MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING OF
AUGUST 26, 2008

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 26, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lujan called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present:	Mendoza, Solis, Holloway, and Lujan.
Council Members absent:	Storing.
Staff Members present:	City Manager Cowley, Assistant City Manager Yamachika, City Attorney Casso, City Clerk Turner, Finance Director Kim, Public Works Director Salas, City Planner Arreola, Recreation Director Bistarkey, Deputy City Clerk Giron, and Management Analyst Ayala.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Holloway led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION TO REGINA NEWCOMB, CITY OF LA PUENTE EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Council presented the certificate to Ms. Newcomb.

PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER AS NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH

Mayor Lujan noted that the certificate would be mailed to the recipient.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Leonard Rose Jr. spoke about school safety, public safety, and about a recent call he made to the police.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE:

a. Special Joint Meeting June 2, 2008
b. Regular Meeting of July 22, 2008
c. Adjourned Regular Meeting of July 24, 2008
d. Special Meeting of July 24, 2008
e. Special Meeting of August 12, 2008

Council Member Solis moved to waive the reading and approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Holloway, Lujan, and Mendoza. NOES: None. ABSENT: Storing.

PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL

B-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION TO SELF-CERTIFY COMPLIANCE WITH THE 2004 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) GUIDELINES

Assistant City Manager Yamachika provided Council with a staff report and advised Council of a correction to attachment D. He stated that attachment D indicated that permits were issued for 14 new single family homes. The report will be changed to reflect 13 new single family homes.

Mayor Lujan opened the public hearing at 7:17 p.m. There being no one present wishing to speak, the public hearing was immediately closed.

Council Member Solis moved to adopt Resolution No. 08-4742 certifying that the City is in compliance with the 2004 Congestion Management Program, adopting the 2008 CMP 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 Mendoza.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

C-1 CONSIDERATION OF MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT ("MCA-124") - ADOPTION OF ZONING REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO SMOKE SHOPS IN THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE (C-2) WITHIN THE CITY OF LA PUENTE - 2nd READING (Read by Title only and introduced at the July 22, 2008 Regular City Council Meeting; Continued from August 12, 2008 City Council Meeting.)

City Planner Arreola presented Council with a staff report.

A brief discussion ensued about what locations would be available using the 500-foot and 800-foot radius maps.

Council Member Mendoza moved to adopt Ordinance No. 08-874 amending Chapter 10.08 (Definitions) and 10.40 (General Commercial Zone (C-2)) of Title 10 (Zoning Ordinance), of the City of La Puente Municipal Code, adopting smoke shop zoning regulations within the City; seconded by Council Member Solis. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Holloway, Lujan, and Mendoza. NOES: None. ABSENT: Storing.

Council directed staff to bring back another Ordinance that would require a permit for smoke shops in allotted areas.

C-2 CONSIDERATION OF EDUCATION COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

City Clerk Turner provided a brief staff report to Council.

Council Member Solis appointed Gilda Ochoa to the Education Commission for a term that would expire January 30, 2009.

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Lujan noted that staff requested for Consent Calendar Item D-8 be pulled -- Approval of New Participant(s) for CalHome Housing Rehabilitation Program for Round 4 Funding.

Council Member Solis moved to approve Consent Calendar Items D-1 through D-7 and D-9 through D-12; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Holloway, Lujan, and Mendoza. NOES: None. ABSENT: Storing.

D-1. APRROVAL OF RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1233 FOR FISCAL YEARS 2007-2008 AND 2008-2009

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 08-4743.

D-2 APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S/FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE (UN-AUDITED) MONTH ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council receives and files the Monthly (un-audited) Treasurer's/Financial Report for the month ended June 30, 2008.

D-3 ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PERSONNEL SYSTEM AND ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED POSITIONS, MONTHLY SALARY RANGES AND HOURLY RATES

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt **Resolution No. 08-4744,** rescinding Resolution No. 08-4729 and amending the comprehensive personnel system and establishing the authorized positions and monthly salary ranges.

D-4 BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION FOR SENIOR CENTER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt **Resolution No. 08-4745,** amending the budget to complete the re-roofing component of the Senior Center Improvement Project in the amount of $101,020.00.

D-5 APPROVAL OF PROGRAM SUMMARY MONTHLY REPORT FOR CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FISCAL YEARS 2007-2008 AND 2008-2009

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council approve the CDBG Housing Program Summary report and authorize that it be filed for audit.

D-6 APPROVAL OF PROGRAM SUMMARY MONTHLY REPORT FOR CALHOME HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM REUSE ACCOUNT AND ROUND 4 FUNDS

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council approve the CalHome Housing Program Summary report and authorize that it be filed for audit.

D-7 APPROVAL OF NEW PARTICIPANT(S) FOR CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM (D97301-08)-FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009

Staff Recommendation: The Screening Committee recommends that the City Council approve the allocations and authorize the Assistant City Manager to execute the necessary documents to implement the Housing Rehabilitation Program in the amount of $12,000.00.

D-9 AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR A SLURRY SEAL PROJECT FOR CDBG - ELIGIBLE STREETS IN ZONES 6 AND 7 (CDBG PROJECT NO. 601133-08)

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council: 1) adopt **Resolution No. 08-4746**, amending the budget for the Slurry Seal Project for Zones 6 and 7; 2) approve the current plans and specifications for the Zone 6 and 7 Slurry Seal Project for CDBG – eligible streets; and 3) authorize staff to solicit bids for this project.

D-10 APPROVAL OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS 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 Proposals for the painting of property address numbers on adjacent street curbs.

D-11 ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE HACIENDA AND ELLIOTT INTERSECTION MODIFICATION AND NEW TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT AMAR ROAD AND ELLIOTT AVENUE PROJECT

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council: 1) accept Hacienda and Elliot Intersection Modification Project as complete; and 2) authorize the City Clerk to execute the Notice of Completion.

D-12 AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR LEFT TURN SIGNAL INSTALLATION ON TEMPLE AVENUE AT CALIFORNIA AVENUE

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council: 1) approve the plans and specifications; and 2) authorize staff to solicit bids for the left turn signal installation project on Temple Avenue at California Avenue.

D-8 APPROVAL OF NEW PARTICIPANT(S) FOR CALHOME HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR ROUND 4 FUNDING

Consent Calendar Item D-8 was pulled from the Agenda per staff request.

NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 CONSIDERATION OF QUARTERLY CRIME REPORT PRESENTED BY CAPTAIN MICHAEL SMITH, INDUSTRY STATION

Captain Smith provided the 2nd quarter 2008 crime statistic report.

A brief discussion ensued regarding notification procedures.

Council Member Solis moved to receive and file the 2nd quarter crime report; seconded by Council Member Mendoza. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Holloway, Lujan, and Mendoza. NOES: None. ABSENT: Storing.

E-2 CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING HR 5887 - THE SOLEDAD CANYON MINE ACT (Requested by Mayor Lujan)

Mayor Lujan gave an overview of the staff report explaining that if the Federal Bill is approved, it would prevent further mining in Soledad Canyon.

Mayor Lujan moved to adopt Resolution No. 08-4747, supporting HR 5887 the Soledad Canyon Mine Act; seconded by Council Member Solis. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Solis, Holloway, Lujan, and Mendoza. NOES: None. ABSENT: Storing.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

COUNCIL AB1234 REPORTS

None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lujan adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Approved this 9th day of September, 2008

Amy M. Turner, City Clerk

Louie A. Lujan, Mayor