MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA HELD MAY 23, 2006.

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 City Hall, 4455 West 126th Street, Hawthorne, California.

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

Deacon Tom Moske from St. Joseph Church gave the evening's Invocation. Ferris Schick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Guidi presented a short video honoring the men and women in the military.

Councilmember Lambert presented a Proclamation to Mrs. Mildred Harrison for being selected as the Older American Honoree for the City of Hawthorne.

Mr. Jan Vogel, Executive Director for the SBWIB announced that the Hawthorne Education Foundation held their first golf tournament fund- raiser event last year and it brought in enough money to provide every school in Hawthorne with $1,000. The next tournament fundraiser is scheduled for June 26th at Chester Washington.

1.

Under oral communications, **Paul Lowe** reported that there is a problem with trash pick up in the Holly Park area. It seems that every other week, trash is picked up on a different days other than the regularly scheduled ones. **Allen Richards** wished City Manager Rick Prentice well on his retirement. Asked that something be done to safeguard pedestrians crossing Hawthorne Blvd., especially when there is an activity that would cause many people to cross the boulevard like there was on May 6th at 136th and Hawthorne. Reported that witnesses have periodically seen up to two HPD vehicles speeding through stop signs on Ramona Ave. between Rosescrans and El Segundo without sirens or flashing lights, usually at night. Also reported that most vehicles ignore the stop signs in the Ramona tract usually when people are going to and from work and after dark. **Ferris Schick** wished Richard Prentice a great retirement. Thanked Council for attending the Bodger Park Association meeting last night. Reported that street sweeping in his area has not been on schedule for the last two weeks. Asked for clarification on what holidays the streets are being swept. **Joseph Serrato** and **Jaime Hernandez**, members of Local 802, reported violations at the Aviation and El Segundo demolition project. **Frances Stiglich** asked for a couple of buses and a kitchen for the seniors. Suggested that the Sheriff take over the police department because she feels the police department isn't strong enough to deal with rising crime and it would also save money.

No one else indicated a desire to be heard.

Mayor/Chairman Guidi ordered oral communications closed.

2.

Under Elected Officials Reports and Recommendations:

Discussion/Action Items:

- Extending width of residential driveways by 2 feet. (Lambert)
- Drug and Alcohol Policy (Guidi)
- Appointment of Interim City Manager (Guidi)

City Treasurer **Lubenec** attended the Home Depot Child Safety Fair.

City Clerk **English** reminded voters that if they would like to register to vote by mail, their applications

should be in no later than May 30th for the statewide June 6th election. Poll workers are still needed. Anyone interested should contact the County Clerk.

City Clerk **English** passed on information on the annual seminar for emergency preparedness to be held on June 10th to Councilmember Parsons.

City Clerk **English** attended the Home Deport Child Safety Fair.

- Drug and Alcohol Policy (Guidi)

Mayor Guidi moved seconded by Councilmember Lambert that a Drug and Alcohol Policy be implemented for city employees in the City of Hawthorne.

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

- Appointment of Interim City Manager (Guidi)

Mayor Guidi moved seconded by Councilmember Velez that the Finance Director Mr. Jag Pathirana be appointed as the Interim City Manager.

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

Councilmember **Velez** apologized for not being able to attend the K-9 Dinner due to his wife's graduating from Dominguez Hills.

Councilmember **Velez** attended the Home Depot Child Safety Fair.

Councilmember **Catano** attended the K-9 dinner and Home Depot event. He also thanked Rosalinda Martinez for obtaining all the gifts that were donated for the safety fair.

Councilmember **Catano** announced that it is a law that Council members report as to what was done on trips paid for by the city. He went on to explain what was accomplished at the International Mall Developer's Convention in Las Vegas that he attended along with City Attorney Glen Shishido. In brief, the following occurred: met with the Charles Company for an update on the Hawthorne Mall and stated that two big box retailers are interested and negotiations have begun with one of them; met with the Buxton Organization who measure the demographics of cities; met with Hopkins Real Estate Group who specialize in urban infield and brownfield development; met with Regency Center who expressed interest in the Inglewood/Rosecrans area and any other area on the north side; met with the Festival Company who is interested in the north side; met with Factory Outlet, but they would need 15 acres we don't have and met with a developer that builds IHOP restaurants who expressed extreme interest in the city.

Councilmember **Parsons** asked that we form some kind of system to immediately notify the homeowner's associations when there are incidents in the city that threaten children like the incident that happened recently where a young male was kidnapping girls.

Councilmember **Parsons** has noticed an increase in graffiti since stores are no longer locking up spray paint and he asked that copies of the city ordinance be sent to such businesses to remind them that displays selling spray paint must be locked at all times. He also reminded everyone that there is a 24 hour graffiti hotline.

Councilmember **Parsons** thanked Mr. Allen Richards for his reports.

Councilmember **Lambert** encouraged everyone to attend the Memorial Day Services at the Memorial Center on Monday, May 29, 2006 at 10 am.

Councilmember **Lambert** inquired about installing crosswalk warning flashing lights across Hawthorne Blvd and also inquired about personally purchasing "Kids at Play" signs to put on resident's lawns and near schools.

Councilmember **Lambert** thanked Ms. Lisa Miller for providing a ticket report.

- Extending width of residential driveways by 2 feet. (Lambert)

Councilmember **Lambert** feels that residents should be able to add two feet to the front of their homes in order to park two cars in the driveway, thereby reducing the number of parked cars on overcrowded streets. This would only to apply to lots that are wide enough and the balance of the lawn would have to be maintained.

Mayor **Guidi** thanked Rosalinda Martinez, Public Works, the Police Department and the Fire Fighters for making the Children's Safety Fair a successful event.

Mayor **Guidi** thanked retiring City Manager Rick Prentice for his many years of service at the Police Department and his 2 1/2 years as City Manager.

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 May 9, 2006 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

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

5.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on May 23, 2006's agenda.

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

6.

The City Clerk, Angie English announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on zone text amendments 2006ZA03 (Planning Commission Resolution No. PC 2006-015) an amendment to Title 17 (Zoning), Chapter 17.04 Definitions, Chapter 17.14 R-1 Low Density Residential Classification, Chapter 17.16 R-2 Medium Density Residential Classification, Chapter 17.18 R-3 High Density Residential Classification. Chapter 17.19 R-4 Maximum Density Residential Classification, Chapter 17.20 Supplementary Use and Bulk Requirements for all Residential Zones, Chapter 17.38 Nonconforming Buildings and Uses and Chapter 17.42 Yard and Open Spaces, of the Hawthorne Municipal Code, CEQA determination: Negative Declaration.

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

MOTION TO TABLED

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Parsons to table this public hearing until the next meeting.

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

7.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

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

Warrants Nos.: 186996-187070 ; 357071-357900

Warrant Totals: $ 750,260.25 ; $ 2,326,104.41

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

Resolutions and Ordinances.

8.

RESOLUTION NO. 7035.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 AND SETTING TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2006 AT 6:00 P.M. AS THE TIME AND DATE OF A PUBLIC HEARING. Motion to adopt.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 7035 be approved and adopted.

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

9.

RESOLUTION NO. 7036.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THAT THE HOLLYWOOD PARK RACETRACK BE DESIGNATED AS A CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL LANDMARK. Motion to adopt.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 7036 be approved and adopted.

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

10.

RESOLUTION NO. 7037.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THE NEED FOR AND ESTABLISHING AN EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC STREET AND UTILITY PURPOSES OVER AND ABOVE BROADWAY AVENUE (FORMERLY NORTHROP AVENUE) BETWEEN PRAIRIE AVENUE AND CRENSHAW BOULEVARD. Motion to adopt.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 7037 be approved and adopted.

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

11.

RESOLUTION NO. 7038.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENTS AND SETTING A HEARING DATE FOR SUCH PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS. Motion to adopt.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 7038 be approved and adopted.

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

12.

RESOLUTION NO. 7039.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, OPPOSING AB 2987 IN ITS CURRENT FORM. Motion to adopt.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 7039 be approved and adopted.

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

13.

ORDINANCE NO. 1845. (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING SECTIONS 10.80.010 F (DRIVEWAY), 10.80.010 K (PARKING), 10.80.040 (SOLICITATION) OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE ("HMC") AND ADDING SECTIONS 10.80.015, 10.80.016, 10.80.017, 10.80.018, 10.80.025, 10.80.045, 10.80.046, 10.80.075, 10.80.115, 10.80.165, 10.80.175, 10.80.205, 10.80.206, 10.80.207, AND 10.80.208 OF THE HMC RE: GENERAL AIRPORT RULES & REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO SAFETY AND REPEALING SECTION 10.80.230. Motion to adopt.

This Ordinance was pulled before the Council meeting – It was already approved at the last City Council meeting.

14.

ORDINANCE NO. 1852. (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE ZONE MAP AMENDMENT 2006CZ02 WHICH CHANGES THE ZONE FOR 13823, 13901, 13905, 13909, 13913, 13917, AND 13923 SOUTH DOTY AVENUE AND 3813, 3817, 3825, 3829, 3833, 3839, 3845, AND 3857 WEST 139TH STREET FROM M-1 (LIMITED INDUSTRIAL) TO R-3 (HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) IN ORDER TO BRING THE ZONING INTO CONFORMITY WITH THE CITY'S 1989 ADOPTED GENERAL PLAN. Motion to adopt.

Councilmember Velez moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Ordinance No. 1852 be approved and adopted.

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

15.

ORDINANCE NO. 1853. (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING CHAPTER 15.20 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER STANDARDS FOR BILLBOARDS. Motion to adopt.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Ordinance No. 1853 be approved and adopted.

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

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

16.

Approve Progress Payment No. 10 to Trimming Land Co. Inc., 10513 Dolores Avenue, South Gate, Ca 90280 for Street Tree Trimming in the amount of $12,579.00 to be charged to the Recreation and Community Services Tree Trimming Account # 100-6111-4051.

17.

Approval of Agreements with Public Service Providers for use of CDBG and HOME funds – Annual Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investments Partnership Program funding for Program Year 2006, July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007 with the following public service providers: a) Behavioral Health Services $1,000 ; b) St. Margaret's Center $1,000 ; c) Charlotte's House $1,000 ; d) South Bay Family Healthcare Center $1,000 ; e) Moneta Gardens Improvement Inc., $1,000 ; f) Housing Rights Center $38,850 ; g) Mona Blvd Community Services $1,000.

18.

Approve South Bay Workforce Investment Board Appointments: 1) Mr. Michael Rembis, 2) Mr. Lloyd Wilkey; and Re-Appointments of 1) Ms. Yvette Johnson, 2) Yvonne Mallory, 3) Dr. James Lyons, and 4) Mr. Joe Aro.
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council ratify the City of Inglewood appointments of Mr. Michael Rembis and Mr. Lloyd Wilkey; ratify the City of Gardena re-appointments of Mr. Yvette Johnson and Ms. Yvonne Mallory; and act to re-appoint Dr. James Lyons and Mr. Joe Aro to the South Bay Workforce Investment Board for the term of office July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2010.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that items l6, 17 and 18 of the City Manager's agenda be approved.

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

19.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m. in memory of Roger Milstead.

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Angie Reyes English
City Clerk