

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, April 21, 2014.

Following the Invocation, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Desiree Lazo, 5th grade student at Lucille Roybal-Allard Elementary 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 Desiree Lazo for leading the flag salute at the City Council meeting April 21, 2014.

Mayor Perez and City Council presented Certificates to the following graduates from the Los Angeles County Fire Department Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) Program: 1) Raquel Alvarez; 2) Zeneida Anguiano; 3) Araneli Anguiano; 4) Guadalupe Batres; 5) Jazmin Briseño; 6) Marina Cabrales; 7) Maria Contreras; 8) Beatriz Copado; 9) Elsa De Los Santos; 10) Maria Luz Estrada; 11) Guillermina Garcia; 12) Josue R. Gastelum; 13) Alma Gomez; 14) Martha M. Gutierrez; 15) Erika Hernandez; 16) Virginia Linares; 17) Samer Magadan Hernandez; 18) Martha Mancilla; 19) Rafaela Montano; 20) Luz Murillo; 21) Leticia Nava; 22) Ana Paula Olivares; 23) Cinthia Paniagua; 24) Alejandra Pineda; 25) Guadalupe Reyes; 26) Maria E. Reyes; 27) Maria G. Rodriguez; 28) Blanca E. Ruvalcaba; 29) Rosalba Salgado; 30) Narda Verde; and 31) Jerry Torres. Rosemary Vivero, Los Angeles County Fire Department Community Services Representative, informed City Council that a new class will commence in April 30, 2014. A representative from the CERT graduating class presented Luis Hernandez, Los Angeles County Fire Department CERT instructor, with a recognition.

Mayor Perez presented a plaque to Mario Gomez for serving as Mayor in 2013-2014. Council Member Gomez thanked his wife, colleagues, City staff, and the community. Mayor Perez presented flowers to Estela Gomez, wife of Council Member Gomez.

Council Member Gomez presented a plaque and flowers to Rosa E. Perez for serving as Vice Mayor in 2013-2014. Mayor Perez thanked Council Member Gomez for his leadership and guidance and stated that she will continue to serve the community.

Mayor Perez and City Council presented Certificates of Recognition to Bishop Hector Perez and Dr. Trejo from Sagrada Familia Church in Huntington Park.

Mayor Perez and City Council presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Francisco Rivera.

Jonathan Sanabria informed City Council of academic statistics in the Hispanic population and proposed a Youth Expo in the City of Huntington Park to provide educational guidance and assistance for the youth in the community. Mr. Sanabria informed City Council that the proposed Youth Expo is tentatively scheduled for June or July 2014 and asked City Council for assistance.

Teresa Bagues, Co-President of The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce, thanked City Council for their partnership and briefed City Council regarding their organizational focus.

Leticia Martinez, Executive Director/CEO of The Greater Huntington Park Area Chamber of Commerce, displayed a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Chamber's overview on organization's goals, focus, mission, and future perspectives.

Mayor Perez recessed the meeting at 7:11 p.m. and resumed at 7:25 p.m.

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 regarding Council involvement in the community.

Marla James, representing Americans for Safe Access, addressed City Council in support of medicine collectives in the community.

Sandra Orozco addressed City Council in support of Francisco Rivera and addressed various concerns.

Betty Retama addressed concerns with the elimination of P.O. boxes in the post offices located in Huntington Park.

Francisco Rivera addressed concerns with illegal posting of advertisement flyers and stickers on poles throughout the City, specifically taxicab stickers; and asked City Council to possibly send a letter to the taxicab company regarding the code violations.

Santa Coronado addressed City Council in support of being involved in the community and providing assistance to the youth.

Jerry Torres addressed concerns to City Council regarding the inability to contact the Police Department to report crime.

Rodolfo Cruz addressed concerns to City Council including the City's pension tax.

Yvonne Correa addressed City Council in support of moving the City's General Municipal Elections to November and having the County of Los Angeles conduct them. Ms. Correa also addressed City Council in support of Francisco Rivera's work in the community and inquired regarding the removal of P.O. boxes in the post offices located in Huntington Park.

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

Motion by Macias, seconded by Amezquita, to remove the following item from the Consent Calendar:

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

6.3 Second reading of ordinance moving the City of Huntington Park General Municipal Elections to November of odd-numbered years.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve for second 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 a purchase order in the amount of \$3,065.75 to Martin & Chapman Co. for the printing of postcards notification and approve an upfront payment in the amount of \$3852.50 to Towne Inc. for the mailing of postcards to all registered voters in the City reflecting the new election date and to mailing services; subject to election date approval by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors ("Board").

Motion carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezquita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to approve the Consent Calendar, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezquita, 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, April 7, 2014

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR** – (Continued)

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.

6.4 **Receive and file update regarding appointment of City Council Members to various organizations.**

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Receive and file update regarding appointment of City Council Members to the following organizations:

- a. **L.A. County Sanitation District No. 1** - Member (*Must be the Mayor*): Mayor Perez & Alternate: Council Member Gomez.
- b. 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; Alternate: Council Member Hernandez; and Substitute Alternates: Finance Director Morales & Assistant to the City Manager Bueno.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

6.5 **Ratify submittal of corrected resolution authorizing application for Housing Related Parks Grant.**

1. Ratify submittal of corrected Resolution No. 2014-2 authorizing the application for a Housing Related Parks Grant.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

6.6 Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants dated April 21, 2014.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

6.3 **Second reading of ordinance moving the City of Huntington Park General Municipal Elections to November of odd-numbered years.**

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

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Following a brief discussion by City Council, motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to approve for second reading and adoption 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; and approve a purchase order in the amount of \$3,065.75 to Martin & Chapman Co. for the printing of postcards notification and approve an upfront payment in the amount of \$3,852.50 to Towne Inc. for the mailing of postcards to all registered voters in the City reflecting the new election date and to mailing services; subject to election date approval by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors ("Board"), carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Abstain: Vice Mayor Macias; Absent: None.

7. REGULAR AGENDA

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

7.1 Agreement with T&T Public Relations to provide consulting services related to the development of a style guide and standards for the new City logo.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve an agreement with T&T Public Relations to develop a Style Guide and Standards for the City's new logo.
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to approve an agreement with T&T Public Relations to develop a Style Guide and Standards for the City's new logo; and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement, with the amendment that 3-5 proposals be presented for Council consideration instead of 2, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezcuita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

7.2 Amendment to a Subrecipient Agreement with Life Skills Training and Education Programs Inc. to provide rental assistance program.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve the Amendment to a Subrecipient Agreement with Life Skills Training and Education Programs Inc. to provide rental assistance program (HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance).
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to approve the Amendment to a Subrecipient Agreement with Life Skills Training and Education Programs Inc. to provide rental assistance program (HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance); and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement, 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

7.3 Award contract for the 4th of July Firework Display.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

7. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approve the agreement with Pyro Engineering Inc. dba Bay Fireworks to provide pyrotechnic services for the City of Huntington Park 2014 4th of July Celebration.
2. Authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement between the City of Huntington Park and Pyro Engineering Inc. dba Bay Fireworks.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Amezquita, to approve the agreement with Pyro Engineering Inc. dba Bay Fireworks to provide pyrotechnic services for the City of Huntington Park 2014 4th of July Celebration; and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement between the City of Huntington Park and Pyro Engineering Inc. dba Bay Fireworks, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Amezquita, Vice Mayor Macias, Council Members Hernandez, Gomez and Mayor Perez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

7.4 Amendment Number One to the Huntington Park Police Department Inmate Housing Agreement.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Approve Amendment Number One to the Huntington Park Police Department Inmate Housing Agreement.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to approve the Amendment Number One to the Huntington Park Police Department Inmate Housing Agreement, 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 Update on the City's Economic Development and Marketing Efforts.

RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Receive and file the update on the City's Economic Development and Marketing Efforts.

Manny Acosta, Housing and Community Development Manager, displayed a PowerPoint presentation on the City's Economic Development and Marketing Efforts.

9. CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA

10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

11. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

- 11.1 Mayor Rosa E. Perez**
- 11.2 Vice Mayor Karina Macias**
- 11.3 Council Member Ofelia Hernandez**
- 11.4 Council Member Valentin Palos Amezquita**
- 11.5 Council Member Mario Gomez**

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

12. CLOSED SESSION

- 12.1 Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957,
PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT
Title: Building Official

Mayor Perez declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 8:49 p.m.

Following the closed session, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 9:16 p.m. Present: Present: Council Member Valentin Palos Amezquita, 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 no reportable action taken in closed session.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Perez declared the meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Rosa E. Perez, Mayor

Rocio Martinez, Senior Deputy City Clerk

