget adjustments for HUD Lead Base Grant budget and expenditures for**

Fiscal Year 2011-2012 by increasing the following accounts: 1) Contractual Services Account No.: 246-5098-463.56-41 - \$38,550; 2) Capital Improvement Account No.: 246-5098-463.73-10 - \$205,512; and 3) HUD Grant Revenues Account No.: 246-000-331.30-00 - \$125,768, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Perez.

Chief of Police Cisneros requested approval of an AutoCITE and AutoISSUE Annual Maintenance Contract; and Software and Firmware User License Agreement with Duncan Parking Technologies, Inc. for products related to parking enforcement operations of the Police Department. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to **approve the AutoCITE and AutoISSUE Annual Maintenance Contract; and Software and Firmware User License Agreement with Duncan Parking Technologies, Inc. for products related to parking enforcement operations of the Police Department**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Perez.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-36. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **MAKING AN ELECTION IN CONNECTION WITH HOUSING ASSETS AND FUNCTIONS UNDER PART 1.85 OF DIVISION 24 OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE** AND TAKING CERTAIN ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-36, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Perez.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-37. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA **ABOLISHING THE HUNTINGTON PARK HOUSING AUTHORITY** AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NUMBER 2011-3 was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-37, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Perez.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-38. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **APPROVING THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT PROCESS AND ASSOCIATED FEES FOR OUTDOOR SIDEWALK DINING WITHIN THE DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN ZONE AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT** was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-38, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Perez.

Chief of Police Cisneros announced that National Night Out will be held at Robert H. Keller Memorial Park on August 7, 2012 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Mayor Molina declared the meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Andy Molina, Mayor

Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk