

MINUTES

Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, September 6, 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 6:03 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Eduardo “Eddie” Martinez presiding.

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

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: 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; Arnold M Alvarez-Glasman City Attorney, Cynthia Norzagaray Director of Parks & Recreation - absent.

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Mayor Martinez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Sanabria

PRESENTATION(S)

1. NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER AWARENESS WEEK PROCLAMATION
2. CHILD WELFARE AND ATTENDANCE COUNSELORS’ PROCLAMATION
3. PRESENTATION ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ELEMENT AND HOUSING ELEMENT

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people provided public comment:

1. Jorge Castillo
2. Carlos Garcia
3. Alma Vasquez
4. Maria Fardonez

STAFF RESPONSE

City manager Ricardo Reyes began by responding to the comments related to parking. He stated that the city has moved forward with placing a ballot measure to be voted on by Huntington Park residents during the November election cycle to help address the parking issue. He then asked Police Chief Cosme Lozano if he had any additional comments he would like to add.

Police Chief Lozano stated that the police department will look into the matters shared during public comment. He closed by encouraging all residents to call 323-584-6254 to report any parking related issues.

CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman stated that it is appropriate to recess to closed session. Mayor Martinez recessed into closed session at 6:56 p.m.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)
Consideration of initiation in one potential case
3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Jose Luis Maldonado Aguilar v. City of Huntington Park, et al. Case No. 2:21cv-5755-AB-KS. US District Court for the Central District of California

Mayor Martinez reconvened the Council meeting from Closed Session at 8:01 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported that the record should reflect that with Councilmembers Ortiz, Macias, Vice Mayor Sanabria, and Mayor Martinez the three (3) matters listed on the closed session agenda were discussed. With regard to items one, two, and three on the closed session agenda Council was briefed, direction was provided, and no final action was taken. This concluded the closed session report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

MOTION: Councilmember Macias moved to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Councilmember Ortiz. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: None

1. CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINTUES

Approve Minute(s) of the following City Council Meeting(s):
1-1 Regular City Council Meeting held August 16, 2022

FINANCE

2. CHECK REGISTERS

Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated September 6, 2022

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC WORKS

3. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO AWARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE MECHANICAL AND HEATING, VENTILATING, AND AIR CONDITIONING PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR AT CITY FACILITIES

MOTION: Vice Mayor Sanabria moved to award a three (3) year professional service agreement (PSA) with an option of two, one-year extensions to provide Mechanical and Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) preventative maintenance and repair of City facilities services to F. M. Thomas Air Conditioning, Inc. as the most responsive and responsible proposer for a not-to-exceed amount of \$21,160 per contract calendar-year payable from account 111-8020-431.56-41 (\$695), 111-8022-419.56-41 (\$10,885), 111-8023-451.56-41 (\$7,350) and 111-7024-421.56-41 (\$2,230); and appropriate an additional not-to-exceed amount of \$75,000 from Account Number 111-8022-419.56-41 towards necessary HVAC system repairs required beyond routine maintenance; and authorize the City Manager to execute the PSA and approve HVAC system repairs, seconded by Councilmember Ortiz. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: None

4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CITY OF COMMERCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE RANDOLPH CORRIDOR METRO ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROJECT

MOTION: Councilmember Ortiz moved to authorize the Mayor, City Manager, City Clerk and City Attorney to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Commerce to participate in the design and construction of the Randolph Corridor Metro Active Transportation Project, seconded by Councilmember Macias. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: None

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Martinez opened the public hearing.

5. CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES TO FILL THE CITY COUNCIL VACANCY CREATED BY THE PASSING OF COUNCILMEMBER MANUEL AVILA

MOTION: Councilmember Ortiz moved to direct staff to solicit applications from registered Huntington Park residents to fill the vacancy created by the passing of Councilmember Manuel Avila; and have the application period run from September 7, 2022 to September 14, 2022, seconded by Councilmember Macias. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: None

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

6. SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 21 “MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY,” TO TITLE 4, “PUBLIC SAFETY,” OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH A MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY IN COMPLIANCE WITH ASSEMBLY BILL 481

MOTION: Councilmember Macias moved to waive full reading and conduct the second reading by title only of the proposed ordinance (Attachment “A”) adding chapter 21 “Military Use Policy, to title 4, “Public Safety,” of the Huntington Park Municipal Code, seconded by Vice Mayor Sanabria. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: None

END OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

To view the complete report please click the following link [9-6-22 City Council Meeting](#)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Ortiz began by thanking all the directors, City Manager and Chief of Police for all the hard work. She also thanks the specialized departments like information technology and water department for their continuous hard work and efforts. She closed by sharing that each department is special and important and thanked them for all they do.

Councilmember Macias thanked staff and gave a special thanks to the Parks and Recreation department and all staff this weekend for making the community center available for residents looking to get out of the extreme heat. She also thanked all who participated in the recent events celebrating the late Councilmember Manuel “Manny” Avila life.

Vice Mayor Sanabria also thanked staff and directors for all their hard work and a special thanks to Sergio Infanzon, animal control officer Lozano, and Downtown Dog Rescue. The spade and neuter event was a very successful event. Vice Mayor closed by requesting that staff put up the water restrictions requirements that many cities in the County are being asked to adhere to. She suggested using the mobile marquees to get a reminder to all residents.

Mayor Martinez also thanked staff and the police for keeping everyone safe and thanks Vice Mayor Sanabria for her passion to animal care and wellness.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Martinez adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m. The next City of Huntington Park City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday September 20, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Respectfully submitted



Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk

