MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING OF
August 22, 2006

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Puente was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 15900 East Main Street, La Puente, California, on August 22, 2006, at 7:00pm.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Chavez called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present: Solis, Storing, Lujan, Perez and Chavez

Staff Members present: City Manager Ledford, City Attorney Casso, City Clerk Cowley, Community Development Director Yamachika, Community Services Director Adanto, Finance Director Kim, City Planner Arreola, Assistant to the City Manager Lasher, Community Services Manager Bistarkey

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was lead by Mayor Pro Tem Perez.

PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER AS NATIONAL PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH (To be mailed)

Mayor Chavez indicated this proclamation would be mailed.

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER AS NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH (To be mailed)

Mayor Chavez indicted this proclamation would be mailed.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION TO LA PUENTE GIRLS SOFTBALL (LPGS) ALLSTARS 14 AND UNDER FOR PLACING 8TH IN THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Mayor and Council presented certificates of recognition from the City and Assemblyman Chavez to the La Puente Girls Softball Team.

Lucy Olmos from Congresswoman Napolitano's office also presented a certificate of recognition to the La Puente Girls Softball Team. Ms. Olmos indicated that each team member would receive a certificate of recognition from Congresswoman Napolitano.

Mayor Chavez recessed the meeting at 7:15 p.m. to take photographs and unveil the 50th Anniversary Plaque.

PRESENTATION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY WALL PLAQUE TO CITY COUNCIL

During the recess Council unveiled the 50th Anniversary Plaque.

Council reconvened at 6:27 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Ledford wished Council Member Storing, Mayor Pro Tem Perez, and Mayor Chavez a happy birthday and sang happy birthday.

Leonard Rose, Jr. wished the Council Members a happy birthday. He advised that he was attending Mt. Sac College and taking computer and nutrition classes. In September he would be receiving a certificate of technology. Mr. Rose also informed Council that he was teaching first aid and recreation classes at the church he attends.

Nancy Medeiros addressed Council regarding oral comments made at the previous City Council Meeting. She expressed her concerns and views regarding moral issues that pertained to Council Members.

Ken Medeiros advised Council that it was illegal for a Council Member to talk without the Mayor's permission. He also expressed his concerns regarding Councils' moral issues.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

A-1. READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF JULY 25, 2006, AND THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 8, 2006

Council Member Solis moved to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 25, 2006, and the Regular Meeting of August 8, 2006; seconded by Council Member Lujan.

The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Storing, Lujan, Chavez, and Perez. NOES: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL

B-1 PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO SELF-CERTIFY COMPLIANCE WITH THE 2004 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Community Development Director Yamachika provided Council with a report explaining why Council reviewed the Congestion Management Program (CMP) report on an annual basis. The county adopted the CMP to ensure that county and local jurisdictions were making their greatest effort to reduce traffic congestion. Local jurisdictions were required to submit a self certification resolution on an annual basis. If a jurisdiction did not file the CMP report it would forfeit receiving gas tax funds. The City was going to receive over $800,000 in gas tax funds for Fiscal Year 2006-07. The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) has been in the process of revisiting the CMP requirements for the past two to three years. Mr. Yamachika explained the credit and debit point system for city improvement projects and new city developments. He reported that the City continued to maintain a high number of credit points while still observing other requirements of the CMP. Staff requested that Council adopt a resolution certifying that the City continued to be in compliance with the CMP and to take public comment.

Mayor Chavez opened the public hearing at 7:45 p.m.

Ken Medeiros expressed his concerns regarding the self certification for the CMP report.

Leonard Rose asked if the development at the bowling alley was going to be a business area.

City Attorney Casso pointed out that this public hearing was regarding the CMP traffic certification not the development at the bowling alley site.

Mayor Chavez closed the public hearing at 7:48 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Perez moved to adopt the Resolution certifying that the City was in compliance with the 2004 Congestion Management Program, adopting the 2006 Congestion Management Program Local Implementation Report and directing the City Clerk to forward a certified copy of said Resolution to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority; seconded by Council Member Solis.

The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Storing, Lujan, Chavez, and Perez. NOES: None.

B-2 PUBLIC HEARING - ZONE CHANGE NO. 324 - A PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE ZONE DESIGNATION FROM R-1 TO R-3 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT LARIMORE AVENUE

City Planner Arreola provided Council with a report indicating that the applicant was requesting a zone change from R-1 to R-3 for property located at Larimore Avenue. The area where the property was located fell within the general plan land use designation for medium high residential, which was equivalent to the R-3 Zone. The property owners planned to develop the property in the future, but wanted the zone change approval prior to developing the property.

Mayor Chavez opened the public hearing at 7:51 p.m.

Ken Medeiros asked why a traffic study was not included in the report and expressed his concerns regarding the impact of the zone change.

Mayor Chavez closed the public hearing at 7:53 p.m.

Council Member Solis asked if anyone spoke against this item during the Planning Commission Meeting.

City Planner Arreola responded that Ken Medeiros spoke in opposition of the zone change.

Council Member Lujan moved to read the ordinance by title only and waive further reading; seconded by Council Member Solis.

The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Storing, Lujan, Chavez, and Perez. NOES: None.

City Manager Ledford read the ordinance by title only.

> AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING CHAPTER 10.12, TITLE 10 OF THE LA PUENTE MUNICIPAL CODE TO CHANGE THE ZONE DESIGNATION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1103 LARIMORE AVENUE FROM R-1 (ONE -FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-3 (MULTIPLE RESIDENTIAL) - ZONE CHANGE NO. 324

Mayor Pro Tem Perez moved to introduce the Ordinance approving Zone Change 324 for subsequent adoption; seconded by Council Member Lujan.

The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Storing, Lujan, Chavez, and Perez. NOES: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

None.

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Lujan moved to approve Consent Calendar Items D-1 through D-6; seconded by Council Member Solis.

The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Storing, Lujan, Chavez, and Perez. NOES: None.

D-1. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1185 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt the resolution.

D-2 APPROVAL OF PROGRAM SUMMARY MONTHLY (PSM) REPORT FOR CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FY 2006-07

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council approve the agenda report of the Community Development Director and authorize that it be filed for audit.

D-3 APPROVAL OF PROGRAM SUMMARY MONTHLY (PSM) REPORT FOR CALHOME HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM ROUND 2

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that City Council approve the agenda report of the Community Development Director and authorize that it be filed for audit.

D-4 APPROVAL OF NEW PARTICIPANT(S) FOR CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM (D97301-07) - FISCAL YEAR 2006-07

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council approve the allocations and authorize the Community Development Director to execute the necessary documents to implement the Housing Rehabilitation Program in the amount of $7,000.

D-5 ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE TERMINATION OF EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO ELIMINATE AN IMMINENT HAZARD ON THE HILLSIDE BEHIND 133 AND 139 ROUNDABOUT DRIVE AND 140 AND 148 HILLCREST DRIVE

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt the Resolution confirming the completion and termination of emergency repairs behind 133 and 139 Roundabout Drive and 140 Hillcrest and 148 Hillcrest Drive.

D-6 APPROVAL OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TO PAINT PROPERTY ADDRESS NUMBERS ON STREET CURBS THROUGHOUT THE CITY

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council authorize Staff to distribute the Request for Proposal for the painting of property address numbers on adjacent street curbs.

NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 CONSIDERATION OF QUARTERLY CRIME REPORT FROM CAPTAIN MICHAEL SMITH

Captain Smith introduced Lt. Garcia who would be replacing Lt. Murakami on an interim basis. He also introduced Community Services Officer Sergio Romo who would work in the City during the evening. Captain Smith provided the Council with the 2nd quarter crime statistics and responded to questions posed by Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Perez moved to receive and file the report; seconded by Council Member Solis.

The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Storing, Lujan, Chavez, and Perez. NOES: None.

E-2 CONSIDERATION OF RE-ESTABLISHING THE LA PUENTE EDUCATION COMMISSION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-07 AND MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMISSION

Mayor Pro Tem Perez moved to adopt the resolution re-establishing the La Puente Education Commission for one year and re-appoint the current Commissioners; seconded by Council Member Solis.

Council Member Solis asked when the Business Development Commission was going to be re-established.

City Manager Ledford responded that the Business Commission met on an ad hoc basis. Staff could revisit the Commission's membership if Council wished to do so. Council Member Solis directed Staff to bring back the re-establishment of the Business Development Commission.

The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Storing, Lujan, Chavez, and Perez. NOES: None.

E-3 CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 32 - CALIFORNIA GLOBAL WARMING SOLUTIONS ACT OF 2006 (Requested by Mayor Chavez)

Council Member Lujan moved to adopt a resolution supporting Assembly Bill No. 32 - California Global Warning Solutions Act of 2006; seconded by Council Member Solis.

The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Storing, Lujan, Chavez, and Perez. NOES: None.

E-4 CONSIDERATION OF FORMALLY ENDORSING THE NATIONAL LATINO CONGRESO (Requested by Councilmember Lujan)

Council Member Lujan moved to endorse the National Latino Congreso; seconded by Mayor Chavez.

Council Member Storing indicated that she would abstain from voting on this item.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Lujan, Chavez, and Perez. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: Storing.

RECESS CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

The City Council recessed to the Redevelopment Agency at 8:14 p.m. to conduct business. At 8:17 p.m. the City Council reconvened.

COUNCIL REPORTS

None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

City Manager Ledford advised Council and the audience of the street repaving schedule. He also announced the two remaining concerts in the park.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Carol Cowley

Carol Cowley, City Clerk

Renee Chavez

Renee Chavez, Mayor