

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park City Council Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Sergeant at Arms read the Rules of Decorum at the beginning of the meeting.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 6:02 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5, 2019, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Jhonny Pineda presiding.

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

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/Administrative Services and Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk.

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Mayor Pineda.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Iris Preciado.

PRESENTATIONS

Council presented a "Certificate of Appreciation," to Iris Preciado for leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation," to Volunteers for Their Dedication in Assisting with the Huntington Park's "2019 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count."

City Manager Ricardo Reyes recognized City employees Susan Crum, Executive Assistant to City Manager, Moncerat Morales, Administrative Assistant and Angela Cornejo, Administrative Assistant for their dedicated efforts and coordination of the "2019 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count."

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Valentin Amezquita, spoke in support of Regular Agenda Item 7.
2. Edwin Aragon, commented on contract and read from the paper with listed items. Mr. Aragon provided copies to the City Clerk for Council.
3. Catalina Peraza, spoke in regards to GEA membership, a three-year freeze and city subcontracting.
4. Gary Guthman, AFSCME Representative, commented on the closed session item.
5. Denise Campos, Public Affairs Manager, So Cal Gas Co., raised awareness on an issue in California regarding electricity over gas and spoke in support of using natural gas over electricity.

STAFF RESPONSE

Mayor Pineda noted that the comments related to the closed session item cannot have a response.

CLOSED SESSION

At 6:37 p.m. City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman recessed to closed session.

1. 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/Administrative Services Director
Employee Organization: General Employees Association (GEA)

At 7:23 p.m. Mayor Pineda reconvened to open session with all Council Members present.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman announced all five Council Members were present and briefed on closed session item 1. 1) nothing to report, no action taken.

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman announced an additional item to be added to agenda under Regular Agenda as Item 5A. Approval for Letter of Support for San Antonio High School to the LA Unified School District in support of the creation of the Computer Engineering Magnet at San Antonio High School. Mr. Alvarez-Glasman asked Council to make a motion. By **one motion**, the City Council approved the additional item.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve consent calendar, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

Mayor Pineda directed staff to look into the warrant regarding a flight he never took.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Ortiz, Sanabria, Vice Mayor Macias and Mayor Pineda
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 January 15, 2019.

FINANCE

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated February 5, 2019.

CITY ATTORNEY

3. Waive second reading and adopted Ordinance No. 2019-273, Amending Title 3 "Finance," Chapter 1 "Business Licensing," Article 18 "Peddlers and Sidewalk Vendors" and Title 4 "Public Safety, Chapter 11 "Sidewalk Vending" of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code Relating to Sidewalk Vendors.

COUNCIL

4. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-03 Reappointing Members to the Economic Development Committee.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

COUNCIL

5. Council Appointment to Parks and Recreation Commission

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Make appointment to the Parks and Recreation Commission consistent with the provisions set forth in Resolution No. 2015-19.

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced this item would be tabled to next city council meeting.

5A. Letter of Support for San Antonio High School to the LA Unified School District in Support of the Creation of the Computer Engineering Magnet at San Antonio High School

Motion: Mayor Pineda moved to approve letter of support. Motion passed 5-0, by one motion.

CITY MANAGER

6. Consideration and Approval of Resolution Establishing Spending Limits Policy for Purchasing Authority for the City Manager and Department Heads of the City Including City Staff

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Finance/Administrative Services Director Nita McKay who presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to adopt Resolution No. 2019-04, Amending Resolution No. 2017-40, Establishing Spending Limits Policy for Purchasing Authority for the City Manager, and Department Heads of the City including City staff, seconded by Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

7. Consideration and Approval to Retain Consultant for Community Educational Program for Measure C

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to authorize the retention of VELADA to conduct an educational and information program to the City's residents regarding Measure C and authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with VELADA consistent with their proposal attached herewith, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

8. Consideration and Approval to Implement the Huntington Park Strip Parking Pilot Program

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Community Development Director Sergio Infanzon who presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve the implementation of a parking pilot program along Randolph Street between Fishburn Avenue and Maywood Avenue, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

9. Consideration and Approval of Facility Use and Fee Waiver Request by the American Red Cross for Use of Keller Park and Court Building for the “Sound the Alarm” Event in Partnership with the City

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Community Development Director Sergio Infanzon who presented the staff report, noted the application and fee waiver request letter was received today and stated a representative from the American Red Cross was in attendance to answer any questions.

Council Member Sanabria directed staff to add to the city’s social media the American Red Cross “Sound the Alarm” event.

Mayor Pineda directed staff to add the information the city’s newsletter.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve the American Red Cross “Sound the Alarm” event in partnership with the City and approve American Red Cross fee waiver request for use of Keller Park and Court Building, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

PUBLIC WORKS

10. Consideration and Approval of Award of a Construction Contract to Elecnor Belco Electric Inc. and a Professional Services Contract (PSA) to KOA Corporation for Construction Management/Inspection and Labor Compliance Services for the Huntington Park Signal Synchronization & Bus Speed Improvement Project CIP 2018-05

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve a construction contract to Elecnor Belco Electric, Inc. as the lowest responsible, responsive bidder, for the Huntington Park Signal Synchronization & Bus Speed Improvement Project CIP 2018-05 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$911,252;
2. Approve a professional services agreement to KOA Corporation to provide Construction Management & Inspection and Labor Compliance services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$178,200;
3. Authorize City Manager to execute the construction contract agreement and professional services agreement; and
4. Approve budget appropriation in an amount of \$9,552.93 to account number 207-8016-429.73-10 and \$11,914.07 to account number 209-8010-431.73-10.

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

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to table the item to the next regular city council meeting in order to have all the information and to break down the item for two separate motions, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

PUBLIC WORKS (CONTINUED)

11. Consideration and Approval of CIP 2018-07 Downtown Huntington Park I-Park System Implementation Project 90% Completion of Design and Authorization to Proceed with Bid Advertisement

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve Environmental Assessment pursuant to 14 California Code of Regulations § 15301 as a Class 1 categorical exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);
2. Approve CIP 2018-07 Downtown Huntington Park i-Park System Implementation Project 90% completion of design;
3. Authorize Public Works Department to proceed with bid advertisement for construction; and
4. Authorize Infrastructure Engineers under the currently approved Augmentation Contract to proceed with the construction management and inspection (CM) services for a not-to-exceed fee of 7% based on construction bids and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the Request for Services (RFS); or
5. 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.

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

Vice Mayor Macias voiced concern with not being part of the design and wants to see the Council's vision implemented as part of the design and would like to table item so that staff can provide a presentation.

Motion: Vice Mayor Macias, moved to table item to the next regular city council meeting so that staff can provide a presentation and each recommendation can be reviewed one by one, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

PUBLIC WORKS (CONTINUED)

12. Consideration and Approval of Award of Contract Services Agreement to Precision Concrete Cutting for the Annual Sidewalk Hazard Trip Remediation - CIP No. 2018-09

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve award of contract services agreement to Precision Concrete Cutting for the Annual Sidewalk Trip Hazard Remediation CIP No. 2018-09 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$245,000 for FY 2018-19 and a not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000 for FYs 2019-20 and 2020-21; and
2. Authorize City Manager to execute a three (3) year agreement with the possibility of two (2), one-year extensions for a not-to-exceed total of five (5) years.

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

Council Member Ortiz stated all proposals along with cost were not attached to the staff report and would like to table item so that all information is provided.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to table item to the next regular city council meeting so that all information is provided, seconded by Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

13. Approve Acceptance of Work Performed by Alfaro Communication Construction, Inc. (ACCI) as Part of CIP 2018-01 Pacific Boulevard Pedestrian and Transportation Improvement Project Metro ID F3609 and CIP 2018-02 Metro Rapid Bus Station Implementation Project Metro ID MRBSHE32

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

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve acceptance of work performed by Alfaro Communication Construction, Inc. (ACCI) for the construction of CIP 2018-01 Pacific Boulevard Pedestrian and Transportation Improvement Project Metro ID F3609 and CIP 2018-02 Metro Rapid Bus Station Implementation Project Metro ID MRBSHE32, approve budget appropriations for construction contract provided by ACCI in an amount of \$377,327.82 to account number 205-8010-431.73-10, \$115,500 to account number 208-8051-431.73-10, \$243,595.00 to account number 222-8010-431.73-10, \$191,457.11 to account number 221-4010-431.73-10, and \$93,521.05 to account number 535-8010-431.73-10 for a total construction cost of \$1,021,400.98, approve ACCI's change orders for a not-to-exceed fee of \$149,693.76, authorize budget appropriations for construction management & inspection and labor compliance services provided by Infrastructure Engineers (IE) in an amount of \$85,000, from account number 222-8010-431.73-10, authorize the City Manager of designee to sign ACCI change orders, authorize staff to execute the "Notice of Completion" (NOC) and direct the City Clerk to file the NOC with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office and release the 5% retention being withheld from the payment to Contractor after 35 days of the effective date of the recordation of the NOC, if no Stop Notices are filed within the 35-day period seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

Council Member Ortiz directed staff to next time separate the different appropriations and to make ensure that everything is good to go with the project, also noted some of the lights on the monuments are out and to check on the lights that are flashing.

PUBLIC WORKS (CONTINUED)

14. Consideration and Approval of Purchase Order (PO) for Emergency Replacement of Motor

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

Motion: Mayor Pineda moved to approve emergency expenditure in the amount of \$13,401.80 in account 681-8030-461.43-30 and authorize City Manager to execute the check request, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

15. Continued from the January 15 2019, 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)

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

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).

Vice Mayor Macias would like to continue the item.

Mayor Pineda opened and closed public.

Motion: Vice Mayor Macias moved to continue item to the next regular city council meeting, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by one motion.

FINANCE

16. Continued from the January 15 2019, Regular City Council Meeting - Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Establishing New Fees Related to Sidewalk Vendor Permit Fees, Pursuant to Title 3 "Finance," Chapter 1 "Business Licensing," Article 18 "Peddlers and Sidewalk Vendors" of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Conduct a public hearing;

2. Take public testimony and staff's analysis; and
3. Adopt Resolution No. 2019-02, Establishing New Fees Related to Sidewalk Vendor Permit Fees, Pursuant to Title 3 "Finance," Chapter 1 "Business Licensing," Article 18 "Peddlers and Sidewalk Vendors" of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman stated staff would like to continue the item to the next regular city council meeting.

Mayor Pineda opened and closed public comment.

Motion: Mayor Pineda moved to table item to the next regular city council meeting. Motion passed 5-0, by one motion.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Manuel "Manny" Avila, wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, wished everyone a good night.

Council Member Marilyn Sanabria, wished everyone a good night.

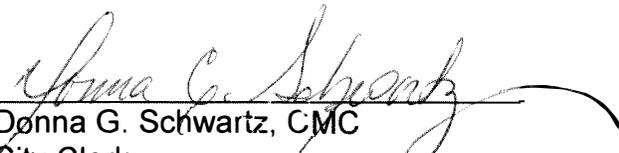
Vice Mayor Karina Macias, thanked staff for all their support and reminded the public of the Food Pantry event on Sunday, February 10 and the Sock & Undergarment Drive through February 14th and wished all a Happy Valentine's Day.

Mayor Jhonny Pineda, thanked everyone and wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:26 p.m. Mayor Pineda adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council in memory of Dr. Michelle King, Superintendent with Los Angeles Unified School District, to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Donna G. Schwartz, CMC
City Clerk