

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, October 15, 2019

Sergeant at Arms read the Rules of Decorum before the start of the Regular 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, October 15, 2019, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, California; Mayor Karina Macias presiding.

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

CITY OFFICIALS/STAFF: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager; Raul Alvarez, Assistant City Manager; Araceli Almazan, Legal; Cosme Lozano, Chief of Police; Cynthia Norzagaray, Director of Parks and Recreation; Nita McKay, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Sergio Infanzon, Director of Community Development and Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk.

INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Mayor Macias.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ana Maria and Karen Rojas.

PRESENTATIONS

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation," to Ana Maria and Karen Rojas for leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council presented a certificate to the Casabona family, in memory of their son Luis Francisco Rojas Casabona.

Council presented a proclamation to the American Cancer Society and AltaMed, Proclaiming October as "National Breast Cancer Awareness Month."

Council presented "Certificates of Recognition," to Lucille Roybal-Allard Elementary School and Huntington Park High School teachers for "Teacher of the Year."

Council presented "Certificates of Recognition," to dedicated parent volunteers at the local Huntington Park schools.

Council presented a "Certificate of Appreciation," to Starbucks for Hosting the Police Department's 1st Annual "Coffee with a Cop," Event, held Wednesday, October 2, 2019.

Mariachi Performance by Alegria de La Vida

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced there were three subsequent need items that were brought after the posting of the agenda and due to deadlines is asked Council for approval to add the three parks and recreation items to the end of the last regular agenda item. **Motion:** Council Member Sanabria moved to approve adding the three subsequent need items at the end of the regular agenda items, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Ivonne Carrera, spoke in support of regular agenda item 4.
2. Denise Barlage, requested Council approve hawk lights on Gage and Bissell noting an incident had occurred this evening.

STAFF RESPONSE

Mayor Macias announced one of the public comment cards that were called and were not present had a request for the City to look at the asphalt on State and Gage. Mayor Macias direct staff to look follow-up on the request.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:25 p.m. Araceli Almazan, Legal, 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/Administrative Services Director
Employee Organization: General Employees Association (GEA)

At 7:54 p.m. Mayor Macias reconvened to open session with all Council Members present.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

Araceli Almazan, Legal, announced all Council Members were present and briefed on closed session item 1. 1.) directions was given, no action taken, nothing to report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Council Member(s): Ortiz, Pineda, Sanabria, Vice Mayor Avila and Mayor Macias
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 1, 2019.

FINANCE

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated October 15, 2019.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

HUMAN RESOURCES

3. **Consideration and Approval of Resolution Approving New Salary Range for Deputy City Clerk Position**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Nita McKay, Finance & Administrative Service Director.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to adopt Resolution No. 2019-30, Approving New Salary Range for Deputy City Clerk Position, seconded by Vice Mayor Avila. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

PARKS AND RECREATION

4. Consideration and Approval of a Facility Use Permit & Fee Waiver Request by the General Federation of Women's Club (GFWC) of Huntington Park for Their 6th Annual Conference on "Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault"

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Cynthia Norzagaray, Parks and Recreation Director.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve the Facility Use Permit for the General Federation of Women's Club of Huntington Park's 6th Annual Conference on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault, scheduled for Saturday, October 26, 2019 and approve the Parks and Recreation Commission's recommendation approving the facility fee waiver request by the General Federation of Women's Club of Huntington Park, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

5. Consideration and Approval for Authorization and Ratification of Certain Expenditures for the City of Huntington Park's 2019 Holiday Parade

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Cynthia Norzagaray, Parks and Recreation Director.

Council Member Sanabria informed staff to make sure that all information and notifications are put on all the reader boards throughout the City.

Council Member Ortiz announced that the Huntington Park's 2019 Holiday Parade is set for Saturday, December 22, 2019 and will be available to watch on KTLA channel 5.

Motion: Vice Mayor Avila moved to authorize and ratify expenditures in a not-to-exceed amount of \$56,000 for TV Production, TV Broadcasting and Parade Security for the City of Huntington Park's 2019 Holiday Parade, seconded by Council Member Ortiz. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

6. Consideration and Approval for Authorization and Ratification of Certain Expenditures for Holiday Palm Tree Decorations on Pacific Boulevard

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Cynthia Norzagaray, Parks and Recreation Director.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve, seconded by Vice Mayor Avila. Motion failed due to the substitute motion.

Substitute Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve Christmas Light Decorators as the vendor, per Huntington Park Municipal Code, section 2-5.12(i), for the installation of Holiday Palm Tree Decorations on Pacific Boulevard using account #111-6010-451-74.10 and approve authorization to lease, install and remove the required additional lights for the trunks, crest and fronds in a not-to-exceed amount of \$32,865.00 and direction to staff to look into lights that can stay permanently on the trees, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

Council Member Pineda directed staff to look at the lights on the City of Southgate's Tweety Boulevard.

PUBLIC WORKS

7. Consideration and Approval of Award of Services for the Design of CIP 2019-11 High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk Beacon at Gage Avenue and Bissell Street, Huntington Park, California

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Raul Alvarez, Assistant City Manager who presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to direct staff to publish a Request for Proposal (RFP) and solicit proposals from qualified firms to design the project and come back at a future City Council meeting requesting approval of the contract and authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute the contract, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

Council Member Pineda directed staff to have the City Attorney review the RFP.

8. Consideration and Approval of Acceptance of Work Completed for the Lining and Repairs of the Mainline Sewer on Zoe Avenue Between Alameda Street (Frontage Road) and Albany Street

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Raul Alvarez, Assistant City Manager.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve acceptance of work performed by Tunnelworks Services Inc. (Contractor) for the lining of the mainline sewer using Cured in Place Pipe on Zoe Avenue between Alameda Street (frontage road) and Albany Street and the replacement of a 20-foot section of the sewer, authorize staff to execute the "Notice of Completion" (NOC) and direct City Clerk to file the NOC with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office and release the 5% retention being withheld from the payment to Contractor after 35 days of the effective date of the recordation of the NOC, if no Stop Notices are filed within the 35-day period, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

SUBSEQUENT NEED ITEMS

PARKS AND RECREATION

9. Consideration and Approval of Expenditures for Holiday Ice Skating Rink at Keller Park

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Cynthia Norzagaray, Parks and Recreation Director.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve Artificial Ice Events for the rental of a Holiday Ice Skating Rink and authorize staff to prepare a Purchase Order for Artificial Ice Events in the Amount of \$26,662.88, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

10. Consideration and Approval for Authorization and Ratification of Certain Expenditures for Holiday Decorations on Pacific Boulevard

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Cynthia Norzagaray, Parks and Recreation Director.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve Sierra Installations Inc. as the vendor, per Huntington Park Municipal Code, section 2-5.12(i), for the installation, removal and storage of Holiday Decorations on Pacific Boulevard using account #111-6010-451-74.10 in the not-to-exceed amount of \$41,000 and authorize the expenditure in a not-to-exceed amount of \$50,000 to purchase additional holiday skyline light decorations from using account #111-6010-451-74.10, seconded by Council Member Sanabria. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

NOES: Council Member(s): None

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

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Cynthia Norzagaray, Parks and Recreation Director.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve, seconded by Council Member Sanabria, motion failed due to substitute motion.

Substitute Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to authorize the use of Capital Outlay/Equipment funds included in the FY 2019-20 adopted budget for the holiday tree decorations at City Hall, authorize Staff to proceed with St. Nicks' to install and take down the holiday decorations at City Hall, to include the palm trees and approval of additional funds for a total of \$24,650, seconded by Council Member Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

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

END OF SUBSEQUENT NEED ITEMS

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, wished all a good night.

Council Member Jhonny Pineda, nothing to report.

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

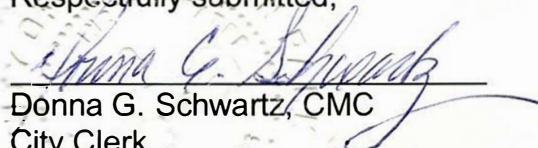
Vice Mayor Manuel “Manny” Avila, noted a resident who has negative concerns that he has invited to attend the meetings to hear the positive things happening in the City.

Mayor Karina Macias, thanked staff for all their support and invited the public to attend the next west Santa Ana Branch Corridor Project Meeting on Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 10 a.m. -12 p.m. at Salt Lake Park Recreation Center - Social Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:26 p.m. Mayor Macias adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council in memory of Luis Francisco Rojas Casabona, longtime Huntington Park resident to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna G. Schwartz, CMC
City Clerk