

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park City Council Tuesday, September 4, 2018

Sergeant at Arms read the Rules of Decorum.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 6:32 p.m. on Tuesday, August 21, 2018, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Vice Mayor Karina Macias presiding.

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

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager; Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police; Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, City Attorney; Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works; Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development; Nita McKay, Director of Finance/Acting Director of Human Resources and Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk. ABSENT: Cynthia Norzagaray, Director of Parks and Recreation.

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Pastor Donna Neville, Praise Chapel Huntington Park.

Vice Mayor Macias asked for a moment of silence in honor of Senator John McCain.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Sanabria.

PRESENTATIONS

Chief of Police Cosme Lozano provided a brief bio and Council Presented a "Certificate of Recognition," to Retiree Police Volunteer Nancy Lozano.

Council presented "Certificates of Recognition," National Night Out Sponsors.

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation," to the Various Participants Who Took Part in the Second Community "Co-Ed Basketball Tournament" held July 21, 2018, at Salt Lake Park.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Denise Campos, So Cal Gas representative, read a letter in regards to item 7. Requested to meet with staff and counsel to discuss wording in the ordinance.
2. Noel Pallais, AT&T, representative, noting they provided a letter this morning to Public Works Director regarding item 7 and proceeded to read the letter requesting the ordinance be revised to include recommendations to mandate the use of slurry backfill and reduce the moratorium to 24 months.
3. John Johnston, AT&T, representative, asked to retract his card.

STAFF RESPONSE

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman responded to the comments by Ms. Campos and Mr. Pallais regarding regular agenda item 7 stating that the city attorney's office has reviewed the concerned issues and find there is no legal impediments for council to take action on this matter, that there are concerns by the city preserving its streets, there are exceptions allowed in the ordinance, city staff will be willing to work with the utility companies to see if they have additional language and that it has been offered to them at the last meeting, examining the specific franchise agreement with So Cal Gas and have not found anything that would prohibit the city from taking action.

City Manager Reyes announced the revised staff report for item 8 was distributed to Council and copies for the public were available from the city clerk.

CLOSED SESSION

At 6:37 p.m. City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman recessed to closed session.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2) and (e)(1)
[One (1) potential case]

At 7:12 p.m. Vice Mayor Macias reconvened to open session with all Council Members present with the exception of Mayor Pineda ABSENT.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman announced all Council Members recessed into closed session all Council Members present with the exception of Mayor Pineda ABSENT; Council Members were briefed by Special Counsel City Prosecutor on closed session item 1. Item 1.) Council provided direction to City Prosecutor to undertake proceeding with respect to the location, unanimous by Council with exception of Mayor Pineda ABSENT.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve consent calendar with change to item 5 changing authorization for city manager only to sign, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. Approved Minute(s) of the following City Council Meeting(s):
 - 1-1. Special City Council Meeting held August 16, 2018; and
 - 1-2. Regular City Council Meeting held August 21, 2018.

FINANCE

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated September 4, 2018.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

3. Received and Filed Letter to Metro Regarding Huntington Parks Comments on Rescoped West Santa Ana Branch Light Rail Corridor Project.

POLICE

4. Waived second reading and Adopt Ordinance No. 2018-966, Amending Title 4 "Public Safety," Chapter 7 "Traffic," Article 15, Of The City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code Relating to Alleys.
5. Authorize renewal of Food Services Agreement between City of Huntington Park and County of Los Angeles for a term of five (5) years, with a 60-day termination clause with or without cause, authorize an appropriation of \$17,000.00 to the Special Revenue Welfare Inmate (Contractual Services) fund, Account #121-7040-421.56-41 and authorized City Manager to execute the agreement.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

FINANCE

6. Consideration and Approval of Resolution Authorizing to Sign Contracts with the Tax and Revenue Board

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Finance Director Nita McKay who presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to adopt Resolution No. 2018-25, Authorizing City Manager to Execute Agreements with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration for Implementation of a Local Transactions and Use tax, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

PUBLIC WORKS

7. Consideration and Approval of an Ordinance Modifying Sections of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code, Title 7 "Public Works," Adding Chapter 4 "Excavations," Adopting a Five (5) Year Pavement Excavation Moratorium Restricting Utility Cuts of Newly Paved Roadways in the Public Right-of-Way

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Public Works Daniel Hernandez who presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to waive first reading, Vice Mayor Macias directed staff to add additional wording from staff report under "Trench Cut Repair Standards," to ordinance, introduce Ordinance No. 2018-967, modifying Title 7 "Public Works," and adding Chapter 4 "Excavations," of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code relating to the adoption of a Five (5) Year Pavement Excavation Moratorium restricting utility cuts of newly paved roadways in the public right-of-way and schedule the second reading and adoption of said ordinance at the next regular city council meeting, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

Council Member Ortiz agrees with Vice Mayor Macias adding the additional wording added to the ordinance, feels streets need to be intact and best quality for the residents.

8. Consideration and Approval for Authorization to Purchase a John Deere Gator

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Public Works Daniel Hernandez who presented the *revised* staff report.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to direct staff to procure the purchase of a gas powered John Deere Gator and approve budget appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$8,500 to account #535-8090-452.74-10, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

9. Consideration and Approval of First Amendment to the Consulting Services Agreement with Owen Group, Inc. for Preparation of an American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Public Works Daniel Hernandez who presented the staff report.

Vice Mayor Macias wants to insure the consultant is held responsible to the scope of services and to ensure training is provided for city staff

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve First Amendment to the Consulting Services Agreement to Prepare an ADA Transition Plan between the City of Huntington Park and the Owen Group, Inc, authorize City Manager to execute agreement, and authorize City Manager to approve budget transfer within fund account, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

10. Consideration and Approval of an Award of Contract Services Agreement to Precision Concrete Cutting for Trip Hazard Removal Services

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Public Works Daniel Hernandez who presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to table the item to next city council meeting and directed staff to add to staff report the not to exceed amounts under recommendations for transparency and to have proposal come out of Measure R funds and if not to find it somewhere else and have info for next meeting, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

1. Approve contract services agreement with Precision Concrete Cutting as a sole source provider of trip hazard removal in-lieu of typical City procurement requirements; and
2. Authorize City Manager to execute agreement.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

11. Continued from the Regular City Council Meeting of August 21, 2018 - Pacific Boulevard Improvement Project Monument and Way Finding Signs

- Discussion and/or Action -

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Director of Community Development Sergio Infanzon who presented recommendations and provided options.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz provided a proposal as follows:

- Two "Directory's," one by Star World on the Eastside near Randolph and Pacific Boulevard, and one near 20/20 Restaurant on the Westside of Pacific Boulevard

between Saturn and Florence Avenue.

- Four "Monuments," two on Eastside and two on Westside; one next to Gallo Giro (Eastside) and one near In-n-Out (Eastside) Belgrave and Pacific Boulevard, one on Gage and Pacific Boulevard (Westside), one near Little Trattoria's by 55th Street and Pacific Boulevard (Westside)

Seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed to move forward with the proposal by one motion with the exception of Mayor Pineda ABSENT.

Council Member Sanabria would like to schedule a meeting with the Ad Hoc Committee to go over the project.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

What was noted during public comment regarding Item 7, letters from Southern Californian Gas and AT&T representatives.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Manuel "Manny" Avila, nothing to report.

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, thanked everyone for their patience tonight, announced Friday, September 7, 2018, is "Attendance Matters Day" and wished everyone a good night.

Council Member Marilyn Sanabria, thanked everyone and wished all a good night.

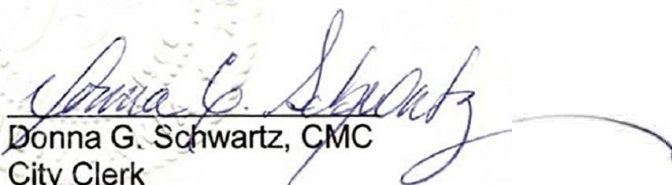
Vice Mayor Karina Macias, thanked staff for all their support and announced on Sunday there will be a Mobile Food Pantry at Miles Avenue Elementary School from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Mayor Jhonny Pineda – ABSENT.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:34 p.m. Vice Mayor Macias adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 18, 2018, at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna G. Schwartz, CMC
City Clerk