

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, January 7, 2013.

Following the Invocation, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Mariah Urcino, 6<sup>th</sup> grade student at Aspire, Antonio Maria Lugo Academy. The meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Molina. Present: Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, and Mayor Andy Molina; Absent: Council Member Mario Gomez and Council Member Rosa E. Perez.

Mayor Molina and City Council presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Mariah Urcino, 6<sup>th</sup> grade student at Aspire, Antonio Maria Lugo Academy for leading the flag salute at the City Council meeting January 7, 2013.

Mayor Molina and City Council presented a plaque to Robert Quintero for his dedication and commitment while serving as the City's Interim Director of Public Works.

Mayor Molina and City Council presented the 2012 Mayor's Holiday Awards to the following participants in recognition of their holiday display on their homes during the holiday season: 1) Best Decorated Home Category -2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 3332 Cudahy Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Place: 6075 Arbutus Street; 2) Best Decorated Apartment Category - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Seville Gardens Senior Complex located at 2701 Randolph Street, Apt. 4 and 1<sup>st</sup> Place: 2500 Zoe Avenue, Apt. B.

Mayor Molina and City Council presented certificates of appreciation to the following for their participation and hard work associated with the success of the City of Huntington Park's Annual Food Basket Giveaway, Tree Lighting Ceremony and Toy Giveaway events: 1) Non-profit organizations: Southeast Churches Service Center; Southeast Women's Organization; Southeast Rio Vista YMCA; Oldtimer's Foundation; Huntington Park Police Officers Association; Reynoso's Hit N' Walk; State of California EDD/Veterans; Hub Cities Consortium; Friends of Huntington Park Library; Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles; Huntington Park Kiwanis; Huntington Park Sister Cities Association; SOS Booking; Xibalba; Set Your Goals; Senator Ricardo Lara; The Greater Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce; Henry T. Gage Middle School; Multi-taskers; Huntington Park High School Key Club; St. Matthias Women's Guild; Assembly Speaker John A. Perez; Yahualica Los Angeles Sister Cities Association; Pasteleria Luceros; Consolidated Disposal; Waste Management; 2) Entertainers at the Tree Lighting Ceremony: Marylou Ascencion; Extreme Lighting; Jose A. Ronstadt; Nolan Roasted Corn; Domino's Pizza; Edible Arrangements; Don Chente Bar & Grill; Tacos Don Chente ; Grupo Miramar; La Migra; Mariano Barba; Roger Del Norte; Huntington Park Cheer; Factor 714; HP Folklorico; Brian Muñoz; Maria Fernandez; Juan Mendoza "El Tariacuri"; Jose Figueroa; David Soltero; 3) Parks and Recreation Department staff: Josette Espinosa, Director; Leonard Garcia, Recreation Supervisor; Danny Bueno, Management Analyst; Jessica Perez, Recreation Supervisor; Sonia Ramirez, Recreation Coordinator; Sonia Matamoros, Recreation Coordinator; Gustavo Hernandez, Recreation Coordinator; Marco Rivera; Genesis Chacon; Nataly de la Cruz; Hilda Inzunsa; Jackelyn Perez; Esbeidy Castañeda; Rafael Chavez; Christopher Bogle; Connie Nuñez; Jose Santos; Anthony Hines; Jaime Bravo; Johnny Torres; Julie Quiñonez; and 4) Department of Public Works staff: James Enriquez, Director of Public Works/City Engineer; Gary Aguayo; Mario Lopez; Marcello Retamosa; Claude Bilodeau; Michael Pierson; Salvador Ortega; Fermin Castillo; Venceslao Armijo; Juan Preciado; Juventino Liera. Raymond Carmody, Ricardo Marquez.

Captain Tim Tompkins from the California Highway Patrol (CHP) - East Los Angeles Office and Angie Hernandez from Automobile Club of Southern California presented Senior Officer Chris Wiggins the Master 10851 (Auto Theft) award and his 5<sup>th</sup> 10851 award; and Police Officer Martin Magallanes a 10851 award.

Jessica, representing Power Woman Business Center distributed copies of the presentation and brochures to City Council and displayed a PowerPoint presentation regarding resources available to entrepreneurs and small business

owners. Jessica informed City Council regarding opportunities she would like to bring to entrepreneurs in Huntington Park and stated she has been looking for a location to set up the business center. There being no objection, Mayor Molina directed staff to continue working with Power Woman Business Center. City Manager Bobadilla stated that staff will report back to City Council in February 2013 with a recommendation.

Lieutenant Martinez displayed a presentation regarding the City of Huntington Park Animal Control Unit.

Mayor Molina opened oral communications, indicating that this was the time for anyone in the audience to address the City Council on any matter of City business.

Don Brabant, President of The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce, invited Power Woman Business Center to partner with the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Brabant also announced that effective January 1, 2013, Leticia Martinez is the new Executive Director/CEO of The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce.

Leticia Martinez, Executive Director/CEO of The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce, expressed thanks and stated that she is looking forward to working with the business community. Ms. Martinez encouraged everyone to attend the Port of Los Angeles TRADEconnect Business Development Workshop on January 22, 2013 at Raul R. Perez Park.

Rodolfo Cruz addressed City Council regarding the City's water system.

Julio Prizma addressed City Council regarding business solicitations.

Nick Ioannidis addressed various concerns to City Council.

Edgar Gordillo addressed City Council regarding barking dogs.

Edmundo Perez addressed City Council regarding the City's finances.

Antonio Padilla addressed City Council regarding the City's water rates.

Henry Garcia, Director/Editor of LA VOZ Editorial Newspaper, read literature to City Council titled: "Facts" prepared by Henry J. Garcia.

Mayor Molina called for any other oral communications, and hearing none, declared oral communications closed.

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to approve the Consent Calendar with exception of item nos.: 6.3, 6.4, and 6.7, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

## **6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

6.1 Approve the reading by title of all ordinances and resolutions. Said titles which appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title and further reading waived.

### **FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

6.2 Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants dated December 17, 2012 and January 7, 2013.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

6.5 Memorandum of Agreement for use of the Los Angeles County Family and Children's Index.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve a **Memorandum of Agreement with the County of Los Angeles for use of the County's Family and Children's Index**.
- 6.6 Subrecipient Agreement for reallocated 2010 State Homeland Security Grant Program funding.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve a **Subrecipient Agreement between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Huntington Park for reallocated 2010 State Homeland Security Grant Program funding**.
2. Instruct the Finance Director to establish a specific account for the purpose of funding and tracking expenditures.
3. Authorize the Police Department to purchase equipment and services to complete the approved project.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

6.3 Resolution authorizing investment of City of Huntington Park monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt **Resolution No. 2013-1 authorizing investment of City of Huntington Park monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund**. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2013-1, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

6.4 Ordinance relating to rules and regulations for water system service.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt **Ordinance No. 903-NS** an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park, California, **amending Title 6, Chapter 5, Article 2, Sections 6-5.205 and 6-5.207 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code relating to rules and regulations for water system service**. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 903-NS for first reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 903-NS be introduced and approved for first reading, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

### 6.7 Los Angeles County Clean Water, Clean Beaches Measure.

#### RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Receive and file the report by City staff regarding the Los Angeles County Clean Water, Clean Beaches Measure. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **receive and file the report by City staff regarding the Los Angeles County Clean Water, Clean Beaches Measure**, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

The meeting recessed at 7:52 p.m. and resumed at 8:04 p.m.

## 7. HEARINGS

### 7.1 Public hearing to consider a Resolution authorizing the issuance of multi-family housing revenue bonds for the refinancing of the Rugby Senior Housing Project located at 6330 Rugby Avenue.

#### RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Open the public hearing to receive any comments.
2. Close the public hearing.
3. Adopt Resolution No. 2013-2 to conduct a Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) public hearing to authorize the issuance of multi-family housing revenue bonds for the refinancing of the Rugby Senior Housing Project. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2013-2, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

### 7.2 Appeal hearing to consider the Planning Commission decision approving Conditional Use Permit No. 1959-CUP to establish and operate a light processing recycling facility at 2148 E. Slauson Avenue in the Manufacturing Planned Development Zone.

#### RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Open the appeal hearing to receive any comments.

Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Guerrero, **to continue this item at a special meeting of the City Council to be held January 14, 2013**, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

## 8. REGULAR AGENDA

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

### 8.1 Amend the Huntington Park Financing Authority Installment Sale Agreement With Capital One Public Funding LLC.

#### RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to renegotiate the existing Huntington Park Financing Authority Installment Sale Agreement with Capital One Public Funding LLC to generate interest rate savings on the street light replacement project (Measure L).

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **authorize the City Manager to renegotiate the existing Huntington Park Financing Authority Installment Sale Agreement with Capital One Public Funding LLC to generate interest rate savings on the street light replacement project (Measure L)**, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

8.2 Purchase of EMC VNX5300 Storage Area Network.

### **RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve the purchase of an EMC VNX5300 Storage Area Network for the Police Department from CDW-G in the amount of \$41,895.36 using Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) program funds.

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the purchase of an EMC VNX5300 Storage Area Network for the Police Department from CDW-G in the amount of \$41,895.36 using Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) program funds**, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

8.3 Urgency Ordinance establishing a moratorium on the issuance of any permits to subdivide any 10,000+ square foot commercial building/structure into smaller tenant spaces with the City's Business Improvement District.

### **RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 904-NS to establish a moratorium on the issuance of any permits to subdivide any 10,000+ square foot commercial building/structure into smaller tenant spaces within the City's Business Improvement District .

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 903-NS for first and final reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 903-NS be introduced and approved for first and final reading, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

## **12. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

## **12.1 Mayor Andy Molina**

### **12.1-1 Adoption of Sister City Tecolotlan, Jalisco, Mexico.**

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **adopt Sister City Tecolotlan, Jalisco, Mexico**, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

## **12.2 Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero**

### **12.2-1 Discussion regarding water billing frequency.**

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **direct staff to look into reverting back to bi-monthly water billing**, carried as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, and Mayor Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Council Members Gomez and Perez.

## **12.3 Council Member Mario Gomez**

### **12.4 Council Member Ofelia Hernandez**

**12.4-1** Update on business grievances. City Manager Bobadilla announced that there are no outstanding grievances.

**12.4-2** Discussion regarding news racks in the City.

**12.4-3** Update on electronic parking meters installed along Pacific Boulevard for a free 90-day trial period.

**12.4-4** Update on status of Warner Theatre.

**12.4-5** Discussion regarding abandoned buildings and vacant storefronts in the City.

**12.4-6** Discussion regarding street improvements at railroad crossings along Randolph Street.

## **12.5 Council Member Rosa E. Perez**

**12.5-1** Discussion regarding sponsorship of the 2013 American Cancer Society (ACS) Southeast Cities Relay for Life at Salt Lake Park June 22-23, 2013.

**12.5-2** Discussion regarding potential foreclosure assistance and/or resident resources in the City.

Interim City Attorney Litfin requested the City Council resolve into a closed session. Mayor Molina declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 8:48 p.m.

## **13. CLOSED SESSION**

**13.1** Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: Number of potential cases: (2).

**13.2** Conference with Legal Counsel - Initiation of Litigation, pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9: Number of potential cases: (2).

Following the closed session, the meeting was called to order in the Council

Chambers at 9:35 p.m. Present: Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, and Mayor Andy Molina; Absent: Council Member Mario Gomez and Council Member Rosa E. Perez.

Interim City Attorney Litfin reported out that in closed session, there was no reportable action.

Mayor Molina declared the meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m., in memory of the following:

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

- 14.1** In memory of Jenni Rivera, singer-songwriter, actress, television producer, and entrepreneur of Mexican heritage.
- 14.2** In memory of James R. Williams, father of Jim Williams, District Manager for Southwest Water Company Services, Inc. for the City of Huntington Park.
- 14.3** In memory of Lucille Beserra Roybal, mother of Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard.

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Andy Molina, Mayor

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Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk