

Regular Meeting of the  
City of Huntington Park City Council  
Tuesday, November 19, 2019

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

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 19, 2019, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Karina Macias presiding.

PRESENT: Council Member(s): Graciela Ortiz, Jhonny Pineda, Marilyn Sanabria, (Vice Mayor Manuel "Manny" Avila arrived at 6:17 p.m.) and Mayor Karina Macias.

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager; Raul Alvarez, Assistant City Manager; Araceli Almazan, Legal; Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police; Cynthia Norzagaray, Director of Parks and Recreation; Nita McKay, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development and Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk.

**INVOCATION**

The invocation was led by Mayor Macias.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Sanabria.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation," to Volunteers and Organizations for Their Time and Donations to the Huntington Park's "Haunt'ington Park Halloween Festival."

Council presented a proclamation to Representatives of AARP and Service Employees International Union (SEIU) 2015, Proclaiming November as "National Family Caregivers Month."

At 6:54 p.m. Mayor Macias called for a RECESS. At 7:15 p.m. Mayor Macias RECONVENED with all Council Members present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, spoke on Islam and Humanity.

**STAFF RESPONSE** - None

**CLOSED SESSION**

At 7:20 p.m. Araceli Almazan, Legal, requested a motion to add a subsequent need item as item 4 to closed session, the item came after the agenda was posted and is in need of action by Council. Closed session item related to Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1) – City of Huntington Park v Central Basin Municipal Water District. **Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve adding the subsequent need item as closed session item 4, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

Araceli Almazan, Legal, recessed to closed session.

**CLOSED SESSION (CONTINUED)**

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)  
Name of case: John Navarrette v City of Huntington Park,  
Claim Nos. 15-122673 and 16-128514
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/Administrative Services Director  
Employee Organization: General Employees Association (GEA)
3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR  
(Government Code Section 54957.6(a)) - Regarding Represented Employees  
City's Designated Representative(s) for Negotiations: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager  
Employee Organization: Police Management Association (PMA)
4. **Subsequent Need Item:** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – [One Matter]  
City of Huntington Park v Central Basin Municipal Water District

At 8:12 p.m. Mayor Macias reconvened to open session with all Council Members present.

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**

Araceli Almazan, Legal, announced all Council Members were present and briefed on closed session items 1 through 4. 1-4.) no action taken, nothing to report.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

ROLL CALL:

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

Council Member Pineda directed staff to look into the three payments in the same month, with similar amounts made to Express Transportation Services to ensure this is correct.

**OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

1. Approved Minute(s) of the following City Council Meeting(s):
  - 1-1. Regular City Council Meeting held November 5, 2019.

**FINANCE**

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated November 19, 2019.

**POLICE**

3. Adopted Ordinance No. 2019-979, Repealing and Restating Section 4-7.1623 of Article 16 "Parking Prohibited or Limited", Chapter 7 "Traffic", Title 4 "Public Safety" of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code Relating to Parking of Vehicles for Sale.

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**  
**REGULAR AGENDA**

**CITY ATTORNEY**

- 4. Consideration and Approval of an Ordinance Adding Section 4-7.1624 of Title 4 “Public Safety,” Chapter 7 “Traffic,” Article 16 “Parking Prohibited or Limited,” of the City of Huntington Park’s Municipal Code Prohibiting the Stopping, Parking, or Standing of Nuisance Vehicles Upon any Street in Residential Zones and the Stopping, Parking, or Standing of Oversized Vehicles on Public Streets**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to waive first reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2019-980, adding Section 4-7.1624 of Title 4, Chapter 7, Article 16 of the City of Huntington Park’s Municipal Code relating to the prohibition of parking of nuisance and oversize vehicles and schedule the second reading and adoption of said Ordinance, as described above, at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

- 5. Consideration and Approval for Authorization to Purchase Warranty for Parking Pay Stations**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to approve the purchase of a 1-Year Warranty for Parking Pay Stations in the amount of \$22,050.00, approve an appropriation transfer in the amount of \$7,174 to be transferred to account number 111-8010-415.56-41 Public Works Other Expenses Contractual Services from account number 111-6010-451.73-10 City-Wide Park Improvements and authorize City Manager or designee to execute Purchase Order, seconded by Council Member Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**POLICE**

- 6. Consideration and Approval for Acceptance of Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-2020 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant Agreement from the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS)**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to approve the Police Department to accept funding provided through the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program totaling \$120,000 in account number 224-0000-335.30-96, approve budget appropriations totaling \$120,000 in the specified accounts as detailed in the Fiscal Impact Section of this report and authorize the City Manager to execute the Standard Agreement for FY 19-20 STEP, between the City of Huntington Park and the State of California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

**REGULAR AGENDA (CONTINUED)**

**POLICE - ITEM 6 (CONTINUED)**

ROLL CALL:

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

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**7. Consideration and Approval of Award of Contract for Construction of CIP 2016-01 ATP Cycle II Project ATPL-5150(012)**

Assistant City Manager Raul Alvarez presented the item.

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to approve award of construction contract to Calpromax Engineering, Inc. as the lowest responsible, responsive bidder for a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,950,192, approve an appropriation transfer in the amount of \$500,000 to be transferred to account number 210-8080-431.73-10 ATP Cycle II Capital Improvement Project from account number 210-8010-431.76-01 City-Wide Street Capital Improvement Project, approve an appropriation transfer in the amount of \$219,202 to be transferred to account number 111-8080-431.73-10 ATP Cycle II Capital Improvement Project from account number 111-8010-431.76-01 City-Wide Street Capital Improvement Project and authorize City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute contract agreement, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

**8. Consideration and Approval of Project Change Orders for CIP 2018-05 Huntington Park Signal Synchronization & Bus Speed Improvements Project**

Assistant City Manager Raul Alvarez presented the item.

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve an appropriation transfer in the amount of \$144,864 to be transferred to account number 222-8010-431.73-10 Signal Synchronization/Bus Speed Improvements from account number 222-8010-431.76-01 City-Wide Street Improvements, authorize City Manager or his designee to execute the project change orders for Elecnor Belco Electric, Inc. and Infrastructure Engineers and authorize payments to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works for the design of As-built traffic signal plans and revised timing sheets for the five signal controllers that will be replaced, seconded by Council Member Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

**REGULAR AGENDA (CONTINUED)**

**PUBLIC WORKS (CONTINUED)**

**9. Consideration and Approval of Proposals and Award Agreements for the Design, System Analysis and Permitting Assistance and the Cottage Reservoir Feasibility Update Study for Water Well No. 15**

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve proposal and award agreement for Cottage Reservoir Feasibility Update Study for Well No. 15 to Infrastructure Engineers for a not-to-exceed amount of \$31,000 from Account No. 681-8030-461-73.10;
2. Approve proposal and award agreement for System Analysis, Design and Permitting Assistance for Well No. 15 to Tetra Tech for the Cottage Reservoir By-Pass in a not-to-exceed amount of \$29,770 from Account No. 681-8030-461.73-10;
3. Approve an appropriation transfer in the amount of \$60,770 to be transferred to account number 681-8030-461.76-07 Well 15 Reservoir Study from account number 681-8030-461.73-10 City-Wide Water System Upgrades; and
4. Authorize City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute two separate professional services agreements.

Assistant City Manager Raul Alvarez presented the item.

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to table this item so that she can meet with staff to get a better understanding, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

**10. Consideration and Approval of Payment for Replacement & Repair of Cooling Coil for City Hall N/E A/C System**

Assistant City Manager Raul Alvarez presented the item.

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve emergency expenditure in the amount of \$31,750 in accounts 111-8020-431.43-10, 111-8022-419.43-10, 111-8023-451.43-10, 111-8024-421.43-10 for the Replacement and Repair of Cooling Coil for City Hall A/C System and authorize City Manager or designee to execute the encumbrance request, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

**END OF REGULAR AGENDA**

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS** (Information only)

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS** – None.

## **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, thanked staff for all their support, wished all a Happy Thanksgiving with all their loved ones.

Council Member Jhonny Pineda, acknowledged Chief of Police for bringing the ordinance regarding parking vehicles for sale; Coffee with a Copy and all who participated in the Halloween Event. He encouraged the public to run for office and wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

Council Member Marilyn Sanabria, wished all a Happy Thanksgiving, thanked staff for all their support, reiterated the tree lighting event, the ice skating rink and wished all a good night.

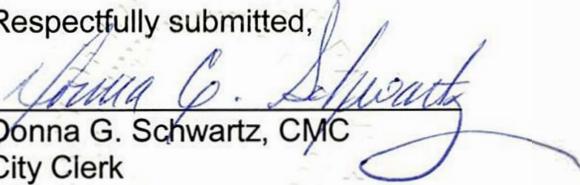
Vice Mayor Manuel "Manny" Avila, wished all Happy Holidays.

Mayor Karina Macias, wished all a Happy Thanksgiving, thanked staff for all their support, reiterated the ice skating rink and invited everyone to the tree lighting event.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:29 p.m. Mayor Macias adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Donna G. Schwartz, CMC  
City Clerk