

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, August 6, 2019

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

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, August 6, 2019, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Karina Macias presiding.

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

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

INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Mayor Macias.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Avila.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Roberto Gallardo, voiced concern with the new changes to parking in the City, not being notified as a resident i.e. with waste management, or being notified of any meetings for the residents to attend in order for them to be able to add their input.
2. Michelle Ybarra, Huntington Park Youth Football, commented on the program and supports the proposed space at new aquatic center that will be available for the youth to practice on.
3. Eddie Benitez, spoke in regards to Measure S, safety and cuts to public safety, asked where are the added Police Officers, concerned with response time, commented on the cost of the pool, asked who submitted proposals and what is the cost to maintain.
4. Rodolfo Cruz, commented on Measures S and L, taxes charged for services, loans the City has, construction at Salt Lake Park, cost to build the pool, the need for Police Officers and upgrades to police vehicles.
5. Ivonne Correa, feels more research should be done regarding the pool project, asked how many companies offered their services, what newspaper was it noticed in, and asked if there is a grant for the \$30 million.

STAFF RESPONSE

City Manager Ricardo Reyes responded to the comment regarding parking and asked Mr. Gallardo to provide his information so that staff can meet and address his concerns regarding parking. Mr. Reyes, in response to the comment regarding Measure S and cuts to public safety he stated Measure S investments are across all city departments and that there are no cuts to Police Officers and with response to other comments those will be addressed when the item is presented.

STAFF RESPONSE (CONTINUED)

Council Member Ortiz clarified that it was UPW, not CR&R, provided poor service and that prior Council voted on that contract, not current Council. Ms. Ortiz stated she admires the Police Officers and what they do on a daily basis, they are working with and what they have, she does not support any cutting to PD. She commented on Measure S stating the focus is improving streets and bettering the community. She apologized to all staff stating everyone works hard every day and appreciates all staff.

Mayor Macias stated herself and Council Member Sanabria noticed the fire, she had called PD and owner of property was notified. No cuts are being made to public safety, vehicles are in the process of being changed out and that improvements are coming throughout the City.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

ROLL CALL:

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

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- 1. Approved Minute(s) of the following City Council Meeting(s):
 - 1-1. Regular City Council Meeting held July 16, 2019.

FINANCE

- 2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated August 6, 2019.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- 3. Adopted Ordinance No. 2019-978, approving a zoning ordinance amendment amending various sections of Title 9 "Zoning" of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

CITY MANAGER

- 4. **Consideration and Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce and authorize City Manager or designee to execute agreement, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

5. Consideration and Approval to Award a Design Build Contract Agreement for the Construction of an Aquatic Center and Related Amenities at Salt Lake Park

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the staff report and introduced Steve Forster, representative from Infrastructure Engineers (IE) who presented an update and a PowerPoint presentation. City Manager Ricardo Reyes walked Council through the photos and announced that the Architect was in attendance for any questions.

REGULAR AGENDA (CONTINUED)

CITY MANAGER ITEM 5 (CONTINUED)

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion failed due to substitute motion.

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman announced a correction to the staff report with regard to notice of exemption stating that if this item is approved, staff will be filing a new environmental impact notice of exemption.

City Manager Ricardo Reyes informed Council to specify in the motion who was awarded the design build approach agreement.

Substitute Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve the use of a design build approach with JT Construction with the condition that the City Manager confirms and validates the substantial cost savings by taking the design build approach. Approved the design build approach in an amount not to exceed \$24,500,000 for the purpose of constructing an aquatic center and related improvements at Salt Lake Park, authorize the City Manager to negotiate final terms and conditions of the agreement and upon final terms being reach, the City Manager is authorized to execute an agreement which binds the City to the process and project approved herein, authorize City Manager to execute an agreement with Infrastructure Engineers for the Program, Project, Construction Management and inspection of the project and approve Environmental Assessment as follows: The proposed project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 14 California Code of Regulations § 15301 Class 1 categorical exemption; 15304 Class 4 categorical exemption; and Class 15323 Class 23 categorical exemption, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

6. Consideration and Approval for Authorization to Negotiate and Execute the Financing for a Design Build Construction of an Aquatic Center and Related Amenities at Salt Lake Park

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the staff report.

Motion: Mayor Macias moved to authorize City Manager to negotiate and execute term loan with CalPrivate Bank for the design build construction of an aquatic center and related amenities at Salt Lake Park, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

REGULAR AGENDA (CONTINUED)

PUBLIC WORKS

7. Consideration and Approval of First Amendment to Contract Services Agreement for Janitorial Services

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Public Works Daniel Hernandez.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve first amendment to agreement with J316 Builder for janitorial services and authorize City Manager or designee to execute agreement, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

At 6:51 p.m. Council Member Ortiz left the Chambers.

8. Consideration and Approval of Second Amendment to the Huntington Park Express Fixed Route Transit Services Assignment to Agreement to Include Trolley Services

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Public Works Daniel Hernandez.

Motion: Mayor Macias moved to approve second amendment to the Huntington Park Express Fixed Route Transportation Services Assignment to Agreement to include trolley services and authorize City Manager or designee to execute the agreement, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 3-0-1-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Sanabria, Vice Mayor Avila and Mayor Macias
NOES: Council Member(s): None
ABSENT: Council Member(s): Pineda
NOT PRESENT: Council Member(s): Ortiz

At 6:53 p.m. Council Member Ortiz returned to the Chambers.

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, noted the National Night Out event tonight, City Council Meeting are the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, Council business cards are available outside the chambers and encouraged the public to call any time.

Council Member Jhonny Pineda - ABSENT

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS (CONTINUED)

Council Member Marilyn Sanabria, thanked everyone who attended tonight's meeting, wants the best for the community, noted meeting dates are available on-line, excited for the new pool project, wished all a good night and that her business cards are available outside the chambers. Ms. Sanabria added that the City has various forms of social media available to the public so that they can report any issues, concerns or obtain information.

Vice Mayor Manuel "Manny" Avila, thanked all who attended tonight's meeting, invited the public to the National Night Out event, and if anyone has any questions please let us know.

Mayor Karina Macias, reiterated that Council is available for questions and concerns, thanked her colleagues for their vision and work of the aquatic center and pleased it passed, thanked everyone who attended tonight's meeting, thanked staff for all their hard work and invited the public to join in on the National Night Out event.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:01 p.m. Mayor Macias adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna G. Schwartz, CMC
City Clerk