

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,  
CALIFORNIA HELD JANUARY 22, 2008.**

Mayor/Chairman Guidi called the City Council, Community Redevelopment Agency, Parking Authority and Housing Authority meeting to order jointly and concurrently at 6:10 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 4455 West 126th Street, Hawthorne, California.

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

Absent: None.

Patricia Donaldson gave the evening's invocation. Hawthorne Police Explorers Post led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Guidi presented a video on the Hawthorne Police Explorers.

Mayor Pro Tem Lambert presented a Certificate of Merit to the Hawthorne Police Explorers for its service to the community as the color guard for tonight's meeting.

Chief Medrano of Gardena thanked the Hawthorne Police Department and the City for providing help to their city when an officer was shot.

Public Works Director Arnie Shadbehr gave a presentation on the State-mandated National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and proposed a clean water fee to property owners to help pay for new mandates.

**Under Elected Officials Reports and Recommendations:**

Councilmember **Juarez** attended Assemblymember Curren Price's open house where it was nice to see many of our constituents expressing their concerns. The University of California Students Association named Assemblymember Price Legislator of the Year. Thanked the Hawthorne businesses and organizations that contributed to the success of the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual AYSO VIP Friendship Festival held last week. They included Advanced Party Rentals, 1<sup>st</sup> Class Foods, Hawthorne Police Department, Hawthorne Cable Usage Corporation, Hometown Buffet, Kiwanis Club of Hawthorne and their Key Clubbers, Luigi's Restaurant, the Rotary Club of Hawthorne and their Rotary Interact Kids. Congratulated Malek on the completion of the Runway Improvement Project. Reminded homeowners who have illegally converted garages to convert them back to car garages, as there was a fire recently in an illegally converted garage. Asked that Allied go to York Avenue to pick up Christmas trees that have made their way to the street. Gave well wishes to Jonathan Lubenec who was recently in the hospital. Announced that on February 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, there will be a public meeting on the development of a new park at the old police station. There is also a survey on the website where you can give input on what you would like to see built there. Announced that there will be a public hearing on February 6<sup>th</sup> at the Carson Community Center regarding the termination of bus lines affecting Hawthorne and the South Bay area.

Councilmember **Catano** attended the Hawthorne/Lawndale Ministerial Association meeting at Oceangate Church. The church will be working to help the homeless. Attended the open house for Assemblymember Curren Price. Senator Vincent's office will host two workshops for students who want to apply for Cal Grants. One will be held at the Memorial Center on February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11am and the other will be held at Inglewood Library on February 16<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Students who attend and fill out applications will also be eligible for a \$1000 scholarship drawing.

Councilmember **Lambert** thanked Public Works Director Arnie Shadbher and his crew for the new runway. Inquired if a thank you letter had been sent to Congresswoman Burke for a recent grant.

Mayor **Guidi** reminded everyone that the South Bay Youth Violence Prevention Summit will be held this Saturday from 10am to 12pm at the Memorial Center. Reported that the doctors and nurses at Centinela Hospital are wonderful, but the conditions that patients are subjected to are deplorable and something needs to be done about it. After doing research, does not believe that there is any money from Prop. 84 to build parks. Reported that the Holly Park retail/industrial area is looking good.

Councilmember **Parsons** reported on three items that were recently authorized for payment. They include an automated device that can read license plates from select police cars, bullet proof vests for officers and

smart manhole covers. Requested a public budget workshop be held ahead of time so the public can have input to the budget process.

City Treasurer **Lubenec** thanked everyone who prayed for his son during his medical issue.

City Clerk **English** reminded everyone about the Public Safety Gang Prevention Intervention Summit to be held on Saturday at the Memorial Center. Stated that Centinela Hospital was purchased by a physician and investors. Thanked everyone for their condolences and concern on the passing of her sister-in-law.

2.

Under oral communications, **Allen Richards**, 13828 S. Ramona Ave., speaking for the Ramona Neighborhood Association, spoke regarding a barking dog issue in which the case was dismissed and recommended that in the future, issues of this nature be thoroughly investigated in their proper time zone and that all the facts of the investigation be reported. **Ferris Schick** reported that his son had the distinction of being the first aircraft to touch down on the new runway on Thanksgiving Day. Thanked the city for the beautiful job that was done on the islands along Marine and Prairie. Reported that temporary no-parking signs in the Bodger Park area are not being properly posted. **Ammar Kahf**, 13011 Doty Ave., reminded everyone to use the graffiti hotline to report graffiti. The number is 349-1632. Saluted the graffiti team in the city for all the great work they do. Inquired on what is the policy regarding the hours of restroom facilities in Eucalyptus Park. Is still having issues with trash billing. **Darlene Love** reported that a light not working on Wilton and 116<sup>th</sup> Place. **Cristina Chiappe** announced that she will be opening a Licensed Vocational Nursing program on February 19<sup>th</sup>. If any questions, you can reach her at 310-263-3136. **Jerry Nibel**, 12125 Menlo, inquired on where the money would come from for the water fees if it does not pass by the voters. **Frances Stiglich** visited the new Little Company of Mary health center. Reported about a vacant lot in her neighborhood that has a gang problem and asked that the police go there more often. Asked that the city look into making composts with their recyclables like Los Angeles will be doing. Reported that people are still coming around stealing recyclables from her neighborhood. **Alejandro Vargas** reported that Christmas trees in his area are being brought out after January 6<sup>th</sup> due to a part of the community that celebrates The Three Kings. Also sees a problem of transients picking through recyclables in his area. **Pastor David Hughes** of First New Life Christian Church stated that his church has been a recruitment center for the down and out and is going to stay that way. In his eyes, what they are doing is fine. They don't bother anyone and have never asked anyone for support. **Ronny Manson** reported that the trash company would not pick up a Christmas tree that was involved in a dumpster fire at his church. They are also having problems with tagging at the church.

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 Juarez, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting of January 8, 2008 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None. Abstain: Councilmember Parsons.

5.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Juarez, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on January 22, 2008's agenda.

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

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: Councilmember Parsons.

6.

The City Clerk Reyes English announced that this was the time and place to publicly receive, open and declare sealed bids for Traffic Signals Modification of Hawthorne Boulevard. (Project No. 07-08).

Public Works Department submitted declaration of publication, which was ordered filed. Bidder’s bond are required.

THERE WERE 8 BIDS RECEIVED. (ALL WERE ACCOMPANIED BY BIDDER’S BOND)

THE PRICES WERE AS FOLLOWS:

Comet Electric	\$255,000.00
Moore Electric	\$142,321.00
Terno Inc	\$170,962.00
PTM	\$124,400.00
MSL Electric Eng	\$135,000.00
Christopher R. Morales	\$159,985.00
Ca Professional Eng	\$153,950.00
Steiny & Company	\$159,470.00

Councilmember Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that the bids be referred to staff for study and recommendation.

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

7.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

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

Warrants Nos.: 189556-189557 ; 57554-57930 ; 381409-382152

Warrant Totals: \$ 801,671.97 ; \$ 1,452.99 ; \$ 3,,771,247.38

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

Resolutions and Ordinances.

8.

**RESOLUTION NO. 7159**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF PARKING TICKET CITATIONS (DATED JANUARY 01, 2002 THROUGH JANUARY 01, 2006) PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 6832.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano, that Resolution No. 7159 be approved and adopted.

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

9.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1911.** (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, ADDING SECTION 13.56.030 TO THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE ("HMC") IN REGARDS TO MAINTENANCE OF SEWER LATERALS AND AMENDING SECTION 13.76.020, 13.76.040, 13.76.050, 13.76.060, 13.76.070, 13.76.080, 13.76.100, 13.76.110 AND 13.76.120 CLARIFYING THE TERMS "GREASE CONTROL DEVICE," "COMMERCIAL WASTE CONTROL DEVICE," "INDUSTRIAL WASTE INTERCEPTOR" AND COMMERCIAL WASTE INTERCEPTOR".

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Ordinance No. 1911 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None.

10.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1913.** (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ENGINEERING & TRAFFIC SURVEYS PREPARED BY ALBERT GROVER & ASSOCIATES FOR THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 10.16 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMITS ON VARIOUS STREETS WITHIN THE CITY.

Councilmember Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Ordinance No. 1911 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None.

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

11.

Approve to issue Purchase Orders for purchases of certain equipment and/or services – purchase of purchase of Software and training for the Geographical Information System.

12.

Approve renewal of a sublease Agreement No. 07-H255 with Banneker Industries Inc. for space at the South Bay One-Stop Business and Career Center, Inglewood located at 110 S. La Brea Avenue in the City of Inglewood, California and authorize the Mayor to execute it on behalf of the South Bay Workforce Investment Board.

13.

Approve Progress Payment No. 1 to the current contract California Commercial Pools Inc., 2255 E. Auto Center Dr., Glendora, CA 91740-6721 for the Hawthorne Municipal Pool Renovation Project No. 06-01 in the amount of \$304,245.00 funded from Proposition 40 Account # 100-6115-000-4231.

14.

Approve Progress Payment No. 2 to 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 \$ 224,497.12 funded from Federal #STPL 5253 (10) Account # 289-5502-441-4773 and CDBG Account # 727-4830-000-4775.

15.

Approve Progress Payment No. 4 to Trimming Land Co. Inc 10513 Dolores Ave., South Gate, CA 90280 for Street Tree Trimming Project in the amount of \$2,570.00 to be funded by Account # 100-4111-000-4051 and \$5,680.00 to be funded by Account # 225-4106-000-4051.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Councilmember Juarez that items 11 through 15 of the City Manager's consent calendar be approved.

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

16.

Create new employee classifications of Finance Manager and Human Resources Manager.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the City Council approve the employee classifications of Finance Manager and Human Resources Manager.

**MOTION TO TABLE**

Councilmember Catano moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi to table this item until the next meeting.

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

The City Attorney, Glen Shishido, presented the following agenda and requested approval of the indicated recommendation:

17.

Approve Subrogation claim of AAA Inter-insurance Exchange on behalf of their clients, Julie and Robert Phillips alleging damage to their clients' vehicle when a collision occurred with a vehicle driven by a city employee in the amount of \$9,414.94.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano that this subrogation claim of AAA Inter-insurance Exchange on behalf of their clients, Julie and Robert Phillips alleging damage to their clients' vehicle when a collision occurred with a vehicle driven by a city employee in the amount of \$9,414.94 be approved.

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

**ADDED ITEM.**

**Public Hearing** – On Appeal Application No. 2008AA01, appealing the January 2, 2008 Planning Commission action approving a Conditional Use Permit No. 2007CU11, to allow shared parking and a reduction in the required number of parking spaces at 3709 Rosecrans Avenue. Planning Department's declaration publication filed. No written communications. Call for oral comments. Motion to continue Public Hearing until the next meeting, February 8, 2008 to allow the staff to gather additional information on the entire property.

Mayor Guidi stated that they will be continuing the public hearing on the appeal for application 2008AA01 until next meeting of Feb. 12.

17.

Mayor Guidi adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

1/22/08

Angie Reyes English  
City Clerk