MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, HELD APRIL 12, 2005

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.

Reverend Arthur McKibben from the Church of the Nazarene gave the evening's Invocation. Girl Scout Troop # 774 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Guidi presented a Certificate of Merit to Girl Scout Troop #774 for its service to the community as the Color Guard at the April 12, 2005 Hawthorne City Council meeting.

Mayor Guidi presented Certificates of Appreciation to local business owners Bill and Dan Hasaan of KIG Properties, Al Awad of Repossess Auto Sales, Steve Boudar of Gateway Auto Center, Moses Awad of Finance Auto Sales and Mohamad Pournamdari of Pournamdari Inc. for their generous donations that will enable local Girl Scout Troop #774 to make a once in a lifetime trip to visit their sister scouts in New York City.

Mayor Guidi welcomed Don Harris as the representative from the Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Guidi announced the names of the organizations that will have fireworks booths this year. They are Del Aire Assembly of God Church, Women's Club of Hawthorne, Hawthorne Rotary Club, Victory in Christ Ministry, Southern California Gunners Youth Soccer Club, Stroke Association of Southern California, BHS and South Bay Celebration Assembly of God Church.

Councilmember Velez presented footage of a theft in progress at a local car dealership in the hopes that someone watching can identify the suspect. There is a $1000 reward offered by the business owner for information leading to the arrest or conviction of the suspect.

1.

Councilmember **Parsons** announced that on May 13th, the Pentagon will release the official list of what bases will be closing.

Councilmember **Parsons** announced that the city code is now on line at http://codemanage.com/hawthorne

Councilmember **Parsons** announced that the committee of the LAX Round Table, of which he is a member, has been successful in getting some of the airlines to basically not take off to the east late at night or to change equipment where they can take off over water at night. They have also endorsed a study that would justify to the FAA to ban the eastern takeoffs when everybody is going to the west.

Councilmember **Parsons** attended the Holly Park homeowners meeting and announced that they will have a voter registration drive coming up.

Councilmember **Parsons** asked that staff look at the animal ordinances from the City of Chino as their policy on barking dogs is more aggressive.

Councilmember **Parsons** thanked the Friends of the Library for the book sale held on Saturday.

Councilmember **Catano** thanked Jan Vogel for inviting him to be part of his business breakfast in conjunction with youth employment.

Councilmember **Catano** attended the grand opening of Metwest, a commercial lender that will be lending money to small businesses that want to get started.

Councilmember **Lambert** attended the Holly Park meeting.

Councilmember **Lambert** attended a two-day session for ICRMA on which she represents the city for insurance and risk management.

Councilmember **Lambert** announced that we are going to have a Marshalls in town later this summer.

Councilmember **Lambert** announced that the volunteers for Al Richard's panel on illegal fireworks is now complete.

Councilmember **Velez** announced that the Hawthorne Education Foundation Golf Tournament will be held on Monday at Chester Washington on Western and El Segundo. Anyone who wants to participate is still welcome.

Councilmember **Velez** stated that the Leslie Zepeda community renovation program going on at 116th Gale and Eucalyptus has greatly improved the area.

Councilmember **Lambert** announced that there is a new restaurant opening on Thursday across the street from the Ayres Hotel. It is Qdoba Mexican Grill.

Councilmember **Velez** announced that the renovations at Jefferson Elementary School are now complete and there will be a grand opening dedication on Thursday the 14th at 4:30 pm.

Mayor **Guidi** announced that employees Harold Roth, Hamid Pournamdari and Sergeant Gary Tomatani received awards from the HUD Attorney General's office in recognition for their work on reducing fraud in the Rental Assistance Housing Program.

Mayor **Guidi** related that ice cream truck vendors are selling items to children that look like guns. He wants an ordinance enforced that states ice cream vendors can only sell food related products.

Mayor **Guidi** commented on the success of the South Bay Work Investment Job Fair for graduating high school students and suggested one be held for graduating college students.

Mayor **Guidi** announced that Lowe's on 120th and Crenshaw is hiring.

Mayor **Guidi** encouraged the public to attend a Junior Lakers game at the Betty Ainsworth Center, as it is a fantastic program.

Mayor **Guidi** announced the 7th Annual Children's Safety Awareness Fair will be held on Saturday, May 14th from 10:30 am to 4:00 pm.

Mayor **Guidi**, after several phone calls, was able to make contact with the FAA to get authorization for putting up gates at night at the entrance of the Lowe's parking lot in order to prevent criminal activity on the premises.

Mayor **Guidi** called on Captain Beerling to give an update on programs run by the Police Department.

Captain Beerling spoke on the new park patrol program that operates seven days a week on a part-time basis. Officers come in on there own time and put in six-hour shifts in city parks. The program started in January and so far there have been 70 arrests and 130 citations issued. There is also a program being instituted to deal with gang activity.

City Treasurer **Lubenec** thanked the Friends of the Library.

City Treasurer **Lubenec** thanked everyone who was involved in the new street light installations and everyone who attended the ribbon cutting ceremony.

City Clerk **Juarez** congratulated Mr. Jan Vogel, Executive Director for the SBWIB for his "Let's Talk Business" networking seminar.

City Clerk **Juarez** attended the Hollypark Homeowners Association meeting where he made a presentation on voting trends.

City Clerk **Juarez** announced that the 23rd Annual Volunteer Appreciation Day will be held on April 24th.

City Clerk **Juarez** thanked everyone who supported the Hawthorne Parks and Recreation Foundation Golf Tournament.

City Clerk **Juarez** announced that the Wiseburn Education Foundation will be having their 2nd Annual "Rock Around the Block" on Saturday, April 30, 2005.

City Clerk **Juarez** announced that there will be a Household Hazardous Waste and Ewaste roundup on April 30th from 9 to 3 at the Betty Ainsworth Center.

City Clerk **Juarez** wished Al Richards a speedy recovery and sent his condolences to the Nibels on the loss of their son.

Mayor **Guidi** lost his aunt in Italy on Easter Sunday this year and also asked for prayers to go out to newly elected assemblyman Mike Gordon, who is fighting a brain tumor.

2.

Under oral communications **Paul Lowe**, 11613 Haas Ave., thanked the council for the improvements that have been made in his area. **Darlene Love** thanked the council for all the cards and love she received during her recent illness. **Thomas Mallen,** 6726 W. 85th Pl., brought to council's attention that there is a property across from his at 3918 W. 117th where the owner has put in a retaining wall around the property that is six feet in height without obtaining a permit. **Gordon Michael Mego**, 4535 W. 141st St., thanked those who attended the services and expressed sympathy on the passing of his parents. He also made a donation of photographs to the Hawthorne Museum. **James Taylor**, 11723 Atkinson, thanked the council for participating in their homeowner association meeting last Tuesday. Stated that there is a problem on 115th due to street sweeping and trash pickup scheduled for the same day. Inquired on the status of acquiring soundproofing funds. Asked if the city could use its influence with local politicians to keep Middle College High School, which serves the Hollypark area, from closing in June. **Kyle Orleman** thanked the council for getting Rosecrans and Isis opened. Asked if there is a way to bury the power lines on the homes that are at the extreme south end of Hollyglen where the new sound wall is going to go through. Concerned that one of the local auto dealerships has a crane on the property with a car dangling from the crane. Stated that there is still a problem at the closed bike path.

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, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting of March 22, 2005 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

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

5.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on April 12, 2005's agenda.

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

6.

Mayor Guidi announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing in this city council's proceedings for the city of Hawthorne Community Facilities District No. 2004-1 (Fusion at South Bay). The hearings are to inquire into the formation of the District, the levy of Special Taxes in the District and the need to incur bonded indebtedness in the District".

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

Dennis Ciocca of Sutter Securities provided background information related to the Community Facilities District and discussed contents of the Community Facilities District Report.

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

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

7.

RESOLUTION NO. 6947.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, OF FORMATION OF CITY OF HAWTHORNE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2004-1 (FUSION AT SOUTH BAY), AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF A SPECIAL TAX WITHIN THE DISTRICT, PRELIMINARILY ESTABLISHING AN APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR THE DISTRICT AND SUBMITTING LEVY OF THE SPECIAL TAX AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT.

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, that Resolution No. 6947 be approved and adopted.

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

8.

RESOLUTION NO. 6948.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE DETERMINING THE NECESSITY TO INCUR BONDED INDEBTEDNESS WITHIN CITY OF HAWTHORNE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2004-1 (FUSION AT SOUTH BAY) AND SUBMITTING PROPOSITION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT.

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Councilmember Velez, that Resolution No. 6948 be approved and adopted.

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

9.

RESOLUTION NO. 6949.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALLING SPECIAL ELECTION WITHIN COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2004-1 (FUSION AT SOUTH BAY). Motion to adopt.

Councilmember Catano moved, seconded by Councilmember Parsons, that Resolution No. 6949 be approved and adopted.

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

10.

RESOLUTION NO. 6950.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE DECLARING RESULTS OF SPECIAL ELECTION, AND DIRECTING RECORDING OF NOTICE OF SPECIAL TAX LIEN – FUSION AT SOUTH BAY.

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that Resolution No. 6950 be approved and adopted.

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

11.

ORDINANCE NO. 1813. (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, LEVYING SPECIAL TAXES WITHIN CITY OF HAWTHORNE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2004-1 (FUSION AT SOUTH BAY). .

Ordinance No. 1813 was introduced by title only by Councilmember Parsons.

12.

RESOLUTION NO. 6951.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL TAX BONDS OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE FOR CITY OF HAWTHORNE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2004-1 (FUSION AT SOUTH BAY), APPROVING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION OF A FISCAL AGENT AGREEMENT AND APPROVING OTHER RELATED DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Parsons, that Resolution No. 6951 be approved and adopted.

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

13.

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.: 184282-184469 ; 340665-341116

Warrant Totals: $1,547,949.67 ; $ 2,074,157.97

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

Resolutions and Ordinances.

14.

RESOLUTION NO. 6946.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH THE GOVERNING SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2005 FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RELATING TO GENERAL LAW CITIES AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PROCEDURES FOR

THE CONDUCT THEREOF AND REQUEST THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS TO THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER TO TAKE ANY AND ALL STEPS NECESSARY FOR THE HOLDING OF THE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 6946 be approved and adopted.

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

15.

ORDINANCE NO. 1808. (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 8.34.120 (H) AND 8.34.180 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO MINIMAL ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR OPERATION OF FIREWORKS STANDS AND PROHIBITIONS ON USE OF FIREWORKS.

Councilmember Catano moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Ordinance No. 1808 be approved and adopted.

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

16.

ORDINANCE NO. 1810. (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, TO ADD CHAPTER 1.23 A & B OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION PROCEDURE.

Ordinance No. 1810 was introduced by title only by Councilmember Lambert.

17.

ORDINANCE NO. 1812. (1ST Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 5.94 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICPAL CODE RELATING TO TOWING PERMITS.

Ordinance No.1812 was introduced by title only by Councilmember Lambert.

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

18.

Approve Authorize City Manager to execute agreement with City of Inglewood and other cities whereby Hawthorne will offer Computer Aided Dispatch (“CAD”) and Records Management (“RMS”) and certain other public safety systems developed by Tiburon Inc. ("Tiburon”).

19.

Approve to Reject Bid Proposal submitted by JM Builders, Inc on March 5, 2005 for Hawthorne Youth Camp Renovation.

20.

Approve Progress Payments No. 6 and No. 7 due to CT&F Inc., 7228 Scout Avenue, Bell Gardens, Ca 90201 for Traffic Signals Installation in the amount of $32,223.83 from Account #727-4860-723-4779.

21.

Approve Progress Payment No. 2 due to Security Paving Company of Sun Valley, Ca for CDBG Local Street Improvements in the amount of $89,463.49 from CDBG Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program Account # 727-4860-723-4779.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that items l8 through 21 of the City Manager's agenda be approved.

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

22.

Mayor Guidi recessed the City Council meeting to conduct a closed session regarding a Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of Litigation pursuant to Subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9: (1 potential case).

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 – Anticipated Litigation. Initiation of Litigation pursuant to Subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9: (1 potential case) and staff has been directed and no action taken.

23.

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.

24.

Mayor Guidi adjourned the meeting in the memory of Josephine Minnesota.

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Daniel D. Juarez, MMC
City Clerk