

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park City Council Tuesday, June 16, 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 Vice Mayor Ortiz.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Macias

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Avila presented certificates of recognition to different members of the community to celebrate the "Hispanic Heritage Month". The Council Members will deliver the certificates to the awardees outside the City Council chambers at a later date due to the COVID-19.

Mayor Avila asked Councilmember Martinez to present and read a proclamation to celebrate "Pride Month".

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment Cards were submitted by the public.

STAFF RESPONSE – City Manager Ricardo Reyes reported that the City received inquiries from Safe and Sane Fireworks representatives regarding the ability to establish fireworks stands in the City for this year. Mr. Reyes read and submitted a formal written statement to clarify that no applications were received by the April 15, deadline as established by the municipal ordinance 2019-974 adopted by City Council on June 4, 2019. Mr. Reyes stated that there was a misunderstanding by the fireworks representatives that the deadline period run from April 1st through May 15th. Mr. Reyes stated that this was incorrect. He also stated that when the City Council first considered the fireworks ordinance amendments on May 7, 2019, there was a corrected agenda report item for item No. 6, which established the deadline of April 15th.

Mr. Reyes also stated that the adjournment date on the minutes, included in the agenda for City Council approval, stated July, but it should be June 16.

CLOSED SESSION

At 6:12 p.m. City Attorney Araceli Almazan, recessed to closed session.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(1)(d)
Name of case: Humberto Lozano (deceased) v City of Huntington Park
Claim No. 16-126100

At 6:42 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 June 2, Regular Meeting, seconded by Vice Mayor Ortiz, Motion passed 5-0-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Martinez, Macias, Sanabria, 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 June 2, 2020

FINANCE

2. **Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated June 16, 2020**

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

CITY MANAGER

3. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF SECOND AMENDMENT TO PRIME STRATEGIES LLC PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the item.

Motion: Mayor moved to approve the second amendment to Prime Strategies LLC Professional Services Agreement, 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. **APPOINTMENTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO THE VARIOUS OUTSIDE COMMITTEES.**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Acting City Clerk Sergio Infanzon to present the Item.

Motion: Vice Mayor Ortiz moved to have Mayor Avila as the Initial Appointment and Council Member Macias as the Alternate to the Los Angeles County Sanitation District, seconded by Council Member Sanabria, Motion passed 5-0-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

FINANCE

5. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA INFRASTRUCTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK (“IBANK”) FOR FINANCING A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AUTHORIZING THE INCURRING OF AN OBLIGATION PAYABLE TO IBANK FOR THE FINANCING OF A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IF IBANK APPROVES SAID APPLICATION, DECLARATION OF OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE CERTAIN EXPENDITURES FROM THE PROCEEDS OF AN OBLIGATION, AND APPROVING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve a resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank for financing a capital improvement project, authorizing the incurring of an obligation payable to Ibank for the financing of a capital improvement project if Ibank approves said application, declaration of official intent to reimburse certain expenditures from the proceeds of an obligation, 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

HUMAN RESOURCES

6. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AND THE HUNTINGTON PARK POLICE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (HPPMA)**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the item.

Motion: Mayor Avila moved to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Huntington Park and the Huntington Park Police Management Association, 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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

7. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT FOR TRANSIT ORIENTED DISTRICT OVERSIGHT SUPPORT SERVICES BY AND BETWEEN ECO-RAPID AND THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the item and Council Member Karina Macias Recused herself from voting on this item as the Chair of the Eco-Rapid Transit and left the Council Chambers during the discussion and voting of the item.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve an agreement for a transit oriented district oversight support services by and between Eco-Rapid and the City, seconded by Vice Mayor Ortiz, Motion passed 4-0-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

PUBLIC WORKS

8. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF DYNAMIC WELL VIDEO INVESTIGATION, SEDIMENT REMOVAL AND SPOT REPAIRS AS PART OF WELL 16 START UP

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

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve the dynamic well video investigation, sediment removal, and spot repairs as part of the Well 16 start up, 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

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

City Manager Ricardo Reyes reported that on June 18th in partnership with the Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation a food and toy distribution was going to take place. City expected more than 300 participants. Mr. Reyes invited the public to join and participate.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Martinez thanked the staff. He also announced that the City was going to have a Census Caravan and reach out to the census tracks with a low response rate. He also encouraged everyone to participate and get counted and provided information on how to report illegal fireworks activities, reminded everyone to support small business and wished the Mayor and every father out there, Happy Father's Day.

Council Member Sanabria also reminded everyone about the Census Caravan for Wednesday, June 18, and ask everyone listening or watching the meeting to complete their census form. She also wished everyone a Happy Father's Day.

Council Member Macias thanked all the employees for their work during the COVID-19 period. She reminded everyone about the census and how important is to complete the forms and return it. She wished a Happy Father's Day to her father, Mayor Avila and all of those single mothers that play the role of father and mother at the same time.

Vice Mayor Ortiz reminded everyone watching that the City have a graduation stage on miles that will be there for the rest of the month of June. She asked to practice social distancing when taking pictures on the stage. She thanked the police department for being available to the schools and help them with the different ways they decided to conduct their graduations. She wished all the fathers present a Happy Father's Day and stated that she also needed to buy flowers to her mother on Sunday.

Mayor Avila invited everyone to participate at the Census Caravana. He adjourned the meeting in the name of all the fathers in the city.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Avila adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m., to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Sergio Infanzon
Acting City Clerk