

MINUTES

Special Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, May 24, 2022

The City Council hybrid virtual/in-person meetings are held pursuant to AB361 because state and local officials are recommending measures to promote social distancing conducted this meeting in accordance with

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 6:05 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24, 2022, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Graciela Ortiz presiding.

PRESENT: Councilmember(s): Marilyn Sanabria, Karina Macias, Vice-Mayor Eduardo “Eddie” Martinez, and Mayor Graciela Ortiz. Councilmember Manny Avila was absent.

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager Ricardo Reyes; Cesar Roldan, Director of Public Works; Raul Alvarez Assistant City Manager; Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk; Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police, Director of Finance & Administrative Services – Absent; Steve Foster, Director of Community Development; Sergio Infanzon, Director of Communications; Araceli Almazan City Attorney, Cynthia Norzagaray Director of Parks & Recreation.

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Mayor Ortiz.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by special student guest.

PRESENTATION(S)

1. MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people provided public comment:

1. Olga E. Portillo
2. Aida Vega
3. Richard Gastelum

STAFF RESPONSE

Mayor Ortiz directed staff to reach out to Ms. Portillo for an application for street vending in response to her public comment.

CLOSED SESSION

Prior to closed session Mayor Ortiz suggested moving closed session to the end of the Council meeting.

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria moved to adjust the City Council agenda and move closed session to the end of the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Macias. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

AYES: Councilmember(s): Sanabria, Macias, Vice Mayor Martinez, and Mayor Ortiz.

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Avila

City Council proceeded to address the special agenda items.

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

PARKS AND RECREATION

1. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO AWARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE YOUTH TUTORING

MOTION: Councilmember Macias moved to Award a professional service agreement (PSA) as it relates to providing Youth Tutoring Services, to Southeast Community Foundation as a responsive and responsible proposer for a not-to-exceed amount of \$76,612; and authorize the City Manager to execute the PSA, seconded by Councilmember Sanabria. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Avila

FINANCE

2. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE FINANCIAL AUDITING SERVICES PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AND EADIE + PAYNE, LLP

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria moved to approve the Second Amendment to the Financial Auditing Services Professional Services Agreement between the City of Huntington Park and Eadie + Payne, LLP; and appropriate \$210,000 in account number 111-3010-415.32-40 from General Fund unappropriated fund balance; and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement, seconded by Councilmember Macias. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Avila

END OF SPECIAL AGENDA

CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Almazan announced it is now appropriate that City Council recess into closed session to discuss the matters listed under the close session portion of the agenda.

Mayor Ortiz recessed to closed session at 6:33 p.m.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Construction Industry Force Account Council v. City of Huntington Park
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCPO3947

Mayor Ortiz reconvened to open session at 6:50 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

City Attorney Araceli Almazan announced the minutes should reflect that with four members of the City Council present, the one (1) item listed on the close session agenda were discussed. With regard to item one (1), Council was briefed, but no final action was taken. This concluded the closed session report.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Communications Director Sergio Infanzon provided a report on recently held community event and provided date for upcoming events.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Marilyn Sanabria wished everyone a goodnight.

Councilmember Karina Macias thanked staff and Mayor Ortiz for the efforts in bringing the tutoring fruition.

Vice Mayor Eduardo “Eddie” Martinez thanked staff for all their efforts and keeping us safe, and wished everyone a goodnight.

Mayor Ortiz thanked staff and those in attendance tonight. She also thanked staff for the hard work with the tutoring program and the countless students in will benefit. She also wished everyone a goodnight.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ortiz adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m. The next City of Huntington Park City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday June 7, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Eduardo Sarmiento', is written over a horizontal line.

Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk