

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, November 4, 2013.

Following the Invocation, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Adrian Amaya and Vanessa Motolinia, 5th grade students at Miles Avenue Elementary School in Huntington Park. The meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Gomez. Present: Council Member Valentin Palos Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Rosa E. Perez, Council Member Karina Macias, and Mayor Mario Gomez; Absent: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez.

Mayor Gomez and City Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to Adrian Amaya and Vanessa Motolinia for leading the flag salute at the City Council meeting November 4, 2013.

Council Member Hernandez arrived at 6:06 p.m.

Mayor Gomez and City Council presented a Proclamation designating the week of November 4 through 8, 2013, as Key Club Week to Martin Delgado, representing the Huntington Park Kiwanis. Mr. Delgado introduced Huntington Park Key Club members and advisors to City Council.

Mayor Gomez and City Council presented a Certificate of Recognition to Alejandra Ceja for being appointed by President Barack Obama as the Director of the White House Initiative on Education. Ms. Ceja thanked City Council for the recognition.

Mayor Gomez and City Council presented Certificates of Recognition to the following members of the Huntington Park Unified Soccer Team for winning 1st place at the Los Angeles Unified School District Special Olympics Unified Sports Program on October 30, 2013: 1) Moises Rivera; 2) Susan Woo; 3) Jennifer Pinchinte; 4) Mizael Murua; 5) Ashley Miranda; 6) Steve Tran; 7) Maria Torres; 8) Oscar Tavares; 9) Belen Barrios; 10) Adrien Esparza; 11) Juan Lopez; 12) Maritza Lopez; 13) Justin Valencia; 14) Ivan Hernandez; 15) Alejandra Ceja; 16) Vanessa Motolinia; 17) Cristian Martinez; 18) William Martinez; 19) Arianna Avina; 20) Adrian Amaya; 21) Lesly Gonzalez; 22) Angel Gutierrez; 23) Brian Galiando; 24) Daniel Gonzalez; and 25) Lupe Hernandez, Principal of Huntington Park High School.

9. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

- 9.2 Receive and file a status report by Oldtimers Foundation regarding the Combi Bus Service.

Irene Muro, CEO of the Oldtimers Foundation, presented a status report regarding the Combi Bus Service. Ms. Muro and Leticia Martinez, representing The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce, informed City Council that the Oldtimers Foundation and the Chamber of Commerce will be partnering to possibly provide transit services to the community and benefit the merchants on "Black Friday" November 29, 2013.

Kristine Guerrero, representing the League of California Cities, displayed a PowerPoint presentation regarding legislation and LA Division's upcoming projects.

Director of Finance Morales introduced sponsors and members of the LACBC, Wolfgang Hustle. Mr. Morales presented a video of the 1st Annual City of Huntington Park Gran Prix Bicycle Race held October 19, 2013.

Mayor Gomez 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.

Jorge Sepulveda addressed concerns to City Council regarding regulations imposed on his business by the Planning Division in order to display merchandize on the sidewalk. Mr. Sepulveda thanked Christina Dixon for her prompt response to an inquiry pertaining to a trash receptacle for his new business.

Linda Caraballo addressed concerns to City Council regarding the refuse contract and comments made by a former commissioner.

Rodolfo Cruz addressed concerns to City Council regarding members of the Successor Agency board, the sale of properties, and the pension tax rate.

Francisco Rivera addressed concerns regarding littering and illegal flyers posted on City posts, including bus stop benches, in various streets in the City and inquired about the Code Enforcement Division's efforts to call the phone numbers listed on the flyers.

Andy Molina, former Mayor of the City of Huntington Park, representing Southeast Churches Service Center, invited City Council to attend the 30th Anniversary of the Southeast Churches Service Center and C.O.C.E.C.H.A. (Combined South East Care for the Hungry Alliance) Harvest Ball Dinner & Dance Fundraiser at Leonardo's El Mariachi Restaurant on Tuesday, November 12, 2013. Leticia Martinez and Ivonne Correa, representing the Coordinating Council, announced that they are going to have a turkey drive on Tuesday, November 26, 2013 at the Community Center and that needy families may contact The Greater Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce to obtain an application to receive a food basket.

Edgar Gordillo addressed concerns to City Council regarding illegal dumping of rubbish, appliances, and other bulky items along Salt Lake Avenue. Mr. Gordillo asked City Council to increase surveillance around that area.

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

Motion by Perez, seconded by Hernandez, to approve the Consent Calendar with the noted change to the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, October 21, 2013 to include approval of "additional funding assistance in the amount of \$25,000 for City in-kind services and fees totaling \$50,000 to The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce for the presentation the 63rd Annual Huntington Park Christmas Parade on Saturday, November 23, 2013", carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezquita, Vice Mayor Perez, Council Members Hernandez, Macias, and Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

6.1 Approve minutes of the following City Council meeting:

6.1-1 Regular meeting held Monday, October 21, 2013

6.2 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

6.3 Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants dated November 4, 2013.

6.4 **Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Grant Program Memorandum of Understanding for Collecting and Reporting Data for the National Transit Database for Report Year 2011.**

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

6. CONSENT CALENDAR – (Continued)

1. Approve Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Grant Program Memorandum of Understanding for Collecting and Reporting Data for the National Transit Database for Report Year 2011.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

7. HEARING

7.1 Ordinance amending Title 9, Chapter 3, Article 17 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code relating to Publicly Visible Art.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Following announcement that no written communications had been received, Mayor Gomez opened the public hearing to receive any comments, and hearing none;
2. Close the public hearing and consider all public testimony including staff's analysis.
3. Approve the first reading Ordinance No. 913-NS amending Article 17 of Title 9, Chapter 3 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code regarding the procedures and standards for Publicly Visible Art throughout the City of Huntington Park was read by title. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Perez, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 913-NS for first reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 913-NS be introduced and approved for first reading, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Perez, Council Members Hernandez, Macias, and Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

8. REGULAR AGENDA

POLICE DEPARTMENT

8.1 2013-2014 SAFETREC Sobriety Checkpoint Grant Project Agreement.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve the 2013-2014 SAFETREC Sobriety Checkpoint Grant project agreement with the University of California, Safe Transportation Research and Education Center.

Following a discussion by City Council, motion by Macias, seconded by Hernandez, to approve the 2013-2014 SAFETREC Sobriety Checkpoint Grant project agreement with the University of California, Safe Transportation Research and Education Center with the condition that the City Manager, Chief of Police and Sergeant Verdiell meet to select better times and locations, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Perez, Council Members Hernandez, Macias, and Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

8.2 City-wide Light Emitting Diode (LED) Streetlight Retrofit and Upgrade Project.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2013-45 approving the City-wide Light Emitting Diode (LED) Streetlight Retrofit and Upgrade Project funded with the

8. REGULAR AGENDA – (Continued)

2009-2010 Appropriation of the State of California Proposition 1B funds was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2013-45, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcua, Vice Mayor Perez, Council Members Hernandez, Macias, and Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

2. Reject all bids received in response to the Request for Bids (RFB-2013-001) that was due and publicly opened at the City Clerk's office on June 4, 2013 at 12:00 pm.
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute all California Department of Finance documents required to reprogram the Proposition 1B funds.
4. Authorize the City Manager to advertise the Request(s) for Bids necessary to complete the project.

8.3 Request for Proposals for a Solid Waste Franchise Agreement for Commercial and Residential Refuse Collection Services

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Review and approve the attached business points related to a proposed Request for Proposals (RFP) for a solid waste franchise agreement for commercial and residential services.
2. Provide comments and direction to staff related to business points to be included in the RFP.
3. Authorize the City Manager to advertise a Request for Proposals for a solid waste franchise agreement based on the approved business points, including City Council comments and direction.

Patrick Muñoz, representing Rutan & Tucker, LLP, displayed a PowerPoint presentation of business points to be included in the Request for Proposals for solid waste franchise agreement for commercial and residential refuse collection services. Following review of business points related to a proposed RFP for solid waste franchise agreement for commercial and residential services, and there being no objection, Mayor Gomez so ordered staff to schedule a special meeting in December 2013 to further discuss the proposed RFP.

9. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

9.1 Adopt resolutions to adopt class specifications

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

The following resolutions were presented as follows:

1. Resolution No. 2013-46 approving and adopting new class specifications for the position of Permit Technician.
2. Resolution No. 2013-47 repealing Resolution No. 4871 and adopting new class specifications for the position of Building Inspector.

3. Resolution No. 2013-48 repealing Resolution No. 4791 and adopting new class specifications for the position of Building Official.

9. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA – (Continued)

4. Resolution No. 2013-49 repealing Resolution No. 82-25 and adopting new class specifications for the position of Public Works Superintendent.
5. Resolution No. 2013-50 approving and adopting new class specifications for the position of City Attorney.
6. Resolution No. 2013-51 approving and adopting new class specifications for the position of Senior Deputy City Clerk.

Motion by Perez, seconded by Amezcuita, to adopt Resolution Nos. 2013-46; 2013-47; 2013-48; 2013-49; 2013-50; and 2013-51, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Perez, Council Members Hernandez, Macias, and Mayor Gomez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

10. CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

11. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

12. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

12.1 Mayor Mario Gomez

12.2 Vice Mayor Rosa E. Perez

- 12.2-1 Discussion and/or action to form a task force to discuss health issues in the community. Following a brief discussion, no action was taken.

12.3 Council Member Ofelia Hernandez

- 12.3-1 Discussion and/or action regarding recycling facilities in the City of Huntington Park. Following a brief discussion, Mayor Gomez directed staff to look into possibly placing a moratorium on recycling facilities within the City in order to conduct a study.

12.4 Council Member Valentin Palos Amezcuita

12.5 Council Member Karina Macias

Assistant Interim City Attorney Larson requested the City Council resolve into a **closed session** for the following:

13. CLOSED SESSION

- 13.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2)

or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (2); INITIATION OF LITIGATION, pursuant to paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (1)

13. CLOSED SESSION – (Continued)

13.2 Pursuant to Government Code Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Name of Case: Water Replenishment District of Southern California vs. City of Huntington Park, Case No. BC512581

Mayor Gomez declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 9:30 p.m.

Following the closed session, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 10:01 p.m. Present: Council Member Valentin Palos Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Rosa E. Perez, Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Council Member Karina Macias, and Mayor Mario Gomez; Absent: None.

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

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomez declared the meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m.

Mario Gomez, Mayor

Rocio Martinez, Acting City Clerk