

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,
CALIFORNIA HELD OCTOBER 10, 2006.**

Mayor/Chairman Guidi called the City Council, Community Redevelopment Agency, Parking Authority, and Housing Authority meeting to order jointly and concurrently at 6:06 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.

Darlene Love gave the evening's invocation. Girl Scout Troop #774 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Catano presented Certificates of Recognition to Girl Scout Troop #774 from the City and from Senator Vincent's office for their efforts in earning the Girl Scout Silver award.

Ken Murray from the VFW asked for donations for the Greater LA Food Bank. A barrel is available in city hall for contributions.

1.

Mayor Guidi recessed the City Council meeting to conduct a **closed session** Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency Negotiator: Jeff Freedman - Employee Organizations: All Employee Groups.

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 a closed session Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency Negotiator: Jeff Freedman - Employee Organizations: All Employee Groups and announced that the labor negotiator was instructed, no action taken.

2.

Under oral communications **Jacqueline Jones** thanked the Council and everyone involved for the cleanup process of the trailer park behind 3636 Imperial. **Claudia Fishler**, 12700 Grevillea, announced that Friends of the Hawthorne Library will hold a book and bake sale on Saturday from 9 to 3. In honor of Spanish Heritage Month, which has been extended, there will be a special magic show on October 21st at 2pm. The library will be closed in observance of Veteran's Day on Friday, November 10th and Saturday, November 11th. **Ferris Schick**, 3712 W. 147th St., asked that the three day notification extension regarding Ordinance 1851 be looked at. **Phillip Jones**, 11549 Tarron, thanked everyone for the great job they did at the trailer park. Asked for police enforcement at Cimmaron School due to parents who let their kids run across the street and double and triple park. **Gordon Mego**, 4535 W. 141st St., gave a history of his background and announced that he is a candidate for a U.S. Congress House Seat in the 35th District. **Fernando Vinegas**, a volunteer at the Hawthorne Senior Center, reported that gang activity at Memorial Park is increasing. **Barbara Anthony**, 2512 W. 115th St., feels the city should step in to help regarding a contractor problem she is experiencing when she had work done through a city program. **Donald Clydus** announced that he has filed for the Water Replenishment District Seat #1.

Under Elected Officials Reports and Recommendations:

Councilmember **Parsons** announced that the Chevron refinery will have an open house on November 4th. For more information, call 310-615-3747. Hawthorne will be offering a flu clinic at the Senior Center on November 7th from 9:30am to 12:30pm. The RCC in Hawthorne now has a translator that allows any department to talk to any other agency throughout the South Bay. Commended the Public Works department for the new technology that monitors sewage flows. Inquired on the holidays that qualify for the traffic sign exemptions. Requested to put agenda reading material on CD-ROM or DVD in order to save paper. Stated that our policies on block parties will be changing.

Councilmember **Lambert** feels that the city should be better aware of its surroundings, community and neighbors and asked for concurrence to gather a couple of highly experienced people in homeland security.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that Councilmember Lambert put together a meeting at the Memorial Center regarding homeland security.

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

Councilmember **Lambert** would like to sell a decal for cars to spread the “In God We Trust” motto. Proceeds would go to local organizations.

Councilmember **Catano** announced that on October 21st a classic motorcycle and car show will take place at the Betty Ainsworth Center parking lot from 10am to 3pm.

Councilmember **Velez** disclosed to the public that we were in litigation with S&W and that we have reached an agreement of settlement. Asked that we thank and keep in our thoughts those in uniform.

Mayor **Guidi** asked if anyone knows Mr. Earnest Bates as he would like him to have a copy of the letter that was sent to Superior Court regarding S&W. Thanked department heads and especially Chief Heffner for the difference they have made for the citizens. Thanked Darlene Love for inviting him to be the guest speaker at the Women’s Club. Announced that the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank is taking donations in city hall. Thanked staff and those that have contributed to making the Holiday parade possible on December 2nd at 10am.

City Treasurer **Lubenec** sent prayers out to the City Clerk Angie English.

4.

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

5.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting of September 26, 2006 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

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

6.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on October 10, 2006’s agenda.
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ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Catano, Lambert, Parsons, Velez, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

7.

The Deputy City Clerk, Monica Dicrisci announced that this was the time and place to publicly receive, open and declare sealed bids for the Street Tree Trimming Project.

Public Works Department submitted declaration of publication, which was ordered filed.

Sealed bids were publicly opened and read from the following firms:

<i>MARTINEZ LANDSCAPE</i>	<i>\$174,750.00</i>
<i>TRIMMINGLAND CO.</i>	<i>\$154,355.00</i>
<i>WEST COAST ARBORIST</i>	<i>\$179,353.00</i>

All bids were accompanied by a bidder's bond.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, that the bids be referred to staff for study and recommendation.

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

8.

For the record, Mayor Guidi excused himself from this Public Hearing due to a possibility of a conflict of interest.

Deputy City Clerk Monica Dicrisi announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing on Zone Text Amendment 2006ZA07 (Planning Commission Resolution No. 2006-33), amending sections 17.14.020 and 17.48.020 of the Hawthorne Municipal Code. CEQA Determination: Categorically Exempt.

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

No one expressed a desire to speak on this topic.

Mayor Pro Tem Catano ordered to close the public portion of the hearing. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Pro Tem Catano moved, seconded by Councilmember Parsons to instruct the City Attorney to prepare the necessary Resolution/Ordinances.

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

9.

For the record, Mayor Guidi excused himself from this Public Hearing due to a possibility of a conflict of interest.

Deputy City Clerk Monica Dicrisi announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing on the Final Environmental Impact Report for Century Business Center Project, Century Business Center Specific Plan 2006SP01, Zone Text Amendment 2006ZA05 (Century Business Center Specific Plan, Change of Zone 2006CZ03 amending zoning map from M-2 (Heavy Industrial) to CPCGP (Century Business Center Specific Plan), and Development Agreement 2006DA01.

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

No one expressed a desire to speak on this topic.

Mayor Pro Tem Catano ordered to close the public portion of the hearing. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 7063.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, RESCINDING ITS PRIOR CERTIFICATION OF THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE CENTURY BUSINESS CENTER SPECIFIC PLAN PROJECT, CERTIFYING A REVISED FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE CENTURY BUSINESS CENTER SPECIFIC PLAN PROJECT (SCH # 2005091123), MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM, AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION 7047.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Councilmember Velez, that Resolution No. 7063 be approved and adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 7064.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 7049 AND THE CITY COUNCIL’S PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE CENTURY BUSINESS CENTER SPECIFIC PLAN, GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE CENTURY BUSINESS CENTER SPECIFIC PLAN NO. 2006SP01, AS REVISED, AN APPLICATION BY MS KEARNY NORTHROP AVENUE, LLC RELATED TO APPROXIMATELY 86 ACRES OF PROPERTY BOUNDED BY CRENSHAW BOULEVARD TO THE EAST, JACK NORTHROP AVENUE TO THE SOUTH, PRAIRIE AVENUE TO THE WEST AND THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TO THE NORTH, MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT AND OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION PURSUANT TO CEQA, ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM, IMPOSING CONDITIONS, MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF, AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 7049.

Councilmember Velez moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Catano, that Resolution No. 7064 be approved and adopted.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1864 (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, RESCINDING THE CITY’S PRIOR APPROVALS OF ZONE CODE AMENDMENT 2006ZA05 AND CHANGE OF ZONE NO. 2006CZ03, APPROVING REVISED VERSIONS OF ZONE CODE AMENDMENT 2006ZA05 AND CHANGE OF ZONE NO. 2006CZ03, APPLICATIONS BY MS KEARNY NORTHROP AVENUE, L.L.C., TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO REFER TO THE CENTURY BUSINESS CENTER SPECIFIC PLAN AND TO CHANGE THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 86 ACRES OF PROPERTY BOUNDED BY CRENSHAW BOULEVARD TO THE EAST, JACK NORTHROP AVENUE TO THE SOUTH, PRAIRIE AVENUE TO THE WEST AND THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TO THE NORTH, FROM HEAVY INDUSTRIAL (M-2) TO CENTURY BUSINESS CENTER SPECIFIC PLAN (CBCSP), SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS, REPEALING ORDINANCE NOS. 1858 AND 1859, AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF.

Ordinance No. 1864 was introduced by title only by Mayor Pro Tem Catano.

ORDINANCE NO. 1860 (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE CENTURY BUSINESS CENTER DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF.

Ordinance No. 1860 was introduced by title only by Councilmember Lambert.

10.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

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

Warrants Nos.: 187865-187928 ; 362604-362987

Warrant Totals: \$ 727,669.64 ; \$ 2,250,552.78

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

11.

RESOLUTION NO. 7069.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA MAKING FINDINGS RELATIVE TO A CALL FOR REVIEW AND APPROVING BOTH A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT AND ALSO APPROVING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 2006CU07 TO SELL BEER AND WINE IN CONJUNCTION WITH A BONA FIDE PUBLIC EATING-PLACE, EL FOGON MEXICAN RESTAURANT, LOCATED AT 11433 HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD, IN THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, WITHIN A C-1 (FREEWAY COMMERCIAL MIXED USE) ZONE.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that Resolution No. 7069 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None.

The City Manager, Jag Pathirana, presented the following agenda and requested approval of the indicated recommendations:

12.

Approve the Local Workforce Investment Area Five-Year Strategic Plan via local plan modification, as required by the State Employment Development Department.

13.

Approve South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) Appointments of Dr. Jack E. Daniels, III, President, Los Angeles Southwest College, and ratify the City of Redondo Beach appointment of Ms. Diane Yegge, Manager, Target Redondo Beach store, to the South Bay Workforce Investment Board.

14.

Approve Progress Payment No. 4 due to Griffith Company, P.O Box 2150 Santa Fe Springs, Ca 90670 -0150 for Rosecrans/Aviation Intersection Widening Project in the amount of \$517,042.88 funded by from the Federal Demo and SAFETEA-LU funds account # 286-5502-440-4773.

15.

Approve to Award an Agreement including its Addendum to Emergency Services Restoration, Inc to perform property clean up, sanitizing and odor removal and authorize the Director of Public Works to sign the Agreement on the City's behalf.

16.

Approve and authorize staff to issue Purchase Orders for purchase of certain equipment and/or services.

17.

Approve to Award contract to Ocean Blue Environmental Services Inc., for cleaning the sewer mains and manholes and restored to sewer overflow emergencies in the City of Hawthorne on an as needed basis and authorize the Director of Public Works to sign the agreement on the City's behalf.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Velez, that items 12 through 17 of the City Manager's consent calendar be approved.

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

NOES: None.

18.

The City Attorney, Glen Shishido, recommended to Authorize settlement in the case entitled Barbara Clemente v. City of Hawthorne, (Case No. YC 053 665) in the sum of \$12,000.00 as payment in full for her claims arising from her slip and fall incident described in Complaint YC 053 665 and authorize Finance Director to release warrant on or before October 15, 2006 payable to Barbara Clemente and the Law Offices of Burris & Schoenberg in the amount of \$12,000.00.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that the proposed settlement be approved.

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

19.

THIS OPTIONAL CLOSED SESSION WAS NOT HELD AT THIS MEETING

Optional Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9 of the California Government Code. Name of Case: Barbara Clemente v. City of Hawthorne, (Case No. YC 053 665)

20.

Mayor Pro Tem Catano adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. in the memory of George McNamara and Jimmy Elvis Jimenez.

Monica Dicrisci
Deputy City Clerk