

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, July 21, 2020

The City Council conducted this meeting in accordance with California Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-25-20 and N-29-20.

The Rules of Decorum were played prior to 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 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 16, 2020, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Manuel “Manny” Avila presiding.

PRESENT: Council Member(s): Eduardo “Eddie” Martinez, Marilyn Sanabria, Karina Macias, Vice Mayor Graciela Ortiz, and Mayor Manuel “Manny” Avila.

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager; Raul Alvarez, Assistant City Manager; Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police; Araceli Almazan, Legal; Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development/Acting City Clerk; Nita McKay, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Cesar Roldan, Director of Public Works; ABSENT: Cynthia Norzagaray, Director of Parks & Recreation.

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Council Member Martinez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Ortiz

PRESENTATIONS

1. No Presentations

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. No Public Comment Cards were submitted by the public.

STAFF RESPONSE

1. No staff response

CLOSED SESSION

At 6:03 p.m. Mayor Ortiz, recessed to closed session.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) [One matter]

At 6:22 p.m., Mayor Avila reconvened to open session with all Council Members present.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

City Attorney Aracely Almazan announced all five Council Members were present and briefed on closed session item 1. 1). No final action was taken, nothing to report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve the consent calendar from the July 21, Regular Meeting, seconded by Council Member Macias, Motion passed 5-0-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

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

1-1. Regular City Council Meeting held on July 07, 2020

FINANCE

2. Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated July 21, 2020

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC WORKS

3. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION EXECUTING TRANSFER AGREEMENT NO. 2020MP34 SAFE, CLEAN WATER PROGRAM BETWEEN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director Cesar Roldan to present the item.

Motion: Vice Mayor Ortiz moved to approve a resolution executing transfer agreement No. 2020MP34 Safe, Clean Water Program between The Los Angeles County Flood Control District and the City of Huntington Park, seconded by Council Member Sanabria, Motion passed 5-0-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING CONSULTING SERVICES

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director Cesar Roldan to present the item.

Motion: Council member Macias moved to approve the professional services agreement for solid waste and recycling consulting services, seconded by Council Member Sanabria, Motion passed 5-0-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

POLICE

5. APPROVE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF BI-DIRECTIONAL AMPLIFIER (BDA) SYSTEM NEEDED FOR NEWLY INSTALLED ICI RADIO SYSTEM

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Chief of Police Cosme Lozano to present the item.

Motion: Vice Mayor Ortiz moved to approve the installation of a bi-directional amplifier (BDA) system for newly installed ICI Radio system, seconded by Council Member Macias, Motion passed 5-0-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

FINANCE

6. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION FIXING THE ANNUAL PENSION TAX RATE TO PAY THE CITY'S PENSION OBLIGATION BOND ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE AND A PORTION OF THE COST OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director Nita McKay to present the item.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve a resolution fixing the annual pension tax rate to pay the City's pension obligation bond annual debt service and a portion of the cost of the public employee's retirement system for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, seconded by Vice Mayor Ortiz, Motion passed 5-0-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

PUBLIC HEARING

7. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AND ORDERING THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF THE ANNUAL SPECIAL TAX FOR THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK STREET LIGHTING, PARKS AND LANDSCAPING SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and stated that it was appropriate for the Mayor to open public comment.

City Attorney Araceli Almazan asked if anyone was present to make any comments

Mayor Avila opened public comment, there being none, closed public comment.

Director of Finance Nita McKay presented the item.

Motion: Vice Mayor Ortiz moved to approve a resolution establishing and ordering the levy and collection of the annual special tax for the City of Huntington Park street lighting, parks and landscaping special tax district for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, seconded by Council Member Sanabria, Motion passed 5-0-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

8. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT REFUSE CHARGES PURSUANT TO SECTION 6-2.112 OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK'S MUNICIPAL CODE (172.54 REFUSE COLLECTION FEES)

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and stated that it was appropriate for the Mayor to open public comment.

Mayor Avila opened public comment, there being none, closed public comment.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve a resolution authorizing collection of delinquent refuse charges pursuant to Section 6-2.112 of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code, seconded by Council Member Macias, Motion passed 5-0-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

1. No reports

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Martinez thanked the staff for making sure the council meeting was conducted safely. He also reminded everyone to be counted for the Census.

Council Member Sanabria thanked staff for their hard work and announced there was going to be a food tree give away and invited the public to visit the City's website to get the information.

Council Member Macias thanked staff for their hard work and commitment to continue providing essential services to the community

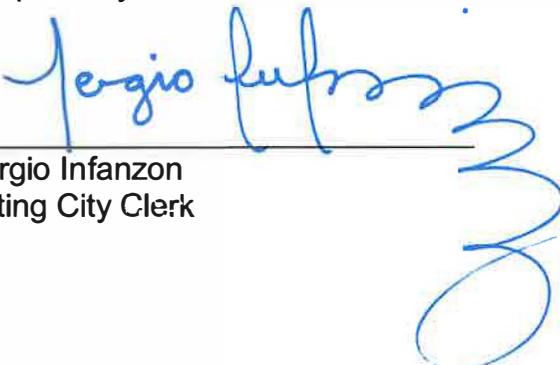
Vice Mayor Ortiz echoed comments previously made by the council members.

Mayor Avila reminded everyone to go back to the basics on the fight against COVID-19; Wear a mask, and keep the social distance.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Avila adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m. on Memory of John Lewis, to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 04, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Sergio Infanzon
Acting City Clerk