MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING OF
FEBRUARY 10, 2009

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 February 10, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lujan called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present:	Mendoza, Solis, Storing, Holloway, and Lujan.
Staff Members present:	Transition Manager Tripepi, Assistant City Manager Yamachika, City Attorney Casso, City Clerk Turner, Finance Director Kim, Public Works Director Salas, Recreation Director Bistarkey, Deputy City Clerk Giron, and City Clerk Assistant Garcia.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Holloway led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Armando Rosales voiced concern over the intersection at Orange and Homeward and thanked the City for filling in a large pothole in front of the school.

Lucinda Williams, Brea City Clerk and Executive Board Member of the City Clerks Association of California, presented a Certificate of Exceptional Professional Achievement to City Clerk, Amy Turner, for achieving her Master Municipal Clerk certification.

Leonard Wayne Rose Jr. spoke about his recent appearance on television, prayer, church attendance, a flyer he created, and classes he plans to attend.

Karen Dahlitz thanked the City for removing the graffiti from an abandoned house near her home. Mayor Lujan thanked staff for their quick responses to the community.

Diana Ruvira expressed concern over a neighbor's illegal room addition. It was determined that she does not reside in the City and was given contact information for Los Angeles County.

Marty Paz inquired how the city determined to limit water consumption to 200 gallons to qualify for the Sewer Services senior citizen discount and wondered whether anyone could actually meet the requirements. Staff responded that the formula came from Los Angeles County and that approximately 130-140 households qualified for the discount last year.

Rudy Almeida announced an upcoming Community Watch Meeting to be held Thursday, February 12, 2009 at 7 p.m. at the Hacienda Heights Public Library.

Mayor Lujan requested that CDC Item E-1 be brought forward in the agenda. With the Council's consensus the CDC agenda was moved forward.

RECESS

Mayor Lujan recessed the City Council Meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Mayor Lujan reconvened the City Council meeting at 7:38 p.m.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE
a. SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JANUARY 22, 2009
b. REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JANUARY 27, 2009

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

None.

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Solis moved to approve Consent Calendar Items D-1 through D-4; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mendoza, Solis, Storing, Holloway, and Lujan. NOES: None.

D-1 APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1243 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt **Resolution No. 09-4776** approving Warrant Register No. 1243.

D-2 ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1.12.030 OF THE LA PUENTE MUNICIPAL CODE ("LPMC") TO INCLUDE ALL VIOLATIONS OF THE LPMC (Introduced at the meeting of January 27, 2009 - Item E-3)

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council: 1) adopt **Ordinance No. 09-880** amending Section 1.12.030 of Title 1 (General Provisions) of the La Puente Municipal Code Relating to the scope of administrative citations; and 2) adopt **Resolution No. 09-4777,** updating the Administrative Penalty Schedule.

D-3 APPROVAL OF EXTENSION OF CONTRACT FOR ESCROW SERVICES

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council authorize the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 07-902 for Community Development Block Grant and CalHome housing rehabilitation escrow services with Rehab Financial Corp until November 27, 2009 and authorize the City Manager to extend the contract for one (1) additional year at the end of the period.

D-4 APPROVAL OF NEW PARTICIPANT(S) FOR CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM (D97301-08)-FISCAL YEAR 2008-09

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended by the Screening Committee 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 $36,000.

NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 CONSIDERATION OF MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 4.12 OF THE LA PUENTE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ELIMINATE THE SELF-HAUL EXCLUSION TO MANDATORY SOLID WASTES SERVICES

Transition Manager Tripepi gave an overview of the staff report.

Council Member Solis moved to waive the reading of the Ordinance No. 09-881 and read by title only; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mendoza, Solis, Storing, Holloway, and Lujan. NOES: None.

Interim Manager Tripepi read the Ordinance by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 09-881

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA PUENTE AMENDING CHAPTER 4.12 (SOLID WASTE HANDLING AND RECYCLING SERVICES) OF TITLE 4 (HEALTH AND SANITATION) OF THE CITY OF LA PUENTE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ELIMINATE THE SELF-HAULING EXCLUSION TO THE MANDATORY REQUIREMENT OF SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES

Mayor Pro Tem Holloway moved to adopt Ordinance No. 09-881; seconded by Council Member Solis. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mendoza, Solis, Storing, Holloway, and Lujan. NOES: None.

E-2 CONSIDER ESTABLISHING AN ANNUAL VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION PROGRAM (Requested by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway)

Mayor Pro Tem Holloway noted that the City has many people who serve the community in various ways and expressed interest in establishing a volunteer recognition program to recognize community volunteers. He also noted that he would like the program named after Ralph Osborn.

Mayor Pro Tem Holloway moved to direct staff to craft guidelines for a community volunteer recognition program to be brought back for approval; seconded by Council Member Mendoza. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mendoza, Solis, Storing, Holloway, and Lujan. NOES: None.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

COUNCIL AB1234 REPORTS

None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Pro Tem Holloway expressed concern over the closure of cable channel 3 and asked for a status report at the next meeting. Transition Manager Tripepi noted that he would have a memo sent to all Council regarding the status.

Council Member Solis noted that he received a phone call from his appointee on the Puente Pride Committee and conveyed her concern about another committee member's attendance issues. Mayor Lujan noted that he would contact the committee member about her attendance. It was also noted that team assignments had been changed to alleviate the problem.

Mayor Lujan noted his receipt of the Management Partners review, and with Council consensus, asked staff to prepare and present a summarized version of the report at the first meeting in March.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

Transition Manager Tripepi announced the AB1234 Ethics Training to be held February 12, 2009 from 3-5 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lujan adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Approved this 24th day of February, 2009

Amy M. Turner, City Clerk

Louie A. Lujan, Mayor