

Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Tuesday, March 20, 2007.

Following the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Guerrero. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Mario Gomez, Council Member Juan R. Noguez, and Mayor Elba Guerrero. Absent: Council Member Elba Romo.

Mayor Guerrero presented a proclamation designating April 2007 as Fair Housing Foundation Month.

Mayor Guerrero and City Council presented a Certificate of Recognition and City pin to US Navy Rosalind Renee Ramirez Thomas, daughter of longtime City employee Andy Ramirez. Ms. Ramirez Thomas thanked City Council for the recognition.

Mayor Guerrero 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.

Cristobal Titzck congratulated City Council on the outcome of the City election and invited them to attend Sunday Mass at 5:00 p.m. at Santa Martha Church.

William Ramirez, member of the Key Club at Huntington Park High School, introduced himself to City Council and stated that he is honored to soon be a part of the City's Student Government Day.

Betty Retama informed City Council that the alley behind her residence was being repaved and that vehicles were driving through the alley prior to the cement setting even though signs were posted. Ms. Retama stated that she called the Police and Field Services Departments to report this and to request barriers. Ms. Retama requested that in the future more effective alternatives be used to protect alley improvements.

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

City Clerk Ramirez announced that the public hearing will be continued to April 2, 2007, and that in accordance with published notice, this is the time and place set to consider a resolution designating the Warner Theatre, 6710-20 Pacific Boulevard, as a historic resource to be placed on the Huntington Park Historic Register. The City Clerk reported that no written communications had been received in the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Guerrero declared the public hearing open and called for oral communications and hearing none, Mayor Guerrero declared the public hearing continued to April 2, 2007.

Joe Bravo, owner of a property in the City, addressed City Council regarding his prior request for the City to reduce the in-lieu parkland fees he is being asked to pay on his property.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2007-12.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK ESTABLISHING A FLAT FEE ON A PER UNIT BASIS FOR THE PAYMENT OF IN-LIEU PARKLAND FEES FOR NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Noguez, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-12, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Motion by Noguez, seconded by Gomez, to approve the Consent Calendar, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

CONSENT CALENDAR

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, February 20, 2007.

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.

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

**Approve the Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Grant Program Memorandum of Understanding for Collecting and Reporting Data for the National Transit Database for Report Year 2004.**

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Approve the Payroll Demands dated March 5, 2007 and March 19, 2007.

**Approve the Dance and Entertainment Permit for Amigo Entertainment, Inc. dba El Club** located at 6901 Pacific Boulevard. The Police, Community Development, and the Fire Departments have submitted approvals.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

**Authorize staff to solicit Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Summer Food Service, Breakfast and After-School Snack Programs.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEM – Received and filed

City Manager report on the Solid Waste contracts.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Clerk Ramirez presented for discussion and/or action a request from Council Member Noguez for the City to contribute \$2,000 to the City of Lynwood for a statue to honor former 50th District Assembly Member Marco A. Firebaugh. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **authorize a contribution in the amount of \$2,000 to the City of Lynwood for a statue to honor former 50th District Assembly Member Marco A. Firebaugh**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

City Clerk Ramirez presented a request from Council Member Noguez for discussion and/or action to enact a new ordinance regarding drug testing for City Council Members. **Following a discussion, City Council unanimously agreed to voluntary drug testing for City Council Members.**

City Manager Korduner requested discussion and/or action regarding designated dates allowing anyone throughout the City to have a yard sale without a permit. **There being no objection, Mayor Guerrero directed City staff to conduct a survey of residents in the next City Newsletter regarding preferred dates to allow yard sales throughout the City without a permit and report back to City Council.**

City Manager Korduner requested approval of the following transit contract amendments: A) Oldtimers Foundation for a fixed-route bus system (COMBI) and B) Administrative Services Cooperative, Inc. for Dial-A-Ride Services. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Noguez, to **approve the contract amendments for Oldtimers Foundation for a fixed-route bus system (COMBI) and Administrative Services Cooperative, Inc. for Dial-A-Ride Services**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Community Development Gray requested discussion and/or action on funding recommendations submitted by the Ad Hoc Committee for Proposed Fiscal Year

2007-2008 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) supported public service projects. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the following funding recommendations by the Ad Hoc Committee for Proposed Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) supported public service projects: 1) Los Angeles County Public Library-Huntington Park Library Homework Center \$15,000; 2) Southeast Rio Vista Family YMCA-Kid Zone After School Program \$15,000; 3) Steelworkers Oldtimers Foundation-Senior Nutrition Program; 4) St. Francis Medical Center Foundation-Healthy Community Initiatives \$4,000; 5) Parks and Recreation Department-After School Youth Program \$70,000; 6) Police Department-Community Beautification Program Graffiti Removal; 7) Southeast Churches Service Center (SCSC); and 8) The Salvation Army Southeast Communities-Family Services \$15,000**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Community Development Gray requested approval of Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the Administration of HOME CHDO Funds by and between the City of Huntington Park and the Community Development Commission of the City of Huntington Park. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the Administration of HOME CHDO Funds by and between the City of Huntington Park and the Community Development Commission of the City of Huntington Park**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Community Development Gray requested approval of the First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement by and between the City of Huntington Park and Jeannette Marquez, Business Improvement District Manager; and allocation of \$3,500 from the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Business Improvement budget to the Contract Service Staffing Account. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement by and between the City of Huntington Park and Jeannette Marquez, Business Improvement District Manager; and allocation of \$3,500 from the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Business Improvement budget to the Contract Service Staffing Account**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Community Development Gray requested approval of allocation of Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Business Improvement District (BID) funds in the amount of \$4,000 to hire a part-time intern for the Business Improvement District. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Noguez, to **approve allocation of Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Business Improvement District (BID) funds in the amount of \$4,000 to hire a part-time intern for the Business Improvement District**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Community Development Gray presented for discussion and/or action the Draft Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2007-2008; and requests authorization for staff to initiate the 30-day public review period. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the Draft Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2007-2008; and authorize staff to initiate the 30-day public review period**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Assistant City Engineer Fu requested that the contract for Engineering and Design Consultant Services, for federally funded projects be awarded to Public Engineering Services, Inc and approve agreement, subject to City Attorney approval. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Noguez, to **approve the contract for Engineering and Design Consultant Services, for federally funded projects be awarded to Public Engineering Services, Inc and approve agreement, subject to City Attorney approval**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa presented for discussion and/or action a Facility Use Agreement with Q.E. Productions/Carnival Midway Attractions to conduct a carnival at Westside Park from July 13 through July 15, 2007. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Noguez, to **approve the Facility Use Agreement with Q.E. Productions/Carnival Midway Attractions to conduct a carnival at Westside Park from July 13 through July 15, 2007**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested that the contract for the Preparation of a Parks and Recreation Master Plan be awarded to Richard Fisher Associates for an amount of \$59,495. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Noguez, to **award the contract for the Preparation of a Parks and Recreation Master Plan to Richard Fisher Associates for an amount of \$59,495**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Parks and Recreation Espinosa requested approval of the Agreement with Fireworks and Stage FX America, Inc. for a fireworks display on July 4, 2007 for an amount not to exceed \$15,000. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Noguez, to **approve the Agreement with Fireworks and Stage FX America, Inc. for a fireworks display on July 4, 2007 for an amount not to exceed \$15,000**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to establish as “**subsequent need**” item, a request for City Council to approve the construction of the additional square-footage to the southwest side of the Community Center and authorize a change order for the additional construction not to exceed \$1 Million, 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 Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Gomez, to **approve the construction of the additional square-footage to the southwest side of the Community Center and authorize a change order for the additional construction not to exceed \$1 Million**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Chief of Police Trevis requested approval of purchase of one (1) Armor Rescue Vehicle for the Police Department. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the purchase of one (1) Armor Rescue Vehicle for the Police Department**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Director of Finance Pruyn requested approval of the following: 1) Conversion of the existing variable rate Pension Obligation Bonds to fixed rate bonds; 2) Underwriting agreement with De La Rosa & Company; 3) Agreement with Jones Hall as Bond Counsel; 4) Agreement with Fullbright and Jarworski as Disclosure Counsel; and 5) Agreement with Winters & Company Advisors, LLC as SWAP/Collar Advisor and Financial Advisor. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Gomez, to approve the following: 1) **Agreement with Jones Hall for the conversion of the existing variable rate Pension Obligation Bonds to fixed rate bonds**; 2) **Underwriting agreement with De La Rosa & Company, with the noted change to Section 4. Fees and Expenses: Underwriting Fee from 1.5% to 0.5%**; 3) **Agreement with Jones Hall as Bond Counsel**; 4) **Agreement with Fullbright and Jarworski as Disclosure Counsel**; and 5) **Agreement with Winters & Company Advisors, LLC as SWAP/Collar Advisor and Financial Advisor**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

Vice Mayor Gomez left his seat at 7:01 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-13. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **AUTHORIZATION CONVERSION OF OUTSTANDING PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS TO FIXED RATE BONDS, APPROVING FIRST SUPPLEMENT TO INDENTURE OF TRUST, AUTHORIZING REMARKETING OF BONDS, APPROVING REMARKETING CIRCULAR AND PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO** was presented. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-13, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez and Council Member Romo.

Director of Finance Pruyn introduced Annie Ruiz, Revenue Collections Supervisor and Elba Padilla, Accounting Manager and distributed copies of the Mid-year budget adjustments for 2006-2007. Mr. Pruyn displayed a PowerPoint presentation of the City's Mid-year budget adjustments for fiscal year 2006-2007 and requested City Council receive and file.

Vice Mayor Gomez returned to his seat at 7:07 p.m.

Council Member Noguez left his seat at 7:34 p.m. and returned at 7:36 p.m.

Motion by Noguez, seconded by Gomez, to **approve the City's Mid-year budget adjustments for fiscal year 2006-2007 and receive and file the PowerPoint presentation**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-14. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AMENDING RESOLUTION 2006-64 WHICH **APPROVED CHANGES IN COMPENSATION FOR POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION EMPLOYEES** OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2005 THOUGH JUNE 30, 2008 was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-14, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-15. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AMENDING RESOLUTION 2006-69 WHICH **APPROVED CHANGES IN COMPENSATION FOR GENERAL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION EMPLOYEES** OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2005 THOUGH JUNE 30, 2008 was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Noguez, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-15, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-16. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **IN SUPPORT OF ORANGELINE MAGLEV STATION AREA DEVELOPMENT POLICIES** was presented. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-16, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Council Member Romo.

ORDINANCE NO. 801-NS. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, AMENDING TITLE 4 CHAPTER 8 OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE **PERTAING TO PROCEDURES FOR THE SALE OF FIREWORKS** was read by title. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Hernandez, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 801-NS for second reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 801-NS be approved for second reading and adopted, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Vice Mayor Gomez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; 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, PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, Title: Chief of Police and pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision Section 54957.6, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS, Agency designated representative: City Manager, Employee organizations: General Employees' Association, Police Officers' Association, Police Management Association, and Non-Represented Employees' Association. Mayor Guerrero 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 8:38 p.m. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Vice Mayor Mario Gomez, Council Member Juan R. Noguez, and Mayor Elba Guerrero. Absent: Council Member Elba Romo.

City Attorney Leal reported out that in closed session regarding Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Title: Chief of Police, a status report was given to City Council, no action taken and Conference with Labor Negotiators, Agency designated representative: City Manager, Employee organizations: General Employees' Association, Police Officers' Association, Police Management Association, and Non-Represented Employees' Association a status report was given to City Council, no action taken.

Mayor Guerrero declared the meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m., in memory Angel Garcia, father of Maria Angela Cornejo, Secretary in the Human Resources Department for the City of Huntington Park.

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Elba Guerrero, Mayor

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Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk