

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,
CALIFORNIA HELD FEBRUARY 10, 2004.**

Mayor/Chairman Guidi called the City Council, Community Redevelopment Agency and Parking Authority meeting 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.

Mayor Guidi introduced Tom Quintana as the evening's representative from the Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Guidi presented a Certificate of Recognition to Elias Castellanos, a Hawthorne School District substitute teacher who saved the life of a 4th grade student that was choking.

Mayor Guidi presented a Certificate of Recognition to Robert Chavez, a City of Hawthorne employee, for saving the life of a woman during a domestic violence incident.

Supervisor Yvonne Braithwaite Burke presented funds in the amount of \$201,000 to the City from the Regional Park and Open Space District to be used for park improvement projects.

1.

Under Elected Officials reports/recommendations:

Mayor Guidi updated the public about Vought Aircraft. They will be selling their 92 acre site, including 2.7 million sq. feet. They will lease back the property from the developer or whoever is chosen under the RFP. They will continue to stay on this site and will just lease back a portion of the property.

Councilmember **Lambert** attended Southern California Exchange Ideas, where businesses get together with various cities to make connections to see if there is something out there that we may want to bring into our city.

Councilmember **Lambert** commented on a newspaper article regarding redevelopment issues.

Councilmember **Lambert** requested that something be done about businesses that are using the alleys as parking spaces.

Councilmember **Parsons** announced that Southern California Water will be raising their water rates by 17%. There will be a public hearing on this issue on February 24th at the Carson Community Center. Councilmember Parsons plans to attend in order to protest this increase.

Councilmember **Parsons** reminded everybody that the Hawthorne Kiwanis will face the Hawthorne Rotary on Saturday, March 6 at Hawthorne High at 10 am. for a baseball game.

Councilmember **Velez** attended the ICSC (International Council of Shopping Centers) in Long Beach and thanked Harold Roth, Alvie Betancourt and Darlene Shima for attending and doing a great job in promoting the city.

Councilmember **Velez** announced the birth of his son, Andrew John Louie and thanked staff, colleagues and everyone who sent flowers and well wishes.

Councilmember **Catano** attended the Hollypark Homeowner's Association.

Mayor **Guidi** thanked city employees and the Council for their hard work on the budget issues, but stated that we still have to tighten up our budget.

Mayor **Guidi** cautioned Gardena on starting a redevelopment agency.

City Clerk **Juarez** encouraged everyone to participate in the March 2 election by voting. The last day to register to vote for the March election is February 17th. The deadline to submit a request for absentee voting is February 24th. Touchscreen voting is available February 18th through February 27th at the Redondo Beach and Carson libraries.

City Clerk **Juarez** congratulated Councilmember Velez and his wife Claudia on the birth of their son.

City Clerk **Juarez** announced that the top soccer players in the South Bay are conducting tournaments at Dana field from 9 am to 4:30 pm this weekend.

City Clerk **Juarez** thanked those who came out to support the kickoff of the YMCA support campaign last Thursday.

City Treasurer **Lubenec** congratulated the Velez family and wished everyone a nice Valentines weekend.

Mayor **Guidi** shared pictures of historical Hawthorne, which included the Rio Grande Service Station, the Arco Ice House and the Enco Service Station.

Councilmember **Lambert** inquired whether the City would hold an Air Fair this year. Mayor Guidi cautioned against using public funds for the event and proposed that the whole thing be given to the Western Museum of Flight and then we would tell them what it would cost for police, employees and overtime and then help them raise that money.

Councilmember **Lambert** asked the Council not waive fees for special events.

Councilmember **Catano** announced that his Parks and Recreation commissioner, Oscar Robles, has resigned.

Councilmember **Parsons** announced that there will be a fundraiser for the Leslie Zepeda Fund at Hawthorn Middle School on 4366 W. 129th Street from 5pm to 7pm on March 5th. Tickets are \$5.

Under oral communications, **Corey Birdsall**, 11883 Manor Drive “A”, of Hugs and Kisses announced that there will be a basketball game on March 6 from 10 am to 12 pm at Lawndale High and invited the Council to attend. They also invited the Council to their first awards banquet on February 28th. There will also be a car show at Lawndale High on March 20th. For more information, call 310-676-9502. **Ms. Bell**, PO Box 2763 Inglewood, spoke on an incident where she felt that a police officer was disrespectful to her. **Eddie Quiroz**, representative for NYC Sound, expressed concern with Council’s decision to deny their installation permit. They feel that they are not being given the opportunity to prove themselves and address the concerns of the community. **Fred Lavi**, 14626 Hawthorne Blvd., Commercial Real Estate Broker, purchased the property for NYC Sound and believes NYC Sound would be the best customer for this particular space. **Rhonda Chatterton**, President of the Hollyglen Homeowner’s Association, thanked Mickey Winters, Mark, the staff, J.P. and the city staff for the Glasgow Strip. The next Hollyglen Homeowner’s general meeting is February 26th. A celebration for the reopening of the Wiseburn Library will follow the general meeting. On April 24th, the Wiseburn Education Foundation will have a “Rock Around the Block” a fundraiser for music and the arts for the Wiseburn School District. **Francis Stiglich**, 11534 Gale Ave., concerned about all the garbage that is on her street. Wants the street widened or one side parking on her street. Inquired why 120th is being dug up after it had just been paved. **Darlene Love**, thanked Pablo Catano for attending the Hollypark Homeowner’s meeting. The next meeting will be March 4th at the Baptist church on 116th and Casimir. Thanked Captain Effler for sending an officer to the meeting. Would like to see the area around Imperial and the 105 cleaned up.

No one else indicated a desire to be heard.

Mayor/Chairman Guidi ordered oral communications closed.

3.

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

4.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on February 10, 2004's agenda.

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

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

5.

City Clerk Daniel D. Juarez announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing on CDBG, HOME and ADD allocations for Program Year 2004, July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005.

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

No one indicated a desire to be heard.

Mayor Guidi ordered to close the public portion of the hearing. MOTION CARRIED.

No action needed to be taken at this meeting.

6.

City Clerk Daniel D. Juarez announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing on a Request by Evergreen Deveco, Inc., to amend the City’s Zoning Map Designation on one parcel located at 14234-38-42 Prairie Avenue (APN 4051-031-006) from its current Zoning of M-1 (Limited Industrial) to C-3 (General Commercial), consistent with the 1989 General Plan Land Use Designation of G-C (General Commercial) to bring the existing property into conformity with the General Plan, as amended.

Planning Department submitted declaration of publication which was ordered filed. No written communications were received.

No one indicated a desire to be heard.

Mayor Guidi ordered to close the public portion of the hearing. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that the City Attorney be instructed to prepare the necessary resolution/ordinance.

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

7.

City Clerk Daniel D. Juarez announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing on Zoning Code Amendment 2003ZA05 is a City-Initiated amendment to Title 17 (Zoning) of the Hawthorne Municipal Code amending Chapter 17.38 NONCONFORMING BUILDINGS AND USES, Section 17.38.050 Structural Alteration or Enlargement.

The Planning Department submitted declaration of publication which was ordered filed. No written communications were received.

No one indicated a desire to be heard.

Mayor Guidi ordered to close the public portion of the hearing. MOTION CARRIED.

Councilmember Catano moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, that the City Attorney be instructed to prepare the necessary resolution/ordinance.

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

8.

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.: 180847-180954 ; 321132-321483
Warrant Totals: \$779,783.07 ; \$ 1,601,780.66

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

Resolutions and Ordinances.

9.

RESOLUTION NO. 6857.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA,
SUPPORTING THE COASTAL CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 6857 be approved and adopted.

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

10.

RESOLUTION NO. 6858.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA,
SUPPORTING THE RETENTION OF THE LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE (“LAAFB”) AND
URGING THAT THE LAAFB NOT BE PLACED ON THE BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE
LIST.

Councilmember Lambert requested that all her comments be put on the record.

Councilmember Lambert: Item 10, I just wanted to hear from the City Manager and be assured that there is a firm understanding that there will be no more general fund money or any other kind of money coming out of the City of Hawthorne towards that which we have already put out. I believe we committed to \$300,000, we’re now closing in on \$400,000. The bridge had dropped. There’s no more.

City Manager Herbertson: Luckily, the expenditures at this point are pretty much over. Might have some bills that are coming in for work that’s already been done. We have to pay those because work has been done.

Councilmember Lambert: I think the Mayor said we’re not spending that money. We’re not going to continue paying for work that was done.

City Manager Herbertson: Well, I don't think you're asking me not to pay bills for work.

Councilmember Lambert: I am. I'm asking you to go give it to the developer. I mean, we’ve gone beyond.

City Attorney Shishido: Mayor Pro Tem, the answer to your question is that this resolution does not in any way commit any funds at all. It’s simply saying let's not put the LA Air Force on BRAC.

Councilmember Lambert: I know. I'm just throwing this in as a warning.

City Attorney Shishido: What generated the request.

Mayor Guidi: As another offsite, let's just worry about not putting this on the BRAC closure list, okay.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 6858 be approved and adopted.

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

11.

RESOLUTION NO. 6859.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, MAKING FINDINGS RELATIVE TO A CALL FOR REVIEW AND DENYING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 2003-CU13 FOR AN AUTO ACCESSORIES (CAR STEREO) INSTALLATION FACILITY LOCATED AT 13335 HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 6859 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: Councilmember Parsons. ABSTAIN: None.

The Interim City Manager, Charles Herbertson, presented the following agenda and requested approval of the indicated recommendations:

12.

Request by Hawthorne Airport LLC, for an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement (ENA) with the City of Hawthorne for a Proposed Airport Redevelopment Project.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council Direct the City Manager to Execute the Agreement subject to City Attorney Approval as to final form.

MOTION TO TABLED

Councilmember Velez moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi to table this item until the next meeting.

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

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

13.

Approve Acceptance of Right-of-Way for Parcels 15-19R and 15-19T Rosecrans/Aviation Project Acceptance of Quitclaim Deed & Agreements to Convey for Parcels: 15-19R and 15-19T for the widening of Aviation/Rosecrans intersections: Parcels 15-19R, 15-19T.

14.

Approve to Authorize an Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2003-2004 for the Purchase of (1) Police Service Officer Vehicle.

15.

Approve Progress Payment No. 2 and Final Acceptance due to Security Paving Company, Inc., P.O Box 1489, Sun Valley, Ca 91353-1489 for Imperial Hwy. Resurfacing in the amount of \$10,003.50 from Prop. C funds Account # 285-3400-000-4450.

16.

Approve Authorize the City Manager to execute contract between the City of Hawthorne and Payment resources International ("Consultant") to provide credit card processing services for the City of Hawthorne, including but not limited to the following: (1) Customized Online Reporting; (2) Internet Billing; (3) Recurring Billing; and (4) Electronic Check Processing.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that items 13 through 16 of the City Manager's consent calendar be approved.

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

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NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

17.

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.

18.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Andersen and Mrs. Peggy Ann Salmon.

Daniel D. Juarez, CMC/AAE
City Clerk