

Regular Meeting of the
City of Huntington Park City Council
Tuesday, December 17, 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 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 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 Elian Hernandez.

PRESENTATIONS

Council presented a "Certificate of Appreciation," to Elian Hernandez for leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council presented "Certificates of Appreciation," to those who participated in the 2019 Health and Education Commission's Art Contest.

Council presented "Certificates of Recognition," to students from Pacific Elementary School who participated in the "Girls on the Run" 5k Run on Sunday, December 8, 2019.

Students from Linda Marquez High School provided a presentation on the Effects of Climate Change.

At 6:49 p.m. Mayor Macias called for a RECESS.

At 7:03 p.m. Mayor Macias RECONVENED the meeting with all Council Members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Javier Beltran, Mr. & Mrs. Vallejo, Sandra Garcia, Lupe Lopez, Janet Valenzuela, Lily Delgado, Arnulfo Carrillo, Hugo Lujan, Cristina Sanchez, Martha Escobedo, Jessica Prieto, and Guillermo Merin, all spoke in regards to Assembly Bill AB1482, California's "anti-rent-gouging bill," landlords raising rents, people being evicted and becoming homeless, and asked Council for support and to adopt an ordinance for rent control.
2. Veronica Lopez, spoke in opposition to a Costco would rather use space for houses and spoke in support of Council taking measures to adopt an ordinance for rent control.
3. Leoda Valenzuela, representative from Senator Lena Gonzalez Office, introduced herself.

STAFF RESPONSE

City Manager Ricardo Reyes stated the city did form a committee to try to address the homeless issue and the housing issue, some programming did come out of the committee and some funding has set-aside to support the programming and thanked everyone for the information and encouraged them to leave anything they'd like considered.

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced additional information for Agenda Item 6 was distributed to Council and city clerk has copies for the public.

SESSION

At 7:40 p.m. Araceli Almazan, Legal, recessed to closed session.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
Name of case: Huntington Park v Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA)
Case Numbers: BC700789 and BC700790
2. 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)
3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR - Regarding Represented Employees
(Government Code Section 54957.6(a))
City's Designated Representative(s) for Negotiations: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager
Employee Organization: Police Officers Association (POA)
4. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR
(Government Code Section 54957.6(a)) - Regarding Represented Employees
City's Designated Representative(s) for Negotiations: Ricardo Reyes, City Manager
Employee Organization: Police Management Association (PMA)

At 8:46 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 items 1-4. 1-4.) no action was taken, nothing to report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve consent calendar, 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

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. Approved Minute(s) of the following City Council Meeting(s):
 - 1-1. Regular City Council Meeting held December 3, 2019.

FINANCE

2. Approved Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrant(s) dated December 17, 2019.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

REGULAR AGENDA

COUNCIL

3. Council Appointment to the Parks and Recreation Commission

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Council Member Pineda appointed **Celia Rivas** to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Term to run concurrent to Council Members term.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Motion: Vice Mayor Avila moved to approve first amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce and authorize City Manager or designee to execute amended MOU, 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

FINANCE

5. Approve the Purchase of Desktop Computers, Windows 10 Licenses, Microsoft Office 2019 Licenses, Microsoft Exchange Licenses, One Server and Related Software form Lan Wan Enterprise, Inc. to Upgrade the City's Computer System

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

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

Substitute Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve, but directed staff to provide a breakdown of where the computers are being placed. Approved the purchase of one hundred thirteen desktop computers, one hundred thirty-eight Microsoft Office 2019 licenses, twenty-five Windows 10 Pro licenses, three Windows Server 2019 Standard Edition licenses, one hundred Windows CAL licenses, six VMWARE licenses, one server, one hundred Microsoft Exchange licenses for email, and the cost of labor from Lan Wan Enterprise, Inc, authorize the IT services of Lan Wan Enterprise, Inc. to install and implement newly purchased hardware and software, approve a budget appropriation transfer in the amount of \$321,552 to account number 111-9010-419.74-10 General Fund Non Departmental Capital Equipment from account number 111-0210-413.56-49 City Manager's Office Community Services (\$100,000), 111-0210-413.59-15 City Manager's Office Professional Development (\$75,000) and 111-6010-451.73-10 City Wide Park Improvements Project (\$146,552) and authorize City Manager or designee to purchase the IT equipment and software, 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 into refurbishing and donating the old computers.

PUBLIC WORKS

6. Consideration and Approval to Award a Construction Contract for CIP 2018-08 Huntington Park Greenway Project

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item and introduced Assistant City Manager Raul Alvarez who presented the staff report and noted the additional information from Marina Landscape, Inc. that was distributed to Council before tonight's meeting was due in part from a protest that was received requesting the additional information that Marina Landscape, Inc. provided.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve a budget appropriation transfer in the amount of \$405,098 to account number 681-8030-461.76-08 Greenway Linear Park Project from account 681-8030-461.73-10 Replacement of Water Mainlines, approve a construction contract to Marina Landscape, Inc. as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for a not-to-exceed amount of \$3,281,475.70 and authorize City Manager or designee to execute the construction contract agreement for CIP 2018-08 Huntington Park Greenway Project, 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

7. Consideration and Approval to Reject the Proposal Received for Graffiti Abatement Services and Re-Advertise Request for Proposal (RFP)

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

Motion: Vice Mayor Avila moved to reject the Proposal Received for Graffiti Abatement Services and authorize the Public Works Department to re-advertise the RFP, 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

8. Consideration and Approval to Award a Construction Contract for CIP 2018-07 Downtown Huntington Park I-Park System Implementation Call for Projects ID# F7702

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

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve but does not want any lockers installed until a design and maintenance plan comes back to council. Approve a budget appropriation transfer in the amount of \$106,650 to account number 222-8010-431.76-02 Downtown I-Park System Project from account number 222-8010-431.76-01 City Wide Street Improvements Project for the construction of CIP 2018-07 Downtown Huntington Park i-Park System Implementation Call for Projects ID# F7312 (Project), approve award of a construction contract to Alfaro Communications Construction, Inc. as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for a not-to-exceed amount of \$944,572, which is based on available funding, approve a budget appropriation transfer in the amount of \$69,080 to account number 222-8010-431.76-02 Downtown I-Park System Project from account number 222-8010-431.76-01 City Wide Street Improvements Project for construction management and inspection services provided by Infrastructure Engineers and authorize

City Manager or designee to negotiate with the contractor on the not-to-exceed amount and execute the construction contract agreement, 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

9. Consideration and Approval to Award an Agreement for the Design, Analysis and Permitting of the By-Pass System for Water Well No. 15

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve proposal and award the agreement for the design, analysis, and permitting of the by-pass system for Water Well No. 15 to Tetra Tech for a not-to-exceed amount of \$29,770 from Account No. 681-8030-461.76-07, approve an appropriation transfer in the amount of \$29,770 to be transferred to account number 681-8030-461.76-07 from account number 681-8030-461.43-30 and authorize City Manager or designee to execute the professional services agreement, 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

10. Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Approving the Second Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority (GWMA) and The City of Huntington Park

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to adopt Resolution No. 2019-36, approving the Second Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority for continuation of administrative and cost sharing arrangements for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit compliance and authorize City Manager to execute the Second Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding, 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 to Award an Agreement for Construction Management & Inspection Services for CIP 2016-01 ATP Cycle II Project ATPL-5150(012)

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Motion: Council Member Ortiz moved to approve a budget appropriation transfer in the amount of \$154,000 to account number 111-8080-431.73-10 ATP Cycle II Project from account number 111-8010-431.76-01 City Wide Street Improvements Project for the construction of CIP 2016-01 ATP Cycle II Project ATPL-5150(012) "Project", award agreement to Infrastructure Engineers for construction management & inspection services in an amount not-to-exceed \$154,000 and authorize City Manager or designee to execute the professional services agreement (PSA), 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

12. Consideration and Approval to Submit a Letter of Interest to the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority to Apply for the State Active Transportation Program Cycle V

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve staff to prepare and submit an official Letter of Interest to the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority to receive assistance on the State Active Transportation Program Cycle V grant application and authorize City Manager to sign the Letter of Interest, 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

13. Consideration and Approval to Award an Agreement for the Design of CIP 2019-07 Water Main Replacement Project – Hill Street and Cudahy Street

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved to approve award of agreement to Infrastructure Engineers for the design of CIP 2019-07 Water Main Replacement Project – Hill Street and Cudahy Street for a not-to-exceed amount of \$299,574 from Account No. 681-8030-461.76-09 and authorize City Manager or designee 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

14. Consideration and Approval to Award an Agreement for the Design of CIP 2019-06 Street Enhancement Project

City Manager Ricardo Reyes announced the item.

Motion: Council Member Sanabria moved award agreement to NCE for the design of CIP 2019-06 Street Enhancement Project in an amount not-to-exceed \$148,300 from Account No. 221-8010-431.76-01 and authorize City Manager or designee 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

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (Information only)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS - None.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Graciela Ortiz, wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, Happy New Years and thanked everyone.

Council Member Jhonny Pineda, wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Council Member Marilyn Sanabria, thanked everyone, acknowledged the Breakfast with Santa and the Winter Wonderland event were a success, wished all a Happy Holiday prosperous New Year and thanked staff.


Vice Mayor Manuel "Manny" Avila, thanked everyone who participated in the Tree Lighting and parade event, acknowledge all staff for the support, and wished all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2020.

Mayor Karina Macias, thanked all employees and all their support for the parade and to the parade committee, noted the parade would be showing on Sunday at 1 p.m. on channel 15, announced that nominees for the decorating contest are still being accepted and that the judging will take place on Thursday, announced the City received an American Planning Award regarding the Ecco Transit project, and wished all a Happy Holidays enjoy.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:34 p.m. Mayor Macias adjourned the City of Huntington Park City Council to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Donna G. Schwartz, CMC
City Clerk