

MINUTES

**Regular Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, September 19, 2017**

Sergeant at Arms read the Rules of Decorum before the start of the meeting.

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, September 19, 2017, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Marilyn Sanabria presiding.

PRESENT: Council Member(s): Manuel "Manny" Avila, Karina Macias, Graciela Ortiz, Vice Mayor Jhonny Pineda and Mayor Marilyn Sanabria.

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Edgar Cisneros, City Manager; Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police; Chris Cardinale, Legal; Ricardo Reyes, Assistant City Manager; John Ornelas, Interim Finance Director; Martha Castillo, Director of Human Resources; Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development; Manuel Acosta, Economic Development Manager, Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works; Cynthia Norzagaray, Director of Parks and Recreation; Fernanda Palacios, Project Manager; Christina Dixon, Staff Analysis-Fuel Services and Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk.

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Mayor Sanabria.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Pineda.

PRESENTATIONS

Council presented a "Proclamation" to the Family of Esperanza "Linda" Marquez in Memory of her Passing.

Council presented "Certificates of Recognition" to Qualifying Industries in Huntington Park that were in compliance with the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County's 2016 Industrial Waste Water Discharge Requirements and Making the "Good Corporate Citizens" list.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. George Franco, commented on cars being parked on 61st Street during street sweeping hours and that the street sweeper is not doing a good job.
2. Gladys Obando, spoke in support of the "Neighborhood Watch Program," wants to know why they can no longer meet at Freedom Park and who she can speak to.
3. Edilia Ruiz, Salvador Ponce, Carlos Cordova, Kerry Porter, Margarita Alvarez, Ruth Ortiz, Maria Magana, all spoke in support of the "Neighborhood Watch Program" and not being able to use Freedom Park for the meetings.
4. Robert Lauten, commented on the Esperanza "Linda" Marquez presentation, providing more information on what Ms. Marquez accomplished.
5. Von Beck, read an article on how Mexico treats "illegal immigrants."
6. Robin Hvidston, We the People Rising, commented on the "Neighborhood Watch Program," the two appointments, ask to do the right thing and appoint citizens to commissions, commented on issues occurring at the last council meetings and a video of an incident in the parking lot.

7. Evelia Castillo-Rodriguez, invited the public to an American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" fundraiser, on September 30th from 11-4 p.m.

Mayor Sanabria reminded the audience no clapping.

8. Rodolfo Cruz, spoke in support of the "Neighborhood Watch Program," commented on the homeless and the sale of drugs around children in the park, and an incident involving the police department.
9. Henry Garcia, congratulated the council for the splash pad event on Saturday and how the children were happy and the Senior Citizen event and the wonderful meal that was provided.

Mayor Sanabria reminded the audience no clapping or will be called out of order.

10. Eucebio Cervantez, commented on the park being closed.
11. DeAnn D'Lean, noted letter she provided for Council and others she sent it to, regarding Brown Act being violated and proceeded to read it.
12. Elsa Aldeguer, commented on previous issues at council meetings regarding herself and her son.
13. Nick Ioannidis, noted October 28th being Immigrant Day, spoke about his life in the city and issues that have occurred, he being an American Citizen for 42 years and 31 years for immigrant day and spoke in opposition to Council.
14. Arthur Schaper, commented on his previous arrest for being disruptive and filing of paperwork, spoke in opposition to staff and Council, commented on the two appointments, political issues, and asked to give park back to community.
15. Raul Rodriguez, noted two complaints filed with city clerk and others that were copied, spoke in opposition to Council, remarked apology to Nick, and showed a sign.
16. Mike McCoy, We the People Rising, commented on securing borders and enforcing immigration laws, issues that have happened to them, enforcement of law being interpreted, homicides, and the job of a Council.
17. Wally Shidler, spoke in regards to the Comprehensive Modernization Plan Project at Huntington Park High School and the plan to demolish historic buildings as well as the indoor pool, he requests City Council to act quickly and lead the way to rally the community to replace the existing outdoor pool with an indoor pool and provided council with information.

STAFF RESPONSE

City Manager Cisneros, responded to the comment regarding the use of Freedom Park, there has been a transition with directors, fees may have been requested, however the doors have not been closed. Council does its best with regard to conduct of attendees at the meeting it's not possible to police every interaction when meeting adjourns, recesses to closed session or outside the meeting but will make every effort to make sure everybody has a pleasant experience at the council meetings.

Chief of Police Lozano commented on the comments made regarding the "Neighborhood Watch Program" stating that there may have been lack of communication with the group and unintended timing issue, the decision to eliminate the use of Freedom Park at no cost to the group was made by himself with regard to staffing and needed to move his staff to concentrate on other community programs and events, he advised his staff to inform the group that we would no longer schedule the facility. When the program was formed it was the understanding that the involvement of the police department and the city and the city resources it would be provided up to a point where the group would be essentially self-sufficient and would be able to organize themselves outside of the city resources, he feels he may have over extended his coordination of the use of the facility at no cost, however,

the facility is available for use but the city has a requirement of using city facilities, if they want a fee waiver it must come before council. Mr. Lozano offers he's apologies to the group for lack of timing and communication.

At 7:21 p.m. Mayor Sanabria called for a RECESS.

At 7:46 p.m. Mayor Sanabria RECONVENED the meeting with all Council Members present.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Council Member Macias motioned to approve consent calendar, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. Approved Minute(s) of the following City Council Meeting(s):

1-1 Regular City Council Meeting held September 5, 2017.

FINANCE

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants dated September 19, 2017.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

FINANCE

3. **Approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with General Payment Systems, Inc. for Kiosk Payment Services**

City Manager Cisneros introduced John Ornelas, Interim Finance Director, who presented the item.

Council Member Ortiz recommended after the 180-day trial with General Payment Systems, Inc., for kiosk payment services to proceed with a four (4) year agreement and to incorporate training for staff to be able to assist the public if something goes wrong.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz motioned to approve a Professional Services Agreement with General Payment Systems, Inc., for kiosk payment services with the recommendation, after the 180-day trial to proceed with a four (4) year agreement, to incorporate training for staff and to include the 30-day termination clause, approve Superior Fusion add on quote for the interface between General Payment Systems, Inc., and the City of Huntington Park relating to kiosk payment services and authorize City Manager to execute the agreement, seconded by Council Member Macias. Motion passed 4-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): Vice Mayor Pineda

4. **Approve a Professional Services Agreement for an Electronic Document Management System**

Interim Finance Director Ornelas, presented the item and announced a representative from ECS Imaging was in attendance for any questions.

Mayor Sanabria recommended a server be placed in City Hall for an internal back-up of the city's documents as a safeguard.

Motion: Mayor Sanabria motioned to approve a Professional Services Agreement between ECS Imaging, Inc. and the City of Huntington Park relating to the implementation and maintenance of an electronic document management system and authorize City Manager to execute the agreement, seconded by Vice Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

5. Consideration and Approval of Professional Services Agreement with Mid-Cities Grants LLC for Community Planning and Development Programs and HOME Investment Partnership Program

Interim Finance Director Ornelas, presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz motioned to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Mid-Cities Grants LLC for consulting services for community planning and development programs and HOME investment partnership program and authorize City Manager to execute the agreement, seconded by Council Member Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

Council Member Ortiz asked, for the record, who the second applicant was. Staff stated it was Tierra West Advisors. Ms. Ortiz suggested in the future that this information be provided in the staff report.

POLICE

6. Continued from the City Council Meeting of September 5, 2017 - Completion of Information Technology Project for the Police Department

City Manager Cisneros introduced Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police, who presented the information.

- INFORMATION ONLY -

1. LAN WAN, the City's current contract IT service provider, will transfer servers & server data from a replaced Storage Area Network (SAN) to a newly purchased Storage Area Network (SAN).

7. Approve Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-2018 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant Agreement

City Manager Cisneros introduced Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police, who presented the item.

Council Member Ortiz requested that traffic enforcement focus on Gage Avenue by Gage Middle School and Marcus High School, especially the pedestrian crossing and at Gage Avenue and Stafford Avenue.

Motion: Mayor Sanabria motioned to approve the Police Department to accept funding provided through the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program totaling \$140,000 and budget appropriation in revenue account #224-0000-335.30-96 to reflect reimbursable revenue from grant, authorize the Chief of Police and Interim Finance Director to execute the Standard Agreement for FY 17-18 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP), between the City of Huntington Park and the State of California Office of Traffic Safety, and authorize budget appropriation of \$140,000 to the Office of Traffic & Safety Fund, seconded by Council Member Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

PUBLIC WORKS

8. Discussion and/or Action - Update on Pacific Boulevard Project

City Manager Cisneros introduced Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works who announced that Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development would be presenting the item. Mr. Infanzon provided a Power Point presentation and Mr. Hernandez provided information.

- INFORMATION ONLY -

Council Member Ortiz would like to see a breakdown of all expenditures on the Pacific Boulevard Project from 2013 to 2015.

Mayor Sanabria requested to bring back to Council for the next agenda, purchasing options of bus benches.

9. Continued from the City Council Meeting of September 5, 2017 - Approve Parking Pay Station Contract Change Order (CCO) No. 1, Approve Customer Agreement with T2 Systems Canada, Inc., for Pay Stations Digital "IRIS" Software Service and Approve LGP Equipment Rental, Inc. Invoices

City Manager Cisneros introduced Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works, who presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Macias motioned to approve Contract Change Order (CCO) No. 1 in the amount of \$8,129.43 for FY 2016-2017 and authorize City Manager to execute the Contract Change Order, approve Digital "Iris" software customer agreement with T2 Systems Canada, Inc., authorize City Manager to execute agreement and approve additional appropriation of \$27,000 for software for FY 2017-2018 to account 231-8010-415.56-41 and approve expenditure in the sum of \$5,790.94 for FY 2016-2017 to LGP Equipment Rental, Inc., for Invoice #100119 & #100269 totaling \$5,790.94 for rental of message boards, seconded by Vice Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

10. Discussion and/or Action On Implementation of Fuel Hardware and Software for Fueling City Vehicles

City Manager Cisneros introduced Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works, who presented the item.

- INFORMATION ONLY -

1. Deployment of EJ Ward Fuel Terminal, Hose Module, Fuel Tags and CANceiver Kits.

11. Resolution Approving Agreement with County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health for Cross-Connection Program Management

City Manager Cisneros introduced Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works, who presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2017-31, approving agreement with Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (DPH) for management of the City's Cross Connection Program authorizing the County to enforce public health statutes and orders on behalf of the City and authorize City Manager to execute agreement, seconded by Vice Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Item 12 was requested by staff to be continued, during the beginning of the public comment portion. Council concurred.

12. Consideration and Approval of a Dance and Entertainment Permit for an Existing Restaurant with On-Sale of Beer and Wine on Property Located at 6030 Santa Fe Avenue, Huntington Park, California, within the Commercial General (CG) Zone

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Consider and approve a Dance and Entertainment Permit request from Edwin Alvarado and Hector Alvarado, owners of Copan Sula Restaurant, to allow dance and live entertainment at an existing restaurant with on-sale of beer and wine located at 6030 Santa Fe Avenue in the Commercial General (CG) zone; or
2. Deny the Applicants' request for a Dance and Entertainment Permit; or
3. Continue the item and request additional information.

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

13. Adoption of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2017 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

Mayor Sanabria opened the item up for public comment, there being none, closed public comment.

Public Comment – None.

City Manager Cisneros introduced Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development,

who presented the item.

Motion: Vice Mayor Pineda motioned to adopt the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) and authorize City Manager to transmit this report to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by September 30, 2017, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Macias, Ortiz, Vice Mayor Pineda and Mayor Sanabria
NOES: Council Member(s): None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Manuel “Manny” Avila, announced the grand opening of the Salt Lake Park Splash Pad was a huge success as well as the Senior Citizen Dance, acknowledged his colleagues on providing great programs to the community, thanked all those who voted for this council and thanked Chief Lozano, the Key Club, and the Parks and Recreation staff for volunteering their time at the Senior Citizen Dance.

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, thanked staff for all their hard work this past weekend, welcomed the new Director of Parks and Recreation Cynthia Norzagaray, thanked Parks and Rec and Daniel Hernandez who was the Interim Parks and Recreation Director, reminded everyone next Wednesday will be a community event in memory of Ms. Esperanza “Linda” Marquez at Marquez High School, thanked her colleagues for their support in funding the Senior Citizen Dance and wished everyone a good night.

Council Member Karina Macias, thanked staff for all their support, this weekend was a wonderful weekend to see the children enjoying the splash pad, welcomed the new Director of Parks and Recreation Cynthia Norzagaray, thanked her colleagues for their support in funding the Senior Citizen Dance, thanked HP Express for the transportation, acknowledged the opening of the splash pad and all the support by everyone and staff.


Vice Mayor Jhonny Pineda, announced “Immigration Workshop” with “Labor and Family Law” September 30th, “Financial Literacy Workshop” October 7,14,21 and 28th, and November 4th “College Application Preparation” at Linda Marquez High School, commented on a newly passed park fund, thanked everyone and his colleagues for putting community first,

Mayor Marilyn Sanabria, thanked staff and everyone for all their support with the Splash Pad Grand Opening, thanked her colleagues for all their time with all the events in the community and wished everyone a good night.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:20 p.m. Mayor Sanabria adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council in memory of Esperanza “Linda” Marquez, to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 3, 2017, at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Donna G. Schwartz, CMC, City Clerk