

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, October 16, 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 6:04 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16, 2018, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Jhonny Pineda presiding.

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

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager; Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police; Noel Tapia, Assistant City Attorney; Cynthia Norzagaray, Director of Parks and Recreation; 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.

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Mayor Pineda.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lizette Bautista, Maywood Center for Enriched Studies.

PRESENTATIONS

Council presented a "Certificate of Appreciation," to Lizette Bautista for leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Metro Director and Mayor of City of Long Beach Robert Garcia of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority gave an update on Metro Projects in the Gateway Region that Benefit Huntington Park Residents and Businesses.

Mayor Pineda **motioned** to add an additional presentation, motion passed by one motion.

Esmeralda Ponce and Lizet Bautista spoke on their Experience in the Young Senators Program

Pamela Manning, Government Relation Representative from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (DPW) gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Safe Clean Water Program - Measure W

Introductions by Mayor Pineda of Delegation of Mayors from Guatemala.

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced a revised regular agenda item 8 staff report was distributed to council at the beginning of the meeting and that the City Clerk has copies available for the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Jose Gurdamuz, commented on an issue regarding immigrants from Nicaragua.
2. Catherine Bueno, Huntington Park Library, announced that the LA County Department of Public Health will be hosting a Flu Clinic on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 from 1-3 p.m. at the Huntington Park Library.
3. Andy Rodriguez, spoke in regards to voting.

4. Rolando Montalvo Jr., spoke in opposition to public safety and issues he has been having and asked what he can do.

Assistant City Attorney Noel Tapia informed Mr. Montalvo that Council cannot answer any questions during public comment.

STAFF RESPONSE

City Manager Ricardo Reyes responded to the comment made by Mr. Montalvo regarding asking for assistance with regard to public safety stating staff has addressed his concerns and there is no further action that can be taken.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:15 p.m. Assistant City Attorney Noel Tapia recessed to closed session.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Regarding Represented Employees - Government Code Section 54957.6(a)
City's Designated Representative(s) for Negotiations: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager and Nita McKay, Finance/Human Resources Director
Employee Organization: General Employees Association (GEA)
2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54957.9(d)(4) – [Two Matters]
3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)
Case name: MKay v. City of Huntington Park, et al.

At 8:54 p.m. Mayor Pineda reconvened to open session with all Council Members present.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant City Attorney Noel Tapia announced all Council Members were present, stating Council was briefed and discussed closed session items 1-3. Items 1-3) no action was taken, noting to report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve consent calendar, seconded by Vice Mayor Macias. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Avila, Ortiz, Sanabria, Vice Mayor Macias and Mayor Pineda
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 October 2, 2018.

FINANCE

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated October 16, 2018.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL

3. Council Appointment to Youth Commission

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the item.

Vice Mayor Macias appointed **Brandon Valdez** to the Youth Commission.

Council Member Ortiz directed staff to update the commissions on the city's webpage.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

4. Consideration and Approval to Submit a Grant Application for Funding to Create a Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Strategic Implementation Plan for the West Santa Ana Branch (WSAB) Project

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve submittal of a grant application requesting funding to create a Transit Oriented Development Strategic Implementation Plan (TOD SIP) for the West Santa Ana Branch Project, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

5. Consideration and Approval for Authorization to Sponsor and Participate in the Eco-Rapid Transit Summit on October 25th and 26th, 2018 and Authorize Staff to Fund and Participate in the Eco-Rapid Transit Mobile Workshop to be held at Salt Lake Park on October 25, 2018

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to authorize staff to sponsor and participate in the Eco-Rapid Transit Summit on October 25th and 26th, 2018 and authorize staff to fund and participate in the Eco-Rapid Transit Mobile Workshop at Salt Lake Park on October 25th, 2018, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

PARKS AND RECREATION

6. Consideration and Approval of Authorization and Ratification of Certain Expenditures for the City of Huntington Park's 2018 Holiday Parade

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to authorize and ratify the expenditures in a not-to-exceed amount of \$56,000 for TV production, TV Broadcasting and Parade Security for the 2018 Holiday Parade, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

7. Consideration and Approval of Authorization and Ratification of Certain Expenditures for Production Services with Pageantry Parades to Plan and Produce the City of Huntington Park's 2018 and 2019 Holiday Parades

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve authorization of Pageantry Parades as a sole source, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$31,350 for the Annual Holiday Parade Production of 2018 and 2019 and authorize City Manager to enter into a two-year professional services agreement with Pageantry Parades to plan and produce the 2018 and 2019 holiday parades, seconded by Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

8. Consideration and Approval of Expenditures for Holiday Tree Decorations at City Hall

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the item.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve the revised staff report distributed before the start of the meeting with the following recommendations and moved to authorize the use of City Art in Public Places funds included in the FY 2018-19 adopted budget for the 3rd and final year agreement with Ambius and authorize the use of City Art in Public Places funds included in the FY 2018-19 adopted budget for additional holiday decorations from St. Nick's Christmas Lighting and Décor along the exterior and interior arches of City Hall, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

FINANCE

9. Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Approving Amendments to the City of Huntington Park's Master Fee Schedule

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

Mayor Pineda opened up public comment, there being none, closed public comment.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to adopt Resolution No. 2018-26, Revising Certain Fee Amounts for City Services in Accordance with the City of Huntington Park Master Fee Schedule, seconded by Mayor Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

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

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, invited the public to the State of the Address on Saturday, October 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. Robert H. Keller Memorial Park and wished all a good night.

Council Member Marilyn Sanabria, thanked everyone and staff and invited the public to the Haunt'ington Park Halloween Festival on Wednesday, October 31, 2018 from 5-9 p.m. at Robert H. Keller Park.

Vice Mayor Karina Macias, thanked staff and invited the public to attend the Haunt'ington Park Halloween Festival and the State of the Address.

Mayor Jhonny Pineda, nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:43 p.m. Mayor Pineda adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council in memory of Officer Robert H. Keller for his exemplary service to his country in the United States Navy and service to the citizens of Huntington Park during his employment as a Police Officer, End of Watch, October 5, 1967 to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Donna G. Schwartz, CMC
City Clerk