

Minutes of the special meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Wednesday, October 31, 2012.

The meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Molina. Present: Council Member Mario Gomez, Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Rosa E. Perez, and Mayor Andy Molina; Absent: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez.

Mayor Molina announced that the special meeting was called for the purpose of considering and/or taking action on an agreement for Interim City Attorney and the following closed session items: Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT, Title: Interim City Attorney; and CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: (1).

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.

Marilyn Sanabria stated that she is aware that the City Attorney resigned and hopes that the City does not use the same process that was used for former City Attorney Francisco Leal. Ms. Sanabria also stated that she hopes the Interim City Attorney is not appointed as the permanent City Attorney and that the City goes out to bid for the vacancy.

Karina stated that she hopes the process to appoint a City Attorney is open to the public.

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

City Manager Bobadilla stated that the appointment is only for an Interim City Attorney during the recruiting process for a permanent City Attorney. City Manager Bobadilla announced that the City Attorney vacancy will be going out to request for proposals (RFP) as soon as possible and that the City hopes to appoint a permanent City Attorney in the next three (3) months. City Manager Bobadilla also announced that the Interim City Attorney will not be part of the RFP process.

Mayor Molina declared the meeting resolved into **closed session** to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 5:10 p.m., pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT, Title: Interim City Attorney; and for CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: (1). Council Member Hernandez arrived in closed session at 5:14 p.m.

Following the closed session, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 5:42 p.m. Present: Council Member Mario Gomez, Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Council Member Rosa E. Perez, and Mayor Andy Molina; Absent: None.

City Manager Bobadilla presented for discussion and/or action an agreement for Interim City Attorney. Motion by Perez, seconded Gomez, to **approve the Agreement for provision of Interim City Attorney Services with Rutan & Tucker LLP**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Gomez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Perez, and Mayor Molina; Absent: None.

City Manager Bobadilla announced that the City will be publishing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the position of City Attorney.

City Clerk reported out that in closed session for CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: (1), direction was given.

Mayor Molina declared the meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

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Andy Molina, Mayor

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Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk