

MINUTES

Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City
Council Monday, February 3, 2025

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, February 3, 2025, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Karina Macias presiding.

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

ABSENT: Council Member(s): NA

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Ricardo Reyes City Manager; Eduardo Sarmiento City Clerk; Steve Forster Director of Community Development; Gerardo “Jerry” Lopez Director of Public Works; Cynthia Norzagaray Director of Parks and Recreation, Sergio Infanzon Director of Communications; Arnold Alvarez- Glassman City Attorney.

INVOCATION

Mayor Macias led the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Castillo led the Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENTATION(S)

1. **PRESENTATION BY BETTER ANGELS’ ORGANIZATION**
2. **AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION PROCLAMATION**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- 1) Janeth Preciado Vargas
- 2) Rosie Palstor
- 3) Baldnumero Capiz
- 4) Laura
- 5) Rodolfo
- 6) Jennifer Gonada
- 7) Ricardo Garteler
- 8) Dr. David Sanchez
- 9) Maria De Los Angeles
- 10) Maria P Sanchez
- 11) Aida Vega
- 12) CBE

STAFF RESPONSE

Macias: Thanks, the Public for their Patience

Reyes: Rent Control Meeting will take place tomorrow February 4, 2025

Lozano: In regard to Ice Raids. Department will act in accordance to SB54, they will not

provide personell or assistance to ICE

CLOSED SESSION

None

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time the Council votes on the motion unless members of the Council, staff, or the public request specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.

CITY CLERK

1. CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

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

1. Special City Council Meeting held January 21, 2025

FINANCE

2. CHECK REGISTERS

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated February 3, 2025

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to approve the item. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Martinez. The motion was carried out by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: Council Member (s): None

ABSENT: Council Member(s): None

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE UPDATING SIDEWALK VENDING REGULATIONS IN COMPLIANCE WITH SB 946 AND SB 972

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Review the material presented in this staff report, discuss the proposed updates and revisions to the Huntington Park Municipal Code; and
2. Take public testimony regarding the ordinance; and
3. Waive first reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2025-XX, amending the City's sidewalk vending regulations; and
4. Schedule the second reading and adoption of the ordinance for March 3, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting.

MOTION: Mayor Macias motioned to turn this item into a Public Hearing item. Councilmember Sanabria motioned to approve and add amendment that included 50 feet from restaurant and change language from tax to fee. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Martinez. Mayor Macias amended limiting the size or amount of propane tanks (for safety reasons), adding compliance and regulations, point of sale requirement, food waste separation to comply with w/ state law, fine waiving authority to be granted to CM. The Motion was carried out by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: Council Member (s): None

ABSENT: Council Member(s): None

CITY MANAGER

2. CONSIDERATION AND INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 5, CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 5-21.102(e) OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Approve the first reading and introduction of an ordinance amending Section 5-21.102 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code to allow leashed dogs at Veteran's Park; and
2. Schedule the second reading and adoption of the ordinance at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting.

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to approve the motion with the addition of an Amendment to also include Keller Park, Veteran Park, and Perez Park. A friendly amendment was also added to include leashed dogs who can only stay on the . The motion was seconded by Councilmember Martinez as well as including a friendly amendment to only designated pathways. The motion was carried out by Majority consent.

AYES: Council Member (s): Sanabria, Martinez, and Vice Mayor Flores.

NOES: Council Member (s): Macias

ABSENT: Council Member(s): None

ABSTAIN: Council Member(s): Castillo

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

3. APPROVE A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A DONATION POLICY AND OVERSIGHT

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Approve a Resolution establishing a formal donation policy and oversight for the City of Huntington Park; and
2. Direct staff to implement the policy and ensure compliance with all reporting and approval procedures.

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria moved to approve a Resolution establishing a formal donation policy and oversight for the City of Huntington Park; and Direct staff to implement the policy and ensure compliance with all reporting and approval procedures. Additionally add an amendment that would remove City Ability from receiving any donations (only directors can receive). The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Flores. Vice Mayor Flores also requested we look into creating a non-profit of the city (future). The motion was carried out by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: Council Member (s): None

ABSENT: Council Member(s): None

4. FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 END OF YEAR BUDGET REVIEW OF THE CITY'S OPERATING BUDGET

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Receive and file the FY 2023-2024 Budget Status Report through June 30, 2024

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to receive and file the FY 2023-2024 Budget Status Report through June 30, 2024. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Flores. The motion was carried out by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: Council Member (s): None

ABSENT: Council Members (s): None

POLICE DEPARTMENT

5. REVIEW AND DISCUSS POSSIBLE ACTION ON A COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT REGARDING THE K5 POLICE ROBOT "ROBO COP" PROGRAM

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Receive and File the report regarding the comprehensive assessment of the Police Robot "Robo Cop" Program; or
2. Direct staff to identify an alternate technology-based program, assessing the feasibility, operational considerations, and financial impacts of implementing the alternate program; or
3. Direct staff to identify a new location where "Robo Cop" can best fit the needs of the community.

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to Direct staff to identify an alternative technology-based program, assessing the feasibility, operational considerations, and financial impacts of implementing the alternate program. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Martinez and he requested we notify community when Robo Cop will be concluding for their last opportunity to see it. The motion was carried out by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: Council Member (s): None

ABSENT: Council Members (s): None

CITY CLERK

5. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS COMMISSIONS

RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Make appointments to Commissions consistent with provisions set forth in Resolution No. 2025-01.

MOTION: No Appointments made.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

City Manager: Thanked staff for hard work.

Parks: First Day Registration for Doger's Dream Team Baseball opened 02/03/2025.

Communications: All activities for rental registration program have been completed. URL: Rso@hpcg.gov for any questions regarding the Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Two written communications: Daniela Martinez and Peter Griffin who were in support of the Rent Control Program.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Castillo: Thanked staff and directors.

Sanabria: People are aware of the "current administration" [president administration]. Kids have undocumented parents and wanted to make sure that they knew that councilmembers are in support of them. Sanabria provided statistics from 2020 census: In the City of Huntington Park: 50% of households have one person living that's undocumented; 1/10 individuals have a family member that Undocumented in LA County. Furthermore, Councilmember Sanabria spoke about how rent has skyrocketed by over 50% in the last 10 years. He urged that the council should protect their community from these issues and thus why he urges the city, staff, and council to act fast.

Martinez: Thanked all staff. He also brought to the attention of the City Manager that the state of California has an opportunity to get funding to control street crime and prevent street violence. It might be worth looking into it.

Flores: Nothing to report.

Macias: Thanked Directors and Staff. Thanked staff in Community Development for their hard work. She is listening to staff when we move forward with implementation of projects and will continue the way she's been working! It's about quietly doing work and

supporting to community. She also wished City Clerk Eduardo Sarmiento and Parks and Recreation Director Cynthia Norzagaray a happy early birthday.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Macias adjourned @ 9:48p.m. The next City of Huntington Park City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 18th, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk

