

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park City Council Tuesday, June 15, 2021

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 6:07 p.m. on Tuesday, June 15, 2021, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Graciela Ortiz presiding.

PRESENT: Council Member(s): Manuel "Manny" Avila, Karina Macias, Vice-Mayor, Eduardo "Eddie" Martinez and Mayor Graciela Ortiz. **ABSENT:** Council Member Marilyn Sanabria

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager; Raul Alvarez, Assistant City Manager; Araceli Almazan, Legal; Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development/Acting City Clerk; Cesar Roldan, Director of Public Works; Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police; Cynthia Norzagaray, Director of Parks & Recreation **ABSENT:** Nita McKay, Director of Finance & Administrative Services;

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Mayor Ortiz.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Martinez.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Pride Month Proclamation presented by Vice Mayor Martinez
2. CIF Scholar Athletes of the Year presented by Mayor Ortiz
 - a. Diego Manzano from Huntington Park High School
 - b. Janice Corona from Marquez High School

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Miguel Vargas, a community organizer from Tree People, is inviting the community to join them for Tree Care events every Tuesday and Thursday. You can register at treepeople.org/events or mvgargas@treepeople.org
2. Jessica Matos and Jonathan Chaikittirattana from HPIAM at Linda Marquez High School, congratulated Valedictorians: Iliana Caballero & Alondra Romero and Salutatorian: Joanna Ramos
3. Lexis asked for parking enforcement to enforce parking citations along Pacific Blvd. There is no parking space due to owners and employees taking up space along Pacific Blvd.
4. Public Comment without name stated that the issues on Pacific and 56th Street have to do with the lack of surveillance. There are people living in vehicles, smoking marijuana and the parking situation is getting worse.

STAFF RESPONSE

Chief of Police responded to public comments: Pacific Blvd. is part of a daily route for parking enforcement personnel. Code enforcement officers patrol the area constantly to enforce any violations. Regarding the 56th street and Pacific concerns from the public, Chief Lozano stated that the homeless population continues to be a challenge for our community. The Police Department will be conducting extra patrolling around the area, and Police Officers will continue implementing a three-layer approach; The first layer is information, second is assistance, and the last one is enforcement.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Council Member Macias moved to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Mayor Ortiz. **Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:**

ROLL CALL:

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

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

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

1-1. Regular City Council Meeting held June 1, 2021

FINANCE

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated June 15, 2021

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC WORKS

3. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF WORK PERFORMED AS PART OF CIP 2018-08 HUNTINGTON PARK GREENWAY PROJECT

City Manager Ricardo Reyes introduced Director Cesar Roldan to present the item.

Motion: Mayor Ortiz moved to approve acceptance of work performed by Marina Landscape, Inc. for the construction of CIP 2018-08 Huntington Park Greenway Project (project), authorize staff to execute the Notice of Completion, and directed the City Clerk to file the NOC with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office; Release Marina Landscape, Inc.'s 5% retention amount of \$167,186.99, seconded by Council Member Macias. **Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:**

ROLL CALL:

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

4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO PERFORM EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF A BROKEN 10-INCH DISTRIBUTION WATER VALVE AT 3505 SANTA ANA STREET

Director Roldan presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Macias moved to authorize the City Manager, Public Works Director and Finance Director to proceed without solicitation of bids to a contract of an emergency repair of a 10-inch water valve at 3505 Santa Ana Street, authorize Inframark as the City's water operator to make the necessary repairs for a not-to-exceed amount of \$18,150, and authorize City staff to process Inframark's invoice payable from Account No. 681-8030-461.43-20, seconded by Mayor Ortiz. **Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:**

ROLL CALL:

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

5. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO EXECUTE THE REQUEST FOR SERVICES TO DESIGN CIP 2017-03 ATP CYCLE III CAL TRANS PROJECT ID ATPL-5150(015)**

Director Roldan presented the item.

Motion: Mayor Ortiz move to execute the request for services (RFS) for the design of the plans, specifications and engineer's estimate (PS&E) as part of CIP 2017-03 ATP Cycle III Caltrans Project ID ATPL-5150(015) to Infrastructure Engineers for a not-to-exceed amount of \$45,000, payable from Metro Transportation Development Act (TOA) Article 3 funds from Account No. 334-8080-431. 76-19, authorize staff to submit the Fiscal Year TOA Article 3 Local Allocation Form-Claim and all other corresponding reports to Metro, and authorize the City Manager to execute the RFS seconded by Council Member Macias, **Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:**

ROLL CALL:

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

6. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO AWARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE MS4 COMPLIANCE SERVICES**

Director Roldan presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Macias moved to award a three (3) year professional service agreement (PSA) with an option of two, one-year extensions to provide compliance services as it relates to the current Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Program to West & Associates Engineering, Inc. as the most responsive and responsible proposer for a not-to-exceed amount of \$118,000; payable from the fiscal year 2020-21 County of Los Angeles Safe Clean Water Account No. 111-8031-433. 76-17, and authorize the City Manager to execute the PS seconded by Council Member Avila, **Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:**

ROLL CALL:

AYES:	Council Member(s): Macias, Avila, Vice Mayor Martinez and Mayor Ortiz
NOES:	Council Member(s): None
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7. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO AWARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO DRAFT THE LOCAL ROADWAY SAFETY PLAN**

Director Roldan presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Macias moved to award a professional service agreement (PSA) to draft the Local Roadway Safety Plan to Minagar & Associates, Inc. as the most responsive and responsible proposer for a not-to-exceed amount of \$49,366, payable with \$44,346 from the State of California Department of Transportation Grant Funds in Account No. 222-8010-431.56-41 and local match utilizing Measure R funds in the amount of \$5,020 from account No. 222- 8010-431.56-41, and authorize the City Manager to execute the PSA and other related Metro documents, seconded by Council Member Avila, **Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:**

ROLL CALL:

AYES:	Council Member(s): Macias, Avila, Vice Mayor Martinez and Mayor Ortiz
NOES:	Council Member(s): None
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PARKS AND RECREATION

8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE DODGERS RBI PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE LOS ANGELES DODGERS FOUNDATION FOR THE 2021 BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL SEASON AT SALT LAKE PARK

Director Norzagaray presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Avila moved to adopt Resolution No.2021-15, Authorizing the acceptance of the Dodgers RBI Grant from the Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation for the 2021 Baseball season at Salt Lake Park, and authorize the City Manager to execute all related grant documents, seconded by Council Member Macias **Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:**

ROLL CALL:

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

9. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NAMING OF THE NEWLY CREATED LINEAR PARK

Director Norzagaray presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Avila moved to adopt Resolution No. 2021-16, approving the naming of the newly created linear park which consists of 10-blocks/lots along the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power corridor, to be officially deemed "Veterans Park" in its entirety, and authorize each individual lot throughout the park, to be named specifically in honor of U.S. military men and women for their sacrifices, dedication and service to our country, seconded by Council Member Macias **Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:**

ROLL CALL:

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

10. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION AND RATIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXPENDITURES FOR SECURITY CAMERA SERVICES AT CITY PARKS

Director Norzagaray presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Avila moved to approve authorization of Lan Wan Enterprise IT Solutions for Security Camera Services, and authorize the City Manager to execute agreement, seconded by Council Member Macias **Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:**

ROLL CALL:

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

11. APPROVE REQUEST TO PURCHASE ONE POLICE DEPARTMENT PATROL OPERATIONS DIVISION POLICE VEHICLE AND SUPPLEMENTARY EQUIPMENT

Chief Lozano presented the item.

Motion: Mayor Ortiz moved to authorize the requisition of funds to purchase and equip one new Police Department Patrol Services Division police vehicle from the FORD MOTOR COMPANY, specifically South Bay Ford in Hawthorne, CA., and authorize budget appropriation of \$72,239.52 from the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program Solicitation Grant, and authorize the Chief of Police to purchase the vehicle and associated equipment, seconded by Council Member Macias **Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:**

ROLL CALL:

AYES:	Council Member(s): Macias, Avila, Vice Mayor Martinez and Mayor Ortiz
NOES:	Council Member(s): None
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END OF REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Director of Parks & Recreation Norzagaray announced that free covid testing was going to be available until the end of the month in the west parking lot on Florence at the Salt Lake Park. She also announced that Splash Pad is going to be open at 1:00 p.m. with forty-five minute sessions starting on Saturday 06/19/21. The 2020-2021 graduation stage in front of City Hall will be in display until June 28 for the graduates. She wished everyone a Happy Father's Day.

Chief of Police recommended everyone to wait until July 4 to discharge fireworks that are labeled "Safe & Sane" from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Chief also stated that between today and then the Police Department will be enforcing violations that can render up to \$5000.00 for the discharge and possession of illegal fireworks. This can also be applied to property owners. Chief of Police is encouraging everyone not to engage in the use of illegal fireworks before July 4.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Avila is wishing all the father's a Happy Father's Day.

Council Member Macias thanked staff, and wished all father's a Happy Father's Day. She reminded the public that Supervisor Solis was going to have a food distribution at the Community Center from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The food pantry continues every month at the community Center from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. every 3rd Thursday of the month. They are still accepting individuals sixty and older, residents just need an ID to sign up.

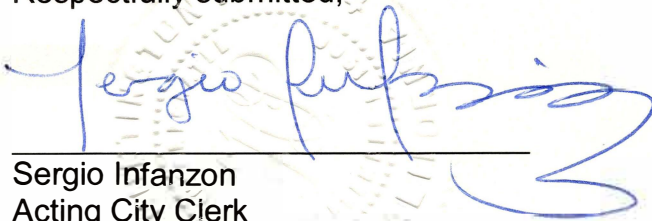
Vice Mayor Martinez thanked staff for making sure the meetings are conducted safe. He wished all father's a Happy Father's Day as well as a Happy Pride Month Day. He also congratulated all the graduates.

Mayor Ortiz congratulated all the graduates and fathers on their day.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:35 p.m., Mayor Ortiz adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council meeting to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Sergio Infanzon
Acting City Clerk