

MINUTES

**Regular Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, June 6, 2017**

Sergeant at Arms read the Rules of Decorum before the start of the Meeting.

Music presentation by Huntington Park's Elementary School, Ms. Rowland's Music Class.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 6:10 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Marilyn Sanabria presiding.

PRESENT: Council Member(s): Manuel "Manny" Avila, Karina Macias, Graciela Ortiz, Vice Mayor Jhonny Pineda and Mayor Marilyn Sanabria. **CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF:** Edgar Cisneros, City Manager; Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, City Attorney; Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police; Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works; Josette Espinosa, Director of Parks and Recreation; Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development; Martha Castillo, Human Resources Director; Manuel Acosta, Economic Development Manager; Fernanda Palacios, Project Manager and Donna Schwartz, City Clerk.

INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Mayor Sanabria.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Nathaniel Armstrong, Huntington Park Elementary School.

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council presented a "Certificate of Appreciation" to Nathaniel Armstrong for leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Manager Cisneros announced there were some technical difficulties with the video and that staff was currently working on the issue. Mr. Cisneros then introduced Ms. Rowland of Huntington Park Elementary School.

Ms. Rowland presented trophies to the 5th grade students and acknowledged school officials and those who support the Huntington Park Elementary School Orchestra.

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation" to 5th grade students, and their parents, for supporting the Huntington Park Elementary School Orchestra.

Council presented "Certificates of Recognition" to the salutatorians and valedictorians of Huntington Park High Schools.

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation" to Doctors of Kaiser Permanente for their Hippocrates Circle Program, received by Carmen Gonzalez.

Council presented a proclamation to Staff Sergeant Pablo Sierra, Staff Sergeant Mario Fabian and new recruit Charles Oshon of the United States Army, recognizing the 242nd Birthday of the United States Army.

At 7:05 p.m. Mayor Sanabria called for a **RECESS**.

At 7:25 p.m. Sergeant at Arms read the Rules of Decorum again.

At 7:31 p.m. Mayor Sanabria **RECONVENED** the meeting, ROLL CALL, all Council Members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Sanabria announced that public comment will be limited to two minutes due to the number of cards submitted and amount of business, Council concurred.

1. Val Carlson, commented on a petition she will be calling on the Mayor and City Council of Los Angeles to declare LA an official sanctuary city and make their vacant buildings available to house homeless.
2. Yolanda Alamiz, spoke in support of immigrants in Huntington Park.

Mayor Sanabria reminded the audience to respect speakers or could be called out of order and possibly escorted out.

3. Sally Moon, asked Huntington Park to be a sanctuary city, spoke in opposition to Arthur Schaper and asked the city to seek a restraining order against the organization he supports.

At 7:40 p.m. Mayor Sanabria called a man with a black shirt out of order, issuing him his 1st warning.

4. Francisco Rivera, spoke in support of immigration laws.

At 7:42 p.m. Mayor Sanabria called a man in a gray shirt in third row, out of order, issuing him his 1st warning and called a man in a green shirt out of order, issuing him his 1st warning.

5. David Hernandez, spoke in opposition to "We the People Rising" pointing out their disruption and feels more should be done to protect the community.

At 7:44 p.m. Mayor Sanabria gave the man in the black shirt his 2nd warning and asked for him to escort him out and called for a RECESS. The man in the black shirt walked out of the chambers on his own accord while being very disruptive.

At 7: 46 p.m. Mayor Sanabria RECONVENED with all Council Members present.

6. Arthur Schaper, member of "We the People Rising," spoke in opposition to Council, commented on DA doing their job, the two appointments, sanctuary cities losing funds and feels Francisco River and Nick Ioannidis should be next mayor.
7. Betty Retama, spoke in opposition to Council and commented on the two appointments.
8. Elsa Aldequer, spoke in support of Immigration Laws, thanked Council for supporting City and believes in law and order.
9. Nai Huitzilpochtli, spoke against racism, in opposition to Arthur Schaper, feels it's time for City to stand up to Mr. Schaper, tired of seeing "We the People Rising" coming to Huntington Park and spoke in opposition to this organization.

At 7:53 p.m. Mayor Sanabria issued a 1st warning to two ladies abruptly laughing while a speaker was speaking and issued a 1st warning to a gentleman wearing a blue hat.

10. Mike McCoy, "We the People Rising," held up a sign, commented on ICE, stated "We the People" are not racist or supremacist but all American and asked for address for the two appointments.
11. QPOCC, voiced concern with those people attending the meeting and disseminating negativity and can't follow the meeting rules, supports a restraining order against "We the People," and urges Council to kick out Mr.
12. Robert Lauten, spoke in support of ICE, commented on sanctuary cities that don't provide information to ICE and read a sign.

PUBLIC COMMENT

13. Luis Reyes, clarified what “We the People” are about, supports current president and that “We the People” go by the constitution.
14. Robin Hvidsten, “We the People Rising,” and “Remembrance Project,” announced great nation with laws, feels Council should follow the laws, disappointed about the two appointments and feels the positions should go to residents and ask body of politics to focus on homeless, disabled, unemployed, and children, and asked to do the right thing to support enforcement of laws.
15. Dre, spoke in opposition to Arthur Schaper, supports immigrants. She than screamed; and

Mayor Sanabria issued her a 1st warning.

15. continued....Ms. Dre spoke in support of Council, the class of 2017 and commented on Mr. Schaper not having health insurance.

16. Nick Ioannidis, spoke in opposition to Council.

At 8:11 p.m. Mayor Sanabria called Nick out of order and issued a 1st warning, Mr. Ioannidis continued, Mayor Sanabria called him out order again and issued a 2nd warning and asked to leave the chambers. The Sergeants at Arms escorted Mr. Ioannidis out of the chambers.

17. Raven Zafira, spoke in opposition to “We the People Rising,” and asked Council to get them out of the community, and read information regarding an assault made by this organization.
18. Joseph Moreno, spoke in opposition to white supremacy group, stating they have terrorized him, asked Council to support and help him and asked to make the city a sanctuary city.
19. Yaocuicatl Racaelel, commented on crimes committed, the history of indigenous people and spoke in opposition to “We the People Rising” and being disruptive.

City Manager reminded the audience that outbursts are not permitted and all cards will be handled in a timely matter, to remain silent or you will be called out of order.

20. Rodolfo Cruz, feels the city needs more Police Officers and sees trash all over, commented on city being in debt, a license for alcohol that was approved by Council, a high amount for a water deposit, a permit issued to Krammer Metal.

Chief of Police Lozano informed Mayor Sanabria that he (Chief) was informed by the Sergeants at Arms that Mr. Arthur Schaper was continually disruptive in the audience and had ignored various warnings by police officers to cease his disruptive behavior. Mayor Sanabria issued Mr. Schaper his 1st warning, and when Mr. Schaper became even more disruptive, Mayor Sanabria called him out of order and asked the Sergeants at Arms to escort him out of the Council Chambers.

At 8:23 p.m. Mayor Sanabria called for a **RECESS**.

Mr. Schaper was not cooperating. Chief of Police Lozano requested the chambers be cleared and asked everyone to exit the room and once Mr. Schaper is removed from the chambers, the audience will be let back in. Mr. Schaper was then put under arrest and escorted out of the chambers.

At 8:35 p.m. Mayor Sanabria **RECONVENED** with all Council Members present.

Public Comment (continued)

21. Illari Chaska, Spoke in support of indigenous society and against the genocide of indigenous.

22. Harim Uzziel, stated he is not a supremacist nor a racist, and spoke in support of immigration laws and the President.

PUBLIC COMMENT (CONTINUED)

At 8:41 p.m. Mayor Sanabria gave a 2nd warning to the ladies who earlier abruptly laughed and were given their 1st warning. The ladies then, on their own accord, exited the chambers.

23. Joseph Turner, commented on a previous speakers comment with regard to “We the People Rising” and disagrees, spoke in opposition to sanctuary cities, commented on the two appointments, stated he will be filing a utility user tax petition and asked Council to remove the two appointments.
24. Melinda Amato, spoke in support of immigrants.
25. Rabbi Jonathan Klein, horrified by things that are happening lately, read what is on the Statue of Liberty and spoke in support of the community.
26. Edin Enamorado, commented on a clinic that had closed in the city and he is unable to obtain he’s sons immunization records, feels there is fraud going on and asked the city to look into this, noted that “We the People Rising” attends City of Cudahy’s meetings and states that during this trying time we have to control our emotions.
27. Revolution LA, Irene, commented on prejudice and racism as an illness and spoke in support of immigrants and indigenous people.

At 8:52 p.m. Mayor Sanabria issued a 1st warning to the lady in the second row for being disruptive.

28. Citlalli Anahuac, spoke in support of indigenous people, against racism and “We the People Rising,” and encouraged the residents to defend the communities.
29. Cyrus Hojjaty, commented on issues that have occurred and doesn’t want to see this happening, wants to find solutions and commented on himself being hit at the Cudahy meeting.
30. Silvia Merlos, spoke in opposition to “We the People Rising” especially Arthur Schaper and spoke in support of the community.
31. William C. Velasquez Institute, Sergio Hernandez, introduced himself, mentioned he is the new representative for the lower and southeast regional issues and described the area of the LA River. He acknowledged the proclamation to the Army and noted that the Army Core of Engineering paved the LA River.
32. Tlacaoel Quetzalcoath, pointed out how disruptive “We the People Rising” were being and spoke in support of indigenous people.

STAFF RESPONSE

City Manager Cisneros commented on the comment regarding Krammer Metals and stated that Code Enforcement is working on the concern and asked the individual who commented on the clinic to please leave his info so that staff can contact him.

CLOSED SESSION

At 9:05 p.m. City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman recessed to closed session.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)) - One matter

LAUSD v. County of LA, BS 1081180

CLOSED SESSION (CONTINUED)

- 2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2)) - One matter

At 10:08 p.m. Mayor Sanabria reconvened to open session with all Council Members present

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman announced Council received a briefing from special counsel on both items 1 and 2. For item ,1 no action was taken, direction was provided, nothing to report. Item 2, no action taken, nothing to report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Council Member Macias motioned to approve consent calendar items, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

- AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
- NOES: Council Member(s): None

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- 1. Approved Minute(s) of the following City Council Meeting(s):
 - 1-1 Regular City Council Meeting held Tuesday, May 16, 2017.

FINANCE

- 2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants dated June 6, 2017.

POLICE

- 3. Authorized Finance Director to budget and appropriate the amount of \$41,900.00 from the Police Forfeiture Fund #229-7010-421.74.10 to be fully expended on the project described during the current FY 16/17, authorized the services of LAN WAN, acting as a single source option, to install and implement newly purchased hardware and software and authorize Chief of Police to acquire hardware and other associated equipment, software and labor costs needed to complete this project.

PUBLIC WORKS

- 4. Adopted Ordinance No. 2017-957, Amending Ordinance Nos. 633-NS, 644-NS and 868-NS, modifying City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code, Title 4 "Public Safety," Chapter 6 "Parking," Sections 4-6.01, 4-6.04, 4-6.05, 4-6.06, 4-6.08 and 4-6.14 Related to Parking Pay Stations.
- 5. Approved an expenditure of \$6,300 to purchase and install an air conditioning (AC) unit for the new city hall server room and authorized Department of Public Works to purchase the AC unit from Southland Heating & Air.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

CITY MANAGER

6. Consideration and Approval Designating an Acting City Manager while City Manager Cisneros is out of the Office from June 12 through June 22, 2017

City Manager Cisneros presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz motioned to appoint Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police as Acting City Manager to serve the City of Huntington Park while City Manager Edgar Cisneros is away from the office from June 12 through June 22, 2017, and grant all pertinent rights to said Acting City Manager from June 12 through June 22, 2017, seconded by Council Member Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

7. Authorization to Execute the 2016-2017 Independent Cities Risk Management Authority (ICRMA) Liability Assessment Agreement

City Manager Cisneros presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Macias motioned to authorize exercising Option B, for the 2016-2017 Independent Cities Risk Management Authority (ICRMA) Assessment Agreement and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the 2016-2017 ICRMA Assessment Agreement, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

8. Continued from the May 16, 2017, Regular City Council Meeting: Approve Renewal of Contract Services Agreement with Hilda Estrada for Spanish Translation Services for City Council Meetings and Related City Events

City Manager Cisneros presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Macias motioned to approve renewal of agreement with Hilda Estrada, Independent Contractor for Spanish translation services for regular city council meetings, special city council meetings and other city meetings or events for an additional two (2) years at an amount not to exceed \$28,350 per year and authorize City Manager to execute agreement, seconded by Vice Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

REGULAR AGENDA (CONTINUED)

PARKS AND RECREATION

9. Approve Agreements with USA Pools Inc. for Pool Management Services for Summer Swim Program and Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) for use of Pool Facility

City Manager Cisneros presented the item.

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman announced that the record should reflect that for closed session item 1 the LAUSD matter Council Member Ortiz did not participate and abstained. Ms. Ortiz asked City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman if she needed to recluse herself from the following item since she is an employee of LAUSD. Mr. Alvarez-Glasman stated by law since she is not in charge of the swim program she can participate if she wishes to.

Motion: Vice Mayor Pineda motioned to approve 2nd year of agreement with USA Pools Inc. to provide pool management services for the City's 2017 Summer Swim Program, approve agreement with Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) for the use of Linda Marquez High School Pool for the 2017 Summer Swim Program and authorize City Manager to execute agreements, seconded by Council Member Macias. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None
ABSTAINED: Council Member(s): Ortiz

PUBLIC WORKS

10. Approve Pacific Boulevard Lighting and Beautification Contract Change Order 2

City Manager Cisneros introduced Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works, who presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz motioned to approve Contract Change Orders (CCOs) No. 2 in the amount of \$100,000 submitted by ACCI and authorize City Manager to execute the Contract Change Orders, seconded by Council Member Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

11. Resolution Appointing a Member and Alternate(s) to the Governing Board of the Gateway Water Management Authority ("Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority")

City Manager Cisneros presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Macias motioned to appoint Daniel Hernandez as the Member and Juan Preciado, Mario Lopez and Christina Dixon as the Alternates and adopt Resolution No. 2017-12, appointing a member and alternate(s) to the governing board of the Gateway Water Management Authority ("Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority"), seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria

NOES: Council Member(s): None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS - None

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Manuel "Manny" Avila, congratulated Chief of Police Lozano and his staff for keeping the meeting under control and announced that he will be on vacation June 14 through July 1, 2017.

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, thanked the Police Department for keeping the meeting in order and keeping the city safe, and requested to recognize Mr. Al Park Hill, Softball Coach at Marquez High School at the next city council meeting, Mayor Sanabria concurred. Ms. Ortiz congratulated all 2017 graduates, wished those a Happy Father's Day and to Vice Mayor Pineda wishing him a Happy Father's Day and wished everyone a good night.

Council Member Karina Macias, quoted Robert Kennedy, thanked staff and the Police Department and feels the city showed other city's how we are able to maintain our meetings in a professional way, congratulated all the graduates, wished everyone a Happy Father's Day and wished all a good night.

Vice Mayor Jhonny Pineda, thanked the Police Department, Department Heads and all staff for their support in keeping the meeting in order and to continue to keep community safe and to be ready for anything that comes our way. He announced he will be working with an entity on a workshop for educating residents on how to save money and thanked everyone.

Mayor Marilyn Sanabria, thanked the Police Department and staff for helping to control the meeting and all their support.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:25 p.m. Mayor Sanabria adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, at 6:00 P.M

Respectfully submitted,



Donna G. Schwartz, CMC, City Clerk

