

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, September 18, 2006.

The meeting was called to order in the Council Conference Room at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Noguez. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Mario Gomez, and Mayor Juan R. Noguez. Absent: Council Member Elba Romo.

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Gomez, to approve the Consent Calendar, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

#### OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, September 5, 2006.

Approve the reading by title of all ordinances and resolutions. Said titles which appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title and further reading waived.

#### FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Approve the Payroll Demands dated September 18, 2006.

Approve the following: 1) **Request for Proposals (RFP) for Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Actuarial Consulting Services**; 2) **to establish the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) fund**; and 3) **transfer of \$553,378 from the General Fund and \$191,206 from the Employee Benefits Fund to the OPEB Fund.**

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

**Authorize staff to issue Request for Proposals (RFP) for Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Program Contract Administration Services.**

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEM – Received and filed

City Manager summary report regarding the League of California Cities Annual Conference held in San Diego from September 6 through 9, 2006.

#### END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Director of Finance Department Pruyn requested approval of Purchase Order No. 22976 to Hewlett Packard for the purchase of desktop computers for City Hall, Parks and Recreation, and Field Services Departments; and approve the sale of the existing Dell desktop computers to City employees. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to approve **Purchase**

**Order No. 22976 to Hewlett Packard for the purchase of desktop computers for City Hall, Parks and Recreation, and Field Services Departments; and approve the sale of the existing Dell desktop computers to City employees**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Finance Department Pruyn requested approval of adjustment to the City's Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Budget, due to labor and severance settlements. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve recommended adjustments to the City's Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Budget, due to labor and severance settlements**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Assistant Engineer Fu requested approval of a Change Order for the Demolition of 5959-6169 Alameda Street and 2528 E. 54th Street, Project No. 06-026; appropriation of additional funds in the amount of \$125,000 for this project; and authorize the City Manager to sign the change order. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve a Change Order for the Demolition of 5959-6169 Alameda Street and 2528 E. 54th Street, Project No. 06-026; appropriation of additional funds in the amount of \$125,000 for this project; and authorize the City Manager to sign the change order**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Assistant Engineer Fu presented for discussion and/or action the Florence Avenue Streetscape Project proposed by Los Angeles County. **Following a discussion and there being no objection, Mayor Noguez ordered this item be received and filed.**

Council Member Romo arrived and took her seat at 6:40 p.m.

Director of Community Development Gray presented a request from the Business Improvement District (BID) and the Greater Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce to approve installation of 300 City of Huntington Park Centennial banners throughout the Downtown District and allocation of City funds in the amount of \$10,000 for the project. Jeannette Marquez, Business Improvement District Manager, distributed to City Council a second draft of the proposed Centennial banners. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve installation of 300 City of Huntington Park Centennial banners throughout the City of Huntington Park, including the City's gateways; and allocation of City funds in the amount of \$10,000 for the project**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Director of Field Services Poole requested approval of the First Amendment to City Tree and Grounds Maintenance Agreement by and between the City of Huntington Park and TruGreen LandCare. Dave Evans, representing TruGreen LandCare, introduced himself and made himself available answer any questions. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to **approve the First Amendment to City Tree and Grounds Maintenance Agreement by and between the City of Huntington Park and TruGreen LandCare for a term of five years (5) expiring November 30, 2011**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa presented for discussion and/or action a request from Dante D'Eramo for reappointment to the Arts and Culture Commission. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **reappoint Dante D'Eramo to a four (4) year term on the Arts and Culture Commission for a term expiring September 2, 2010**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to establish as "**subsequent need**" item, a request from the Business Improvement District (BID) and The Greater Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce regarding installation of a speaker system along Pacific Boulevard; and a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute documents in conjunction with the

Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program and an economic development initiative grant, as these items arose after the posting of the agenda, necessitating City Council's immediate consideration and/or action, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Assistant Engineer Fu informed City Council that a request was made from the Business Improvement District and The Greater Area Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce for the City to incorporate the installation of a speaker system along Pacific Boulevard with the City's current Street Lighting Project. Tom Simmons, representing City Light and Power, Inc., informed City Council that the installation of a complete speaker system along Pacific Boulevard could be incorporated to the City's current Street Lighting Project for a total cost of \$250,000. **Following a discussion, Mayor Noguez ordered this item be received and filed.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2006-70** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH **THE SECTION 108 LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM AND AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE GRANT** was presented. Motion By Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution No. 2006-70, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

City Attorney Leal requested the City Council resolve into a **closed session** for the following: 1) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: (1); 2) pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION, Name of Case: Venegas vs. Lisner, Case No.: VC 046086; and 3) pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION, Name of Case: Martinez vs. City of Huntington Park, Case No.: VC 044732. Mayor Noguez declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 6:50 p.m. City Clerk Ramirez was excused from the closed session.

Following the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Noguez. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Mario Gomez, Council Member Elba Romo, and Mayor Juan R. Noguez. Absent: None.

Richard V. Loya, Member of the Health and Education Commission, introduced Araceli Perez and her daughter Kenya who was born on September 1, 2006, the same day as the City's 100th Year Anniversary. Mr. Loya also introduced Arlene Savage, Member of the Health and Education Commission; John Santillan, Director of Physician Relations of Community Mission Hospital in the City of Huntington Park; and Cassie, Director of Nurses at Mission Hospital in the City of Huntington Park. Ms. Savage and Mr. Loya presented Araceli Perez and her daughter Kenya with gifts. Mayor Noguez and City Council imprinted Kenya's footprint on a voter registration form in commemoration of her being the 1<sup>st</sup> baby born on the day of the City's 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary; and presented a Certificate of Appreciation and a set of the City's Centennial coins to Araceli Perez and her daughter Kenya.

Sharon Lee, President of the Business Improvement District (BID), introduced the following members of the Business Improvement District in attendance: Jack Zaghera; Jaime Mendez; and Paula Rendon. Mayor Noguez and City Council presented Certificates of Recognition to the members of the BID and Business Improvement District Manager Jeannette Marquez.

Mayor Noguez read a proclamation designating September 22 through 28, 2006 as Childhood Injury Prevention Week.

Cliff Neiman, representing The Neiman Group, displayed a PowerPoint presentation for the design and proposed improvements of the Council Chamber.

Chief of Police Trevis introduced the following new Huntington Park Police Department Volunteers: 1) Chet Herring; 2) Hoke Sanders; 3) Emilio Zacarias; 4) Ivan Meza; 5) Juan Barboza; 6) Henry Garcia; 7) Angelica Madrigal; 8) Blanca Ramos; and 9) Maritza Martinez; 10) Noelia Hernandez; 11) Juan Perez; and 12) Candice Nolf. Chief of Police Trevis acknowledged the longtime Huntington Park Police Volunteers and commended Senior Officer Wallace and newly promoted Senior Officer Verdiell for their involvement and dedication to the Huntington Park Police Volunteers. Mayor Noguez and City Council thanked

the Huntington Park Police Volunteers for their dedication to the City.

Mayor Noguez opened oral communications, indicating that this was the time for anyone in the audience to address the City Council on any matter of City business.

Dante D'Eramo, Executive Manager at The Greater Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce, invited City Council to attend the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Sabor de Mexico Lindo Downtown Festival on October 6, 7, and 8, 2006. Mr. D'Eramo informed City Council of the many activities scheduled for this event, including a menudo contest, piñata making contest, teen talent show, and the making of the world's largest taco.

A resident of the City of Huntington Park, addressed his concerns to City Council regarding illegal activities around his neighborhood and asked City Council to assist him with the matters. The gentleman was referred to Chief of Police Trevis.

Mayor Noguez called for any other oral communications, and hearing none, declared oral communications closed.

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with published notice, this is the time and place set to consider acceptance of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Fiscal Year 2005-2006. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Noguez declared the public hearing open and called for oral communications and hearing none, Mayor Noguez declared the public hearing closed.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **adopt the City's Fiscal Year 2005-2006 CAPER, and authorize the City Manager to execute all required documents for transmittal to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with published notice, this is the time and place set to consider extending Urgency Interim Zoning Ordinance No. 790-NS, amending Title 9, Chapter 3, of the Huntington Park Municipal Code by adding Article 12B thereto regarding electronic displays within the Pacific Paseo (PP) Zone. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Noguez declared the public hearing open and called for oral communications and hearing none, Mayor Noguez declared the public hearing closed.

ORDINANCE NO. 791-NS. AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK EXTENDING URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 790-NS, AMENDING TITLE 9, CHAPTER 3, OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING ARTICLE 12B THERETO REGARDING **ELECTRONIC DISPLAYS** was read by title. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, that reading in full of Urgency Ordinance No. 791-NS for first and final reading be waived; and that Urgency Ordinance No. 791-NS be introduced and approved for first and final reading and adopted, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-71 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **APPROVING CHANGES IN COMPENSATION FOR POLICE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008** was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution No. 2006-71, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-72 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ADOPTING A REVISED EMERGENCY OPERATIONS MANUAL (EMERGENCY PLAN)** was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2006-72, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-73 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **SUPPORTING PROPOSITIONS 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E AND PROPOSITION 84 ON THE NOVEMBER 2006 BALLOT** was presented. Motion by

Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2006-73, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

City Attorney Leal reported out the following on the closed session items: 1) Conference With Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation, a status report was provided by Assistant City Attorney Alvarez; and 2) Conference With Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation, Name of Case: Martinez vs. City of Huntington Park, Case No.: VC 044732, City Council on a 5-0 vote authorized settlement on this matter.

Vice Mayor Guerrero presented an update report regarding the I-710 Committee's proposal to expand the 710 freeway and the proposed location of the Orange Line station on Gage Avenue and Salt Lake Avenue in Huntington Park.

Mayor Noguez declared the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Juan R. Noguez, Mayor

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Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk