

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, October 14, 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, October 14, 2025, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Arturo Flores presiding.

PRESENT: Council Member(s): Macias, Martiz, Sanabria, Vice Mayor Martinez, and Mayor Flores

ABSENT: None

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: City Manager Ricardo Reyes; Eduardo Sarmiento City Clerk; Louis Morales Interim Community Development Director; Jeff Jones Finance Director; Gerardo “Gerry” Lopez Public Works Director, Cynthia Norzagaray Parks and Recreation Director; Andrew Sarega City Attorney.

INVOCATION

Invocation led by Mayor Flores.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance led by Vice Mayor Martinez.

PRESENTATION(S)

1. **PROCLAMATION FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH**
2. **PRESENTATION FROM GATEWAY CITIES AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST**

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to remove the presentation from INNER CITY VISIONS PRESENTATION ON UNHOUSED OUTREACH EFFORTS and add a Report on the STATE OF HEALTH IN THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Martiz. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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

3. **INNER CITY VISIONS PRESENTATION ON UNHOUSED OUTREACH EFFORTS**
[Removed]
4. **REPORT ON THE STATE OF HEALTH IN THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK**
[Added]

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people/ person provided public content:

1. Wila Dwiham- Concerns regarding conveyance
2. Rodolfo Cruz
3. Carolyn Bardage- Home Repair program upset that she was not able to access funding for new roof.
4. Christian Vasquez -In support of Civic Permit for use of track at Huntington Park High School. And to fix broken playground equipment.

STAFF RESPONSE

CONSENT CALENDAR

CITY CLERK

1. CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

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

1. Regular City Council Meeting held September 9, 2025
2. Regular City Council Meeting held September 23, 2025
3. Special Council Meeting held September 28, 2025

FINANCE

2. WARRANT REGISTERS

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated October 8, 2025

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria stated that there was a mistake one of Councilmember's Macias's voted from the September 23, 2025 Council meeting. Councilmember Macias stated that the minutes are accurate and there was no mistake written. The motion was to pull the minutes from the September 23 meeting and motion to approve the remainder of the consent calendar. Councilmember Macias abstained from voting. The voting was carried by majority consent.

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

ABSTAIN: Council Member(s): Macias

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

END OF PUBLIC HEARING(S)

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

HUMAN RESOURCES

1. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING REVISED CLASS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE POSITIONS OF PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHER AND PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH SUPERVISOR

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Adopt a Resolution approving revised class specifications for the positions of public safety dispatcher and public safety dispatch supervisor.

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to Adopt a Resolution approving revised class specifications for the positions of public safety dispatcher and public safety dispatch supervisor. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Martinez. The motion was carried by majority vote.

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

2. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AND THE HUNTINGTON PARK GENERAL EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION (HPGEA)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Approve Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California, Approving and Adopting the Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Huntington Park and the Huntington Park General Employees' Association (HPGEA); and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the City.

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to Approve Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California, Approving and Adopting the Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Huntington Park and the Huntington Park General Employees' Association (HPGEA); and Authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the City. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Martiz. The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

CITY MANAGER

3. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION INITIATING THE PROCESS OF ESTABLISHING COUNCIL DISTRICT AREAS AND ELECTIONS BY-DISTRICT AREAS

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Adopt Resolution initiating the process of establishing City Council districts and changing the system of election from at-large to by-district; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to engage a demographer to assist in the transition from an at-large election system to a by-district election system in time for the 2026 City Council elections; and
3. Conducted the required public hearings as outlined in Elections Code 10010, soliciting input from the residents of the City of Huntington Park.

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to Adopt Resolution initiating the process of establishing City Council districts and changing the system of election from at-large to by-district; and Authorize the City Manager to engage a demographer to assist in the transition from an at-large election system to a by-district election system in time for the 2026 City Council elections; and Conducted the required public hearings as outlined in Elections Code 10010, soliciting input from the residents of the City of Huntington Park.. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Martiz. The motion was carried by majority vote

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

NOES: Council Member(s): Macias

REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

PUBLIC WORKS

1. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO AWARD DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACT FOR BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate final terms of a Design-Build Construction Agreement with Aztecs Telecom Inc. for the construction of the city’s Broadband Infrastructure Project, consistent with the requirements of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Federal Funding Account (FFA) grant and the City’s broadband deployment goals; and
- 2. Direct staff to return to the City Council for approval of the final construction agreement once negotiations are complete.

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to Authorize the City Manager to negotiate final terms of a Design-Build Construction Agreement with Aztecs Telecom Inc. for the construction of the city’s Broadband Infrastructure Project, consistent with the requirements of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Federal Funding Account (FFA) grant and the City’s broadband deployment goals; and Direct staff to return to the City Council for approval of the final construction agreement once negotiations are complete. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Martinez. The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

FINANCE

2. PRELIMINARY FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 END OF YEAR BUDGET REVIEW OF THE CITY’S OPERATING BUDGET

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. Receive and file the Preliminary FY 2024-2025 Budget Status Report through June 30, 2025

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to Receive and file the Preliminary FY 2024-2025 Budget Status Report through June 30, 2025. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Flores. The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

COMMUNICATIONS

3. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A CIVIC CENTER PERMIT TO LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TO UTILIZED ONE OF THEIR FACILITIES AND A GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION TO SUPPORT A RECREATIONAL PROGRAM FOR THE COMMUNITY

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Authorize the submittal of a Civic Center Permit Application to the Los Angeles Unified School District and appropriate funds to support the program.

MOTION: Mayor Flores motioned to Authorize the submittal of a Civic Center Permit Application to the Los Angeles Unified School District and appropriate funds to support the program and execute the professional services agreement; and Identify 2- or 3-days morning or night & earmark 25K for a fee and give staff the ability to negotiate for more days. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sanabria. The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

CITY MANAGER

4. AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH TIERRA WEST ADVISORS, INC. AND APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR INTERIM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR SERVICES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CITY COUNCIL:

1. Approve the First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Tierra West Advisors, Inc., extending the agreement for Interim Community Development Director services through October 31, 2025, and increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$50,000; and
2. Appropriate an additional \$50,000 from the General Fund to the Community Development Department for this purpose; and
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute the First Amendment and take all necessary actions to effectuate the terms of the agreement.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Martinez motioned to Approve the First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Tierra West Advisors, Inc., extending the agreement for Interim Community Development Director services through October 31, 2025, and increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$50,000; and Appropriate an additional \$50,000 from the General Fund to the Community Development Department for this purpose; and Authorize the City Manager to execute the First Amendment and take all necessary actions to effectuate the terms of the agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sanabria. The motion was carried by majority vote.

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

NOES: Council Member(s): Macias

ABSENT: Council Member(s): None

5. EXTENSION OF SAREGA LAW FIRM CONTRACT

1. Amend to add the Item to the Agenda
2. Approve the extension of Sarega Law Firms for another period.

MOTION: Councilmember Sanabria motioned to Amend the Agenda and add the Item to agenda as it was stated in the Agenda Packet. Approve the extension of Interim Community Development Contract for another period. by Councilmember Sanabria. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Martiz. The motion was carried by majority vote.

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

NOES: Council Member(s): Macias

ABSENT: Council Member(s): None

END OF REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Parks and Recreation: Will be hosting “Lights on After School” at Freedom Park on October 23, 2025. Resources and activities will be available to local students. On October 30th will be the Halloween event and drone show. Currently looking for volunteers to assist with event and today they worked on story board for drone show. Very Exciting.

Community Development: Community kick off meeting will be on Thursday, October 16th with all parties involved in the process. Also, just follow up on request from a few meetings ago regarding alcohol approved permits along Gage Avenue. Approximately 15 approved permits in the corridor. 5 are restaurants or bars and the other 10 are liquor store markets.

Public Works: Quick update on Sunday, October 13th there was a power outage near Alameda. Had no serious issues, but if we receive calls regarding water pressure we will handle it. It all went well.

Communications: Provide HP with your update. 620 families have been helped. Referred 210 cases to specialists. Program is working. 1,800 phone calls have been made. There will be resources being given out at Home Depot. Coordinating drive through at school. Food baskets are getting to families and legal cases are not that high.

City Attorney: Thank you for allowing me to continue serving as Interim City Attorney.

City Manager: Thank council for ongoing support and commitment. Congratulations to Mr. Morales and Mr. Sarega

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Cindy Hernandez: in support of civic center permit application for use of track at Huntington Park High School

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Martiz: Share publicly on Friday, November 7th two buses have been reserved for residents interested in joining on moonlight hike. Tours are going to be led by staff member who will guide us through trails.

Councilmember Macias: Thank you have a good night!

Councilmember Sanabria: Thank you all for the staff. Thank you for Budget report. Excited for the end of the month.

Vice Mayor Martinez: Thank you staff who helped us all stay safe. Thank you for community clean up.

Mayor Flores: Thank you, Directors, City Manager, and Colleagues. All the work that we have done during these crises. Looking forward to all the progress we are working towards.

Council Entered in Closed Session on: 8:38pm

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Case Name: Jamshid Barmaan v. City of Huntington Park, et al.
Case No.: 23NWCP00134 (Los Angeles County Superior Court – Norwalk
Courthouse, Dept. C)

Council Returned from Closed Session at 8:54pm

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

During Closed Session No Reportable Action was taken

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mayor Flores adjourned 8:55pm. The next regularly scheduled city council meeting is set to be held on Tuesday, October 28th, 2025 @6pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk

