

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, April 7, 2014.

Following the Invocation, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Jose Porcayo, 7th grade student at Nimitz Middle School. The meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Perez. Present: Council Member Valentin Palos Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Karina Macias, Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Council Member Mario Gomez, and Mayor Rosa E. Perez; Absent: None.

Mayor Perez and City Council presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Jose Porcayo for leading the flag salute at the City Council meeting April 7, 2014.

Mayor Perez and City Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to the following students who volunteered at the library at Middleton Elementary School: 1) Moiserad Alexa Garcia; 2) Darlina Lopez Barrios; 3) Nancy Pedroza Castaneda; 4) Vayeli Madroza Mata; 5) Xiclali A. Gonzalez; 6) Ashley Martinez Garcia; 7) Marianna Giselle Garcia; 8) Johanna Ayala; 9) Andrea Zuniga; 10) Molly Ann Hastings; 11) Helen Johanna Arrevalo; 12) Najari Galindo; 13) Libnie Garcia; 14) Jose Valdez; 15) Jessica Benitez; and 16) Daniella Sanchez. Mayor Perez recognized the following teachers from Middleton Elementary School: 1) Ms. Rivera; 2) Ms. Kong; 3) Ms. Muracami; 4) Ms. Reyes; 5) Ms. Preciado and 6) Ms. Hastings. Maribel Garcia thanked teachers and students present and introduced Josue Valdez, Andrea Zuniga, and Molly Ann Hasting who thanked teachers at Middleton Elementary School.

Mayor Perez and City Council presented Certificates of Recognition to the following Linda Marquez High School Varsity Soccer team for playing in the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Championship on March 7, 2014: 1) Frank Angeles; 2) Orlando Luna; 3) Andrew Franco; 4) Eric Gomez; 5) Oscar Gonzalez; 6) Adrian Guzman; 7) Albert Guerrero; 8) Jesus Hernandez; 9) Eduardo Jaramillo; 10) Edward Kochmitch; 11) Gerardo Lopez; 12) Jose Luna; 13) Jesus Martinez; 14) Pedro Molina; 15) Edgardo Munoz; 16) Alex Patricio; 17) Efrain Perez; 18) Luis Perez; 19) Alexis Pullido; 20) Ruben Renderia; 21) Alexis Rodriguez; 22) Daniel Santos; 23) Miguel Valdez; 24) Jose Valdivia; and 25) Miguel Balle. Mayor Perez thanked Linda Marquez High School representatives.

Mayor Perez and City Council presented a Certificate of Recognition to Lizeth Ramirez, 5th grade student at Aspire Huntington Park Charter School for winning the County of Los Angeles Public Library's county-wide bookmark contest for the County Board of Supervisors Gloria Molina's First District.

Mayor Perez and City Council presented a Proclamation designating April 13-19, 2014 as National Library Week.

Mayor Perez called the meeting to order for the record. Present: Council Member Valentin Palos Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Karina Macias, Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Council Member Mario Gomez, and Mayor Rosa E. Perez; Absent: None.

Jesus Diaz, Field Representative from Senator Ricardo Lara's Office, briefed City Council regarding the purpose of the Youth Senators Program and introduced the following participants of the Senator Lara's Office 33rd Senate District Youth Senators Program: 1) Alfonso Lua; 2) Daisy Arriaga; 3) Melissa Valencia; and 3) Vanessa Bautista. The participants briefed City Council on their experience and accomplishments in this program.

Mayor Perez 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.

Antonio Padilla addressed City Council to in support of Council Member Amezcuita regarding not having carnivals and asked City Council to consider having Round 1 come to the City.

Vicky Herrera brief City Council regarding AB 2189 pertaining to accountability and transparency from the Water Replenishment District and asked City Council to support.

Wally Shidler briefed City Council regarding the City's Historic Preservation Commission and addressed concern regarding the preservation of Daily Signal Newspapers archived in the City. Mr. Shidler inquired about the status of the Historic Preservation Commission and urged City Council to seek funding for the preservation of said newspapers.

Edgar Gordillo addressed concerns to City Council regarding dumping of trash throughout the City and encouraged City Council to walk the streets of the City to inspect for trash and graffiti. Mr. Gordillo also addressed concerns with speeding vehicles, excessive traffic, and parades taking place on Pacific Boulevard.

Janine Hamner, representing Waste Management, informed City Council that Waste Management recently received an award from the Ethisphere Institute for being one of the world's most ethical companies for the 7th consecutive year.

Rodolfo Cruz addressed concerns to City Council including the City's pension tax and events taking place on Pacific Boulevard.

Balle Dario Machuca addressed his concerns to City Council regarding parking in the City of Huntington Park.

Francisco Rivera addressed concerns to City Council regarding illegal flyers posted on City posts, including bus stop benches, in various streets in the City.

Sandra Orozco thanked City Council for recognizing Multiple Sclerosis Month and presented City Council with a copy of her biography. Ms. Orozco inquired regarding a permanent city attorney.

Andy Molina, former Mayor of the City of Huntington Park representing Southeast Churches, thanked Mayor Perez and Council Members Hernandez and Gomez for supporting this year's Southeast Churches "Walk for Hunger" on April 5, 2014 and encouraged Vice Mayor Macias and Council Member Amezcuita to attend next year. Mr. Molina also thanked City Council for their continued support of the Annual Carnaval Primavera Downtown Festival and briefed City Council on its importance.

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

Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Macias, to approve the Consent Calendar with Council Member Gomez abstaining on the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held March 17, 2014, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; 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, March 17, 2014

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 April 7, 2014.

6.4 City of Huntington Park Bicycle Master Plan.

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2014-14 adopting the City of Huntington Park Bicycle Transportation Master Plan.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

7. REGULAR AGENDA

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

7.1 Appointment of City Council Members to various organizations.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Appoint City Council Members to the following organizations:

(*Stipend)

- 1) **California Contract Cities Association** – Director: Mayor Perez & Alternate/s: Vice Mayor Macias; Council Members Gomez; Hernandez; and Amezquita.
 - 2) **Central Basin Water Association** – Member: Council Member Amezquita & Alternate: Council Member Gomez.
 - 3) ***Gateway Cities Council of Government** - Delegate: Mayor Perez & Alternate: Vice Mayor Macias.
 - 4) ***HUB Cities Consortium** – Member: Council Member Gomez & Alternate: Council Member Hernandez.
 - 5) ***I-710 EIR/EIS Project Committee** – Member: Mayor Perez & Alternate: Council Member Amezquita.
 - 6) **Independent Cities Association**–Director: Mayor Perez & Alternate: Vice Mayor Macias.
 - 7) **L.A. County Children’s Planning Council Service Planning Area 7**-Member: Council Member Hernandez & Alternate: Vice Mayor Macias.
 - 8) **League of California Cities**-Member: Vice Mayor Macias & Alternate: Council Member Hernandez.
 - 9) ***L.A. County Sanitation District No. 1**-Member (Must be the Mayor): Council Member Gomez & Alternate: Vice Mayor Macias.
 - 10) **L.A. County Vector Control District**-Member: Guerrero
 - 11) ***Eco-Rapid Transit** (formerly Orange Line Development Authority)-Delegate: Mayor Perez & Alternate: Council Member Amezquita.
 - 12) ***Southern California Association of Governments**- Member: Council Member Hernandez & Alternate: Council Member Gomez.
2. Adopt Resolution No. 2014-15 appointing the representative and alternate representative to the Board of Directors of the ***Independent Cities Finance Authority**.
Director: Council Member Gomez & Alternate: Council Member Hernandez.
3. Adopt Resolution No. 2014-16 appointing the representatives to the **Independent Cities Risk Management Authority’s Governing Board** and its separate risk management programs.
Member: Council Member Gomez & Alternates: Council Member Hernandez; _____; and _____.
4. Discussion and/or action regarding continuing membership with the Los Angeles County Library District.

Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Macias, to accept recommendation nos.: 1, 2, and 3. Substitute motion by Gomez,

seconded by Hernandez, to approve recommendation nos.: 1, 2, 3, and 4 and adopt Resolution No. 2014-15 and 2014-16 regarding appointment of City Council Members to various organizations, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

7. REGULAR AGENDA – (Continued)

7.2 Ordinance moving the date of the City of Huntington Park General Municipal Election and approve the County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder to conduct said elections commencing in 2015.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve for first reading Ordinance No. 928-NS moving the date of the City of Huntington Park General Municipal Election to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd numbered years beginning in 2015.
2. Approve the County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder to conduct the City's General Municipal Elections commencing in 2015.

Director of Finance Morales displayed a PowerPoint presentation regarding election cost benefit analysis.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 928-NS for first reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 928-NS be introduced and approved for first reading; and approved the County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder to conduct the City's General Municipal Election commencing in 2015, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Abstain: Vice Mayor Macias; Absent: None.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

7.3 Resolution approving Final Parcel Map No. 71741 for South Region Elementary School No. 5 (Lucille Roybal-Allard Elementary School).

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2014-17 approving Final Parcel Map No. 71741 was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2014-17, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

7.4 Proposed reduction of hours of operation for Parks and Recreation Facilities.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Review and approve the proposed reduction of public information hours at Salt Lake Park.
2. Review and approve proposed hours of operation for the Freedom Park and Raul R. Perez Memorial Park recreation centers.

Director of Finance Morales displayed a PowerPoint presentation regarding the proposed reduction of hours of operation for Parks and Recreation Facilities.

7. REGULAR AGENDA – (Continued)

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to approve the proposed reduction of public information hours at Salt Lake Park and the proposed hours of operation for the Freedom Park and Raul R. Perez Memorial Park recreation centers, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezquita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

7.5 Approval to pay deposit for Los Angeles Dodgers game tickets for a community-wide field trip.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve deposit payment in the amount of \$2,002.50 to secure Los Angeles Dodgers game tickets for a community-wide field trip.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to Approve deposit payment in the amount of \$2,002.50 to secure Los Angeles Dodgers game tickets for a community-wide field trip, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezquita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

8. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA

- 8.1 Nominations for the 49th Annual Older Americans Recognition Day (OARD) Awards Program. Following a brief discussion and there being no objection, Mayor Perez nominated Dolores Ramos for the 49th Annual Older Americans Recognition Day (OARD) Awards Program.
- 8.2 Discussion and/or action regarding a request from the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to use of the City Hall Lobby and the gymnasium at Salt Lake Park to conduct the Statewide Direct Primary on June 3, 2014 & General Election on November 4, 2014. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Amezquita, to waive all City fees with the exception of the facility fee in the amount of \$75 for the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to use the City Hall lobby and the Salt lake Park social hall to conduct the Statewide Direct Primary Election on June 3, 2014 & General Election on November 4, 2014 and to waive all other city fees, carried as follows: carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezquita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.
- 8.3 Discussion and/or action to authorize staff to send a letter in support of Senate Bill 983 (Hernandez) Tax allocation: Card lock fuel systems. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to authorize staff to send a letter in support of Senate Bill 983 (Hernandez) Tax allocation: Card lock fuel systems, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezquita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez;

Noes: None; Absent: None.

- 8.4 Discussion and/or action to authorize staff to send a letter to Assembly Member Jimmy Gomez opposing House Resolution 29 (Gomez). Motion by Perez, seconded by Amezcuita, to authorize staff to send a letter to Assembly Member Jimmy Gomez opposing House Resolution 29 (Gomez), carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

8. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA – (Continued)

- 8.5 Discussion and/or action regarding correspondence from Federacion de Clubes y Asociaciones de Michoacanos (FECADAMIN) en Norteamerica requesting use of Salt Lake Park to conduct their "Fiestas Patrias" event September 13-15, 2014.

Francisco Moreno, representing FECADAMIN en Norteamerica, informed City Council regarding the proposed "Fiestas Patrias" event and expressed the importance of bringing culture to the community.

Motion by Amezcuita, seconded by Gomez, to direct the City Manager to work with FECADAMIN coordinate their Fiestas Patrias event, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

- 8.6 Discussion and/or action regarding regional transportation issues. City Manager Bobadilla presented a report regarding transportation issues in the southeast region.

Following presentation of a report from City Manager Bobadilla, motion by Hernandez, seconded by Gomez, to send a letter to cities in the southeast region urging them to get involved in transportation matters and authorized staff to take a trip to Washington D.C. in April 2014 to advocate regarding this matter, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Mayor Perez recessed the meeting at 8:11 p.m. and resumed at 8:16 p.m.

9. CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

11. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

11.1 Mayor Rosa E. Perez

- 11.1 **Discussion and/or action regarding legislative issues.** Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Macias, to authorize the Mayor and the City Manager to send letters on behalf of the City to support legislative matters only, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None;

Absent: None.

11.2 Vice Mayor Karina Macias

- 11.2-2 **Adopt Resolution No. 2014-18 urging the suspension of further deportations of undocumented immigrants, extension of the deferred actions for childhood arrivals (DACA) program, and an end to the firings of undocumented workers.**

11. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS – (Continued)

Angela Sambrano addressed City Council in support of proposed Resolution No. 2014-18 and urged City Council to adopt said resolution to send a message to State and Federal to support family unity.

Nativo Lopez addressed City Council in support of proposed Resolution No. 2014-18 and read a letter in support of stopping deportations.

Sandra Orozco urged City Council to vote in favor of proposed Resolution No. 2014-18.

Following comments and a discussion by City Council, motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, NOT to adopt Resolution No. 2014-18 and that Resolution No. 2013-16 remain in full force, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: Council Member Amezquita and Vice Mayor Macias; Absent: None.

- 11.2-1 **Discussion and/or action regarding to form an Ad-Hoc Committee to be involved in the Refuse Collection Request for Proposals process.** Council Member Gomez stated for the record that the Ad-Hoc Committee for the Refuse Collection Request for Proposals process consist of all five City Council Members. Following a brief discussion by City Council, no action was taken.

11.3 Council Member Mario Gomez

- 11.3-1 **Discussion and/or action regarding issuance of citations by the Los Angeles Unified School District Police.** Chief of Police Cisneros presented an update regarding this matter.

11.4 Council Member Ofelia Hernandez

11.5 Council Member Valentin Palos Amezquita

Interim City Attorney Litfin requested the City Council resolve into a closed session for the following:

12. CLOSED SESSION

- 12.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (1)
- 12.2 Pursuant to Government Code Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Name of Case: Addison Weeks, et. al. v. City of Huntington Park et. al.,
Case No. EDCV13-1257

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

Name of Case: Martina Martinez v. City of Huntington Park, Case No.
BC504731

12. CLOSED SESSION – (Continued)

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

Name of Case: Leo Oso v. City of Huntington Park, Case No. Case No.
LASC BC505088.

12.5 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION,
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code
paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (1)

Mayor Gomez declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be
held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 8:50 p.m.

Following the closed session, the meeting was called to order in the
Council Chambers at 9:47 p.m. Present: Present: Council Member Valentin
Palos Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Karina Macias, Council Member Ofelia
Hernandez, Council Member Mario Gomez, and Mayor Rosa E. Perez;
Absent: None.

Interim City Attorney Litfin reported out that in closed session, City
Council unanimously voted to approve settlement in the amount of
\$1,550,000.00 for the Addison Weeks, et. al. v. City of Huntington Park, et.
al., Case No. EDCV13-1257.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Perez declared the meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Rosa E. Perez, Mayor

Rocio Martinez, Senior Deputy City Clerk