

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Park held Monday, June 18, 2007.

Following the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Guerrero. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Council Member Juan R. Noguez, and Mayor Elba Guerrero. Absent: Vice Mayor Mario Gomez and Council Member Elba Romo.

City Attorney Leal requested the City Council resolve into a **closed session** for the following: 1) pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL, EXISTING LITIGATION, Name of case: Randy Narramore v. City of Huntington Park, WCAB Case No.: VNO 0525204; 2) pursuant to Government Code Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL, EXISTING LITIGATION: Name of case: Brazil Salamanca v. City of Huntington Park, Case No.: CV 06 5524 GPS (RZx); and 3) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code Subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: (1). Mayor Guerrero declared the meeting resolved into closed session to be held immediately in the adjoining conference room at 6:31 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 6:55 p.m. Present: Council Member Ofelia Hernandez, Council Member Juan R. Noguez, and Mayor Elba Guerrero. Absent: Vice Mayor Mario Gomez and Council Member Elba Romo.

Mayor Guerrero presented a Certificate of Recognition to the Huntington Park Alumni Association. Wally G. Shidler and Arlene Savage, members of the Huntington Park Alumni Association thanked City Council for the recognition on behalf of the Huntington Park Alumni and invited City Council to attend their annual picnic at El Dorado Park in Long Beach on Saturday, July 28, 2007.

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.

Corinna Luevano, Secretary for the Community Development Department for the City of Huntington Park, addressed her concern to City Council regarding the length of an article in the City's Newsletter pertaining to a Cinco De Mayo event on May 5, 2007 versus the small article published on a Memorial Day event. Ms. Luevano stated that she would rather see the City publish an article to honor the heroes in the community that have died in the line of duty.

Jorge Morales, representing Fiesta Taxi, thanked City Council for their support and financial assistance for a commemorative statue of former 50th District Assembly Member Marco Antonio Firebaugh displayed at the Marco Antonio Firebaugh High School in Lynwood. Mr. Morales informed City Council that Fiesta Taxi has implemented a new system so when people call to schedule a pick up, a taxi number will be issued along with an estimated time of pick up. Mr. Morales stated that the new system should decrease the wait time.

Jeannette Marquez, Business Improvement District Manager (BID), stated that the BID's Father's Day event was a success and thanked the following businesses who donated gifts: 1) The Home Shop; 2) El Gallo Giro; 3) JC Penney; 4) Sara Lee; 5) La Estrella Bakery; 6) Genesis Signs; 7) Daisy Skin Care; 8) Panamericana Travel Agency; 9) University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) – Division of Adolescent and Child Psychiatry; 10) Mendoza's Insurance Agency; 11) UROK Learning Institute; 12) representative from Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD); and 13) Check-N-Go. Ms. Marquez invited everyone to attend the BID Installation Dinner on June 21, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at Margarita Jones Restaurant located at 6341 Pacific Boulevard and announced that Speaker of the Assembly Fabian Nuñez will be the Honorary Guest Speaker.

Mayor Guerrero 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 consider any comment regarding the collection of delinquent rubbish charges pursuant to Section 6-2.205 of the Huntington Park Municipal Code. 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 closed.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2007-34.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY ASSESSOR TO INCLUDE DELINQUENT REFUSE COLLECTION FEES AS A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT TO BE COLLECTED AT THE SAME TIME AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS COUNTY TAXES (172.52 WASTE MANAGEMENT FEE)** was presented. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-34, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez and Council Member Romo.

Chief of Police Trevis briefed City Council on the Consent Calendar item relating to a proposed new work schedule for weekend patrol officers. Chief of Police Trevis stated that this schedule would allow certain patrol officers to work 3-days a week, 13 1/2 hours a day, Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays. Chief of Police Trevis stated that this new schedule will be on a trial basis for a period of six (6) months.

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

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

#### OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, June 4, 2007.

**Deny claim filed by Jose G. Hernandez, Date of Incident: January 2, 1996 and refer to the City Attorney and the City's insurance administrator.**

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 June 18, 2007.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

**Approve Facility Use Agreement between the City of Huntington Park and Carnival Midway Attractions to conduct a carnival** from August 31, 2007 through September 3, 2007.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

**Approve Implementation Agreement by and between Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG) and the City of Huntington Park regarding the oversight of the preparation of special scientific studies for the Los Angeles River Metals Total Daily Maximum Loads (TMDLS).**

INFORMATIONAL ITEM – Received and filed

Police Department report on the proposed new work schedules for weekend patrol officers.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

City Manager Korduner presented for discussion and/or action correspondence from META 2000 requesting a City contribution in the amount of \$25,000 for the El Grito 2007 event at Salt Lake Park on September 14-16, 2007. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve the request from META 2000 for a City contribution in the amount of \$25,000 for the El Grito 2007 event at Salt Lake Park on September 14 through 16, 2007**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez and Council Member Romo.

City Manager Korduner requested approval of an amendment to the Administrative Cooperative Services Inc. Agreement for Dial-A-Ride Services to include a swipe card system; direct the City Attorney to prepare the necessary documents; and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Noguez, to **approve an amendment to the Administrative Cooperative Services Inc. Agreement for Dial-A-Ride Services to include a swipe card system; direct the City Attorney to prepare the necessary documents; and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez and Council Member Romo.

Chief of Police Trevis requested approval of a donation of two (2) surplus police vehicles for the purpose of public safety to Sister City Yahualica, Mexico. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Noguez, to **approve a donation of two (2) Ford Crown Victoria surplus police vehicles for the purpose of public safety to Sister City Yahualica, Mexico**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez and Council Member Romo.

Chief of Police Trevis requested approval to purchase ten (10) Panasonic CF-30 laptop computers for the police vehicles from CDWG for a total amount of \$44,007.65 from the Justice Assistance Grant Account 227-7010-421-61-20. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve purchase of ten (10) Panasonic CF-30 laptop computers for the police vehicles from CDWG for a total amount of \$44,007.65 from the Justice Assistance Grant Account 227-7010-421-61-20**, 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 requested acceptance of the proposal from American Alarm Systems Inc. to install a camera security system and approve the agreement, subject to City Attorney approval. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to **accept the proposal from American Alarm Systems Inc. to install a camera security system and approve the agreement, subject to City Attorney approval**, 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 requested approval of an amendment to the Finance Department Journal Voucher Policy and Procedures to be incorporated in the Finance Department's Policy and Procedures manual. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve an amendment to the Finance Department Journal Voucher Policy and Procedures to be incorporated in the Finance Department's Policy and Procedures manual**, 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 requested approval to adopt the Finance Department Comprehensive Debt Policy to be incorporated in the Finance Department's Policy and Procedures manual. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to **adopt the Finance Department Comprehensive Debt Policy to be incorporated in the Finance Department's Policy and Procedures manual**, 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 requested approval of an agreement with Best Best & Krieger to serve as Bond Counsel in the refinancing of the Public Financing Authority 1997 Wastewater Revenue Bonds. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve agreement with Best Best & Krieger to serve as Bond Counsel in the refinancing of the Public Financing Authority 1997 Wastewater Revenue Bonds**, 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 Community Development Gray presented a recommendation by the Health and Education Commission for the appointment of Cesar Zaldivar-Motts as a Health and Education Commissioner. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Noguez, to **approve the appointment of Cesar Zaldivar-Motts as a Health and Education Commissioner to fill a four (4) year term ending June 18, 2011**, 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 Community Development Gray presented a recommendation by the Planning Commission to appoint an Interim Planning Commissioner for the duration of Commissioner Alfred Bravo, Sr.'s medical leave of absence or until the expiration of Commissioner Bravo's current term. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to **appoint an Interim Planning Commissioner for the duration of Commissioner Alfred Bravo, Sr.'s medical leave of absence or until the expiration of Commissioner Bravo's current term**, 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 Community Development Gray requested approval of a Conflict Waiver for Richards, Watson & Gershon in the matter of Los Angeles Unified School District v. The County of Los Angeles, et al, BS 108180. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, to **approve a Conflict Waiver for Richards, Watson & Gershon in the matter of Los Angeles Unified School District v. The County of Los Angeles, et al, BS 108180**, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez and Council Member Romo.

**RESOLUTION NO. B.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT RANDY E. NARRAMORE IS DISABLED AND INCAPACITATED TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF CHIEF OF POLICE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISABILITY RETIREMENT was continued to the next City Council meeting.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2007-35.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK **APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY'S GANN LIMIT 2007-2008** was presented. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Noguez, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-35, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez and Council Member Romo.

**ORDINANCE NO. 804-NS.** AN URGENCY ORDINANCE THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA, **DESCRIBING THE HUNTINGTON PARK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION'S PROGRAM TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF** was read by

title. Motion by Noguez, seconded by Hernandez, for first and final reading: Ordinance No. 804-NS. In accordance with the California Government Code a four fifths vote is required in order to waive further reading and adopt an urgency ordinance. Therefore this item will be placed on the next City Council agenda.

ORDINANCE NO. 803-NS. AN ORDINANCE THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA ESTABLISHING TITLE 5, CHAPTER 17, SECTIONS 05 AND 06 OF THE HUNTINGTON PARK MUNICIPAL CODE REQUIRING **MANDATORY REPORTING OF LOST OR STOLEN FIREARMS** was read by title. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Noguez, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 803-NS for second reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 803-NS be approved for second reading and adopted, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez and Council Member Romo.

ORDINANCE NO. 805-NS. AN ORDINANCE THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA, **DESCRIBING THE HUNTINGTON PARK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION'S PROGRAM TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN** was read by title. Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Noguez, that reading in full of Ordinance No. 805-NS for first reading be waived, and that Ordinance No. 805-NS be introduced and approved for first reading, carried as follows: Ayes: Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Noguez, and Mayor Guerrero; Noes: None; Absent: Vice Mayor Gomez and Council Member Romo.

There being no objection, Mayor Guerrero directed staff to assist in the coordination of the swearing-in ceremony for Ms. Yolie Flores Aguilar, newly elected to the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education, District 5, scheduled on Friday, July 6, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. at Huntington Park High School.

City Attorney Leal reported out the following on the closed session items: 1) Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation: Name of case: Randy Narramore v. City of Huntington Park, WCAB Case No.: VNO 0525204, this item was continued to the next City Council meeting and 2) Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation: Name of case: Brazil Salamanca v. City of Huntington Park, Case No.: CV 06 5524 GPS (RZx), City Council by unanimous vote instructed the City Attorney to enter into a settlement agreement for this case.

Mayor Guerrero declared the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m., in memory of Raul A. Correa, Sr., husband of Linda Correa, Clerk Typist for Field Services Department for the City of Huntington Park.

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Elba Guerrero, Mayor

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Rosanna M. Ramirez, City Clerk