

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, December 4, 2018

Sergeant at Arms read the Rules of Decorum.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 6:04 p.m. on Tuesday, November 20, 2018, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Jhonny Pineda presiding.

PRESENT: Council Member(s): Manuel “Manny” Avila, Marilyn Sanabria, Vice Mayor Karina Macias and Mayor Jhonny Pineda. ABSENT: Council Member(s): Graciela Ortiz

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager; Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police; Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, City Attorney; Cynthia Norzagaray, Director of Parks and Recreation; Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works; Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development; Nita McKay, Director of Finance/Acting Director of Human Resources and Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk.

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Mayor Pineda.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Avila.

Motion: Mayor Pineda motioned to add an additional presentation for certificates of recognition welcoming visitors from Palencia, Guatemala, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0, by one motion (Council Member Ortiz ABSENT).

PRESENTATIONS

Council presented “Certificates of Recognition,” to the visitors from Palencia, Guatemala.

Council presented a “Certificate of Recognition,” to Lucy Felix a Registered Nurse (RN), who dedicated her time and commitment with the Red Cross during the Woolsey Fire.

Council presented a “Certificate of Appreciation,” to Former Commissioner Manuel Morado for his Military Service and dedication to the community on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Catherine Bueno, Huntington Park Library, announced the library would be closed on Wednesday, December 5, 2018, in memory of past president George H.W. Bush.
2. Ray Andrade, Military Order of the Purple Heart, would like to get a conex container placed on property he owns in the 3200 block of Gage to house wheel chairs and canes for veterans.
3. Marie Magallon, voiced concern with increase in trash and dumping in her neighborhood and asked what can be done.

Mayor Pineda informed Ms. Magallon that Council can’t answer any questions posed by the public until staff response.

4. Rodolfo Cruz, commented on marijuana being sold in various forms to minors, and maintenance of city trees.

STAFF RESPONSE

City Manager responded to the comment made by Mr. Andrade and asked staff to get his information. Mr. Reyes addressed Ms. Magallon’s comment regarding dumping of bulky items stating there are challenges with entering the alleys with ways being obstructed and not allowing the trucks to enter and that an ordinance has been passed addressing alley ways and announced that only three marijuana dispensaries haven been allowed to operate in the city.

City Manager Ricardo Reyes informed the public that copies of items 5 and 6 that were distributed to council earlier are available from the City Clerk.

City Manager Ricardo Reyes pulled item 7.

Mayor Pineda announced that the Public Works Director will evaluate the area where Ms. Magallon lives and encouraged the public to call in with any issues regarding trash pickup and illegal dumping. Mr. Pineda stated marijuana was approved at the state level.

CLOSED SESSION

At 6:49 p.m. City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman before recessing to closed session, requested to add an additional closed session item that came up after the agenda was posted and there is an immediate need for direction regarding the case of JH Minor et al and asked for a motion. **Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve the request, seconded by Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 4-0, by one motion (Council Member Ortiz ABSENT)

- 1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) [One Matter]
HP Automotive and Tow, Inc., dba Huntington Park Tow Service v. City of Huntington Park, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. VC066929
- 2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Regarding Represented Employees - Government Code Section 54957.6(a)
City’s Designated Representative(s) for Negotiations: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager and Nita McKay, Finance/Human Resources Director
Employee Organization: General Employees Association (GEA)

At 8:04 p.m. Mayor Pineda reconvened to open session with all Council Members present with the exception of Council Member Ortiz ABSENT.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman announced that the four Council Members were present and briefed on closed session items 1 through 3 1.) not action was taken, nothing to report. 2.) No action taken, nothing to report. 3.) direction provided to legal counsel, no action taken, nothing to report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve consent calendar, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- 1. Approved Minute(s) of the following City Council Meeting(s):

1-1. Regular City Council Meeting held November 20, 2018.

FINANCE

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated December 4, 2018.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

COUNCIL

3. **Consideration and Approval of Resolutions Calling and Giving Notice of a Special Municipal Election to be Held on Tuesday, March 5, 2019, for the Submission to the Qualified Voters of the City of Huntington Park a Measure Pursuant to Elections Code 9603 Seeking Direction on the City's Efforts to Negotiate with Costco for a Retail Store Location in the City and Related Resolutions, Including Requesting Full Election Services from the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder and Establishing Dates for Filing Written Arguments**

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman presented the staff report.

Motion: Mayor Pineda moved to adopt Resolution No. 2018-30, Calling and Giving Notice of a Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2019, for the Submission to the Qualified Voters of the City of Huntington Park a Measure Pursuant to Elections Code 9603 Seeking Direction on the City's Efforts to Negotiate with Costco for a Retail Store Location in the City, Resolution No. 2018-31, Requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to Approve the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder to Provide Full Election Services for a Special Municipal Election in the City of Huntington Park to be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 and Resolution No. 2018-32, Setting Priorities for Filing Written Arguments Regarding City Measures, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

CITY ATTORNEY

4. **Consideration and Approval of an Ordinance Amending Title 4 "Public Safety," Chapter 7 "Traffic," Article 16 "Parking Prohibited or Limited," Sections 4-7.1622 of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code Relating to Recreational Vehicles and Trailers**

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman presented the staff report.

Motion: Vice Mayor Macias moved to waive first reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2018-969, Amending Title 4, Chapter 7, Article 16, Sections 4-7.1622 of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code relating to recreational vehicles and schedule the second reading and adoption of said ordinance at the next regularly city council meeting, seconded by Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 3-1-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

5. Consideration and Approval of Ordinance Repealing in Part and Amending in Part, Title 3 “Finance,” Chapter 1 “Business Licensing,” Title 4 “Public Safety, Chapter 7 “Traffic,” and 11 “Permits or Licenses for Pushcarts Vending Ice Cream or Other Food Products” of the City of Huntington Park’s Municipal Code Relating to Sidewalk Vendor

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman presented the staff report.

Motion: Vice Mayor Macias, moved to waive reading in full and adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 2018-970, repealing in part and amending in part Chapters 11 and 7 of Title 4 and Chapter 1 of Title 3 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code related to sidewalk vendors and waive first reading and introduce “back-up” Ordinance No. 2018-971 and schedule the second reading and adoption of back-up Ordinance No. 2018-971 at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

6. Consideration and Approval of Amendment to Parking Lease Agreement with Huntington Park 607 L.P. for Use of 50 Parking Spaces at 6330 Rugby Avenue, Huntington Park, California

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Community Development Director Sergio Infanzon who presented the staff report and announced a representative from HP 607 was in attendance and available for any questions.

Vice Mayor Macias voiced concern with security and if there is any plans to add security to the building.

Darren Brombowski, representative of HP 607, stated they weren’t aware of the security issues stating in 2013 when they took over, quite a bit of enhancements with regard to security were put in including cameras and will bring in security guards if there are issues and would like to discuss further what the residents’ concerns are.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve Amendment to Parking Easement Agreement to permit Huntington Park 607, L.P. access to 50 parking spaces in the City Public Parking Structure located at 6330 Rugby Avenue and authorize City Manager to execute the amendment and related documents and negotiate final rental fees, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

Council Member Sanabria wants to ensure city manager negotiates the security concern when negotiating the agreement.

PUBLIC WORKS

Item pulled by City Manager Ricard Reyes during staff response.

7. **Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Approving the 2018 Traffic Engineering Speed Study**

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-28 approving the 2018 Traffic Engineering Speed Study.

8. **Consideration and Approval of Award of Professional Services Agreement (PSA) for the Design and Construction Management and Inspection of CIP No. 2018-07, Downtown Huntington Park i-Park System Implementation Project**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Public Works Director Daniel Hernandez who presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve award of a professional services agreement to Infrastructure Engineers (IE) for the design and construction management and inspection of CIP 2018-07 Downtown Huntington Park i-Park System Implementation Project for a not-to-exceed fee of \$112,920, approve appropriations from account number 222-8010-431.76-02 in the amount of \$112,920 for the design and construction management, approve appropriations from account number 222-8010-431.76-02 in the amount of \$43,426.29 and 206-8010-431.76-02 in the amount of \$461,974 for the construction of the project and authorize City Manager or his designee to execute agreement, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

9. **Consideration and Approval of Award of Services for Construction Management and Inspection Services for CIP No. 2018-05 Huntington Park Signal Synchronization & Bus Speed Improvement Project**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Public Works Director Daniel Hernandez who presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to authorize staff to publish a Request for Proposal (RFP) and solicit proposals from qualified firms to perform CM services and come back at a future City Council meeting requesting approval of the contract and authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute the contract, seconded by Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

10. Continued from the November 20, 2018, Regular City Council Meeting - Consideration and Approval of Resolution Adopting the 2030 City of Huntington Park General Plan and Certification of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Community Development Director Sergio Infanzon who presented the staff report and announced Senior Planner Carlos Luis was in attendance and available to answer any questions.

Mayor Pineda opened up public comment, there being none, closed public comment.

1. Conduct a public hearing;
2. Take public testimony and staff's analysis; and
3. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-27 adopting the proposed 2030 City of Huntington Park General Plan and certification of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to continue to next regular city council meeting, seconded by Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

11. Consideration and Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Title 9 "Zoning," Chapter 4 "Zoning Districts," Article 4 "Special Purpose Zones," Section 9-4.401 of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Community Development Director Sergio Infanzon who presented the staff report and announced Senior Planner Carlos Luis was in attendance and available to answer any questions.

1. Conduct a public hearing; and
2. Take public testimony and staff's analysis; and
3. Waive further reading, and introduce Ordinance No. 2018-971, amending Title 9, Chapter 4, Article 4, section 9-4.401 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code to include Wireless Communication Facilities as a Conditionally Permitted Use within the Open Spaces (OS) zone; a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and a Development Permit (DP) to allow for the installation of a new wireless communication facility within the Open Spaces (OS) zone; and adopting a Negative Declaration; and
4. Schedule the second reading and adoption of said ordinance at the next regular city council meeting.

Motion: Mayor Pineda moved to continue to next regular city council meeting of December 18, 2018, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None
ABSENT: Council Member(s): Ortiz

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Manuel “Manny” Avila, thanked staff for all their efforts with the tree lighting event and hopes to see everyone at the holiday parade.

Council Member Graciela Ortiz – Absent.

Council Member Marilyn Sanabria, thanked all in attendance, announced the tree lighting event was a success and hopes to see everyone at the holiday parade.

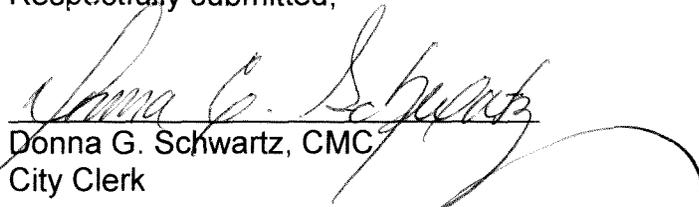
Vice Mayor Karina Macias, thanked Parks and Recreation staff and the Police Department for a successful tree lighting event and to Public Works and their efforts in putting up the holiday decorations, acknowledged the Police Department for Operations School Bell and providing shoes, school uniforms, backpacks and shoes to the students at Middleton Elementary and hopes to see everyone at the holiday parade on Saturday.

Mayor Jhonny Pineda, announced on Wednesday at 6 p.m. in City Hall the Migration’s National Institute would be here to assist those on how to vote.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:38 p.m. Mayor Pineda adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council in memory of past president George H.W. Bush to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 18, 2018, at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Donna G. Schwartz, CMC
City Clerk