

**MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of the  
City of Huntington Park City Council  
Tuesday, May 7, 2019

Sergeant at Arms read the Rules of Decorum at the beginning of the 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, May 7, 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, and Mayor Karina Macias.

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

**INVOCATION**

Invocation was led by Mayor Macias.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Fernando Orozco.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Council presented a 'Certificate of Appreciation,' to Fernando Orozco for leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council presented "Certificates of Recognition," to the "2019 Poster Contest Winners," Sponsored by the Water Replenishment District of Southern California.

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation," honoring Teachers/Educators during "Teacher Appreciation Week."

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation," to those who volunteered and donated to the Huntington Park Parks and Recreation Egg Hunt Event.

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation," to the volunteers who participated in the "Earth Day" Event.

Daniel Hernandez, Public Works Director presented a PowerPoint presentation on Huntington Park's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual "Earth Day" Event.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Ivan Meza, spoke in regards to Regular Agenda Item 11 and is opposed to staff's recommendation.
2. State of California Complete Count Campaign, announced a workshop on September 5, 2019, in the City of Huntington Park regarding the Census 2020 outreach efforts.
3. Rosa Meza, voiced concern with a notice of violation she received and asked Council for assistance in resolving the matter.

Mayor Macias asked staff to obtain her information.

## **STAFF RESPONSE**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced that a revised staff report for Regular Agenda Item 6 was distributed to Council at the start of the meeting and copies were available for the public from the City Clerk.

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to approve hearing Regular Agenda Item 11 at this time, 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

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

### **11. Consideration and Approval to Uphold the Traffic Authority's Decision and Deny an Appeal**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Public Works Director Daniel Hernandez, who presented the staff report.

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to overturn the Traffic Authority's decision to deny and approve the appeal made by Ivan Meza made on September 25, 2018, 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

At 6:49 p.m. Mayor Macias called for a 30-minute RECESS.

At 7:31 p.m. Mayor Macias RECONVENED the meeting with all Council Members present.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

At 7:31 p.m. Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, City Attorney, recessed to closed session.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1) – [One Matter]  
H.P. Automotive and Tow, Inc. dba Huntington Park Tow Service v. City of Huntington Park et al.
2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and (e)(1) – [One Matter]

At 7:39 p.m. Mayor Macias reconvened to open session with all Council Members present

## **CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman announced all Council Members were present and briefed on closed session items 1 and 2. 1.) by a unanimous vote Council authorized the retention of an expert on behalf of the city's defense and to authorize the retainer agreement accordingly. 2.) announced the one matter being BKK Landfill Third Tolling Agreement, by a unanimous vote Council directed City Manager and City Attorney to execute the tolling agreement consistent with the terms in closed session.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to approve consent calendar, 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

## **OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

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

- 1-1. Special City Council Meeting held April 12, 2019; and
- 1-2. Regular City Council Meeting held April 16, 2019.

## **FINANCE**

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated May 7, 2019.

## **END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **COUNCIL**

3. **Approve Letter in Support of Assembly Bill AB 957 (Chiu and Santiago)**

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to approve letter in support of Public Banks; and authorize Mayor to execute letter, 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

4. **Approve Letter in Support of Assembly Bill AB 1672 (Bloom)**

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve letter in support of Public Banks; and authorize Mayor to execute letter, 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

5. **Council Appointment to the Youth and Health and Education Commissions**

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz appointed **Kelly Martinez** to the Youth Commission. Term to run concurrent to Council Member.

**Motion:** Council Member Pineda appointed **Ana Elizarraras** to the Health and Education Commission. Term to run concurrent to Council Member.

## REGULAR AGENDA (CONTINUED)

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

6. **Consideration and Approval of an Ordinance Amending Title 4, "Public Safety," Chapter 8 "Fireworks," Sections 4-8.02 Through 4-8.04 and 4-8.06 Through 4-8.08 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code to Update the Application Process, Procedures, and Requirements for Issuing Sales Permits**

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

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to waive first reading, and introduce Ordinance No. 2019-974, amending Title 4, "Public Safety," Chapter 8 "Fireworks," Sections 4-8.02, 4-8.04 and 4-8.06 through 4-8.08 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code to update the application process and procedures for issuance of permits for firework sales and schedule the adoption of said ordinance to the next regular city council meeting, 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

### FINANCE

7. **Consideration and Approval of First Amendment to Agreement with Hinderliter, De Llamas & Associated (HdL) for Measure S Sales, Use and Transactions Tax Audit and Information Services and Resolution Authorizing Examination of Tax Records**

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

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve First Amendment to Agreement with Hinderliter, de Llamas & Associates (HdL Companies) for Measure S Sales, Use and Transactions Tax Audit and Information Services, adopt Resolution 2019-10, authorizing examination of Measure S Sales, Use and Transactions Tax Records and authorize City Manager to execute First Amendment to Agreement, seconded by Mayor Macias. 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

### PARKS AND RECREATION

8. **Consideration and Approval of Activities in Public Places Permit, Fee Waiver Request and an Agreement by/with Woodcraft Rangers for 2019 Summer Day Camp Services**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Parks and Recreation Cynthia Norzagaray who presented the staff report and announced that a representative from Woodcraft Ranges was available for any questions.

## REGULAR AGENDA (CONTINUED)

### **PARKS & RECREATION ITEM 8 (CONTINUED)**

**Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to approve Activities in Public Places Permit for Woodcraft Rangers to provide Summer Camp services for the City's 2019 Summer Day Camp Program at Salt Lake Park but to bring back consideration for use of Raul Perez Park at the next City Council meeting, for Director of Woodcraft Rangers to be present, and for Woodcraft Rangers to meet with City Manager to discuss financial hardship and scholarship opportunities. Approve fee waiver request, approve agreement with Woodcraft Rangers to provide Summer Day Camp services at Salt Lake Park, authorize City Manager to execute agreement and waive all pending fees, seconded by Mayor Macias. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

### **9. Consideration and Approval of Activities in Public Places Permit and Fee Waiver Request by California Complete Count Office-Census 2020**

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

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve Activities in Public Places Permit for California Complete Count Office-Census 2020 "California Complete Count Campaign Convening's 2019 Meeting" scheduled for September 5, 2019, approve facility fee waiver request by California Complete Count Office-Census 2020 and waive all pending fees, 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 Activities in Public Places Permit and Fee Waiver Request by Eco-Rapid Transit**

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

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve, seconded by Council Member Pineda. Motion failed due to sub motion.

**Substitute Motion:** Council Member Ortiz moved to approve Activities in Public Places Permit for Eco-Rapid Transit "Regular Board Meetings" scheduled for July 10, 2019, August 14, 2019, and September 11, 2019, at Raul Perez Park and waive all fees, 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 – Heard after Staff Response and before Closed Session.**

- 11. Consideration and Approval to Uphold the Traffic Authority's Decision and Deny an Appeal**
- 12. Consideration and Approval to Recertify the Sewer System Management Plan as Required by the State Water Resources Control Board Order Number 2006-0003DWQ**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Public Works Daniel Hernandez who presented the staff report.

At 8:27 p.m. Council Member Ortiz left the chambers.

**Motion:** Mayor Macias moved to authorize Infrastructure Engineers (IE) under the currently approved Augmentation Contract to proceed with the recertification of the current 2005 Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) for a not-to-exceed fee of \$19,688 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the Request for Services, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motioned passed 4-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES:	Council Member(s): Sanabria, Vice Mayor Avila and Mayor Macias
NOES:	Council Member(s): None
NOT PRESENT:	Council Member(s): Ortiz

- 13. Consideration and Approval for Authorization to Solicit Bids for the Lease of up to 1,300 Acre Feet of Water Rights**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Public Works Daniel Hernandez who presented the staff report.

At 8:30 p.m. Council Member Ortiz re-entered the chambers.

**Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to authorize City Manager, or his designee, to solicit bids for the lease of up to 1,300 acre feet of water rights, with flex (flex being the carryover privileges associated with the quantity of leased water rights) or any portion thereof and authorize City Manager to execute any and all documents pursuant to the optimal disposition of water rights for the City Water Utility, 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

## **END OF REGULAR AGENDA**

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

- 14. Continued from the April 16, 2019, Regular City Council Meeting - Consideration and Approval of Resolution Adopting the 2030 City of Huntington Park General Plan and Certification of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)**

**RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

1. Conduct a public hearing;

2. Take public testimony and staff's analysis; and
3. Adopt Resolution No. XXXX-XX, adopting the proposed 2030 City of Huntington Park General Plan and certification of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

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

**Motion:** Mayor Macias moved to continue item to the next city council meeting, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motioned 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

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS** (Information only)

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS** – None.

## **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, thanked all the teachers for all the work they do and appreciate them every day, wished all the mothers a Happy Mother's Day and a great weekend.

Council Member Jhonny Pineda, wished all the mother's a Happy Mother's Day, directed staff to let the janitorial company know to check the community restrooms more often and to hold them accountable.

Council Member Marilyn Sanabria, wished all the mothers a Happy Mother's Day, thanked everyone for attending the meeting, announced May 30<sup>th</sup> is the 2<sup>nd</sup> H.P. Senior Pantry Program at the Huntington Park Community Center and wished all a good night.

Vice Mayor Manuel "Manny" Avila, commented on his trip to Japan and wished all the mothers a Happy Mother's Day.

Mayor Karina Macias, wished all the mother's a Happy Mother's Day, invited the public to attend the Huntington Park 5-K and Health & Education Expo on May 18, 2019 and to sign-up for the 5K run, thanked staff for all their support, wished all the teachers a Happy Appreciation Week and all a good night.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:45 p.m. Mayor Macias adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Donna G. Schwartz, CMC  
City Clerk