

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, November 15, 2010.

Vice Mayor Gomez announced that Mayor Noguez will not be present.

Following the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. by Vice Mayor Gomez. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Mario Gomez, Council Member Elba Guerrero, and Council Member Andy Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Mayor John R. Noguez.

Kung-pei Hwang, ASA, MAAA, Senior Pension Actuary from CalPERS, displayed a PowerPoint presentation regarding the City's Retirement System and distributed copies of the presentation to City Council and Department Heads. Vice Mayor Gomez left his seat at 6:07 p.m. and returned at 6:10 p.m. Mr. Hwang thanked Martha Castillo and City Council for allowing him to make this presentation. Mr. Hwang informed City Council of the factors that cause the City's pension rate to fluctuate, CalPERS Rate Stabilization Policy, and various options available to the City to reduce employer costs.

A representative from the California Highway Patrol (CHP) presented Automobile Club of Southern California 10851 (Auto Theft) Awards and pins to Sergeant Neil Castelli (not present) and Senior Officer Christopher Wiggins (2 awards).

Vice Mayor Gomez and City Council presented Certificates to the following former members of Parks and Recreation Commission, Arts and Culture Commission, and Youth Commission for their contributions to the City: 1) Melissa Sajnani (not present); 2) Michelle Reid (not present); 3) Allan Ramirez; 4) Joshua Hernandez; 5) Ana Gomez (not present); 6) Eduardo Alvarez; 7) Diane Spalding (not present); 8) Francisco Ibarra; 9) Jackie Gutierrez (not present); 10) Dante D'Eramo; 11) Sonia Bautista; 12) Bertha Lopez (not present); 13) Betty Davis-Gonzalez (not present); 14) Yvonne Correa (not present); 15) Ralph Cervantes (not present); and 16) Steve Martinez.

Janine Hamner, representing Waste Management, informed City Council regarding the launch of their new recycling education campaign "Recycling is Natural". Council Member Guerrero left her seat at 6:42 p.m. and returned at 6:46 p.m. Ms. Hamner briefed City Council on the purpose of the program and introduced Eneida Talleda, Vice President of Hill and Knowlton, a public relations firm who developed the "Recycling is Natural" campaign in Huntington Park.

Vice Mayor Gomez presented a proclamation declaring November 15 through 21, 2010 as "Recycling is Natural Week" in the City of Huntington Park to Janine Hamner of Waste Management.

Victor Dominguez, Executive Director of The Southeast Rio Vista YMCA, informed City Council regarding their Youth and Government Program and introduced the following program participants who recently attended Camp Roberts: Maribel Garcia and Ryan Espinosa.

Vice Mayor Gomez and City Council presented Certificates of Recognition to the following individuals that have completed the YMCA Youth and Government Program: 1) Carlo Lopez; 2) Abigail Zambrana; 3) Lauren Trevizo; 4) Karina Robles; 5) Sergio Ramos; 6) Scarlett Pulido; 7) Zuleyma Parra; 8) Cesar Olvera; 9) Mauro Jimenez; 10) Alex Ibarra; 11) Paloma Galindo (not present); 12) Erika Hernandez; 13) Thomas Gonzalez; 14) Maribel Garcia-Ochoa; 15) Metzil Evangelista; 16) Bryan Espinal; 17) Christian Corona; and 18) Veronica Alaniz.

Vice Mayor Gomez called for oral communication to address the City Council on any matter of City business.

Yesenia Gutierrez, student at Aspire School in Huntington Park, informed City Council that they are relocating the school site to its permanent location on November 29, 2010 and invited City Council to attend and speak at the Aspire School's grand opening ceremony.

Jenny Barajas, 9th grade student at Aspire School in Huntington Park, invited City Council to attend their school's grand opening ceremony.

Ana Lopez, student at Huntington Park High School, distributed flyers and invited City Council to participate in a can food drive on November 20, 2010 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Huntington Park Library to help needy families

A gentleman suggested that people start asking questions regarding the City's finances and addressed concerns to City Council on behalf of the Editor of Watchourcity.com regarding \$10 Million paid to the Oldtimers by the City since 2004 as well as donations given to Mayor Noguez's campaign by George Cole since 2003.

Alfred Darios, representing Hondura's Kitchen, informed City Council that due to the expansion of his business from 400 sq. ft. to 2,600 sq. ft. approximately 6 to 7 months ago and status change from sole proprietor to corporation, a new dance and entertainment permit is required by the City. Mr. Darios asked City Council for assistance in placing it on the City Council agenda.

Dante D'Eramo, Executive Director/CEO of The Greater Area Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce, informed City Council of the honorees scheduled to attend their 60th Anniversary Christmas Lane Parade to be held on Saturday, November 20, 2010 at 6:00 p.m., and invited everyone to attend.

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

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Molina, to approve the Consent Calendar, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Vice Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: Mayor Noguez.

CONSENT CALENDAR

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, November 1, 2010.

Deny claim filed by Yesenia Salgado, Date of Incident: August 2, 2010 and refer to City's insurance administrator.

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

Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants dated November 15, 2010.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Director of Community Development Gray requested approval of an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Annual Action Plan to reallocate Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the amount of \$200,000 from the Neighborhood Improvement Code Enforcement (NICE) Program to the Commercial Rehabilitation Program; and authorize the City Manager to approve any additional actions required for transmittal to HUD. Council Member Molina recused himself from this item and left the dais at 7:22 p.m. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Annual Action Plan to reallocate Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the amount of \$200,000 from the Neighborhood Improvement Code Enforcement (NICE) Program to the Commercial Rehabilitation Program; and authorize the City Manager to approve any additional actions required for transmittal to HUD**, carried as

follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, and Vice Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Molina and Mayor Noguez.

Council Member Molina returned and took his seat at 7:24 p.m.

Director of Community Development Gray requested approval of an Agreement for Temporary Technical Assistance Consulting Services between the City of Huntington Park and Karen Warner Associates for the Administration of Federal Housing and Urban Development Department Programs/Services/Activities. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Molina, to **approve Agreement for Temporary Technical Assistance Consulting Services between the City of Huntington Park and Karen Warner Associates for the Administration of Federal Housing and Urban Development Department Programs/Services/Activities for a term of two (2) years**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Vice Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: Mayor Noguez.

Director of Finance Padilla requested approval of an Amendment to the City of Huntington Park PARS Retirement Enhancement Plan, subject to City Attorney approval. **Following a discussion, this item was continued.**

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested authorization for staff to issue Request for Proposals for the Installation of Batting Cage at Salt Lake Park. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **authorize staff to issue Request for Proposals for the Installation of Batting Cage at Salt Lake Park**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Vice Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: Mayor Noguez.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested approval of First Amendment to Contract Services Agreement by and between the City of Huntington Park and Urban Associates, Inc. for the development of a joint use agreement with the Los Angeles Unified School District for the use of South Region High School #7, for an amount not to exceed \$40,000. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the First Amendment to Contract Services Agreement by and between the City of Huntington Park and Urban Associates, Inc. for the development of a joint use agreement with the Los Angeles Unified School District for the use of South Region High School #7, for an amount not to exceed \$20,000**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, and Molina; Noes: Vice Mayor Gomez; Absent: Mayor Noguez.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested approval of First Amendment to License Agreement between Los Angeles Unified School District and the City of Huntington Park for the use of Middleton Elementary School as a Temporary Park Site during the construction of the new Raul R. Perez Memorial Park. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Guerrero, to **approve the First Amendment to License Agreement between Los Angeles Unified School District and the City of Huntington Park for the use of Middleton Elementary School as a Temporary Park Site during the construction of the new Raul R. Perez Memorial Park**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Vice Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: Mayor Noguez.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-78. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK IN SUPPORT OF “**BUSINESS FRIENDLY PRINCIPLES**” AS PART OF SCAG’S DEVELOPMENT OF A SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ECONOMIC GROWTH STRATEGY was presented. Motion by Molina, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution No. 2010-78, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Guerrero, Molina, and Vice Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: Mayor Noguez.

ORDINANCE NO. 862-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA AMENDING PROVISIONS OF TITLE 9, CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 18 OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE **REGARDING HISTORIC PRESERVATION** was read by title. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Molina, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 862-NS for second reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 862-NS be approved for second reading and adopted, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member

Hernandez, Council Members Guerrero, Molina, and Vice Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: Mayor Noguez.

ORDINANCE NO. 863-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA AMENDING PROVISIONS OF TITLE 9 OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE APPLICABLE TO ENTITLEMENT TIME EXTENSIONS was read by title. Motion by Molina, seconded by Guerrero, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 863-NS for second reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 863-NS be approved for second reading and adopted, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Council Members Guerrero, Molina, and Vice Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: Mayor Noguez.

City Attorney Leal requested the City Council resolve into a **closed session** pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957, **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**, Title: City Manager. Vice Mayor Gomez declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 7:51 p.m. City Clerk Ramirez was excused from the closed session.

Following the closed session, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 8:00 p.m. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Mario Gomez, Council Member Elba Guerrero, and Council Member Andy Molina; Noes: None; Absent: Mayor John R. Noguez.

City Attorney Leal reported out of closed session for **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**, Title: City Manager, no reportable action.

Vice Mayor Gomez declared the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m., in memory of Shirley Korduner, aunt of Gregory D. Korduner, City Manager for the City of Huntington Park.

Mario Gomez, Vice Mayor

Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk