

MINUTES

Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, May 7, 2024

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 6:02 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Marilyn Sanabria presiding.

PRESENT: Council Member(s): Esmeralda Castillo, Jonathan Sanabria, Eduardo “Eddie” Martinez, Mayor Karina Macias

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Flores

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: City Manager Ricardo Reyes; Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk; Cosme Lozano Police Chief; Steve Foster Director of Community Development; Sergio Infanzon Director of Communications; Cynthia Norzagaray Director of Parks and Recreation; Araceli Almazan City Attorney.

INVOCATION

Mayor Macias led the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council member Castillo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION(S)

1. **RECOGNITION OF HUNTINGTON PARK HIGH SCHOOL DEBATE TEAM**
2. **PROCLAMTION FOR OLDER AMERICANS’ MONTH**
3. **RECOGNITION OF LOCAL EDUCATOR(S) AND VOLUNTEERS**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

STAFF RESPONSE

City Manager Ricardo Reyes provided information related to measure PP and what is to come from its passing.

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Los Angeles Superior Court Case NO. 20STCPO3947
Construction Industry Force Account Council v. City of Huntington Park
2. Angela Flores Romero v. HP 20STCV18416

Attorney Araceli Almazan stated that it is appropriate to recess to closed session. Mayor Sanabria recessed into closed session at 6:40 p.m.

Mayor Sanabria reconvened the Council meeting from Closed Session at 7:05 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

City Attorney Almazan reported that the record should reflect that with all five (5) members of the City Council present the two (2) items on the closed session agenda were discussed. Regarding item one (1), Council was briefed but not further action was taken. Regarding item two (2) on the closed session agenda, the City Council was briefed and direction was provided. This concluded the closed session report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

CITY CLERK

MOTION: Council member Martinez moved to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Mayor Macias. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Flores

1. CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINTUES

Approve Minute(s) of the following City Council Meeting(s):

1. Regular City Council Meeting held April 18, 2024

FINANCE

2. CHECK REGISTER

RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated May 7, 2024

CITY MANAGER

3. SECOND READING OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 2-1.102 AND 2-1.103 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 1 OF TITLE 2 OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE INCREASING THE SALARY OF MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO AND CONSISTENT WITH SENATE BILL 329

MOTION: Council member Flores moved to Waive full reading and adopt Ordinance by title Ordinance amending Sections 2-1.102 and 2-1.103 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code to increase the salary of members of the City Council pursuant to Senate Bill 329, seconded by Council member Ortiz. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

AYES: Council Member(s): Castillo, Sanabria, Martinez, Mayor Macias

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Flores

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR RESIDENT CASE FILE WITH THE OWNER-OCCUPIED REHABILITATION PROGRAM FUNDED WITH THE CALHOME GRANT IN THE NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$87,365.00.

MOTION: Council member Martinez moved to authorize the City Manager to approve payment, seconded by Council member Sanabria. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

AYES: Council Member(s): Castillo, Sanabria, Martinez, Mayor Macias

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Flores

5. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO THE FOURTH AMENDMENT WITH PACIFICA SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE LABOR COMPLIANCE SERVICES FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDED PROJECT IN FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

MOTION: Council member Martinez moved to execute Pacifica Services, Inc.'s Fourth Amendment (Attachment 1) for labor compliance services associated with a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funded project in Fiscal Year 2023-2024 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$14,935.00 from Account Number FY 239-5030-463-32.40 (Unallocated CDBG Administrative 2023); and authorize the City Manager to execute the Fourth Amendment, seconded by Council member Sanabria. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

AYES: Council Member(s): Castillo, Sanabria, Martinez, Mayor Macias

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Flores

FINANCE

6. FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET STATUS REPORT AS OF MARCH 31, 2024

MOTION: Council member Martinez moved to receive and file the FY 2024 Q3 Budget Status report as of March 31, 2024; and adopt a resolution approving

appropriations and inter-departmental budget transfers; and authorize the Director of Finance in conjunction with the City Manager to align the department budgets with department expenditures through budget transfers, seconded by Council member Sanabria. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

AYES: Council Member(s): Castillo, Sanabria, Martinez, Mayor Macias

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Flores

7. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AND ROBERT HALF RECRUITERS & EMPLOYMENT AGENCY

MOTION: Council member Martinez moved to approve the Resolution authorizing an agreement with Robert Half Recruiters & Employment Agency to provide additional staff; and authorize the City Manager to execute the professional service agreement, seconded by Council member Sanabria. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

AYES: Council Member(s): Castillo, Sanabria, Martinez, Mayor Macias

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Flores

8. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO CHANGE FUNDING SOURCE FROM THE WATER FUND TO AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FOR CIP 2021-04 WELL NO. 16 AND PUMP STATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

MOTION: Council member Martinez moved to approve the change of funding source for CIP 2021-04 Well No. 16 from the Water Fund, Fund No. 681, to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fund, Fund No. 113; and authorize the City Manager and the Finance Director to execute the change in funding source, seconded by Council member Sanabria. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

AYES: Council Member(s): Castillo, Sanabria, Martinez, Mayor Macias

NOES: None

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Flores

CITY CLERK

9. CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REORGANIZATION

MOTION: Council member Sanabria motioned to appoint Council Member Martinez as the delegate to the California Contract Cities Association, seconded by Council Member Castillo. Council Member Sanabria motioned to appoint Vice Mayor Flores as delegate to the Gateway Cities Council of Governments and Mayor Macias motioned to appoint Council Member Sanabria as the alternate the Gateway Cities

Council of Governments. Council Member Sanabria moved to appoint Steve Forster as the delegate and Marla Flores as the alternate to the Gateway Water Management Authority, seconded by Council Member Castillo. Council Member Sanabria moved to appoint Mayor Macias as the delegate to the HUB Cities Consortium, seconded by Council Member Martinez. Mayor Macias moved to appoint Council Member Castillo as the alternate to the HUB Cities Consortium, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Council Member Martinez moved to appoint Council Member Castillo as the delegate to the Independent Cities Finance Authority, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Council Member Sanabria moved to appoint Council Member Martinez as the alternate to the Independent Cities Finance Authority, seconded by Mayor Macias. Council Member Martinez moved to appoint Vice Mayor Flores as the alternate to the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Mayor Macias moved to appoint Vice Mayor Flores as the alternate to the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 1 seconded by Council member Sanabria. Mayor Macias moved to appoint Council Member Sanabria as the alternate and Council Member Martinez as the alternate to the Southern California Association of Governments, seconded by Council Member Sanabria.

10. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS COMMISSIONS

Council Member Castillo appointed Ms. Betty Gonzales to the Parks and Recreation Commission. She then appointed Mathew Ortega to the Youth Commission followed by the appointment of Ebony Batiste to the Health and Education Commission and lastly, she appointed Eduardo Carvajal to the Civil Service Commission.

Council Member Martinez appointed Ramona Perez to the Civil Service Commission.

Council Member Sanabria appointed John Estrada to the Planning Commission and Iris Delgado to the Health and Education Commission.

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Director of Parks and Recreation Cynthia Norzagaray provided information on upcoming events. She encouraged everyone who is interested in the events to sign up and join in on the fun.

Community Development Director Steve Forster announced that Paul Bollier was promoted to Planning Manager. He closed by congratulating all the newly elected council members.

Communications Department Director Sergion Infanzon provided information on upcoming city events and encouraged all residents to visit the city website for additional information.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council member Castillo thanked staff for their hard work and shared her enthusiasm in getting to work with all staff moving forward.

Council member Sanabria thanked staff for their hard work.

Council member Matinez thanked staff for providing a safe space to meet. Thanked everyone who participated in the Earth Day Community clean up event and the Art Walk. He then pointed out some issues with communication for those residents who have been inquiring about the spay and neuter program. He directed staff to please look into this.

Mayor Macias thanked staff for the hard work they do every day. She gave special thanks to director of communications Sergio Infanzon for his great work with the Art Walk event. She also thanked all the volunteers for their participation. She closed by wishing all mothers and parents who fulfil both rolls a happy mother's day.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council member Flores moved to adjourn the meeting to a Regular meeting on Tuesday May 21, 2024. The meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.

Respectfully submitted



Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk