

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Tuesday, July 5, 2005.

The meeting was called to order in the Council Conference Room at 6:34 p.m. by Mayor Hernandez. Present: Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Mario Gomez, Council Member Elba Romo, and Mayor Ofelia Hernandez. Absent: Council Member Juan R. Noguez.

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

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, June 20, 2005.

Deny claims filed by the following:

- a) **Luis Vargas**, Date of Incident: May 7, 2005 and refer to the City Attorney and the City's insurance administrator.
- b) **Jose R. Villagrana**, Date of Incident: June 10, 2005 and refer to the City's insurance administrator.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Approve the Payroll Demands dated July 5, 2005.

Approve the **Dance and Entertainment Permit to Mike Chvedine dba Maxi's Restaurant** located at 6531 Rita Avenue, pending Fire Department approval. Community Development and Police Departments have submitted approvals.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Review and Adoption of **Electronic Reader Board Policies and Procedures for Salt Lake Park and City Hall.**

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Chief of Police Narramore requested approval for the purchase of a G.P.S. (Global Positioning Satellite) navigational system for Detective Bureau vehicles. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to **approve the purchase of a G.P.S. (Global Positioning Satellite) navigational system for the Detective Bureau vehicles for an amount not to exceed \$14,000 to be funded from the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant No. 228-7010-421.61-20**, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Hernandez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

Director of Community Development Gray requested consideration of a

recommendation from the Business Improvement District (BID) Advisory Board to reappoint Jaime Mendez and Frank Ruiterman to the BID Advisory Board. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Romo, to **reappoint Jaime Mendez and Frank Ruiterman to the BID Advisory Board with the terms expiring June 1, 2008**, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Hernandez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

Assistant City Engineer Fu presented a status report and request for four (4) additional public pay phones at various locations by G.L. Crowther Company; direct the City Attorney to prepare an Amended Agreement; and authorize the Mayor to execute the necessary documents. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Romo, to **approve the four (4) additional public pay phones at various locations by G.L. Crowther Company; direct the City Attorney to prepare an Amended Agreement**; and authorize the Mayor to execute the necessary documents, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Hernandez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

City Attorney Leal requested the City Council resolve into a **closed session** pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6, Conference with Labor Negotiators: Agency designated representative: City Manager; Employee Organizations: General Employees' Association, Police Officers' Association, Police Management Association, And Non-Represented Employees' Association. Mayor Hernandez declared the meeting resolved into closed session at 6:38 p.m. City Clerk Ramirez was excused from the closed session.

Following the closed session the meeting was recessed at 6:52 p.m.

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 Hernandez. Present: Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Mario Gomez, Council Member Elba Romo, and Mayor Ofelia Hernandez. Absent: Council Member Juan R. Noguez.

Mayor Hernandez and Chief of Police Narramore presented proclamations to thank and commend the following retiring Huntington Park Police Department officers for their many years of service to the City: Lieutenant Thomas Weselis (30 years); Lieutenant William Diers (28 years); and Sergeant Ronnie Beason (30 years).

There being no objection, Mayor Hernandez recessed the meeting at 7:20 p.m. for pictures with the retiring officers.

The meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 7:25 p.m. by Mayor Hernandez. Present: Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Mario Gomez, Council Member Elba Romo, and Mayor Ofelia Hernandez. Absent: Council Member Juan R. Noguez.

Mayor Hernandez presented "Certificates of Recognition" to the following 6 (six) industries in our community that complied with all Sanitation Districts' industrial waste requirements over the 2004 calendar year: Hi-Grade Food Distributors (Margo Baham, present); VIP Garment Care (Brian Kim, present); Roger's Poultry; Golden Tiger; Wire Guard Systems; and Aircraft X-Ray Laboratories, Inc.

Mayor Hernandez 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.

A representative from the Los Angeles County Library stated to City Council that he could not find current information regarding the 4th of July event on the City's website. City Clerk Ramirez informed City Council that an RFP, (Request for Proposals) was sent out to find a company to develop and maintain the City's website and should be implemented in a couple of months. Mayor Hernandez requested that each department send information to the Library of any upcoming activities.

Lieutenant Paul Wadley of the Huntington Park Police Department invited the City Council to participate in the 6th Annual Huntington Park Police Activities League's (P.A.L.) Charity Golf Tournament to be held on August 11, 2005 at the California Country Club. Lt. Wadley stated that the monies raised from this event help fund the many activities for the P.A.L. Program.

Adrian Kirk, Director of Community Relations of Aspire Charter School, informed City Council that the Charter Elementary School from Kindergarten to 5th Grade is scheduled to open on September 6, 2005 at the Methodist Church Building, 6410 Rita Avenue, and is looking forward to serving the community and help relieve overcrowding in the schools. Mr.

Kirk also stated that in the fall of 2006 the Charter Elementary School will move to its permanent location.

Judy Burton, President and CEO of The Alliance for College-Ready Public Schools, introduced the Principal Laura Galvan of their new school to open at St. Martha's Church and is looking forward to serving the community.

Joseph Baltazar, representative of the Huntington Park Sister City Association, invited City Council to attend their Annual Hawaiian Luau Dinner & Dance Fund Raiser on August 5, 2005 at the Family Center, 3355 East Gage Avenue from 7 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-35. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **FIXING THE RATE OF TAXES TO PAY THE COST OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006** AND LEVYING TAXES FOR SAID RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2005, was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Romo, to adopt Resolution No. 2005-35, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Hernandez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-36. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **CONFIRMING THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FIELD SERVICES FOR THE COST OF ABATEMENT OF NOXIOUS AND DANGEROUS WEEDS** GROWING UPON AND IN FRONT OF CERTAIN LOTS AND PARCELS OF LAND IN THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 39560 *ET SEQ*, was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution No. 2005-36, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Hernandez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to waive full reading of all ordinances, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Hernandez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

ORDINANCE NO. 755-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA REPEALING MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 5, CHAPTER 11, SECTION 5-11.22, PERTAINING TO **POLITICAL SIGNS**, was read by title. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 755-NS for second reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 755-NS be approved for second reading and adopted, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Hernandez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

ORDINANCE NO. 756-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA REPEALING SUBSECTIONS "a" AND "c" OF MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 4, CHAPTER 7, SECTION 4-7.1613, CONCERNING **SIGNS ON VEHICLES PARKED ON CITY STREETS**, was read by title. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Romo, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 756-NS for second reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 756-NS be approved for second reading and adopted, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Hernandez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 757-NS. AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AMENDING TITLE 9, CHAPTER 3, OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING ARTICLE 12 A THERETO REGARDING **SIGNS ON CITY PROPERTY**, was read by title. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, that reading in full of Urgency Ordinance No. 757-NS for first and final reading be waived; and that Urgency Ordinance No. 757-NS be introduced and approved for first and final reading and adopted, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, Romo, and Mayor Hernandez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Noguez.

City Attorney Leal reported out that on the closed session item regarding Conference with Labor Negotiators the City Council gave direction to the City Manager to continue the negotiations.

Mayor Hernandez declared the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Ofelia Hernandez, Mayor

Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk