

Regular Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, December 3, 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, December 3, 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 (arrived at 6:05 p.m.), 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 Council Member Ortiz.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None.

STAFF RESPONSE - None.

City Manager Ricardo Reyes pulled regular agenda item 6.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve consent calendar, 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

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- 1. Approved Minute(s) of the following City Council Meeting(s):
 - 1-1. Regular City Council Meeting held November 19, 2019.

FINANCE

- 2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated December 3, 2019.

CITY ATTORNEY

- 3. Adopted Ordinance No. 2019-980, adding Section 4-7.1624 of Title 4, Chapter 7, Article 16 of the City of Huntington Park's Municipal Code relating to the prohibition of parking of nuisance and oversize vehicles.

CONSENT CALENDAR (CONTINUED)

PUBLIC WORKS

4. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-34, approving the adoption of the Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) and authorized staff to upload the adopted SSMP to the State's website.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

FINANCE

5. **Consideration and Approval of First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Ronak Desai, dba R.T. Desai & Associates for Accounting Services**

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

Motion: Vice Mayor Avila moved to approve First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Huntington Park and Ronak Desai dba R. T. Desai & Associates for Accounting Services and authorize City Manager to execute the agreement, 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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

PULLED BY CITY MANAGER RICARDO REYES

6. **Consideration and Approval of First Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce**

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve first amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding with The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce; and
2. Authorize City Manager or designee to execute amended agreement.

7. **Consideration and Approval to Enter into a Sub-Recipient Agreement with Gateway Cities Council of Governments for the West Santa Ana Branch/Eco-Rapid Transit Corridor Project**

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve the Sub-Recipient Agreement with Gateway Cities Council of Governments to provide administrative support during the environmental review process for the West Santa Ana Branch/Eco-Rapid Transit Corridor project and authorized City Manager to execute the agreement and related documents, seconded by Council Member Pineda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

REGULAR AGENDA (CONTINUED)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ITEM 7 (CONTINUED)

ROLL CALL:

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

PARKS AND RECREATION

8. Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Approving the License Agreement (File No. P-101237) Between the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power and the City as part of CIP 2018-08 Huntington Park Greenway Project

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to adopt Resolution No. 2019-35, approving the execution of the license agreement (File No. P-101237) between the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power (LADWP) and the City granting permission to utilize a portion of the linear property to construct and maintain a public linear park, which is also known as CIP 2018-08 Huntington Park Greenway Project (Project), approve appropriation of \$5,000 from Account No. 111-6010-451.76-05 as part of the Licensee's (City) annual obligation per year for an initial period of five (5) years, at which time the License Fee shall be adjusted upward five percent (5%) annually each year thereafter the initial five years for the remaining term of the agreement, adopt the final Los Angeles Department of Water & Power approved Project plans and authorize City Manager to execute the agreement, 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 Ortiz thanked staff for all their hard work on the project.

POLICE

9. Consideration and Approval for Acceptance of 2019-2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Funding and Appropriation of Funds for the Completion of a Technology Project for the Police Department and Youth Engagement Program

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to authorize City Manager to accept funding provided through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program totaling \$29,888, designate the City Manager as the Authorized Grantee Official for the purpose of executing grant objectives and documentation and approve appropriation in the amount of \$29,888 in the City's FY 2019-20 budget for purchase of computer software for the police department and youth engagement program, 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

REGULAR AGENDA (CONTINUED)

PUBLIC WORKS

10. Consideration and Approval for Acceptance of Work Completed for CIP 2018-19 Various Streets Improvement Project

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Assistant City Manager/Action Public Works Director Raul Alvarez who presented the staff report.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve acceptance of work completed by Sully-Miller Contracting Co. (Sully-Miller) for the construction of CIP 2018-19 Various Streets Improvement Project (Project), approve contract change orders in the amount of \$197,155.54 from account number 111-8010-431.76-01, approve the withholding of \$29,194.30 from Sully-Miller's retention based on California Public Contract Code Section § 7107 subsection (c), authorize expenditures for public outreach and labor compliance services provided by Infrastructure Engineers (IE) in an amount of \$59,500, from account number 239-8010-431.76-01, authorize City Manager or designee to sign all change orders and pending Request for Services associated with the completion of this project, 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 approved release of the 5% retention (minus \$29,194.30) 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

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

CITY MANAGER

11. Consideration and Approval of Substantial Amendment Number One to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20 Annual Action Plan (AAP) for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds

City Manager Ricardo Reyes presented the staff report.

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

City Manager Ricardo Reyes further explained that the programs that were reduced can potentially be funded by remaining funds from the CDBG code enforcement program.

Council Member Ortiz stated the City must be careful not to take away from the most vulnerable residents by reducing \$15,000 from the Huntington Park Homeless Services and \$15,000 from the Huntington Park Senior Programs and does not support this recommendation. Ms. Ortiz stated she does support allocating \$15,000 to the Salvation Army Southeast Communities and \$15,000 to the Huntington Parks Afterschool Programs.

PUBLIC HEARING (CONTINUED)

CITY MANAGER ITEM 11 (CONTINUED)

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve the \$15,000 allocation to the Salvation Army Southeast Communities Program and the \$15,000 to the Huntington Parks Afterschool Program but without the reductions to the Huntington Park Homeless Services and the Huntington Park Senior Programs so for staff to re-allocate funds to the Salvation Army Southeast Communities Program and the Huntington Parks Afterschool Program from the CDBG Code Enforcement Program and ensure Code Enforcement is funded through general fund, 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 stated staff should be looking into other funding sources before cutting or reducing other programs.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, thanked staff and all of Parks and Recreation staff for the tree lighting event, noted that Measure S funds are being used on parks programs, residents have asked about street improvement program and one of the City's goal is to have the whole city completed by end of next fiscal year, aquatic center coming, reminded residents that the Christmas parade is Saturday, December 14th and many of the students are participating.

Council Member Jhonny Pineda, noted he was late to the tree lighting event but heard a lot of great things from the community that the event was a success, with regards to City projects he will always question everything, expenditures, that it is his job so that the residents feel confident that Council is doing the right thing for the City.

Council Member Marilyn Sanabria, reiterated the tree lighting event was a success along with the snow and ice skating, happy that the community is engaging more in the city events, looks forward to next year and wish all a good night.

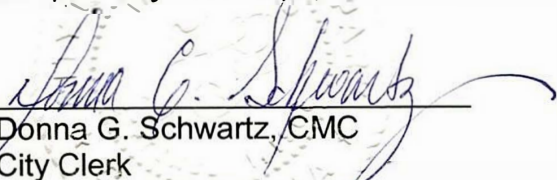
Vice Mayor Manuel "Manny" Avila, thanks to all staff for the tree lighting event along with the snow and ice skating rink, participation by all, coffee with a cop program, invited all to the parade and hopes to see everyone there.

Mayor Karina Macias, thanked staff for all their support, great tree lighting event, community very happy, Measure S funds being used for many events, community deserves many projects, aquatic center, ice skating rink, snow, provides opportunities to the youth which are valuable, and hoped all enjoyed their Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:39 p.m. Mayor Macias adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna G. Schwartz, CMC
City Clerk