

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,
CALIFORNIA HELD MAY 12, 2009.**

Mayor/Chairman Guidi called the City Council, Community Redevelopment Agency, Parking Authority and Housing Authority meeting to order jointly and concurrently at 6:00 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.

Pastor George Magdalany from Hope Chapel gave the evening's invocation. Chief of Police Michael Heffner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Guidi and Mayor Pro Tem Lambert presented Proclamations to Jennifer Bourdeau, Program Coordinator for the Muscular Dystrophy Association and to Assistant Fire Chief Rick Moreno in honor of Firefighters Appreciation Month and their involvement with the 2009 Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Alex Monteiro made a power point presentation to show before and after pictures of the property located at 12501 Kornblum, which was refurbished using Certified Housing Development Organization Funds.

Sergeant Robert Williams, Hawthorne Community Affairs Unit Representative, made a power point presentation highlighting such things as the goals, requirements and instructors of the Citizen's Academy, which will begin on August 5th.

1.

Under oral communications **Patricia Donaldson**, Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce President, announced that there will be a chamber mixer on Thursday at the South Bay WIB. **Rula Alshanableh**, 4903 W. 116th St., spoke in opposition to the proposed 285 housing units at the former Hawthorne Mall. Alex Monteiro thanked those that attended the pancake breakfast at Pacifica House. Reminded everyone that the K9 Dinner is coming up on May 21st at 5pm and that 14th Annual Health Fair and 5K Walk & Marathon will be held on June 6th at 7am. Olivia Valentine, 2519 W. 115th St., Vice President of the Holly Park Homeowner's Association, thanked the Mayor and City Council for making CERT training available to the community. **Norb Huber**, 13919 Eucalyptus, introduced himself as the newly elected president of the Ramona Neighborhood Association. Announced that on August 4th the association will be participating in National Night Out and invited other neighborhood associations to join in. **Darlene Love**, 2003 W. 116th, announced that Congresswoman Maxine Waters will be holding a meeting on May 16th at 10am concerning the stimulus at Rowley Park. **Dennis Wild**, 5245 138th Place, spoke in support of Resolution 7255 on tonight's agenda. Announced that the Kiwanis will hold a fair from May 28th to May 31st. **Ammar Kahf**, Islamic Center of Hawthorne, thanked everyone for their support and participation at the 4th Annual Health Fair and Blood Drive.

2.

Under Elected Officials Reports and Recommendations:

Councilmember Catano was excused from elected officials reports and recommendations.

Councilmember **Lambert** encouraged the community to attend the K9 Dinner on May 21st from 5pm – 8pm at the Memorial Center.

Mayor **Guidi** inquired on how to hold the program that offers gift certificates in exchange for turning in guns and ammunition. Chief Heffner replied that it is complex and that he would do a report for Council by the next meeting. Due to thugs hanging out in strip malls causing trouble, asked if there is a way to impose some kind of requirement that if they become a public nuisance, the business owners would be required to have some kind of private security to control the problem so that it is not a burden on the city. Congratulated Public Works Director Arnie Shadbehr for the rebuilding of Imperial Highway; rebuilding Inglewood Avenue will be the next project. Reviewed last month's stats for the helicopter and commented that the support that other cities promised two years ago has not come through. Thanked the Hawthorne Islamic Center for their health fair. Thanked Nadia Barrera, the Leos and the Hawthorne Lions Club for their breakfast event. Announced that the Hawthorne Kiwanis Fair will begin on May 28th, the Italian Festival on June 13th and the Teen Challenge Car Show on July 11th. Thanked the homeowners associations and Sandy Mazza for promoting and supporting local events. Congratulated Glenn Parkison

Glenn Parkison of the EAA Chapter 96 Young Eagles program for flying over 6,000 children since 1992.

Councilmember **Parsons** spoke in favor of letting non-profit organizations post their banners. Advised residents to call their water company if they are still experiencing bad tasting water. Stated that where before 911 cell phone calls in Hawthorne went to the CHP, now, due to a modern system, 911 calls made from a cell phone in Hawthorne go directly to the Hawthorne Police Department. Encouraged everyone to help the census when they come knocking on your door because Hawthorne was undercounted at the last census causing a lot of money to be lost. Announced that LAX has two advisory bodies and are looking for two Hawthorne residents who can sit on these bodies. Announced that there will be a dog vaccination and licensing clinic on May 30th at city hall. Thanked the Islamic center for opening their mosque to the general community by holding a health fair. Announced that the CHAT group will meet on June 6th at Journey Church at 9:30.

Councilmember **Juarez** asked for a letter opposing AB155, the bankruptcy issue. Announced that postage went up yesterday to 44¢. Announced Maxine Waters will have a town hall meeting on May 16th from 10am to 12pm at Rowley Park gymnasium in Gardena.

Discussion/Action Items:

- Notification for public hearings - distance from subject property; notification to property owner or resident; detailed notifications or postcards (Lambert)

Councilmember Lambert feels strongly about advising the community well enough in advance when something is coming up. She would prefer that notices go to the owners of any rentals rather than individuals. Right now any development that the city is doing is only required to be notified up to 300 feet and 300 feet is not broad enough in her opinion to hit all the community that should be notified.

Ginny moved seconded by Mayor Guidi to go back to the 1000 feet distance for development that the city is doing and send it to the Planning Commission to make the amendment.

- League of California Cities – “Save your City Campaign”. (Juarez)

Councilmember Juarez explained that the governor has a budget proposal which involves borrowing 8% of our property tax. This would take away \$1.1 million, the majority which goes to law enforcement and public safety. The League of California Cities is currently has a campaign called “Save Your City” where they are trying to get a letter to the governor saying that we are opposed to this. Asked for the concurrence of the council to send a letter.

3.

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

4.

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the special meeting of April 14, 2009, the regular meeting of April 14, 2009, the special meeting of April 28, 2009 and the regular meeting of April 28, 2009 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

The City Clerk mentioned that in reviewing the minutes of the regular meeting of April 14th, an amendment needed to be made to page 5, line 5. The word “unless” was incorrectly transcribed. It should be changed to “once” as it was originally said at the meeting.

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

NOES: None.

5.

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on May 12, 2009’s agenda.

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

NOES: None.

6.

City Clerk English announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing and approval of Final Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2009, July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

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

Mayor Guidi called for public comments.

Under oral communications, no one expressed a desire to be heard.

Mayor Guidi closed the public portion of the hearing.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Councilmember Juarez, to approve the Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2009, July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 authorizing the City Manager to sign the application, certifications and all related documents and to submit same to HUD.

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

NOES: None.

7.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

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

Warrants Nos.: 189888-189892 : 398176-398164

Warrant Totals: \$ 807,370.13 ; \$1,103,896.30

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

NOES: None.

Resolutions and Ordinances.

8.

RESOLUTION NO. 7254

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH THE GOVERNING SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009 FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RELATING TO GENERAL LAW CITIES AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PROCEDURES FOR THE CONDUCT THEREOF AND REQUEST THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS TO THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER TO TAKE ANY AND ALL STEPS NECESSARY FOR THE HOLDING OF THE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION.

Councilmember Parsons moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, that Resolution No. 7254 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None.

9.

RESOLUTION NO. 7255

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 7000 RELATING TO POLICY PERMITTING BANNERS ON THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, that Resolution No. 7255 be **tabled** until the next meeting.

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

NOES: Councilmember Juarez, Parsons.

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

10.

Approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 07-H226 with Ron and Betty M. Pole, Landlords for the lease of certain premises located at 110 South La Brea Ave. Inglewood, California on behalf of the South Bay Workforce Investment Board.

11.

Approve Progress Payment No. 1 due to Martinez Landscape Company, 12337 San Fernando Road, Sylmar, Ca 91342 for 2008 City Wide Concrete Improvement Project in the amount of \$350,605.80.

12.

Approve to authorize the City Manager to issue Purchase Order for a Ford Crown Victoria Police Cruiser.

13.

Approve a Second Amendment to Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2008 Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) and further authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to implement the 2nd Amendment.

14.

Approve LDM Associates Contract for development of the five year Consolidated Plan for CDBG and HOME funds, 2010 through 2015 and Annual Action Plan FY 2010. The cost of the services is \$19,440. Approval authorizes the City Manager to execute the contract and all other documents necessary to implement the LDM Associates contract.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that item 10 through 14 of the City Manager's consent calendar be approved.

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

NOES: None.

The Acting City Attorney, Russell Miyahira, presented the following agenda and requested approval of the indicated recommendation:

15.

The Acting City Attorney, Russell Miyahira, recommended that the claim on behalf of Stephen Colquette alleging that he was demoted, in violation of Government Code Section § 3304(f) be denied in its entirety.

Councilmember Lambert moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, that the claim on behalf of Stephen Colquette alleging that he was demoted, in violation of Government Code Section § 3304(f) be denied in its entirety.

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

16.

Mayor Guidi adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Angie Reyes English
City Clerk