

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,  
CALIFORNIA HELD MAY 8, 2007.**

Mayor Guidi called the City Council, Community Redevelopment Agency, Parking Authority, and Housing Authority meeting to order jointly and concurrently at 6:05 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 4455 West 126th Street, Hawthorne, California.

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

Absent: Councilmember Parsons (excused).

City Treasurer Thierry Lubenec gave the evening's invocation. Allen Richards gave an explanation on the meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance and Mr. Walt Dixon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Guidi presented a video on how the city has changed over the years.

A short video clip announcing the Italian Street Festival and Bocce Tournament at Hawthorne Memorial Park on Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 7pm. The Moneta Gardens Health Fair and the Kiwanis Fair will also be held at this time.

Mayor Guidi announced that a way has been found to put the police helicopter back in service without using general fund monies.

1.

Under Discussion Action Items:

Councilmember **Velez** announced that Hawthorne will be participating in the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Police Dog Competition on Saturday. It will be hosted by the Redondo Beach Police Department K9 Team. The Hawthorne President's Council will be hosting the K9 Community BBQ Dinner on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at the Memorial Center. The Hawthorne President's Council will also be hosting a Pride Day for the K9 training facility at 126<sup>th</sup> and Grevillea.

Councilmember **Catano** attended the Medal of Valor ceremony, the Schnierow Dental open house, the Home Town Buffet grand opening, the Day of Prayer and the VFW Women's Auxiliary 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the Chamber Mixer at the Ramada.

Councilmember **Lambert** participated in the Richstone Center Walk, attended the Hometown Buffet grand opening, the Day of Prayer and the Ladies Auxiliary Anniversary. Was pleased with the citizens who came to speak and ask questions at the WesPac town hall meeting.

Mayor **Guidi** announced that the Home Depot Children's Safety Fair will be held on May 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 am to 2:00 pm and thanked Heidi from the El Segundo Herald for running the ad. Invited the community and asked for support for the Italian Festival/Bocce Tournament. The Teen Challenge Car Show will be held in July. Inquired on how to go about imposing term limits. Asked to agendize the next council meeting to prepare for the helicopter.

Mayor Guidi pulled his Discussion/Action Item:

- Forming of a Police Commission (Guidi)

City Treasurer **Lubenec** announced that the School District Kid's Health Walk will be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> at the Memorial Center. Participated in the Richstone Pier to Pier Walk.

City Clerk **English** attended a convention in San Diego where she met Barrack Obama and Hilary Clinton.

2.

Under oral communications, **Margaret Jeppessen**, 11830 S. Gale, commented that she is not very happy with the new trash service as the cans were left in the middle of the street. **Walt Dixon**, 4378 138<sup>th</sup>

St., announced the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual K9 Dinner and encouraged everyone in the TV audience to attend. **Darlene Love**, 2003 W. 116<sup>th</sup> St., complained about a resident who is disruptive at the homeowner's meetings. He is bringing materials outlining his plans for the city when in fact he does not work for the city. **Ammar Kahf**, Islamic Center of Hawthorne, reported that the Big Sunday event of April 29<sup>th</sup> was a wonderful event with many volunteers, especially Wells Fargo. Flowerpots were given to Rosecrans Villa, Pacifica House and Richstone. Proceeds from lemonade sales went to the Children's Burn Foundation and 30 boxes of clothes were distributed. Announced the upcoming Health Fair on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Liliana Nunez** inquired if anyone was familiar with an organization called Organized Community Haters as she has been nominated by this organization and would like to get her name off it. **Sean Galindo, Chris Wiley and Eric Lane**, on behalf of the Hawthorne Police Officers Association and its members, personally acknowledged the City Council's recent actions to increase the hiring of additional police officers and allowing promotional examination for police captain, police lieutenant and police sergeant. **Officer Frank Miller** thanked the Council for bringing back the helicopter and introduced the new X26 taser.

3.

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

4.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular and the special meeting of April 24, 2007 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Parsons.

5.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on May 8, 2007's agenda.

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

NOES: Councilmember Parsons.

6.

City Clerk English announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on Final Annual Plan for Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investments Partnership Program funding for Program Year 2007, July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008.

Planning Department's declaration publication filed. No written communications were received. Call for oral comments. Motion-close hearing. Motion to approve Annual Plan and Authorize the City Manager to execute all application forms and certifications and its submission to HUD.

Mayor Guidi called for oral comments.

No one indicated a desire to be heard.

Mayor Guidi ordered the public portion of the hearing closed. MOTION CARRIED.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, to Approve Annual Plan and Authorize the City Manager to execute all application forms and certifications and its submission to HUD.

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Parsons. ABSTAIN: Councilmember Catano.

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.: 188958-189016 ; 371142-371568

Warrant Totals: \$ 887,499.92 ; \$1,989,853.72

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Parsons.

Resolutions and Ordinances.

8.

**RESOLUTION NO. 7107.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, OPPOSING SENATE BILL 964 (ROMERO) WHICH SEEKS TO BROADLY AND UNNECESSARILY PROHIBIT COMMON CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS WITH STAFF AND THE CITY ATTORNEY.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, that Resolution No. 7107 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: Councilmember Parsons.

Resolutions and Ordinances.

9.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1888. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 8.34.120 B AND 8.34.180 F OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO PRESCRIBED TIMES TO USE SAFE AND SANE FIREWORKS AND POSTING SIGNS OF SUCH USAGE RESTRICTION IN EACH FIREWORKS BOOTH.

Ordinance No. 1888 was introduced by title only by Councilmember Velez.

10.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1885. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 17.38.030 [CONFORMANCE OF FUTURE USE], AND SECTION 17.38.040 [RECONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS PARTIALLY DESTROYED OR DAMAGED], AND ADDING SECTION 17.38.045 [RECOMMENCEMENT OF A NONCONFORMING SELF-STORAGE USE IN A NONCONFORMING BUILDING].

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Ordinance No. 1885 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Parsons.

11.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1886. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 17.72.040 [HOME OCCUPATION -

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS].

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Councilmember Velez, that Ordinance No. 1886 be approved and adopted.

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

12.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1887.** (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 17.25.080 [EXTERIOR COLORS], AMENDING SECTION 17.26.080 [EXTERIOR COLORS], AMENDING SECTION 17.28.080 [EXTERIOR COLORS], AMENDING SECTION 17.30.070 [EXTERIOR COLORS], AMENDING SECTION 17.32.070 [EXTERIOR COLORS], AND AMENDING SECTION 17.34.080 [EXTERIOR COLORS].

Councilmember Catano moved, seconded by Councilmember Velez, that Ordinance No. 1887 be approved and adopted.

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

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

13.

Approve Installation of Speed Humps on 129<sup>th</sup> Street between Inglewood Avenue and Ramona Avenue.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Councilmember Velez that the City Manager’s consent calendar be approved.

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

14.

Mayor Guidi adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the memory of Betty Wilson and Carmen Rodriguez Salazar.

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Angie Reyes English  
City Clerk