

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, August 21, 2006.

The meeting was called to order in the Council Conference Room at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Noguez. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Mario Gomez, and Mayor Juan R. Noguez. Absent: Council Member Elba Romo.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to approve the Consent Calendar with the exception of the Finance Department Comprehensive Fee Study by Muni Financial, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

CONSENT CALENDAR

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, August 7, 2006.

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 the Payroll Demands dated August 21, 2006.

Approve Agreement for Provision of Professional Consulting Services to the City of Huntington Park by AK & Company for Comprehensive State Mandated Cost

Claiming Services for Fiscal Year 2006-2007.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Approve the Master Services Agreement between Evercom Systems, Inc., a Securus Technologies Inc. Company, and the Huntington Park Police Department for Inmate Telephone Services for a period of three (3) years.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Clerk Ramirez presented for discussion and/or action a request from Council Member Gomez regarding the City's membership with the Southeast Water Coalition. Following a discussion, motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to **discontinue membership with the Southeast Water Coalition**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested approval of an agreement with Southeast One Media to provide the Sound and Stage for the City's Centennial Picnic at Salt Lake Park on September 9, 2006. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to **approve the agreement with Southeast One Media to provide the Sound and Stage for the City's Centennial Picnic at Salt Lake Park on September 9, 2006**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested approval of plaque sketches and authorization to purchase and install plaques for Freedom Park Veteran's Memorial. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Gomez, to **approve "Attachment B", as the design for the plaques and authorize staff to purchase and install said plaques at Freedom Park Veteran's Memorial**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested approval of Facility Use Agreement between the City of Huntington Park and META 2000 to conduct "El Grito" from September 15 through 17, 2006, subject to City Attorney approval. Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the Facility Use Agreement between the City of Huntington Park and META 2000 to conduct "El Grito" from September 15 through 17, 2006, subject to City Attorney approval**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Chief of Police Trevis requested approval of the North Sub-Station Renovation Project and authorization to amend the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 City Budget to increase the Capital Improvement Fund by \$54,000 for the Downtown Police Sub-Station project. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to **approve the North Sub-Station Renovation Project and authorization to amend the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 City Budget to increase the Capital Improvement Fund by \$54,000 for the Downtown Police Sub-Station project**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to establish as "**subsequent need**" item, the acceptance of an Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Grant, as the item arose after the posting of the agenda, necessitating City Council's immediate consideration and/or action, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Members Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Romo. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **accept the Office of Traffic Safety Grant in the amount of \$243,003**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Community Development Gray presented for discussion and/or action a request from The Map Group, Inc. to produce a City street and business guide map of Huntington Park. Eric Garcia, Assistant Planner, distributed a sample map. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the production of a City street and business guide map of Huntington Park by The Map Group, Inc, and authorize staff to prepare a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to be executed by the City Manager, subject to City Attorney approval**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

City Attorney Leal requested the City Council resolve into a **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). Mayor Noguez declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 6:47 p.m. City Clerk Ramirez was excused from the closed session.

Following the closed session, the meeting recessed at 6:55 p.m.

Following the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Noguez. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Mario Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Absent: Council Member Elba Romo.

Mayor Noguez and City Council presented a Certificate of Recognition to the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). Enrique Murillo, President of the AARP, thanked City Council and introduced the current directors of the AARP. Mr. Murillo invited everyone to attend their anniversary on Wednesday, September 27, 2006 at 12:00 p.m.

Mayor Noguez announced the ribbon cutting and ground breaking ceremony of the new Huntington Park Community Center which will be located at the site of the former Bonelli Center will be held on September 27, 2006 at 12:00 noon.

Chief of Police Trevis announced the promotion of the following Huntington Park Police Department personnel: 1) Lieutenant C. Bonzer; 2) Sergeant D. Cassidy; 3) Senior Officer C. Chacon; 4) Senior Officer S. Thoreson; and 5) Senior Officer J. Macias.

Barbara Schull, Executive Director of the Fair Housing Foundation, briefed City Council regarding their programs and services to the community and invited everyone to attend the following workshops: 1) Tenant Rights at the Huntington Park Library on Tuesday, September 12, 2006 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.; 2) Landlord Rights at the Huntington Park Police Station on Wednesday, August 23, 2006 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and 3) Certificate Management Training for Landlords, managers, property owners, management companies, and realtors, free of cost, at Salt Lake Park on Monday, October 30, 2006 from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Noguez 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.

Enrique Murillo presented a photograph to the Mayor of a community march in support of relocating the proposed Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) school site on Saturn Avenue. Mr. Murillo stated that he felt it was not fair to take away houses to build another school in the area.

Frank Saldana addressed concerns to City Council on behalf of a group of community members regarding a LAUSD proposed school site on the south side of Florence Avenue and asked City Council to support them in their efforts. Mr. Saldana felt the proposed site was unsafe due to use of the street by the nearby Los Angeles County Fire Station.

Orley Waite addressed his concern to City Council regarding the trash collection fee in the City of Huntington Park being higher than the City of Bell, because he owns properties in both cities and they are serviced by the same company.

A woman addressed City Council in support of relocating a proposed school site on Florence Avenue and suggested that the current schools be expanded and/or upgraded rather than build new schools.

A gentleman, representing United Neighbors in Action, addressed his concerns to City

Council regarding the following: 1) speeding vehicles; 2) the need for a discounted rate or no charge to low income individuals to use the City's transportation; and 3) the need to compel property owners to maintain their yards.

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

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with published notice, this is the time and place set to invite public comment on a proposed transaction, in which the Huntington Park Public Financing Authority will issue bonds to provide funds to finance the costs with respect to certain public capital projects of the City of Huntington Park. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Noguez declared the public hearing open and called for oral communications and hearing none, Mayor Noguez declared the public hearing closed.

City Clerk Ramirez called the roll of Board of Directors of the Huntington Park Public Financing Authority. Present: Director Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Chairman Elba Guerrero, Director Mario Gomez, and Chairman Juan R. Noguez. Absent: Director Elba Romo.

Chairman Noguez declared the public hearing open for the Board of Directors of the Huntington Park Public Financing Authority and called for oral communications and hearing none, Chairman Noguez declared the public hearing closed.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-53. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK MAKING A FINDING OF PUBLIC BENEFIT AND APPROVING AS TO FORM AND **AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF HUNTINGTON PARK PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY LEASE REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2006,** AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, to adopt Resolution No. 2006-53, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

RESOLUTION NO. PFA 2006-2. A RESOLUTION OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY **AUTHORIZING THE SALE, ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF LEASE REVENUE BONDS AND APPROVING AS TO FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS RELATING THERETO AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO** was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. PFA 2006-2, carried as follows: Ayes: Director Hernandez, Vice Chairman Guerrero, Director Gomez, and Chairman Noguez. Absent: Director Romo.

Chairman Noguez declared the Huntington Park Public Financing Authority meeting adjourned.

City Clerk Ramirez announced that in accordance with published notice, this is the time and place set to invite public comment on the adoption of an amendment to Title 9 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code to include procedures for the establishment of a Historic Preservation Commission and regulatory criteria relating to historic preservation. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Noguez declared the public hearing open and called for oral communications and hearing none, Mayor Noguez declared the public hearing closed.

ORDINANCE NO. 789-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AMENDING TITLE 9 OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCLUDE **PROCEDURES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION** AND REGULATORY CRITERIA RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION was read by title. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 789-NS for first reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 789-NS be introduced and approved for first reading, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

PowerPoint presentation by Muni Financial of the Finance Department Comprehensive

Fee Study. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to receive and file the Finance Department Comprehensive Fee Study, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Resolution Nos.: 2006-54, 2006-55, 2006-56, 2006-57, 2006-58, 2006-59, and 2006-60 were presented as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-54. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ADOPTING REVISED ORGANIZATIONAL RULES, GUIDELINES AND STRUCTURE FOR THE PLANNING COMMISSION** AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR RESOLUTIONS OR PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED HEREIN.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-55. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ADOPTING REVISED ORGANIZATIONAL RULES, GUIDELINES AND STRUCTURE FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION** AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR RESOLUTIONS OR PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED HEREIN.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-56. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ADOPTING REVISED ORGANIZATIONAL RULES, GUIDELINES AND STRUCTURE FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION** AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR RESOLUTIONS OR PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED HEREIN.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-57. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ADOPTING REVISED ORGANIZATIONAL RULES, GUIDELINES AND STRUCTURE FOR ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION** AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR RESOLUTIONS OR PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED HEREIN.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-58. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ADOPTING REVISED ORGANIZATIONAL RULES, GUIDELINES AND STRUCTURE FOR HEALTH AND EDUCATION COMMISSION** AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR RESOLUTIONS OR PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED HEREIN.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-59. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ADOPTING REVISED ORGANIZATIONAL RULES, GUIDELINES AND STRUCTURE FOR THE YOUTH COMMISSION** AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR RESOLUTIONS OR PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED HEREIN.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-60. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ADOPTING REVISED ORGANIZATIONAL RULES, GUIDELINES AND STRUCTURE FOR THE BOARD OF APPEALS** AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR RESOLUTIONS OR PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED HEREIN.

Motion by Guerrero, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution Nos.: 2006-54, 2006-55, 2006-56, 2006-57, 2006-58, 2006-59, and 2006-60, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-61. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **ADOPTING REVISED COMPENSATION FOR CITY COMMISSIONERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION, BOARD OF APPEALS, CIVIL SERVICE, PARKS AND RECREATION, ARTS AND CULTURE, HEALTH AND EDUCATION AND YOUTH COMMISSION** AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR RESOLUTIONS OR PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED HEREIN was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt

Resolution No. 2006-61, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-62. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK ADOPTING NEW CLASS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE **POSITION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGER** was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2006-62, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-63. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK ADOPTING NEW CLASS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE **POSITION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANT** was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2006-63, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-64. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK APPROVING CHANGES IN **COMPENSATION FOR POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION EMPLOYEES** OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008 was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2006-64, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-65. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK APPROVING CHANGES IN **COMPENSATION FOR NON REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES** OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008 was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2006-65, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

ORDINANCE NO. 790-NS. AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AMENDING TITLE 9, CHAPTER 3, OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING ARTICLE 12B THERETO REGARDING **ELECTRONIC DISPLAYS** was read by title. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Guerrero, that reading in full of Urgency Ordinance No. 790-NS for first and final reading be waived; and that Urgency Ordinance No. 790-NS be introduced and approved for first and final reading and adopted, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Guerrero, Council Member Gomez, and Mayor Noguez; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

City Attorney Leal requested the City Council resolve into a **closed session** pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957, for PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, Title: City Attorney. Mayor Noguez declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 8:13 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 8:55 p.m. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Elba Guerrero, Council Member Mario Gomez, and Mayor Juan R. Noguez. Absent: Council Member Elba Romo.

City Attorney Leal reported out that in closed session for Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Title: City Attorney, on a 4-0 vote City Council authorized Retained Counsel Coble to draft a legal service agreement for the City Attorney; and in closed session for Anticipated Litigation, a status report was provided to City Council.

Mayor Noguez declared the meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m., in memory of Andres J. Contreras, a resident of the City of Huntington Park who died in the line of duty.

Juan R. Noguez, Mayor

Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk