MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA HELD OCTOBER 12, 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.

Patricia Feldman gave the evening's invocation. Francis Stiglitch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Guidi introduced Patricia Feldman as the evening's representative from the Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Guidi presented a Certificate of Recognition to Corey and JoAnne Birdsal of Hugs and Kisses on behalf of Corey's Brats, girls softball.

Councilmember Lambert presented a Proclamation to Abraham Amanios of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health in honor of National Health Education Week.

1.

Under Council Reports and Recommendations

Councilmember **Catano** attended the American Legion barbeque.

Councilmember **Catano a**ttended the Office Depot grand opening. Is pleased that many of the employees are from Hawthorne.

Councilmember **Catano** attended the Eucalyptus Park grand opening and feels this is a great addition to that side of town.

Councilmember **Catano** attended the Jose Marti Club Cuban Festival and the Chamber of Commerce Women's Business Club.

Councilmember **Lambert** encouraged businesses to join the Business Women's Council, which is part of the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce.

Councilmember **Lambert** announced that Dorothy Perry was injured over this past weekend by a car and asked that we include her in our prayers.

Councilmember **Lambert** thanked City Clerk Danny Juarez for coming to her church on Sunday to help with the registration of voters.

Councilmember **Lambert** stated that she has not seen any new signs around the city prohibiting littering.

Councilmember **Lambert** inquired if there is a way to find out from the finance director on how much money is yet owed to the general fund from the redevelopment agency.

Councilmember **Lambert** complimented the Ayres Hotel for their fine lunch menu.

Councilmember **Lambert** attended the Office Depot opening and the Eucalyptus Park opening.

Councilmember **Parsons** announced that the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce endorsed Proposition 1A, which is on the November ballot.

Councilmember **Parsons** stated that the city has a zero tolerance approach to pocket rockets.

Councilmember **Parsons** spoke against the building of 450 apartments near the Del Aire section of the County and hopes the County sees fit to deny this project.

Councilmember **Parsons** thanked staff for the quarterly report on expenditures an income.

Councilmember **Velez** announced that the governor appealed AB2702.

Councilmember **Velez** attended the Office Depot grand opening and the Eucalyptus Park grand opening.

Councilmember **Velez** thanked Jim Morack, Allen Richards and the Ramona Neighborhood Association for backing up the Mayor and Council in regards to a local business that was denied a stereo installation permit.

Mayor **Guidi** stated that thanks to the ICSC show, they were able to get Office Depot to come to the city.

Mayor **Guidi** announced that the Lions will be holding a car show on Sunday, October 17th, from 9 am to 3 pm.

Mayor **Guidi** announced that Jim Thorpe Park will be the next park to get remodeled.

Mayor **Guidi** announced that the corner of Van Ness and 120th may soon see new development.

City Clerk **Juarez** reminded everyone that the last day to register to vote is October 18th.

City Clerk **Juarez** congratulated Guy Hocker on receiving the Kiwanian of the Year Award.

City Clerk **Juarez** attended the Eucalyptus Park opening.

City Clerk **Juarez** announced that there will be a community barbeque at the Memorial Center from 5 pm to 8 pm.

2.

Under oral communications, **Joshua Pelzer** represents No on Proposition 68 Campaign and thanked the Council for taking up such an important issue. **Charles Bowie**, 11603 S. Wilton Pl., inquired on the status of the Casmir blockade. Commended the Council and the city on the fine job that was done with Eucalyptus Park. **Carol & Rick DeVusser**, 4444 W. 134th St., announced that they would be moving from Hawthorne come the end of the month, but would still continue helping out the city. **Jerry Nibel**, 12125 Menlo Ave., thanked the Council and all connected with the process of getting a stop sign for 122nd and Menlo. Commended Mickey Winters on the park. Feels H&C Disposal should be sent a letter of recommendation for all their contributions at city functions. **Walt Dixon**, 4378 W. 138th St., is looking for pictures of Hawthorne Blvd., primarily Hawthorne Blvd., east side of the street from El Segundo south and particularly the Centinela Café from the outside. The pictures are for a pictorial book being written about the City of Hawthorne. Pictures can be brought to City Hall or to the Car Show at the Memorial Center this coming Sunday. **Norb Huber**, 13919 Eucalyptus Ave., voiced disapproval of Measure H, the school bond issue. Feels the school board approved this bond measure illegally without public input. **Allan Hamblin**, regarding the Leslie Zepeda redevelopment area, is looking forward to seeing some action moving forward in that arena. Has made several calls regarding parking enforcement, but is not getting any response. **Francis Stiglich** inquired on the rules of the senior center. **Darlene Love**, 2003 W. 116th St., stated that after the installation of a new light pole at 116th St., the surrounding area was not 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.

5.

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on October 12, 2004's agenda.

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

6.

City Clerk Daniel D. Juarez announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing on General Plan Amendment No. 2004GP02 and Change of Zone No. 2004CZ02 re: Applicant Elite Homes, Inc.'s request to amend the general plan designation on Lot 121 from public facilities to High Density Residential (R-3) and change the zoning on Lot 121 (35,840 square feet) from Limited Industrial to High-Density Residential on property located at 13436 Roselle Avenue, in order to bring the subject lot into conformity with the surrounding general plan and zoning designations. The result of approving the General Plan Amendment and the Change of zone would create a 71,680 square foot lot (1.64 acres) located in a High-Density Residential (R-3)

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

Under oral comments, Francis Stiglich stated that there was only three feet between the fence and the house and feels that should be increased.

No one else indicated a desire to be heard.

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

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

Councilmember Velez requested that the developers show their renderings for the project.

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 General Plan Amendment No. 2004GP05 and Change of Zone No. 2004CZ06 are combined into one City initiated application to amend the City's 1989 General Plan, as amended, and Zoning Land Use Map on one hundred five (105) parcels located in Sub Area A which is generally bounded by the 105 Glen Anderson Freeway to the west and north, Burin Avenue to the east and Imperial Highway to the south.

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

Under oral comments, 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 Councilmember Velez, to Approve the Negative Declaration.

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

8

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that the following warrants, properly audited and signed, be paid.

Warrants Nos.: 182947-183048 ; 332316-332614

Warrant Totals: $ 742,520.35 ; $1,909,732.01

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

Resolutions and Ordinances.

9

RESOLUTION NO. 6915.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSITION 68, "GAMING REVENUE ACT OF 2004" AND PROPOSITION 70, "INDIAN GAMING FAIR-SHARE REVENUE ACT."

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that Resolution No. 6915 be approved and adopted.

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

10.

RESOLUTION NO. 6916.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF PARKING TICKET CITATIONS (DATED JANUARY 01, 1995 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2002) PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 6832.

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that Resolution No. 6916 be approved and adopted.

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

11.

ORDINANCE NO. 1801. (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION, CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that Ordinance No. 1801 be approved and adopted.

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

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

12.

Approve for amendments to the budget for fiscal year 2004/2005. During the fiscal year 2003/04 the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Hawthorne received tax increment in excess of the amounts budgeted for. Staff is requesting that this excess be used to repay part of the loan from the General Fund to the Redevelopment Agency.

13.

Approve of Local Workforce Investment Area Five-Year Local Plan Modification No. 5 for Program Year 2004-05. Modifications to the five-year plan (if applicable) are to be submitted on an annual basis in accordance with the State's Directive. Modification No. 5, as required, reflects changes in the participant plan and budget available to support the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Title I services provided by the South Bay Workforce Investment Area (SBWIA) partners.

14.

Approve Progress Payment No. 25 to Pepper Construction, 17841 Mitchell, Irvine, Ca 92614 for Construction of the New Hawthorne Police Station. This payment of $359,073.40 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 Economic Development Administration application for a Grant for the Reconstruction of Chadron and Cerise Avenues. Also, authorize City Manager to execute all documents related to the application process.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that items l2-13-14-15 of the City Manager's consent calendar 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 Manuel Rivas alleging city employee negligence causing accident resulting in personal injury and property damages be denied in its entirety.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Velez that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Manuel Rivas alleging city employee negligence causing accident resulting in personal injury and property damages be denied in its entirety.

Councilmember Lambert requested that item No. 16 be TABLED.

AMEND MOTION ON ITEM 16

MOTION TO TABLE

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert to tabled item No. 16 until the next meeting.

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

17.

The City Attorney recommended that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Melody Suppes alleging wrongful denial of insurance benefits causing her out-of-pocket insurance and medical expenses be denied in its entirety.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Velez, that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Melody Suppes alleging wrongful denial of insurance benefits causing her out-of-pocket insurance and medical expenses be denied in its entirety.

AMEND MOTION ON ITEM 17

MOTION TO TABLE

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Parsons, that item No. 17 be tabled and that an executive meeting be prepare for the next meeting.

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

18.

The City Attorney recommended that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Patsy Roberts alleging dangerous condition of city property in front of 4343 West 136th Street causing her to trip and fall sustaining personal injuries be denied in its entirety.

Councilmember Lambert moved seconded by Councilmember Velez, that the claim filed against the city of Hawthorne on behalf of Patsy Roberts alleging dangerous condition of city property in front of 4343 West 136th Street causing her to trip and fall sustaining personal injuries be denied in its entirety.

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

19.

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.

20.

The meeting was adjourned in the memory of Eleanor Hansen, Beverly Bennet and Harold Martin.

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Daniel D. Juarez, MMC
City Clerk