MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA HELD APRIL 12, 2011.

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

ROLL CALL-Present: Councilmembers Lambert, English, Juarez, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
Absent: None

Alicia Vargas from Hawthorne Nazarene Church gave the evening's invocation. Tom Quintana led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chief Fager presented plaques to Employees of the Month Detective Tim Johnson and Detective Mark Kirunchyk. Chief Fager also introduced newly promoted Sgt. Steve Colquette.

Councilmember Lambert presented a Proclamation to Rolando Ramirez of the Richstone Family Center in honor of National Child Abuse Prevention Week.

Mayor Pro Tem Vargas presented a Proclamation to DMV Ambassador Wendy Rodgers in honor of DMV Donate Life California Month.

Councilmember Juarez presented a Proclamation to Don Rowe of the Hawthorne Library in honor of National Library Week.

Councilmember Juarez presented a Proclamation to Scott Carter, a Los Angeles City Fire Department Firefighter/Paramedic and Hawthorne resident, in honor of receiving the 2011 Los Angeles City Fire Department Medal of Valor.

AT&T Community Relations Manager Angela Gibson gave a presentation on the upgrading of their wireless network in Hawthorne and how wireless networks operate.

Jabari Smith gave a presentation on Pop Warner Football. Hawthorne's team is the Southern California Bengals. The Lady Bengals Cheerleaders also performed.

1.

Under oral communications **Darlene Love** reported that Relay for Life consisted of 35 teams and brought in $50,000; donations are still being accepted until August 15th. Volunteers should be at Volunteer Appreciation Day at the Memorial Center by 1pm on April 17th. Commended the city for the flowers on 120th. Concerned with cars backed up on Crenshaw turning east to 120th. Reported a problem with weeds on 120th and Van Ness. **Nicholas Torrey** asked that tattoo parlors be considered for the C3 zone. **Victoria Bruton** spoke on incident involving her towed car. **Olivia Valentine** announced that the Chamber of Commerce will hold its 1st Annual Business Forum and Mixer on April 28th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm at the Flight Path Museum at LAX, 6661 W. Imperial Hwy. **Don Rowe,** Hawthorne Library, spoke on services offered at the library such as a homework center, a teen center, e-readers and wireless services. Upcoming events include story time with Councilmember Juarez this Thursday at 11am, Book & Bake Sale on April 16th from 9am to 3pm, Japanese Flower Arranging Demonstration on April 30th at 2pm, Aztec Dancing Troupe on May 14th at 2pm, Feng Shui workshop on May 28th at 2pm and a workshop on changing careers on April 23rd from 10am to 11am. **Kyle Orleman** thanked the city and Angela Gibson of AT&T for everything they have done to rectify telephone problems in Mrs. Orleman's neighborhood.

2.

a.- South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) **Update** (Juarez)

- Air Quality Management District (AQMD) State of the Air Video

Due to technical difficulties, video was not able to be shown. Councilmember Juarez requested that it be put on the city website.

- California Forward

  California Forward is a think tank where the community has the opportunity to provide input and submit ideas on positive changes for California. Their motto is "Real Reform, Restoring the California Dream and Making the State Work Again" and their website is www.info@cafwd.org.

- Metro Rail Yard Maintenance Yard Board Action
  The South Bay Cities Council of Governments supports construction of the Crenshaw/LAX Corridor Project although no particular location has been favored. Hawthorne has advocated that this expansion not be done in our city.

- City of Hawthorne support to City of Redondo Beach King Harbor clean-up Redondo Beach Mayor Mike Gin wrote a letter of thanks to Hawthorne for providing them with resources to clean up the tons of sardines that recently washed up on their shoreline. Hawthorne city employees John Hays, Joel Hernandez, Rick Carver and others were instrumental in helping with the four day clean-up.

3.

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

4.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular and special of March 8, 2011 and the regular meeting of March 22, 2011 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers English, Juarez, Lambert, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

5.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on April 12, 2011's agenda.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Lambert, English, Juarez, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

6.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

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

Warrants Nos.: 190625-190632 ; 422275-422577

Warrant Totals: $687,205.00 ; $3,380,351.43

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Lambert, English, Juarez, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

7.

RESOLUTION NO. 7369

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 2011-2012 AS REQUIRED BY THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE SECTION 22622.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution No. 7369 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers English, Juarez, Lambert, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

8.

RESOLUTION NO. 7370

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, RESTRICTING CURB PARKING ON PRAIRIE AVENUE IN FRONT OF 14948-15014 PRAIRIE AVENUE.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution No. 7370 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers English, Juarez, Lambert, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

9.

City Clerk Huber announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing to consider Ordinance No. 1987**,** Adopting By Reference The Los Angeles County Mobile Food Facility Grading Program By Adopting The Current Version Of The Los Angeles County Code, Re: Restaurant Grading, Including Amendments, Additions And Deletions, And Amending Hawthorne Municipal Code Section 8.10.010 And Adding Section 8.10.020.

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

Mayor Guidi called for public comments.

No one expressed a desire to speak on this topic.

ORDINANCE NO. 1987 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MOBILE FOOD FACILITY GRADING PROGRAM BY ADOPTING THE CURRENT VERSION OF DIVISION 1 OF TITLE 8 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE, INCLUDING AMENDMENTS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS, AND AMENDING HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 8.10.010 AND ADDING SECTION 8.10.020.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember English, that Ordinance No. 1987 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers English, Juarez, Lambert, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

10.

ORDINANCE NO. 1990 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA ADDING SECTION 2.06.232 TO THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Ordinance No. 1990 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers English, Juarez, Lambert, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

11.

ORDINANCE NO. 1991 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING SECTION 2.06.230 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE LIMITING THE NUMBER OF DIRECTIVES ISSUED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

Councilmember Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Ordinance No. 1991 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Juarez, Lambert, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None. ABSTAIN Councilmember English.

12.

ORDINANCE NO. 1992 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING SECTION 2.06.130 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND THE PROCEDURE FOR AGENDIZING OF CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION AND CERTAIN DESIGNATED TYPES OF RESOLUTIONS.

Councilmember Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Lambert, that Ordinance No. 1992 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: Councilmember Juarez. ABSTAIN Councilmembers English, Lambert.

13.

ORDINANCE NO. 1994 (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA ADDING HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE ("HMC") SECTION 2.02.020 RELATING TO THE FORMATION OF BINDING CONTRACTS, ALSO ADDING HMC SECTION 2.02.030 RELATING TO DEFINITION OF NON-BINDING CONTRACTS AND ADDING 2.02.040 RELATING TO AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATIONS.

Ordinance No. 1994 was introduced by title only by Councilmember Juarez.

The City Manager, James Mitsch, presented the following agenda and requested approval of the indicated recommendation:

14.

Approve to Authorize a Comprehensive User Fee Study by Wildan Financial and appropriate change in City Budget.

Councilmember English moved seconded by Mayor Guidi to Approve a Comprehensive User Fee Study by Wildan Financial and appropriate change in City Budget.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers English, Juarez, Lambert, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

15.

Approve the RFP for the Hawthorne Municipal Water System Lease and its procedures for submitting as well as evaluating bid proposals for a fifteen (15) year lease of the Water System and Ground Water and authorize Chief of Public Works and general Services to advertise for bid.

16.

Approve Purchase of two Final Cut Pro Editing Systems for the Cable Department and authorize the City Manager to proceed with it.

17.

Approve Purchase of Portable Air Compressors for the Equipment Division and authorize the Director of Public Works to proceed with it.

18.

Approve to Ratify new member to the South Bay Workforce Investment Board: Dr. Sandra G. Horwitz, O.D., representing Lawndale business private sector.

Councilmember Vargas moved seconded by Mayor Guidi to approve items 15, 16, 17 & 18.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers English, Juarez, Lambert, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

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

19.

The City Attorney, Russell Miyahira, recommended that the Application for Leave to Present late Claim on behalf of Claimant Isabel Ventura pursuant to Government Code Section 911.4 be denied in its entirety.

Mayor Guidi moved seconded by councilmember Lambert that the Application for Leave to Present late Claim on behalf of Claimant Isabel Ventura pursuant to Government Code Section 911.4 be denied in its entirety.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers English, Juarez, Lambert, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
NOES: None.

20.

Under Elected Officials Reports and Recommendations:

Mayor **Guidi** requested moving Councilmember's Discussion/Action Items right before Elected Officials Reports and Recommendations be presented on the next agenda for approval. Thanked Councilmember Angie English and Tom Quintana for bringing together the Service Provider Fair and Earth Day events.

Suggested putting in a remote control car area at the Memorial Center. Donated various artifacts to the Historical Society. Cautioned staff that is in a decision making position that if they wouldn't put something next to their home, then council does not want it in the city either. Appreciates the work that Code Enforcement does and would like to step up enforcement. Requested a closed session for the next agenda to discuss labor negotiations.

Councilmember **Lambert** encouraged residents to attend the Water and Energy Expo on May 21st from 9am -12pm at the recycling center at 1935 S. Hughes Way, El Segundo. Apologized for not being able to attend the Service Provider Fair.

Councilmember **Juarez** congratulated Alex Monteiro and all those who helped put the Relay for Life event together. Thanked the VFW Post for inviting him to their 80th Anniversary celebration. Thanked all those who participated in the Hawthorne Parks and Recreation Foundation Golf Tournament. Congratulated Councilmember English on the great turnout at the Service Provider Fair. Attended the 8th Annual Rock-Around-the-Block event for the Wiseburn Education Foundation. Along with members of the Fusion Homeowners Association, attended the public hearing to speak against the expansion of the maintenance facility yard near the Fusion complex. Attended Assemblyman Bradford's Health Care Forum where the topic of the affordable health care act was discussed. Reported that unemployment figures in Hawthorne had gone down from 16.1 to 15.9 and attributed some of this success to SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel for putting residents to work. Thanked the Hollyglen Homeowners Association for having someone speak about the health care issue and educating people on what they need to do. Asked that we take a look at a paperless agenda. Announced that the Hawthorne Historical Society will hold an open meeting at the Hawthorne Police Department Community Room on Thursday.

Councilmember **Vargas** attended the Relay for Life and VFW Post events. Congratulated Councilmember English for the Service Provider Fair event and city staff for the Earth Day event. Congratulated John Burrus on his Eagle Scout project at Trinity Lutheran. Requested a report on the status of the recuperation of city artifacts. Respectfully requested that city council members and other department staff that are not part of enforcement activities to please refrain from directly participating in enforcement activities by code enforcement and the police. Congratulated the police department on the decline of illegal product vendors at the Ralph's parking lot, but the trash issue in the area still needs to be addressed. Brought in used linens to donate to the local dog pound and encouraged others to donate also. Helped collect $6000 at the fundraiser given by Mayor Guidi and the chef of Il Toscano restaurant for the Japan earthquake victims.

Councilmember **English** thanked all the individuals and agencies who were instrumental in making the 2nd Annual Service Provider Fair a success. Announced that the Bunny Breakfast will be held on April 16th from 9am to 11am at the Memorial Center. Mentioned that March was Women's Month and spoke on the significance of Denim Day. Toured Imperial and throughout the city with Code Enforcement to see what the enforcement officers do. Asked that the city manager's office review on how it can cut down on paper usage through various packets that the council receives; she is comfortable receiving hers via email. Asked that April be designated as Autism Month. Took Cesar Chavez Day as an opportunity to work at the city and review it, but has still to review the old police station. Announced that the California Legislative Black Caucus is having the Healthy Lifestyles Initiative Conference at the California Science Center on April 29th. Asked that the city manager provide information on the estimated fire suppression and emergency medical services for the city. Promoted metro vanpools and everything you can do to carpool. Congratulated Chief Fager on his employees of the month and the work and safety that they provide. Announced that there are two more public hearings regarding CDBG funds where the community can advocate on what the money should be spent on.

City Clerk **Huber** announced that Hawthorne Math and Science Academy received Blue Ribbon recognition. Stated that the expediency of the Inglewood Ave. improvement project is appreciated. Announced that the Historical Society is tentatively planning a Good Neighbors Day for July 16th and there is a possibility that former celebrities from Hawthorne will be returning to celebrate.

City Treasurer **Lubenec** commented that it is good to see that our history is being preserved. Attended the Relay for Life event, Earth Day and the Service Provider Fair. Thanked everybody who participates at city functions.

21.

Mayor Guidi adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

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Norbert Huber
City Clerk