

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,
CALIFORNIA HELD JANUARY 11, 2005.**

Mayor/Chairman Guidi called the City Council, Community Redevelopment Agency, Parking Authority and Housing Authority meetings to order jointly and concurrently at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the City Hall, 4455 West 126th Street, Hawthorne, California.

ROLL CALL-Present: Councilmembers Catano, Lambert, Parsons, Velez, Mayor Guidi.
Absent: None.

Pastor Partee from Olivet Lutheran Church gave the evening's invocation. Mr. Allen Richards led the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Guidi requested two minutes of silence in the memory of all the tsunami victims.

Mayor Guidi welcomed Mike Bell of Bell Event Services as the evening's representative from the Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Guidi welcomed and congratulated the president of the Chamber on his engagement.

Mayor Guidi took the meeting out order due to Outside Counsel waiting in the audience.

1.

Mayor Guidi recessed the City Council meeting to conduct a closed session regarding Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9 of the California Government Code. Name of Case: Cade v.City of Hawthorne, et al., USDC Case No. CV04-9417 JFW (Ex)

Mayor Guidi called the City Council meeting back to order following recess with all Councilmembers present. He announced that the closed session was to discuss Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9 of the California Government Code. Name of Case: Cade v.City of Hawthorne, et al., USDC Case No. CV04-9417 JFW (Ex) and that Counsel has been directed.

2.

Mayor Guidi recessed the City Council meeting to conduct a closed session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 – Public Employee Performance Evaluation. Title: City Manager.

Mayor Guidi called the City Council meeting back to order following recess with all Councilmembers present. He announced that the closed session was to discuss Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 – Public Employee Performance Evaluation. Title: City Manager and staff has been directed and no action was taken.

3.

Under Elected Officials reports/recommendations:

Mayor Guidi introduced the newly elected Hollypark president, Mr. James Taylor.

Councilmember **Catano** inquired if there is a code prohibiting tow trucks from parking on residential streets for extended periods of time.

Councilmember **Catano** announced that SB1818 became law effective January 1st. It makes significant changes in the state density bonus law.

Councilmember **Catano** stated that according to the state budget, education, health and seniors will suffer from budget cuts.

Councilmember **Lambert** apologized to Hollypark Homeowners Association members for missing events in the last three weeks.

Councilmember **Lambert** thanked everybody for the wonderful cards.

Councilmember **Parsons** inquired on why the ICRMA pool property insurance was terminated.

For the record, Councilmember **Lambert** stated that seven other cities in our organization of ICRMA have chosen not to be with the Marsh insurance people for the same reason that they can get it cheaper.

Councilmember **Parsons** asked that AB1600 fees analysis be followed up on.

Councilmember **Parsons** announced that Congresswoman Waters will be going to Congress to ask for federal funding and she asked that cities put in projects for federal funding. The deadline for applying is March 1st.

Councilmember **Parsons** inquired on the residents being helped with the LAX noise issue.

Councilmember **Velez** stated that he looks forward to working with Mr. Taylor of the Hollypark HOA.

Councilmember **Velez** inquired on getting a traffic light at the intersection of Rosecrans and Prairie.

Councilmember **Velez** announced that the Director of Planning, Mike Goodson, has retired and introduced the new Interim Director of Planning, Mr. Harold Roth and also introduced Mr. Hamid Pournamdari as the new Interim Director of Housing.

Mayor **Guidi** attended the 91st Anniversary of the Women's Volunteer in the VFW and presented them with a proclamation.

Mayor **Guidi** thanked Hollypark for the meeting.

Mayor **Guidi** thanked John Perello and those from the Public Works Department that planted grass and trees along the Rosecrans corridor from Inglewood to the 405 Freeway.

Mayor **Guidi** announced that the new traffic signal installation at 137th and Prairie by the school is near completion.

Mayor **Guidi** has received several items for the museum, including a flag from a 1957 Hawthorne Boy Scout Troop. Requested that the Fine Arts and Parks and Recreation Commissions combine to put a team together to walk into the building and start cleaning it out.

Mayor **Guidi** announced the VFW Top of the Hill Breakfast on January 16th at 4563 W. 131st Street. Cost is \$6.

Mayor **Guidi** announced that the State of City will be held on February 17th at 11:30 am at the Ayres Hotel. Reservations are encouraged and can be made by contacting the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce.

Councilmember **Catano** announced that invitations for the Beach Boys monument are being sent out.

Mayor **Guidi** stated that Hawthorne Lions Club has teamed up with the Elks Lodge to raise money for the tsunami victims. Anyone interested in donating can drop off checks at City Hall. Checks should be made payable to Tsunami Relief Fund 2004.

City Treasurer **Lubenec** wished everybody a happy new year and congratulated the Taylors.

City Clerk **Juarez** wished everybody a happy a New Year.

4.

Under oral communications, **Michael Bell** introduced the new Chamber Executive Director, Susan Lamprey. **Allen Richards**, 13828 S. Ramona Ave., thanked the Lions Club for putting together the tsunami disaster relief fund program and on behalf of the Ramona Neighborhood Association Executive Board, presented a donation of \$500. Mr. Allen also made a personal donation. **John Connor**, 4901 W. 118th Place, asked the City Council for information or possible increased support required to manage a very small condominium complex. **Ken Wallace**, Manchester Square, complained of discourteous

practices and health food violations at the senior center. **Darlene Love**, complained about a school bus parked in a residential area. Thanked all those who attended the HOA. Hushna Mohammad, commended the Hawthorne Library children's program. Would like to see the library opened on Sundays and possibly Mondays. Feels the city has not provided as much economical support to the library as possible. Also asked that the police parking signs in the library parking lot be removed. **Frances Stiglich**, 11534 Gale Ave., introduced vice president Alan Hamlin and treasurer Mona Weebil of the Eucalyptus HOA. Also brought in a petition with 30 signatures requesting their own kitchen. Thinks Hawthorne should have its own high school by breaking from the Centinela Valley High School District.

No one else indicated a desire to be heard.

Mayor/Chairman Guidi ordered oral communications closed.

5.

Mayor/Chairman Guidi recessed the Community Redevelopment Agency, Parking Authority and Housing Authority meetings to conduct the meeting of the City Council.

6.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting of October 12, 2004, and the regular meeting of December 14, 2004 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Catano, Lambert, Parsons, Velez, Mayor Guidi.

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

7.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on Tuesday, January 11, 2005 's agenda.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Catano, Lambert, Parsons, Velez, Mayor Guidi.

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

8.

City Clerk Daniel D. Juarez announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing on Community Development Needs Assessment for the Five-Year Consolidated Plan, Program Years 2005 through 2009 Housing and CDBG, HOME and ADDI allocations for Program Year 2005, July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006.

The City Clerk submitted declaration of publication, which was ordered filed. No written communications were received.

Under oral comments, no one indicated a desire to be heard.

No further action taken at this time.

9.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that the following warrants, properly audited and signed, be paid.

Warrants Nos.: 183581-183695 ; 336056-336950 ; 183696-183799 ; 336957-337214

Warrant Totals: \$ 759,310.30 ; \$3,562,685.43 ; \$ 755,803.43 ; \$1,665,330.14

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Catano, Lambert, Parsons, Velez, Mayor Guidi.

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

10.

RESOLUTION NO. 6934.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A PRE-TAX PAYROLL DEDUCTION PLAN FOR SERVICE CREDIT PURCHASES (CONTRIBUTION CODE 14).

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 6934 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Catano, Lambert, Parsons, Velez, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

11.

RESOLUTION NO. 6936.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AND ESTABLISHING A FEE SCHEDULE RELATING TO ENFORCEMENT OF CHAPTER 12.34 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE (NEWSRACKS).

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 6936 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Catano, Lambert, Parsons, Velez, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None. ABSTAIN: Councilmember Lambert.

12.

ORDINANCE NO. 1806. (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 2.14.020, 2.17.020, 2.18.030, 2.22.020 AND 2.28.020 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO APPOINTMENT TO VARIOUS COMMISISIONS.

Ordinance No. 1806 was introduced by title only by Mayor Guidi.

13.

ORDINANCE NO.1807. (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 5.94 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE. TO CREATE A PROCEDURE FOR SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF PERMIT FOR FELONY CONVICTION.

Ordinance No. 1807 was introduced by title only by Councilmember Lambert.

The City Manager, Richard Prentice, presented the following agenda and requested approval of the indicated recommendations:

14.

Approve Progress Payment No. 27 to Pepper Construction, 17841 Mitchell, Irvine, Ca 92614 for Construction of the New Hawthorne Police Station. This payment of \$688,223.70 will come from a low-interest loan from the California Infrastructure & Economic Development Bank, Account # 380-2101-4086. The total project will be funded from this loan and contributions from the City’s General Fund.

15.

Approve Progress Payment No. 5 Trimming Land Co. Inc., 10513 Dolores Avenue, South Gate, Ca 90280, for Street Tree Trimming in the amount of \$24,192.00 to be charged to the Recreation and Community Services Tree Trimming Account # 100-6111-4051.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Parsons, that items 14 through 15 of the City Manager's agenda be approved.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Catano, Lambert, Parsons, Velez, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

16.

The City Attorney, Glen Shishido, recommended that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Jeron Maklanron alleging police misconduct, violation of civil rights, harassment, mental anguish, false imprisonment and malicious prosecution be denied in its entirety.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Jeron Maklanron alleging police misconduct, violation of civil rights, harassment, mental anguish, false imprisonment and malicious prosecution be denied in its entirety.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Catano, Lambert, Parsons, Velez, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

17.

The City Attorney, Glen Shishido, recommended that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Daniel Saulmon alleging police misconduct and false arrest be denied in its entirety.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Daniel Saulmon alleging police misconduct, and false arrest be denied in its entirety.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Catano, Lambert, Parsons, Velez, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

18.

Mayor Guidi recessed the City Council meeting to reconvene meetings of the Community Redevelopment Agency, Parking Authority and Housing Authority.

Mayor Guidi called the City Council meeting back to order following recess with all Councilmembers present.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9: 00 p.m. in the memory of Terrence Michael Barnes and Paul Kenneth Acierno.

Daniel D. Juarez, MMC
City Clerk