

**MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of the  
City of Huntington Park City Council  
Tuesday, July 3, 2018

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

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 6:03 p.m. on Tuesday, July 3, 2018, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Jhonny Pineda presiding.

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

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

**INVOCATION**

Invocation was led by Mayor Pineda.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Macias.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation," to the Vendors Who Participated in the Health and Education Expo held on Saturday, June 2, 2018.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Rodolfo Cruz, commented on an article and a law suit involving the city, people not deserving respect, spoke in opposition to Council, people in Huntington Park are poor and people who work here should be considerate.
2. Francisco Rivera, spoke in regards to illegal dumping being a problem in the city, would like to see a truck go around the city once a month to focus on the dumping, noted a taxi driver going around to the various bus stops throwing business cards out his window and asked someone to call him.

**STAFF RESPONSE**

Acting City Manager responded to the comment regarding a law suit article stating its inaccurate and bias and the city will be releasing an official response to those claims tomorrow and asked the City Attorney to reiterate.

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman explained under the Mkay lawsuit the plaintiffs in the law suit filed a series of charges alleging a variety of false claims, a United States District court judge has dismissed all of those claims against all council members. Only one issue the court ruled that the MKay plaintiffs had any argument was the anti-lobbying provision as council is aware the anti-lobbying provision was inserted in the ordinance in order to preserve the integrity of the process, council adhered to the process that's the basis why the claims are dismissed. City has prevailed in this matter and subsequent motions will be filed to recover fees if possible but the city has been cleared of any wrong doing.

Mayor Pineda responded to the comment regarding trucks going around the city stating that trucks are out there every day and clean up events every month and encouraged the community to collaborate with these events. That the city is working really hard to tackle the issue so residents can live in a healthier environment.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

At 6:27 p.m. City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, recessed to closed session.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTIPLICATED LITIGATION  
Government Code Section 54957.9(d)(2) [one matter] –
2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) [one matter]  
HP Automotive and Tow, Inc., dba Huntington Park Tow Service v. City of Huntington Park, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. VC066929

At 7:02 p.m. Mayor Pineda reconvened to open session with all Council Members present.

## **CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman announced all Council Members recessed into closed session all Council Members present and were briefed on closed session items 1 and 2. Item 1.) direction provided to City Attorney's office but no action taken, nothing to report. Item 2.) direction provided to Special Counsel but no action taken, nothing to report.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Acting City Manager introduced Finance Director Nita McKay who requested to remove a warrant in the amount of \$2,470.55 to the Government Finance Officers Association stating it was written to the wrong vendor and will bring it back at the next meeting with the correct vendor's name, line item on page 5 of 13.

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to approve consent items with the approval to remove Government Finance Officers Association in the amount of \$2,470.55 page 5 of 13 of the warrants, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by one motion.

## **OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

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

- 1-1. Regular City Council Meeting held June 19, 2018.

## **FINANCE**

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated July 3, 2018.

## **END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

## **OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

3. **Designation of Voting Delegate and Alternates for the League of California Cities Annual Conference, September 12-14, 2018, Long Beach, California**

Acting City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced City Clerk Donna Schwartz who presented the staff report

**Motion:** Mayor Pineda motioned to appoint Council Member Ortiz as the voting delegate and to appoint Council Member Sanabria and Vice Mayor Macias as the alternates to represent the City at the 2018 League of California Cities Annual Conference business meeting, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by one motion.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### 4. Consideration and Approval of an Award of Contract to Vision's West, Inc. in Connection with the City's Lead Based Paint Program for Property Located at 6604 Templeton Street, Huntington Park, California

Acting City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Community Development Sergio Infanzon who presented the staff report.

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve a contract with Vision's West, Inc. for an amount of \$11,553 to remediate lead-based paint hazards at unit located at 6604 Templeton Street and authorize Acting City Manager to sign the contracts and approve change orders in an amount not to exceed 10% of the total contract amount, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote.

ROLL CALL:

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

### 5. Consideration and Approval of Change Order to Contract for JK Construction & Remodeling in Connection with the City's Minor Home Repair Program for Property Located at 7302 California Avenue, Huntington Park, California

Acting City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve change order of contract with JK Construction & Remodeling from \$5,850 to \$7,500 for eligible work under the City's Minor Home Repair Program for property located at 7302 California Avenue, Huntington Park, California, authorize Acting City Manager to execute contract and approve change orders in an amount not to exceed 10% of the original total contract amount, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

## CITY ATTORNEY

### 6. Consideration and Approval of Employment Agreement with Ricardo Reyes as City Manager

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman presented the staff report.

**Motion:** Mayor Pineda moved to approve Agreement with Ricardo Reyes as City Manager and authorize Mayor to execute Employment Agreement with Ricardo Reyes as City Manager on the terms set forth in the agreement, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

## FINANCE

### 7. Consideration and Approval of Resolutions Adopting the City of Huntington Park's Fiscal Year 2018-19 Operating and Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget and Other Related Actions and Establishing the Appropriation Limit for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2018 and Ending June 30, 2019

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Finance Nita McKay.

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to adopt Resolution No. 2018-15, Adopting a Budget for the Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, Making Appropriations for the Conduct of City of Huntington Park Government, Establishing Policies for the Administration of the Adopted Budget, and for other Budget Related Purposes and adopt Resolution No. 2018-16, Establishing the Appropriation Limit Pursuant to the Provision of the California Constitution Article XIIIIB for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

### 8. Consideration and Approval of First Amendment to the Financial Auditing Services Professional Services Agreement between the City of Huntington Park and the Pun Group, LLP

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Finance Nita McKay who presented the staff report

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve First Amendment to the Financial Auditing Services Professional Services Agreement between the City of Huntington Park and the Pun Group, LLP and authorize Acting City Manager to execute agreement, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

## PARKS AND RECREATION

### 9. Consideration and Approval of Agreements with USA Pools Inc. for Pool Management Services and for Summer Swim Program and Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) for Use of Pool Facility

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Parks and Recreation Cynthia Norzagaray.

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve 3<sup>rd</sup> and final year of agreement with USA Pools Inc. to provide pool management services for the City's 2018 Summer Swim Program, approve Agreement with Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) for the use of Linda Marquez High School Pool for the 2018 Summer Swim Program and authorize Acting City Manager to execute agreements, seconded by Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

## POLICE

### 10. Consideration and Approval of Appropriation of Funds for the Completion of the Communications Center Project

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Chief of Police Cosme Lozano who presented the staff report.

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve the appropriation of \$25,732.52 in the City's FY 2018-2019 Budget for the furniture purchases, increase estimated revenues (State OES Reimbursement) in the amount of \$25,732.52 in the City's FY 2018-19 Budget for the reimbursement of the furniture purchases and approve the appropriation of \$6,781.46 from the Police Cal Cops Fund #225-7120-421.74.10 for the furniture purchases, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

### END OF REGULAR AGENDA

### PUBLIC HEARING

## CITY MANAGER

### 11. Consideration and Adoption of the City of Huntington Park's Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan

Mayor Pineda opened the item up for public comment.

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced that the list was revised and distributed to council and that copies for the public were available from the city clerk.

Mayor Pineda, there being no public comment, closed public comment.

City Manager announced the item and introduced Renea Ferrell.

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to adopt the FY 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan with amendments presented today, authorize Acting City Manager to prorate allocations to projects and programs with FY 2018-2019 CDBG and HOME entitlement allocations; authorize Acting City Manager to execute all required documents for transmittal to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Department (HUD) and amend the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget in accordance with the approved Fiscal Year 2018-19 Annual Action Plan, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

### DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

### WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS None.

### COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Manuel "Manny" Avila, congratulated Chief Lozano with regard to the enforcement control during the soccer activities, congratulated Finance Director Nita

McKay for all the hard work with the budget, congratulated Ricardo Reyes on the new City Manager appointment and expects to see everyone at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event.

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, congratulated Mr. Reyes on the appointment to City Manager, thanked all Department Heads and their efforts towards the budget, invited the Community to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event, announced the various summer programs and wished all a good night.

Council Member Marilyn Sanabria, thanked all those who attended, congratulated Mr. Reyes on the appointment of City Manager, reiterated the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event, thanked staff on the budget, wished all a good night and a Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Vice Mayor Karina Macias, thanked staff and finance department on the budget, congratulated Mr. Reyes, announced the medical camp on July 8 at Salt Lake Park and wished all a good night.

Mayor Jhonny Pineda, congratulated Mr. Reyes and thanked staff for a balanced budget.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:23 p.m. Mayor Pineda adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 17, 2018, at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

  
FCQ  
Donna G. Schwartz, CMC  
City Clerk