MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA HELD MARCH 12, 2013.

Mayor Juarez called the City Council, Parking Authority and Housing Authority meetings to order jointly and concurrently at 6:09 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne, California.

ROLL CALL-Present: Councilmembers Reyes English, Valentine, Michelin, Vargas, Mayor Juarez Absent: None.

David Manila from Ocean Gate Baptist Church gave the evening's invocation. Norb Huber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Juarez presented a Proclamation to Alice Lan in honor of American Red Cross Month.

The Mayor and City Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to the business owners who donated food and prizes for the city's booth at the South Bay Cities Council of Governments General Assembly.

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Under oral communications Mariano Reves thanked Council for not approving Ordinance 2037 and offered his services for future city events. Patricia Donaldson announced that the next Chamber Mixer will be held at Ashley Furniture on Thursday from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. James Radek spoke against high density housing and objects to giving concessions to the developers. Gordon Mego spoke on the city's unemployment rate and on rejuvenating the boulevard and the mall. David Patterson Spoke in support of Car2Go. Thinks Ordinance 2032 should be amended to where the restrictions that are applied to thrift stores should be applied to the other businesses mentioned in the ordinance. Supports Ordinance 2042. Daniel Granados, Hawthorne Library Manger, announced that Baby and Toddler Story Time continues on Thursdays at 11am, the Friends of the Library Book Sale will be held on April 27th, with a preview day of April 24th for members of Friends of the Library and National Library Week will be held the week of April 15th. Darlene Love, Lynn Vaughn, Wendy Burnett spoke in support of Goodwill. Gilbert Rivera, on behalf of his Lisso Street neighbors, thanked Council for considering their wishes regarding their opposition to preferential parking exemptions. Another positive that came from this was that it brought neighbors together and involved in city government. Michael Bell presented a petition from Galli Street residents against Cars2Go and also stated that he is in support of Goodwill. Jason Gromsky announced that the Ramona Neighborhood Association will be having an open meeting on March 21st at 7pm at Ramona School. The Association will be offering a \$300 scholarship to a high school senior who lives in the Ramona tract and is planning to attend college or a trade school in the fall. Spoke in support of Car2go and thrift shops. Aaron Swerdlau spoke on the opportunities that can be provided to the City by bringing a high quality retailer to the city. **Broker representing landlord** stated that Goodwill stores would be a great addition to the city and would attract other tenants. Matthew Dennin spoke in support of Goodwill and hopes Council votes in favor. Michael Pauls asked for Council's support for the amendment to allow thrift stores and Goodwill bookstores to establish in the city. Kevin Hill stated that Goodwill was the first choice for the property he and his partners bought at 13141 Hawthorne Blvd. Mike Talleda thanked the Hawthorne Police Department for their efforts in trying to learn the challenges that Veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan are going through. Announced that a golf tournament will be held on May 9th. Alex Monteiro thanked Captain Keith Kauffman for the presentation on prescription drug abuse he gave on February 28th at Washington Middle School and suggested he give a condensed version of the presentation at a future City Council meeting. Spoke in favor of Goodwill and Car2Go. Suggested turning vacant lots or buildings into public parking structures as a solution to the parking shortage in the city. Announced that the Hawthorne Presidents Council in collaboration with the City of Hawthorne will honor volunteers on April 21st at Volunteer Appreciation Day; nominees must be submitted by March 31st. Relay for Life will be held on April 27th and 28th at Hawthorne High School. The Hawthorne Moose Lodge will be sponsoring an overnight bus trip to Laughlin, NV on March 30th. Cost is \$75 and includes lodging and a buffet dinner. Alicia Ley, representing Goodwill Industries of Southern California, thanked Planning Director Gregg McClain and Associate Planner Maria Majcherek for working diligently to put together the zoning code amendment to allow thrift stores in the city. Goodwill Southern California is in support of this amendment which will allow Goodwill retail stores to better compete within the current retail environment. Sasha Itzikman, Vice President of Marketing and Community Relations for Goodwill, thanked those in the community who spoke tonight on behalf of Goodwill. Spoke on the mission of Goodwill which is to serve individuals with disabilities and vocational disadvantages as well as businesses and how the mission is carried out. Donna Snow, Vice President of Retail for Goodwill Southern California, gave a brief presentation showcasing the interior of Goodwill stores and book stores. **Robbie Thomas** spoke on how Goodwill helped her with job training when she was in need. **Craig Smith**, President & CEO of Goodwill, spoke on the rewards of working with Goodwill and how Goodwill works with the Red Cross and Veterans. **Frances Stiglich** spoke on the accountability of city hall departments. Expressed disappointment that more people did not attend the Historical Society's genealogy presentation. Suggested that the graffiti department could clean up the gum and trash all over the city. Would like to see the helicopter facilities fixed up. **Kyle Orleman**, on behalf of Vietnam Veterans of America South Bay Chapter 53, reminded everyone that their 18th Annual Scholarship Contest for high school seniors is currently going on; the deadline for receiving essays is April 7th. For more information, go to www.scholarships@vva53.org. Would like to have the opportunity to meet with the police department, the city or any other organization that is dealing with PTSD.

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Mayor Juarez recessed the Parking Authority and Housing Authority meetings to conduct the meeting of the City Council.

3.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting of February 26, 2013 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Vargas, Mayor Juarez NOES: None.

4.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on March 12, 2013's agenda.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Reyes English, Valentine, Michelin, Vargas, Mayor Juarez NOES: None.

5.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

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

Warrants Nos.: 194476-108690 ; 434633 -434857 ; 19725-19731

Warrant Totals: \$653,620.42 ; \$1,348,993.19 ; \$21,063.77

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Reyes English, Valentine, Michelin, Vargas, Mayor Juarez. NOES: None.

6.

City Clerk Huber announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2037 Amending Section 10.38.020 (Preferential Parking Privileges) of Chapter 10.38 (Preferential Street Parking) of Title 10 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the Hawthorne Municipal Code to Exempt Vehicles Operating Under Authorized Car Sharing Programs from Preferential Parking Restrictions.

City Attorney Department's declaration publication filed. Eighty eight written communications were received against Ordinance 2037.

ORDINANCE NO. 2037 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING SECTION 10.38.020 (PREFERENTIAL PARKING PRIVILEGES) OF CHAPTER 10.38 (PREFERENTIAL STREET PARKING) OF TITLE 10 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE TO EXEMPT VEHICLES

OPERATING UNDER AUTHORIZED CAR SHARING PROGRAMS FROM PREFERENTIAL PARKING RESTRICTION. Motion to adopt.

Mayor Juarez pulled this item from the agenda at the time of the meeting.

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS PUBLIC HEARING

7.

City Clerk Huber announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2039 Amending Subsection 15.05.446 of Section 15.05.010 (Amendments to the California Building Code) of Chapter 15.05 (Amendments to the California Building Code) of Title 15 (Buildings and Construction) of the Hawthorne Municipal Code, Related to Guidelines for Mini Storage Buildings.

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

Mayor Juarez called for public comments.

No one expressed a desired to be heard.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2039 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING SUBSECTION 15.05.446 OF SECTION 15.05.010 (AMENDMENTS TO THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE) OF CHAPTER 15.05 (AMENDMENTS TO THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE) OF TITLE 15 (BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION) OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE, RELATED TO GUIDELINES FOR MINI STORAGE BUILDINGS.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, that Ordinance No. 2039 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Vargas, Mayor Juarez. NOES: None.

8.

ORDINANCE 2032 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA APPROVING ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 2012ZA09, AMENDING TITLE 17 (ZONING), CHAPTERS 17.04, 17.25, 17.26, 17.28, 17.32, AND 17.34 OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE, RELATED TO ANTIQUE SHOPS, THRIFT STORES, BOOKSTORES, AND CONSIGNMENT SHOPS, IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ZONES.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Michelin, that Ordinance No. 2032 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Reyes English, Michelin, Mayor Juarez.

NOES: Councilmember Valentine. ABSTAIN: Councilmember Vargas.

9.

ORDINANCE 2038 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING CHAPTER 1.08 (CITY NAME AND SEAL) OF TITLE 1

(GENERAL PROVISIONS) OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO THE USE OF THE CITY SEAL.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Ordinance No. 2038 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Reyes English, Valentine, Mayor Juarez.

NOES: Councilmember Vargas, Michelin.

10.

ORDINANCE NO. 2040 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING SECTION 2.06.230 (DIRECTIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS FROM CITY COUNCIL—LIMIT ON DIRECTIVES) OF CHAPTER 2.06 (CITY COUNCIL) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION, CIVIL SERVICE & PERSONNEL) OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE, RELATED TO DIRECTIVES OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

Councilmember Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, that Ordinance No. 2040 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Valentine, Vargas, Michelin.

NOES: Councilmember Reyes English ABSTAIN: Mayor Juarez.

11.

ORDINANCE NO. 2041 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING SECTION 2.06.130 (AGENDA) OF CHAPTER 2.06 (CITY COUNCIL) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION, CIVIL SERVICE & PERSONNEL) OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE, RELATED TO REMOVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS.

Councilmember Valentine moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Ordinance No. 2041 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Valentine, Vargas, Michelin.

NOES: Councilmember Reyes English ABSTAIN: Mayor Juarez.

12.

ORDINANCE NO. 2042 (2nd Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA ADDING SECTION 2.06.137 (CITY-INITIATED LAWSUITS) TO CHAPTER 2 (CITY COUNCIL) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION, CIVIL SERVICE & PERSONNEL) OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL PRIOR TO INITIATION OF LAWSUITS.

Councilmember Valentine moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Ordinance No. 2042 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Valentine, Vargas, Michelin.

NOES: Councilmember Reyes English, Mayor Juarez.

The City Manager, Michael Goodson, presented the following agenda and requested approval of the indicated recommendation:

Approve Progress Payment #1 due to Gammill Electric Inc., for installing Emergency Generator and Airfield Lighting Control & Monitoring System at Hawthorne Municipal Airport – Airport Improvement project AIP No. 3-06-0101-013-2011 (City Project #11-03), in the amount of \$135,000.00.

14.

Approve Replacement of fuel tanks for 9 City Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) fleet vehicles through CNG United of San Clemente, California 92673.

15.

Approve Advance payment to Southern California Edison Company for relocation of transmission poles necessary for the widening of the intersection at Inglewood Ave. and El Segundo Blvd in the amount of 30 K.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, to approve items 13, 14 and 15 of the City Manager's consent calendar.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Vargas, Mayor Juarez. NOES: None.

16.

Under Council's Discussion/Action Items

a.- Business flyer distribution in the City of Hawthorne. (Vargas)

Councilmember Vargas spoke on the problem of businesses that leave flyers on car owner's windshields. Often times theses businesses do not have a license with the city and are not businesses within the city which makes it unfair to legitimate business owners in Hawthorne who are doing the right thing. Requested that the City Manager look into this matter to find a solution.

b.- Update on Code Enforcement (City Manager)

City Manager Goodson introduced a new Hawthorne Code Enforcement Report Form in an effort to be more proactive. You would write down the address and check a box, thereby expediting the processing for Code Enforcement so they know where to go and what to look for. After input and feedback from Councilmembers, revisions will be made to the form.

17.

Under Elected Official Reports and Recommendations. Appointments/Reappointments/ Removal to Commissions/Committees and Boards.

City Treasurer **Lubenec** announced that the Friends of the Library Book Sale will be held on April 27th, with a preview day for members on April 24th. Congratulated Goodwill and believes they will be a good neighbor in the city and offer jobs to Hawthorne residents.

City Clerk **Huber** thanked Councilmember Vargas and Councilmember Valentine for attending and supporting the Historical Society's Heritage Night which was held last night. Highlights of the event will be broadcast on the city cable channel news program. Spoke on the care and concern for the city shown by individuals and organizations and how Hawthorne is a nice community to live in. Inquired if there is an update on getting back the mailbox back outside the post office.

Councilmember **Vargas** reported on attending the genealogy seminar hosted by the Historical Society which was a great opportunity to get tips on how to trace you're your family roots. Thanked the City Manager for making sure that we are taping in the cashier's office in order to offer and insure customer service. Inquired on the status of the live audio taping of the planning commission meetings. Called on

Captain Ishii to report on the prostitution issue along Imperial Hwy. Councilmember Vargas expressed happiness over his sister's marriage a week ago and recognized his mother, his Uncle Jorge and Aunt Lupita who attended tonight's meeting. Welcomed Goodwill into the neighborhood.

Councilmember **Valentine** thanked City Clerk Norb Huber for last night's presentation at the Memorial Center on genealogy. Thanked the City Manager for the code enforcement form which will give residents an efficient manner in which to report violations. Announced that the Healthy Hawthorne 5K Run and Walk and MGI Health Fair will be held on May 11th. Congratulated Goodwill for coming into the city and stated that while her vote was not in favor, it was not because she does not like Goodwill, but because she had another view as to the location of where the store should be. She will certainly do everything in her power to ensure and to help the store become successful because she believes in economic development. Announced that the Economic Development Council is sponsoring, along with California Produced, Taste of Hawthorne which will be held on May 19th. It is hoped that this event will be used as an infusion of economic development for the food vendors and restaurants both in and out of Hawthorne. There will also be entertainment venues and people are encouraged to take LA Metro and bicycles to the event. Thanked all the city officials who have helped in bringing about this event.

Councilmember **Michelin** welcomed Goodwill to the community which he thinks will be a good fit. Thanked Council for listening to the residents concerns regarding preferential parking. Is looking forward to Relay for Life which will be held on April 27th and 28th. Announced that the American Legion will be having a craft fair on April 27th from 10am to 3pm at 14124 Prairie Avenue and the Wounded Heroes of America will hold a golf tournament on May 9th. Stated that the Police and Code Enforcement departments are doing a good job and the Code Enforcement form is a good tool and can be modified if needed.

Councilmember **Reyes English** congratulated and welcomed Goodwill to Hawthorne and would like to work closely with them to address Veteran's issues, local employment and the handicapped. Announced that the Service Provider Fair, will be held at the Memorial Center on June1st and invited Goodwill to attend this event as it is a good opportunity for them to speak on the services and community benefits that their store offers. Reported that the Pet Extravaganza event is currently being worked on. Congratulated SpaceX on their launch. Stated that we need to look at the status of and address the mall and RFK properties and also make sure that they are kept clean. Asked the planning department for the status of dd's which is coming to Hawthorne Blvd. Also wants to press on the prostitution issues of the Imperial corridor so as to continue with improvements and the beautification of the area. Will forward the City Manager her input regarding the Code Enforcement form. Commended Mike Talleda for his work with Wounded Heroes of America and for caring deeply about our Veterans.

Mayor Juarez thanked all of the businesses for their collective efforts that made Hawthorne look good at the 14th Annual General Assembly. Thanked Sasha Itzikman, Donna Snow and Craig Smith for coming out tonight to speak on behalf of Goodwill and looks forward to the ribbon cutting when the two stores open. Spoke on the effects of Sequestration and how Northrop Grumman will be reducing its workforce by 800 people. Congratulated Wiseburn School District Superintendent Tom Johnstone who was named the 2013 Superintendent of the Year by Pepperdine University Graduate School of Education and Psychology. Congratulated Wiseburn Little League for their 58th Annual Opening Day. Encouraged residents to take advantage of free CERT training which will be held on March 16th, March 23rd and April 23rd at the Memorial Center from 9am to 4:30pm. Asked that organizations and clubs get the names of deserving volunteers to Alex Monteiro as soon as possible for Volunteer Appreciation Day. Spoke on the unfortunate HUD findings that will cost the city \$2.3 million and hopes we can extend payments and or get the amount reduced. Clarified that the grant monies for Coffee with a Cop cannot be used for just anything. It is a grant that has a specific use. Announced that the city will hold a Hazardous Waste E-Waste collection on April 20th at the sports center. Thanked Mike Talleda for the opportunity to work with the great people of the 9-11 Help America Foundation which is now called Wounded Heroes of America. Announced that the Hawthorne Parks and Recreation Foundation will hold their annual golf tournament on March 25^{tth} at the Rolling Hills Country Club and encouraged golfers to participate. The Bunny Breakfast will be held on March 23rd from 9am to 11am at the Memorial Center. Cost is \$3 for children and \$5 for adults. Congratulated SpaceX and wishes them the very best as they bring the Falcon back to earth and complete their mission. Announced that the State of the City is scheduled for May 10th at the Memorial Center. The price will be relatively low so that people in the community can come out and be a part of it.

Mayor Juarez adjourned the regular meeting at 9: 28p.m.

Norbert Huber City Clerk