

Minutes
Special Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Thursday, March 21, 2019

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

The special meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 6:34 p.m. on Thursday, March 21, 2019, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Jhonny Pineda presiding.

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

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police; Noel Tapia, Assistant City Attorney; Daniel Hernandez, Director of Public Works; Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development; Nita McKay, Director of Finance/Administrative Services and Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk. ABSENT: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager and Cynthia Norzagaray, Director of Parks and Recreation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief of Police Cosme Lozano.

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Mayor Pineda.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

REORGANIZATION

Annually City Council shall choose one of its members to serve as Mayor and one to serve as Vice Mayor for a one-year term.

Mayor Pineda opened nominations for Mayor.

Council Member Sanabria nominated Vice Mayor Macias for Mayor, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

Presentation of Oath of Office to newly elected Mayor Macias, given by Delia Acedo, Key Club President, Linda Marquez High School.

Newly-elected Mayor Macias called for nominations for Vice Mayor.

Council Member Ortiz nominated Council Member Avila for Vice Mayor, seconded by Council Member Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

Presentation of Oath of Office to newly elected Vice Mayor Avila, given by his daughter Martha Avila.

Presentations by the following to outgoing Mayor Pineda:

David Juarez, Field Representative from California State Assembly, 53rd District, Miguel Santiago's Office.

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Antonio Chapa, District Director/Veterans and Homeless Liaison from Honorable Supervisor Hilda Solis' Office.

Ricardo Lara, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Maywood....

Juan Garza, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Bellflower

Estrella Bautista, Cristovision, Inc.

Leticia Martinez, Executive Director/CEO from The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce.

Anshul Singh, Sathya Sai International Organization of USA

Gloria Rodriguez, founder and President of Parents with Exceptional Kids (PEK) and Betty Davis-Gonzalez, Parks and Recreation Commissioner

Justin Guzman, President and James Newton, Vice President of Aircraft X-Ray Lab

Moyses Flores

Maria Robles, Poet

Mayor Alexis Villanea, Captain, The Salvation Army

Islea Martinez, Principal, St. Matthias School

Comments by Council Members

Council Member Ortiz, thanked all, thanked and congratulated former Mayor Pineda, congratulated new appointed Vice Mayor Avila and Mayor Macias noting her second appointment and youngest Mayor, acknowledged the student who gave Mayor Macias the oath and invited the public to join in celebrating the new Vice Mayor and Mayor at Leonardos.

Council Member Sanabria, thanked everyone for attending tonight, thanked former Mayor Pineda and congratulated newly appointed Vice Mayor Avila and Mayor Macias.

Vice Mayor Avila, pleased to see all those who attended tonight, official representatives, representatives of the community, businesses and members of the churches, his tenure as a council Member and the experience he has gained, looks forward to working together for the community and doing more for Huntington Park and thanked all for the opportunity to be Vice Mayor.

Former Mayor Pineda, thanked his family for all their support while representing the City as Mayor, thanked the community members and staff who were present tonight, acknowledged staff and their hard work they do for the community, thanked all for the opportunity to represent the City, working together with various organizations and officials, congratulated newly appointed Mayor Macias and Vice Mayor Avila and announced that as we work together we can continue to grow as a City we welcome everyone to collaborate together, never give up and continue to move forward until you accomplishment what you want.

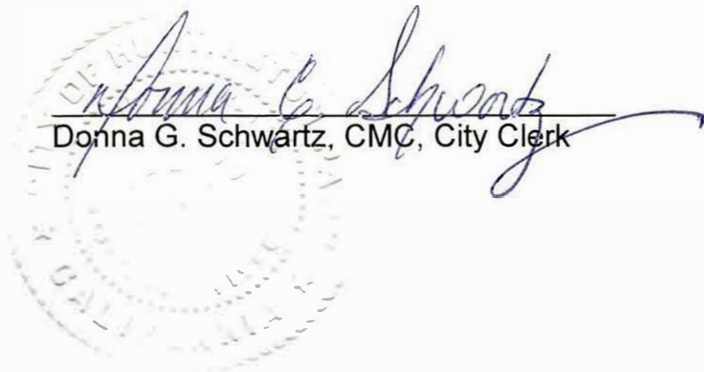
Mayor Macias, congratulated former Mayor Pineda and all his relations locally and internationally, congratulated newly appointed Vice Mayor Avila and thanking his family for supporting him, acknowledging her tenure as a Council Member, working with various organizations, staff and the continued support, acknowledged SEIU 2013, thanked her

family for their support, privilege to be a Mayor a second time, thanked everyone for attending and invited everyone to Leonardo's for the celebration.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:32 p.m. Mayor Macias adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna G. Schwartz, CMC, City Clerk