

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,
CALIFORNIA HELD NOVEMBER 27, 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, Parsons, Mayor Guidi.

Absent: Councilmember Lambert, Velez (excused)

Civil Service Commissioner Darlene Love gave the evening's invocation. Girl Scout Troop #750 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Guidi presented a Certificate of Merit to Girl Scout Troop #750 for its service to the community as the Color Guard at the November 27, 2007 Hawthorne City Council Meeting.

Mayor Guidi presented a short video showing the new Hawthorne Airport runways.

1.

Linda Loudon from the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles spoke about upcoming events at the Ayres Hotel in Hawthorne. There will be a Gingerbread Village competition on December 5th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm, which is open to the public. The grand prize is \$1000. On December 9th there will be a Food & Wine Tasting Event from 4pm to 7pm. The charge is \$50 per person and the proceeds will benefit the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles.

2.

City Clerk Angie English gave her Certification of the Official Results of the returns of the General Municipal Election held November 6, 2007 as follows:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Elections Code of the State of California, the Registrar-Recorder of the County of Los Angeles canvassed the returns of said General Municipal Election and has certified the results attached hereto and made a part hereof as "Exhibit A" and I now certify to you as follows:

That there were fourteen (14) voting precincts established for the purpose of holding said election, consisting of consolidations of the regular election precincts in said City as established for the holding of State and County elections.

That said General Municipal Election was held for the purpose of electing the following officers of said City as required by the laws relating to cities in the state of California, to wit:

For Mayor of the City Council for a full term of two years.

For two members of the City Council for a full term of four years.

That the whole number of votes cast in said City except absent voter ballots was 2307.

That the whole number of absent voter ballots cast in said City was 1,387 making a total of 3,694 votes cast in said City.

That the names of persons voted for at said election and the total number of votes received by each person are as follows:

For Mayor of the City Council:

Larry Guidi 2563

For Members of the City Council:

Ginny Lambert	1,775
Daniel Juarez	1,434
Thierry Lubenec.....	1,289
Hugo Rojas	978
Alicia Marie Brewster	648

I certify that Larry Guidi was elected as Mayor of the City Council for said City for the full term of two years.

I certify that Ginny Lambert was elected as a member of the City Council for said City for the full term of four years.

I certify that Daniel Juarez was elected as a Member of the City Council for said City for the full term of four years.

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Angie Reyes English
City Clerk

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that the City Clerk's statement and certification of the canvass be filed.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 7151.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACTS OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2007 AND DECLARING THE RESULTS THEREOF AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS ARE PROVIDED BY LAW.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Parsons, that Resolution No. 7151 be approved and adopted.

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

3.

City Clerk English administered the Oath of Office as prescribed in the Constitution of the State of California to Mayor Larry Guidi and Councilmember Daniel Juarez.

Councilmember Juarez introduced his family and thanked everyone who supported and voted for him.

Mayor Guidi introduced his family and thanked everyone for their support and help.

Mayor Guidi called a 15-minute recess to celebrate the incoming officers.

4.

Under Elected Officials Report and Recommendations:

Mayor Guidi announced that the Hawthorne parade will be held this Saturday. There will be a chili cook off, snow for the kids, free hot dogs, toys and Santa Claus. Asked that at the next meeting the Public

Works Director give a presentation on how the last sewer fee increases were spent. Reported that there is a problem with cars for sale on Inglewood, Prairie and Imperial Avenues. Encouraged everyone to see the improvements on 147th Street between Inglewood and Ocean Gate. Thanked Public Works Director Arnie Shadbehr and his team for the flowers and palm trees that have been added on Imperial and Hawthorne Blvds. Suggested buying vacant buildings on Hawthorne Blvd. as an investment and then tearing them down to use as parking lots for businesses. Is working with Assemblyman Curren Price to put a bill together that would allow local cities to impose fines on the parents of taggers. Asked that a special town hall meeting be called to inform the residents of Hollyglen about a potential contamination of the water plume under Hollyglen. Clarified that Comstock Development, not Continental Development, will be responsible for the payment of the EIR. Thanked the Hawthorne/Lawndale Ministerial Association, the Lions Club and all the volunteers that helped at the Senior Thanksgiving dinner.

Councilmember **Juarez** announced that Congresswoman Maxine Waters will be putting on a hearing on Foreclosure Prevention and Intervention at the California Science Center on Friday November 30th at 10am. The ribbon cutting for the new Vasek Polack Health Clinic will be held on December 3rd at 13355 Hawthorne Blvd.

Councilmember **Parsons** attended the Hawthorne VFW Thanksgiving dinner and praised the Hawthorne High School students who served the veterans for the caring job they did. Is in favor of supporting the Green Line extension project for LAX. Inquired about the State grant, the California Gang Reduction Intervention and Prevention Funding Opportunity, a grant request that is due in December. Inquired if we have to comply with AS #114 Statement of Auditing Standards. Thanked Little Company of Mary for bringing in the Vasek Polack Health Center to the City. Asked if is possible to get a monthly report for Council on the activity of Air 55, the value it serves to the City and to the police department and how many other cities it has supported and money received from those cities.

Councilmember **Catano** agreed that we should look into applying for grants related to gang reduction, but cautioned not to get our hopes up. Attended the ribbon cutting for Super Suppers.

City Treasurer **Lubenec** hopes everybody had a nice Thanksgiving, wished everyone a nice holiday season and hopes to see everyone at the parade.

5.

Under oral communications, **Jim Matthews** stated that the City is in good shape and looks forward to what Councilman Juarez brings to the table for the Council. Phillip Jones congratulated the Mayor and Councilmember Juarez. Praised the police department for the good job they do and always being available. Suggested that the Holly Park area be referred to as Holly Park and not the east side. Is concerned that a Wal-Mart might come into the city. **Darlene Love**, 2023 W. 116th St., thanked Councilmember Lambert for the work she did at Olivet Church around Thanksgiving. Thanked Public Works Director Arnie Shadbehr for fixing the sidewalks in the area.

6.

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

7.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting of November 11, 2007 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert. ABSTAIN: Councilmember Juarez.

8.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on November 27, 2007's agenda.

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert.

9.

City Clerk Angie R. English announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on Amendment to final Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2007 – Leslie Zepeda Memorial Neighborhood Improvement Program.

Planning Department's declaration of publication filed. No written communications were received.

Under oral comments, no one expressed the desire to address this topic.

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

10.

City Clerk Angie R. English announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on the proposed reduction in the application fee to \$300 for an Appeal from the Approved Color Chart.

Planning Department's declaration publication filed. No written communications were received.

Under oral comments, no one expressed the desire to address this topic.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 7146.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE APPLICATION FEE FOR AN APPEAL FOR EXTERIOR COLORS FROM THE APPROVED COLOR CHART FOR BUILDINGS IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ZONES.

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Councilmember Juarez, that Resolution No. 7146 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: None.

NOES: Councilmember Catano, Juarez, Parsons, Mayor Guidi.

ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert.

11.

City Clerk Angie R. English announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on establishing Temporary Sign (banner) deposit of \$250.

Planning Department's declaration publication filed. No written communications were received.

Under oral comments, no one expressed the desire to address this topic.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 7147.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A DEPOSIT FEE FOR A TEMPORARY SIGN IN COMPLIANCE WITH HMC SECTION 17.35.230K.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Juarez, that Resolution No. 7147 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmember Catano, Juarez, Parsons, Mayor Guidi.

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert.

12.

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.: 189448-189452 ; 379321-380088

Warrant Totals: \$ 804,516.30 ; \$2,429,904.46

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert.

Resolutions and Ordinances.

13.

RESOLUTION NO. 7150.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING AB 889 (LIEU) THAT ESTABLISHES A CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY TO EXTEND THE METRO GREEN LINE LIGHT RAIL SYSTEM INCLUDING AN INITIAL SEGMENT TO LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. .

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that Resolution No. 7150 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert.

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

14.

Approve the Subordination, Nondisturbance and Attornment Agreement.

15.

Approve the Workforce Investment Act Local Plan Modification for Program Year (PY) 2007-2008.

16.

Approve the Plans and Specifications for Traffic Signal Modification on Hawthorne Blvd and authorize the Chief of General Services and Public Works to advertise this project with a return date of January 22, 2008.

17.

Approve Progress Payment No. 1 and authorization for the Chief of General Services & Public Works to add additional work as Contract Change Order on the current contract to All American Asphalt P.O Box 2229 Corona, Ca 92878-2229 for the 2007 Street Improvement Project. Project No. 07-03, Federal #STPL 5253 (10), in the amount of \$398,799.49 funded from Federal #STPL 5253 (10). Account #289-5502-441-4773 and approve additional work as Contract Change Order No. 1.

18.

Progress Payment No. 1 due to Griffith Company, 12200 Bloomfield Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, Ca, 90670 for Hawthorne Municipal Airport Runway Reconstruction Project. Federal A.I.P Project No. 3-06-0101-11 (Project #06-05) in the amount of \$878,887.15 funded from FAA Grant Fund.

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19.

Approve of receive and file the City Treasurer's Investment Reports for the quarters ended June 30th 2007 and September 30th 2007.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Juarez, to approve items 11 through 17 from the City Manager's consent calendar.

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Velez.

20.

The City Attorney, Glen Shishido, recommended that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Clemintina C. Donis alleging dangerous condition of city property when she sustained personal injuries as a result of a slip on collected water be denied in its entirety.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Clemintina C. Donis alleging dangerous condition of city property when she sustained personal injuries as a result of a slip on collected water be denied in its entirety.

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert.

21.

The City Attorney, Glen Shishido, recommended that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Carlos Nunez-Mercado and Daniel Diaz alleging personal injuries during a minor collision with vehicle driven by city employee be denied in its entirety.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Carlos Nunez-Mercado and Daniel Diaz alleging personal injuries during a minor collision with vehicle driven by city employee be denied in its entirety.

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

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert.

22.

Mayor Guidi adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Angie Reyes English
City Clerk