

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,
CALIFORNIA HELD SEPTEMBER 13, 2011.**

Mayor Guidi called the City Council, Community Redevelopment Agency, Parking Authority and Housing Authority meetings to order jointly and concurrently at 6:02 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne, California.

ROLL CALL-Present: Councilmembers, English, Juarez, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.
Absent: Councilmember Lambert (excused)

Darlene Love gave the evening's invocation. City Manager Arnold Shadbehr led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chief Fager introduced Detective Chris Port, Officer of the Month for September 2011.

Mayor Guidi presented a video in tribute to all those that lost their lives on 9/11 and thanked all those that attended the 9/11 ceremony at city hall.

Jose Gutierrez, President of Holly Park Homeowners Association, presented the 2011 Scholarship Award in the amount of \$250 to Ms. Raven Rush.

1.

Under oral communications **Patricia Donaldson**, President of Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce, announced that they will be having a Tribute/Roast for Mayor Guidi on October 14th at the Hawthorne Airport in the old Northrop hangar. For a seat, table or to be a sponsor, call (310) 676-1163. **James O'Grady**, President Ramona Neighborhood Association, spoke in appreciation of everything the police department does. Requested that Hawthorne Cable TV record the Ramona candidate's forum. **Olivia Valentine** suggested that the city televise at least three venues for candidate forums and that the League of Women Voters be asked to moderate these events. **Marco Sandoval** thanked the City Council and Eric Chavez of the Hawthorne Cable TV department for helping to spread the word about the upcoming St. Catherine Laboure Parish Fiesta and invited the Hawthorne community to attend the fiesta on September 30th, October 1st and October 2nd. **Allen Richards** would like each of the neighborhood associations to have individual election forums taped live by Hawthorne Cable. Ramona's forum will be held on October 13th at Ramona School. **Frances Stiglich** announced that she is running for city council and suggested that everyone think hard on who they are going to elect. **Darlene Love** announced that the Women's Club will host a forum and that everyone is welcome to attend. **Jose Gutierrez** announced that the Holly Park Homeowners Association will hold a candidate's forum on October 4th at 7pm at Atherton Baptist Church. **John Vargas** announced that school supplies are being collected through the end of September; there is a collection bin in city hall. Wished the Mayor Pro Tem a happy birthday. Suggested that maybe for future forums that a cap be set on how many get televised. Invited the community to the St. Joseph Parrish Fiesta on September 23rd, 24th and 25th. Had the honor of being in Washington, D.C. on September 11th for the Pentagon Memorial.

2.

City Clerk Huber announced that sealed bids were publicly received, opened and declared for the Traffic Signal Construction Project #09-04".

Public Works Department submitted declaration of publication, which was ordered filed. Bidder's bonds were required.

THERE WERE SIX BIDS RECEIVED. (THEY WERE ALL ACCOMPANIED BY BIDDER'S BOND)

THE PRICES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Freeway Electric	\$1,055,002
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Sully-Miller	\$ 1,239,333
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CT&F	\$1,275,959.06
Dynalectric	\$1,392,112
Flatiron Electric	\$1,293,310
Steiny & Co.	\$1,214,860

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Juarez, that the bid be referred to staff for study and recommendation.

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

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 meeting of August 23, 2011 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

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

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the special meeting of September 6, 2011 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

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

5.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on September 13, 2011's agenda.

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

6.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

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

Warrants Nos.: 190802-190922 : 426045-426353

Warrant Totals: \$738,080.10 ; \$1,015,349.95

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

7.

RESOLUTION NO. 7402

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA APPROVING & RATIFYING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2011 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM LOCAL SOLICITATION & DIRECTION TO STAFF TO POST THE COMPLETED APPLICATION ON THE CITY WEBSITE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution No. 7402 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers, English, Juarez, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert.

8.

RESOLUTION NO. 7403

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE FOURTH AMENDED AND RESTATED JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT OF SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY).

Mayor Guidi moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution No. 7403 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers, English, Juarez, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert.

9.

City Clerk Huber announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on Resolution No. 7396 establishing a fee schedule to reimburse the City for actual costs incurred for processing food truck gathering permits pursuant to Hawthorne Municipal Code section 9.39.155 (E).

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

Mayor Guidi called for public comments.

James O' Grady spoke in appreciation of the efforts council has made to have food trucks in the city.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 7396

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A FEE SCHEDULE TO REIMBURSE THE CITY FOR ACTUAL COSTS INCURRED FOR PROCESSING FOOD TRUCK GATHERING PERMITS PURSUANT TO HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 9.39.155 (E).

Councilmember Juarez moved, seconded by Mayor Guidi, that Resolution No. 7396 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers English, Juarez, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.

NOES: None ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert.

10.

City Clerk Huber announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing: This is a City-initiated application to amend Hawthorne Municipal Code (HMC): Chapters 17.04 (Definitions); 17.25 (C-1 Freeway Commercial/Mixed Use Classification); 17.26 (C-2 Local Commercial Classification); 17.28 (C-3 General Commercial Classification); 17.32 (M-1 Limited Industrial Classification); and 17.58 (Off-Street Parking). The amendment will establish smog check only and automobile repair as permitted uses in commercial and industrial zones under limited circumstances.

Planning 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.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2005 (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA TO APPROVING ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 2011ZA05, AMENDING TITLE 17 (ZONING), CHAPTERS 17.04, 17.25, 17.26, 17.28, 17.32, AND 17.58 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE, RELATED TO SMOG CHECK ONLY STATIONS AND AUTOMOBILE REPAIR IN THE COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ZONES, AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF.

Ordinance No. 2005 was introduced by title only by Councilmember English.

The Interim City Manager, Arnold Shadbehr, presented the following agenda and requested approval of the indicated recommendation:

11.

Approve MTA South Bay Measure R Highway Grant Program Construction Funding Agreement MOU.MR312.03 and authorize the Interim City Manager/Director of Public Works to execute the agreement and all future Amendments on the City's behalf.

12.

Approve Progress Payment #6 and Final Acceptance for the first year contract to United Pacific Services, Inc., 120 E. La Habra Blvd., #107, La Habra, CA., 90631 for Street Tree Trimming (Project # 10-01) in the amount of \$2,375.00 will be charged to the approved and allocated Tree Trimming Funds.

Mayor Guidi moved seconded by Councilmember Juarez, to approve items 11 and 12 of the City Manager's consent calendar.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers English, Vargas, Mayor Guidi.

NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilmember Lambert

13.

Under Council's Discussion/ Action Items

a.- Cancel November 8, 2011 City Council Meeting because it coincides with City/County/School District Election (Guidi)

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Councilmember Juarez moved seconded by Councilmember Vargas to approve the cancellation of November 8, 2011 City Council Meeting because it coincides with City's Election.

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

b. - Authorize the Hawthorne Cable Department to film and televise candidates forum sponsored by all of the home owner associations in one location. Due to budgetary restrictions, it is not possible to have the Hawthorne Cable Department film separate candidates forums by all of the different groups in the City. (City Manager)

Mayor Guidi moved seconded by Councilmember Juarez to have one forum at the Memorial Center.

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

14.

Under Elected Official Reports and Recommendations:

Councilmember **English** announced that the Legislative Black Caucus Policy Conference will be held at the Westin Hotel on September 30th and October 1st. Congratulated Jan Vogel and the South Bay Workforce Investment Board for being awarded \$45 million by the U.S. Department of Labor. Attended the grand opening of Phase 2 of Metro which is the project from Santa Monica to Culver City. On September 14th at Metro, a decision will be made by the Metro board to start the construction phase of the LA Crenshaw Transit Corridor. For those families struggling with foreclosure issues, call Councilmember English's office or email her for resources. On September 30th at 8am there will be a medical marijuana symposium at Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration.

Councilmember **Juarez** congratulated Manuel and Herminia Balboa on winning the Citizen of the Year award from the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce as well as Bea Williams who won the Ned Chaffee award. Asked for a report as to where we are in terms of collecting outstanding business license fees. Suggested talking to the owner of the business on El Segundo and Doty to take down a wall there where people have been congregating. Announced that the gourmet food trucks will be back on October 4th with proper permits at Best Buy. Congratulated AYSO on the opening day of their 39th year serving our community. On a medical note, to those with Type 2 Diabetes, asked that you take a look at what's going on with a particular medicine called Actose and what it causes in terms of bladder cancer and contact your doctor to see if there's an alternative. Congratulated Mike Quezambra for the reopening of Seers Lumber. Congratulated Chief Fager on the excellent audit of the jail.

Councilmember **Vargas** congratulated AYSO on their opening day ceremonies this past Saturday and all the other soccer grand openings for all the other leagues in the area. Attended the 9/11 ceremony at city hall. Thanked everybody for their birthday wishes.

Mayor **Guidi** congratulated AYSO. Encouraged everyone to stop by Seers Lumber to see their new store. Thanked everyone for the 9/11 ceremony. Announced that the Jose Marti Cuban Festival will be held on Sunday at 123rd and Prairie. Had the opportunity to see Tesla cars at a road rally on Saturday. A Tesla sedan will be engineered in Hawthorne.

15.

Mayor Guidi called for oral comments.

No one expressed a desired to be heard.

Mayor Guidi recessed the City Council meeting to conduct a **Closed Session**: Conference with Labor Negotiators (Subdivision (a) of Section 54957.6 of the California Government Code. Name of Labor Negotiator: Jeff Freedman, (re: HPOA, HPMSG, HMEA and HEG).

Mayor Guidi called the City Council meeting back to order following recess with all Councilmembers present. He announced that the **Closed Session** was to discuss a Conference with Labor Negotiators

(Subdivision (a) of Section 54957.6 of the California Government Code. Name of Labor Negotiator: Jeff Freedman, (re: HPOA, HPMSG, HMEA and HEG). The City Attorney, Russell Miyahira, announced that the City Manager has been instructed.

16.

Mayor Guidi adjourned in the memory of Barbara “Bobbi” Arestegui and Debra Ann Crilly at 8:42 p.m.

Norbert Huber
City Clerk