MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA HELD MAY 14, 2013.

Mayor Juarez called the City Council, Parking Authority and Housing Authority meetings to order jointly and concurrently at 6:08 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.

Pastor George Magdalany of Hope Chapel gave the evening's invocation. Chief Martinez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Juarez presented Certificates of Appreciation to local high school students in honor of their academic achievements. Two students will be attending the Naval Academy and West Point, while three other students were recipients of the Gates Millennium Award who will be attending Brown University and Stanford.

Chair Hamid Haque of the Mayor's Business and Economic Round Table along with other business stakeholders gave a presentation on revitalizing business in Hawthorne. The committee came up with six initiatives and 20 recommendations. Initiatives included city branding, develop Hawthorne downtown, beautification, parking and mid-large development.

Committee members spoke on the Taste of Hawthorne event. This is an event that will be held at the Hawthorne Airport on May 19tth. Its purpose is to showcase the city, promote businesses in the city and give everyone in the outlying areas and opportunity to come and visit. Grammy award winning band, Ozomatli, will be performing and the South Bay Bike Coalition will be providing free valet bicycle parking. The ribbon cutting will begin at 9:30am. Admission to the event is free.

Human Resources Director David Roberts gave a presentation on Covered California. This is a health exchange that has been implemented through the President and his current administration. It will provide opportunities for families, individuals and small businesses that do not qualify for health insurance to purchases affordable health insurance.

1.

Under oral communications **Norma Zuckerman** asked for help in getting information released from the police department that would help her brother to be exonerated. **Yolanda Dunn** asked for marked parking spaces and better lighting at 139th and Doty. Gave suggestions for the beautification of Hawthorne Blvd. Inquired if the city is prepared to handle the increase in population at the schools if housing is built on top of businesses. Urged the community to get educated in the fight against child sexual abuse by attending a prevention workshop on June 14th from 6pm to 8pm. **Tom Beedom,** on behalf of South Bay Workforce Investment Board, provided a brief summary of their current activities. **Gordon Mego** asked for the city's support of the Alliance for a Regional Solution to Airport Congestion (ARSAC) in their legal efforts to keep the north runways at LAX from being moved. **Katrina Manning**, President Hollypark Homeowners Association, invited everyone to attend the Hollypark 4th Annual June Pancake Breakfast on June 15th from 8am to 12pm at Pacifica House, 2501 El Segundo Blvd. Tickets are $5 and the money raised will be used to give scholarships to deserving students. For more information, contact Katrina Manning at 310-720-2055. **David Patterson**, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, presented plaque to new member Rebecca Lerma of Home Inventory Service. As a resident, Mr. Patterson, felt that the way the acting city attorney was questioned at the last meeting regarding decisions that were made years ago was inappropriate. Encourages development that is already in place as opposed to building more housing in the city. **Jerry Jamgotchian**, as part of Mayor's Round Table Committee, was pleased to see tonight's presentation and hopes the City Council will seriously consider it. Spoke against the acting city attorney. **Kyle Orleman** asked for Council's support regarding the passage of SB851, the Caregivers Expansion and Improvement Act of 2013. Announced that there is a new VA hotline for women veterans, 1-855-VAWOMEN. Announced that the 25th Annual Run for the Wall will depart tomorrow at 7am from Rancho Cucamonga to Washington D.C. Looks forward to the Taste of Hawthorne where the Vietnam Veterans of America will have a booth. **Darlene Love** spoke on new housing she visited over the weekend and her experiences with the Navy and the government regarding Veteran caregiving. **Alex Monteiro** thanked Mayor Juarez for the opportunity to be the host of the State

of the City. Reported that Hawthorne Math and Science Academy received the Title 1 Academic Achievement Award for distinguished schools in California. Reminded everyone that the K9 Dinner is coming up on May 23rd at 5pm at the Memorial Center. Thanked the post office and everyone that participated in the Mother's Day Post Office food drive. **Frances Stiglich** spoke in favor of having SpaceX take over the mall to utilize it. Attended and enjoyed the State of the City. Reported on litter in the vacant lot in her neighborhood.

2.

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 Vargas, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting of April 23, 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 Vargas, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on May 14, 2013's agenda.

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

5.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

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

Warrants Nos.: 191494-110241 : 435541-435862 : 20626-20632

Warrant Totals: $1,371,932.31 : 1,672,509.85 : 6479.88

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

6.

RESOLUTION NO. 7532

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 2013-2014 AS REQUIRED BY THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE SECTION 22622.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution 7532 be approved and adopted.

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

7.

RESOLUTION NO. 7533

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENTS AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE ON JUNE 11, 2013 AT 6:00 P.M. FOR SUCH PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution 7533 be approved and adopted.

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

8.

RESOLUTION NO. 7535

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 294 (HOLDEN) AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE EDUCATIONAL REVENUE AUGMENTATION FUND ("ERAF") SHARE OF PROPERTY TAX FOR SPECIFIC INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING DISTRICTS.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution 7535 be approved and adopted.

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

9.

RESOLUTION NO. 7536

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 470 (WRIGHT) TO REACTIVATING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POWERS.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution 7536 be approved and adopted.

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

10.

RESOLUTION NO. 7537

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 1080 (ALEJO) ENTITLED COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION AND INVESTMENT AUTHORITY.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution 7537 be approved and adopted.

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

11.

RESOLUTION NO. 7538

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 33 (WOLK) ENTITLED INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING DISTRICTS.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution 7538 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None.

12.

RESOLUTION NO. 7539

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA IN REQUESTING AND CONSENTING TO USE OF COUNTY HIGHWAYS THROUGH CITIES FUNDS FOR THE HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (NO. 10-02)

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Vargas, that Resolution 7539 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None.

13.

Item 13 was pulled before the meeting

14.

City Clerk Huber announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on Resolution No. 7534 [2012GP03] shall amend the City's General Plan from FCMU (Freeway Commercial/Mixed Use) to GI (General Industrial). The change shall affect 10 properties bounded by the 105 freeway to the north, Crenshaw Blvd. to the east, Hawthorne Airport to the south, and the Dominquez Channel to the west. The identified properties within the boundary are as follows (per APN numbers):

4048-004-915	4055-021-900
4055-008-901	4055-022-900
4055-021-901	4055-023-900
4055-008-900	4048-004-900
4048-004-903	4048-004-916

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

Mayor Juarez called for public comments.

Under oral comments, no one indicated a desire to be heard.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 7534

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA APPROVING A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT RELATING TO TEN PROPERTIES BOUNDED BY THE 105 FREEWAY TO THE NORTH, CRENSHAW BLVD. TO THE EAST, 120TH STREET TO

THE SOUTH, AND THE DOMINQUEZ CHANNEL TO THE WEST AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, that Resolution 7534 be approved and adopted.

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

NOES: None.

15.

City Clerk Huber announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2044 [2012ZC01] shall amend the City's Zoning Map from C-1 (Freeway Commercial/Mixed Use) to M-2 (General Industrial). The change shall affect 10 properties bounded by the 105 freeway to the north, Crenshaw Blvd. to the east, Hawthorne Airport to the south, and the Dominquez Channel to the west. The identified properties within the boundary are as follows (per APN numbers):

4048-004-915	4055-021-900
4055-008-901	4055-022-900
4055-021-901	4055-023-900
4055-008-900	4048-004-900
4048-004-903	4048-004-916

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

Mayor Juarez called for public comments.

Under oral comments, no one indicated a desire to be heard.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2044 (1st Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA APPROVING A CHANGE OF ZONE RELATING TO TEN PROPERTIES BOUNDED BY THE 105 FREEWAY TO THE NORTH, CRENSHAW BLVD. TO THE EAST, 120TH STREET TO THE SOUTH, AND THE DOMINQUEZ CHANNEL TO THE WEST AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF.

Ordinance No. 2044 was introduced by title only by Mayor Juarez.

16.

City Clerk Huber announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing on to adopt the proposed Substantial Amendment to the 2010-2014 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the Final 2013-2014 Annual Action Plan as recommended by staff.

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

Mayor Juarez called for public comments.

Under oral comments, no one indicated a desire to be heard.

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

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, to adopt the proposed Substantial Amendment to the 2010-2014 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and authorize the City Manager to execute

and transmit all necessary documents, including the Substantial Amendment to the 2010-2014 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the adopted 2013-2014 Annual Action Plan, including any amendments.

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

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

17.

Approve the Employment Agreement between Russell Miyahira and City of Hawthorne for position of City Attorney.

Mayor Juarez recused himself from this item due to possible conflict.

Acting City Attorney Russell Miyahira also recused himself from this item and Assistant City Attorney Melissa Crosthwaite replaced him on the dais and was available to answer questions.

Councilmember Michelin moved, seconded by Councilmember Valentine to approve the Employment Agreement between Russell Miyahira and City of Hawthorne for position of City Attorney.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Michelin, Valentine, Vargas.
NOES: Councilmember Reyes English. ABSENT: Mayor Juarez.

18.

The Acting City Attorney, Russell Miyahira, recommended that the claim filed on behalf of Melissa Rodarte and Daniel Rodarte for Personal Injuries arising from auto collision with city employee be denied in its entirety.

Mayor Juarez moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, that the claim filed on behalf of Melissa Rodarte and Daniel Rodarte for Personal Injuries arising from auto collision with city employee be denied in its entirety.

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

19.

Under Council Discussion/Action Items

a.- Approval of City Seal for the Beach Boys use. (Huber)

City Clerk Huber explained that the Hawthorne Historical Society was approached by a production company that is marketing Beach Boys albums and CDs who wish to use the Hawthorne logo and is asking for Council's approval for them to use the city seal. Council asked that the contract be reviewed by the city attorney and come back with a recommendation.

b.- Disclosure Statement. (Michelin)

Councilmember Michelin directed the City Attorney to create a disclosure form regarding contact between city employees and ex city employees and ex city officials based on requests made by city employees and city residents. This would go a long way towards transparency to let people know what is going on.

20.

Under Elected Official Reports and Recommendations.

City Treasurer **Lubenec** attended Volunteer Appreciation Day, the Wounded Heroes Golf Tournament, the 5K Run, the State of the City and the Eureka opening. Thanked Alex, Yvonne and Lani for the great job they did with Relay for Life and thanked the city and everyone that participated. Congratulated the kids who were recognized tonight for receiving full scholarships. Reported that the library book sale went really well and thanked those that attended.

City Clerk **Huber** attended the 5K. In his capacity as Historical Society president and as City Clerk, came across resolutions from 1942 requesting the removal of Japanese, German and Italians from the City of Hawthorne. Asked that legal council look into overturning these resolutions. Announced that the Hawthorne Historical Society will meet on Thursday at 7pm at the museum; the public is also welcome to attend. On a personal note, announced that his youngest daughter will be graduating from Cal State Dominguez Hills this Saturday and thanked the Hawthorne School District for providing a good foundation for all three of his kids to achieve their Masters and BA degrees.

Councilmember **Vargas s**poke on the beautification projects of the past five to six years that have been done on Hawthorne Blvd., Inglewood Ave., Imperial Hwy and parts of Prairie and Crenshaw despite the state taking away funds. Assured the public that when he goes through the process of determining what's going to be put in the specific plan, he will make sure that it is a right fit for Hawthorne. Directed that an Action/Discussion item be put on the next agenda with regards to rebranding the Hawthorne logo and considering the hiring of an agency to help us find a new logo we can consider. Asked that SB851, the Caregivers Expansion Act, be agendized to see if it's something that can come back as a Resolution. Requested for the next agenda an Action/Discussion item to discuss bringing in other aerospace companies into Hawthorne. Asked that the Parks and Recreation Commission look into the concept of holding a "Homeowners of the Month" contest. Will be talking with staff regarding the refurbishment of the city website in order to better navigate the site.

Councilmember **Valentine** attended the Wounded Heroes dinner. Inquired on when the budget would be submitted, Directed staff to send a letter to CALTRANS asking for a signal light to be placed at the 120th Street 105 Westbound freeway ramp. Inquired on when letters to Congresswoman Waters will be sent regarding Sequestration and on the status of Car2go. Letters are still being worked on and there will be a legal confidential regarding Car2go. Thanked Mr. Hamid Haque and the members of the Business Economic and Development Round Table for a really good presentation and giving a lot of ideas about how we can improve the city. The Economic Development Council will also be sharing their ideas with the specific plan consultant. Hopes that the Taste of Hawthorne will put Hawthorne on the map in some really positive ways. Thanked the Human Resources Director for the great presentation on covered California and encouraged everyone to look into the plan.

Councilmember **Michelin** attended the 5K/Health Fair, the Wounded Heroes Golf Tournament, Relay for Life, the State of the City and the State of the Region. Congratulated and is very proud of the Hawthorne students that were honored at tonight's meeting. Is very interested in the economic development plan and looks forward to what MIG will bring together regarding the specific plan. Is excited about all the grass root events that are coming up such as the Taste of Hawthorne which is something different and positive. Thanked Yolanda Dunn for keeping us informed on child sexual abuse workshops, Gordon Mego for updating us on the LAX expansion and Kyle Orleman for the information on Veterans.

Mayor **Juarez** attended the grand re-opening of Ralph's market, the ribbon cutting for the Eureka restaurant, the 7th Annual Wounded Heroes of America Golf Tournament, the National Day of Prayer, the Health Fair and Congresswoman Maxine Water's Small Business Global Access. Congratulated Alex Monteiro and all those that participated in Relay for Life to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Reported on the recent American Red Cross Blood Drive where 37 donors who were present donated a total of 26 units, which will save up to 78 lives. Was happy with the State of the City and has received positive feedback on the event. Reported on the hazardous waste roundup where 785 households from the city participated and 70000 pounds of miscellaneous ewaste was collected. Reminded everyone about the Taste of Hawthorne event. Received a request from the Harry E. Hubbard division of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps that they are recruiting young men and women between the ages of 11 and 17 for the military academies. Those cadets with academic scores will be assisted in applying for scholarships. Contact Dr. Freddy Rodriguez at 310-387-0195 if you are interested. Complemented the city on the latest Recreation and Community Services brochure which did a good job of letting the community know about all the different programs we have such as the new Ice Hockey and Dance Party Workout classes. Prices are reasonable, so take advantage of the programs the city has to offer. Stated that non-profit, Care for the Children, will be painting addresses on resident's street curbs. This is a free community service effort; all donations are voluntary. If you do not wish to have your curb painted, tape the flyer to your curb. Requested of the City Manager that the presentations on the "Mayor's Business and Economic

Development Round Table of Business Stakeholders" and "Covered California" be put on the city website so people can see them at their own leisure. Requested that Dr. Morgan be invited to the next City Council meeting to give an update. Likes what the City Manager has been doing in terms of notes from the city manager and asked that the item on SB851 be included.

21.

Mayor Juarez adjourned the regular meeting at 10:37 p.m.

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Norbert Huber
City Clerk