

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,
CALIFORNIA HELD APRIL 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.

Reverend Teresa Santillan from Hawthorne United Methodist Church gave the evening's invocation. Dick Hobart led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Lambert presented a Proclamation to City Clerk Angie English in honor of Municipal Clerks Week held May 4th through May 10th.

1.

Under Elected Officials Reports and Recommendations:

Discussion/Action Items:

- Re-appointments to Parks and Recreation/Fine Arts Commission (Guidi)

Mayor Guidi moved seconded by Councilmember Juarez that all the Parks and Recreation/Fine Arts Commission be re-appointed.

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

- Time limit on Councilmembers Reports (Catano-Lambert)

Councilmember Catano moved seconded by Councilmember Lambert to limit Councilmember's reports to 10 minutes mandatory.

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

- Responsibilities and duties of Councilmembers (Catano)

Because some Councilmembers sometimes go over and beyond of what their job entails, Councilmember Catano asked that the city attorney send a memo advising what Councilmember's duties actually call for.

- Chamber of Commerce (Guidi)

Due to criticisms and comments regarding the State of the City event and it's relationship with the Chamber of Commerce, Mayor Guidi stated that he is going to step back from being the guest speaker at the event until the City Council decides whether they want to be a part of this event along with the Chamber of Commerce.

- Oversize vehicles parked in residential neighborhoods (Guidi)

Mayor **Guidi** reported on how the health department is now going after little league stands, yet continues to allow illegal food vendors to prep food on the streets. Asked that the traffic department understand what it means when the city ordinance refers to oversize vehicles parked in residential neighborhoods. Announced that there is a new corporation moving into Hawthorne called Rhodet Kamatsu. Hangar Athletics Xchange will also be moving to Hawthorne. Toured SpaceX last week and was able to see the capsule that will meet the space station. Attended a plane sale at the Hawthorne Airport. Thanked Wiseburn School District Superintendent Don Bran for sending a list of after school programs that are

available in the Wiseburn School District. Thanked Mr. Jan Vogel for the Youth Job Fair that attracted 700 kids. Thanked Jose Gutierrez for the fantastic job their Holy Park team did on Saturday. Announced that Hawthorne Math and Science Academy will be graduating their first senior class of 77 students. Spoke on an incident that occurred at a liquor store on 3800 Doty and how the area between El Segundo and 132nd needs to be cleaned up. Announced that the 10th Annual Children's Safety Fair at Home Depot will be held on May 17th from 10:30am to 2 pm. Donations of movie dvds, music cds, bubble gum, gameboys and double AA batteries are being collected for the troops and can be dropped off at city hall. There will be a graveside burial for Penny Hobart at Inglewood Park Cemetery at 2pm. Suggested that letter from St. Joseph's asking that the hospital be reopened be forwarded to the Daughters of Charity since they closed RFK hospital

Councilmember **Lambert** inquired on what the contribution she made to Wiseburn Education Foundation goes towards. Advised residents to be on the lookout for a card stating that Time Warner will be doing underground fieldwork in some areas, which will cause a shut down between 4pm and 5pm. Asked that the two Veteran's halls in the city be given water brooms.

Councilmember **Catano** thanked Mr. Jan Vogel and his staff for the Job Fair. Attended the Holly Park clean up, the Lawndale Rotary Sheriff and Firefighter of the Year and the Hawthorne Chamber Mixer.

Councilmember **Parsons** congratulated Officer Frank Miller and his dog Boyd for placing 5th in the state K9 competition. Thanked the Parks and Rec. director for putting together a plan to market the summer camp. Asked for an update on the state financial crises and whether any money had been taken or delayed from the city. Spoke on the importance of maintaining the jail's video recording system. Supports working closely with the chamber as they support, educate and bring in business. Spoke on the closer relationship he now has with Hawthorne schools after talking to Superintendent Don Carrington and a Hawthorne School Board member.

Councilmember **Juarez** looking forward to when the Hawthorne School District opens more preschools as there is a need in the city. Attended the Youth Job Fair. Thanked Jose Gutierrez for his leadership in getting people in Hollypark to clean up the alleyways. Participated in National Library Week by reading to kids over at the library. Commended the Wiseburn and Hawthorne School District for the fantastic job they do in providing after school programs for kids. Congratulated Juan Cabrillo School for being named a California Distinguished School. Congratulated Assemblyman Curren Price for receiving a 100% Legislative Score Card rating from the American Association of Retired Persons.

2.

Under oral communications **Norm Morton**, 4612 W. Broadway, representing the Parks & Rec./Fine Arts Commission, rebutted statements made by Councilman Parsons at the last meeting referring to the Parks & Recreation Commission not doing their job with the recommendation they made regarding the proposed park at the old police station site. **Alex Monteiro** 12413 Ramona Ave., thanked all the City employees and staff that contributed to the success of the ribbon cutting at the Castle. Thanked the Public Works department for transforming the handball courts into storage which has tremendously transformed the parks image in the last three weeks. **Jose Gutierrez**, President Holly Park HOA, 2526 W. 118th Pl., thanked city officials, city staff and everyone who supported the second year of Operation Clean Sweep this past Saturday. **Allen Richards**, 13828 Ramona Ave., asked that Councilmember's comments be kept to not more than 10 minutes per Councilmember. Inquired of Councilmembers whether they supported the Centinela Valley Union High School District and Hawthorne School District tax bonds that will be voted on for June 3rd. Thanked Lt. Julian Catano for explaining about some problems in the Ramona track and how they were resolved. **Michael Brink**, 4714 W. 129th St., inquired on the progress of his suggestion to have trash pickup limited to once a week with the street sweeper following afterwards on the same day. **Rev. Tyrone Partee**, Olivet Lutheran Church, 2506 W. Imperial Hwy., commended staff for their diligent work in helping them to change their certificate of occupancy so they can have a charter school at their location. **Gordon Mego**, 4535 W. 141st St., has spoken to residents across the city and the general consensus is that the civic center must remain in its entirety at its present location and it should be modernized to better serve the needs of the people in the city. Also read a letter of support for a medical facility in the community from St. Joseph Priest Perry Leiker. **Mildred Harrison** spoke regarding her wrongful termination. **Darlene Love**, 2003 W. 115th St., announced that The Castle will hold an open house on April 26th from 10am to 1pm. Volunteer Appreciation Day will be held on April 27th and the K9 Community Dinner will be held on May 15th. Both events need volunteers to help out. **Billy Thorns** spoke in support of Mildred Harrison. **Danny Arias**, 12131 Cedar Ave., asked what Councilman Parsons had done to better the city. **Joyce Jones**

spoke in support of Mildred Harrison. **Steven Fidda**, 4521 W. 136th St., requested speed bumps for his street.

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 April 8, 2008 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

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

5.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on April 22, 2008’s agenda.

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

6.

The City Clerk English announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on Final Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2008, July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009. Planning Department’s declaration publication filed. No written communications were received. Call for oral comments. Motion-close hearing. No further action taken at this time. (Action on the application will be at the May 14, 2008 meeting at the conclusion of the public review period).

Mayor Guidi called for public comments.

No one expressed a desire to be heard.

Mayor Guidi ordered the public portion of the hearing closed.

7.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

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

Warrants Nos.: 189586--189587 ; 384692-385460

Warrant Totals: \$ 750,517.01 ; \$ 3,702,830.95

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

Resolutions and Ordinances.

8.

RESOLUTION NO. 7169

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA ORDERING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS/CITY ENGINEER TO PREPARE A REPORT ON THE IMPROVEMENTS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THE STREET LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009

AS REQUIRED BY THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE SECTON 22622.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 7169 be approved and adopted.

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

9.

RESOLUTION NO. 7170

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA ADOPTING A RETENTION SCHEDULE FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND DISPOSITION OF RECORDS AND ADOPTING A DISPOSITION PROCEDURE FOR RECORDS THAT HAVE BEEN REPRODUCED IN ANOTHER ELECTRONIC STORAGE MEDIUM.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Resolution No. 7170 be approved and adopted.

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

10.

ORDINANCE NO. 1915. (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA APPROVING A CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION UNDER CEQA AND AMENDING TITLE 17 (ZONING) OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE, ADDING SECTION 17.04.079 [ASSEMBLY HALL] AND SECTION 17.20.280 [ASSEMBLY HALL] AND AMENDING SECTION 17.04.158 [CHURCH], SECTION 17.14.020 [PERMITTED AND CONDITIONALLY PERMITTED USES AND BULK REQUIREMENTS], SECTION 17.16.020 [PERMITTED AND CONDITIONALLY PERMITTED USES AND BULK REQUIREMENTS], SECTION 17.18.020 [PERMITTED AND CONDITIONALLY PERMITTED USES AND BULK REQUIREMENTS], SECTION 17.19.020 [PERMITTED AND CONDITIONALLY PERMITTED USES AND BULK REQUIREMENTS], SECTION 17.20.170 [CHURCH OR OTHER RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY USE], AND SECTION 17.30.020.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Councilmember Parsons, that Ordinance No. 1915 be approved and adopted.

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

11.

ORDINANCE NO. 1917. (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF MAIL BALLOT ELECTIONS AND ADDING SECTION 11.02 TO THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert that Ordinance No. 1917 be approved and adopted.

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

12.

ORDINANCE NO. 1918. (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 5.84 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE TO REGULATE THE SALE AND POSSESSION OF INDELIBLE INK FELT TIP MARKERS.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Ordinance No. 1918 be approved and adopted.

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

13.

ORDINANCE NO. 1916. (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 8.34.090 D, 8.34.090G AND 8.34.120P OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO PRESCRIBED TIMES TO SELL SAFE AND SANE FIREWORKS, PERMIT FEES TO BE SET BY RESOLUTION AND DEADLINE TO REMOVE LITTER NEAR FIREWORKS BOOTH.

Ordinance No. 1916 was introduced by title only by Councilmember Lambert.

14.

ORDINANCE NO. 1920. (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 5.98 TO THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO TOBACCO RETAIL LICENSING REGULATIONS.

Ordinance No. 1920 was introduced by title only with amendments by Mayor Guidi.

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

15.

Approve and Adopt 2nd Amendment to the 1992 & 1996 County of Los Angeles Proposition “A” – City of Hawthorne Youth Employment Plan. Added project is the Municipal Pool Renovation.

16.

Approve Progress Payment #3 due to Griffith Company for Hawthorne Municipal Airport Runway Reconstruction Project, Federal A.I.P. Project No. 3-06-0101-11 (Project #06-05) in the amount of \$228,493.08 funded from FAA Grant funds.

17.

Approve Progress Payment # 5 to All American Asphalt P.O. Box 2229, Corona, CA 92878-2229 for the 2007 Street Improvement Project, No. 07-03, Federal #STPL 5253(10) in the amount of \$146,807.19 funded from PROP C Account # 289-5502-416-4773.

18.

Approve a five-year service Agreement with Hadronex to maintain and service “Smart Cover” sewage overflow detection devices.

19.

Approve a sublease with El Camino Community College District 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.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Catano that items 15 through 19 of the City Manager’s consent calendar be approved.

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:

20.

The City Attorney Glen Shishido recommended that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Michael Burnette alleging personal injuries during a minor collision with vehicle driven by city employee be denied in its entirety.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Juarez, that the claim filed against the City of Hawthorne on behalf of Michael Burnette alleging personal injuries during a minor collision with vehicle driven by city employee be denied in its entirety.

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

21.

TABLED ITEM

A

Staff is seeking city council’s authorization to issue Purchase Order to purchase certain equipment and/or services – Vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council authorize the City Manager to issue the purchase order.

- View supporting documentation

TABLED ITEM

B

Staff is seeking city council’s authorization to issue Purchase Order to purchase certain equipment and/or services – Video Recording System for HPD Jail.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council authorize City Manager to issue purchase order.

- View supporting documentation

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Juarez to remove and approve tables item A and B.

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

22.

Mayor Guidi adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m. in the memory of Penny Ann Hobart.

Angie Reyes English
City Clerk