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MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING OF
FEBRUARY 24, 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 24, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lujan called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present: Mendoza, Storing, Holloway, Lujan
Council Members absent: Solis

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, City Planner Arreolla, Community Preservation Supervisor Blakely, Deputy City Clerk Giron

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Storing led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION IN HONOR OF ARBOR DAY ON MARCH 4, 2009

Council presented the proclamation to Recreation Coordinator Armijo on behalf of the City.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Gregg Jones, Acting Assistant Chief of the Los Angeles County Fire Department introduced himself to Council. He gave a brief background of his career.

Lou Perez spoke about the economy, his concern regarding lobbyist hired by the City, past budget cuts in the City, the League of Cities and Contracts Cities, and about a project with Ed Butts Ford.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR METING OF FEBRUARY 10, 2009

Council Member Storing moved to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 10, 2009; seconded by Council Member Mendoza.

Council Member Holloway requested to amend the minutes to reflect Puente Pride Committee's partner assignments.

There was a Council consensus to make the amendment.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

None.

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Storing moved to approve Consent Items D-1 through D-6; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mendoza, Storing, Holloway, and Lujan. ABSENT: Solis. NOES: None.

D-1 APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1244 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 09-4778.

D-2 APPROVAL OF PROGRAM SUMMARY MONTHLY REPORT FOR CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FY 2008-09

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-3 APPROVAL OF PROGRAM SUMMARY MONTHLY REPORT FOR CALHOME HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM 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-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 allocation and authorize the Assistant City Manager to execute the necessary documents to implement the Housing Rehabilitation Program in the amount of $12,000.

D-5 ADOPT AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 4.12 OF THE LA PUENTE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ELIMINATE THE SELF-HAUL EXCLUSION TO MANDATORY SOLID WASTES SERVICES (Introduced and title read at meeting of February 10, 2009 – Item E-1)

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 09-881 amending Chapter 4.12, Title 4, of the La Puente Municipal Code.

D-6 AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE MAIN STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT FROM BAMBOO STREET TO LAURA 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 Main Street Reconstruction Project from Bamboo Street to Laura Avenue.

NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING A RESOLUTION FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (LA-RICS) PROJECT JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT (JPA)

Public Works Director Salas gave an overview of the staff report clarifying that this item only approves participation and would not commit any money from the City at this time.

Mayor Lujan moved to (1) adopt Resolution No. 09-4779 approving the Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Joint Powers Agreement thus authorizing the City's membership in the LA-RICS Authority and authorizing the City Manager to execute the JPA Agreement; and (2) direct staff to report back on the status of the LA-RICS Authority prior to the adoption of the funding plan with recommendation whether to continue the City's membership in the JPA at that time; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mendoza, Storing, Holloway, and Lujan. ABSENT: Solis. NOES: None.

E-2 CONSIDERATION OF AN URGENCY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM ON LARGE DAY CARE HOMES IN RESIDENTIAL ZONES PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65858(D)

City Planner Arreola provided a brief overview of the staff report.

A brief discussion ensued regarding staff's research on large day care homes located in the City.

City Attorney Casso explained that the urgency ordinance would grandfather in existing day care facilities until their use is changed.

Council Member Mendoza moved to adopt temporary Ordinance No. 09-882, establishing a temporary moratorium on the acceptance, processing or issuance of any zoning permit, use permit, or other entitlement for the establishment and operation of large day care homes in any residential zone, for 45 days in order to allow the City to study the impacts of such uses; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mendoza, Storing, Holloway, and Lujan. ABSENT: Solis. NOES: None.

ORDINANCE NO. U09-882

AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA PUENTE MAKING FINDINGS AND ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE, PROCESSING OR ISSUANCE OF ANY ZONING PERMIT, USE PERMIT, OR OTHER ENTITLEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF LARGE FAMILY DAY CARE HOMES IN ANY RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

E-3 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE PARKING PENALTY FEE SCHEDULE TO OFFSET COURT CONSTRUCTION SURCHARGE COSTS IMPOSED UPON THE CITY

Community Preservation Supervisor Blakely provided an overview of the staff report.

Mayor Lujan moved to adopt Resolution No. 09-4780, amending the Parking Violation Penalty Schedule to include the court construction surcharge as established by SB 1407; seconded by Council Member Mendoza. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mendoza, Storing, Holloway, and Lujan. ABSENT: Solis. NOES: None.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

COUNCIL AB 1234 REPORTS

None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Council, Mayor Lujan adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Amy M. Turner, City Clerk

Louie A. Lujan, Mayor