

**MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING OF
MARCH 9, 2010**

Per Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 10th Edition, minutes are a record of the actions taken by the body. These minutes do not include a summary of the discussion but only reflect the action taken by the body. A complete audio recording of this meeting is available on the City's website www.lapueente.org

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 23, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present: Argudo, Holloway, Solis, and Mendoza.

Council Members absent: None.

Staff Members present: City Manager Kenline, Assistant City Manager Yamachika, Commission Counsel Casso, City Clerk Turner, Interim City Clerk Barone, Public Works Director Salas, Finance Director Kim, Recreation Services Director Bistarkey, City Planner Arreola, Management Analyst Ortega, Community Preservation Supervisor Blakely, Rehabilitation Grant Specialist Galvan, Accounting Assistant Newcomb, and Records Technician Garcia.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Holloway led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL

B-1 PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A 10 MONTH AND 15 DAYS EXTENSION OF INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 10-897, ESTABLISHING TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON ISSUANCE OF ANY ZONING PERMIT, USE PERMIT OR OTHER ENTITLEMENTS FOR ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF AUTOMOBILE DEALERSHIPS IN THE CITY'S C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) ZONE

The Mayor Pro Tem opened the public hearing and public comments.

Ricardo Campos called to speak and noted his appreciation to the Council for allowing him to conduct business in La Puente.

Manuel Maldonado suggested the Council conduct periodic Town Hall meetings to gain the community's input.

The Mayor Pro Tem closed the public comment and public hearing.

Councilmember Holloway moved to read Urgency Ordinance No. 10-899 by title only and waive further reading, introduce and adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 10-899. The City Attorney read the title of the Ordinance for the record; seconded by Council Member Argudo. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Holloway, Solis, Mendoza, and Argudo. NOES: None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Leonard Wayne Rose Jr. spoke regarding activities at New Hope La Puente.

Manuel Maldonado spoke regarding the Councilmember appointment process, the Hacienda Blvd. construction project, the closure of Main Street, opposition to the Hacienda-La Puente School District proposed bond, and the closure of medical marijuana dispensaries.

Maria Ibarra expressed concerns about the Hacienda Blvd. project.

Maria Becerra requested that the City Council pursue closure of the medical marijuana dispensaries which are adjacent to any school sites.

Reina Schmitz expressed concerns regarding the medical marijuana dispensaries zoned close to school grounds.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 23, 2010

Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza moved to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 23, 2010.; seconded by Council Member Solis. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Holloway, Solis, Mendoza, and Argudo. NOES: 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-9, with the exception of D-4, which was pulled for separate consideration; seconded by Council Member Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Holloway, Solis, Mendoza, and Argudo. NOES: None.

D-1 APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1269 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-10

D-2 ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE GLENDORA AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FROM TEMPLE AVENUE TO HACIENDA BOULEVARD, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. ESPL-5331(012)

D-3 AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASE OF TWO NEW 2010 CHEVROLET SILVERADO HYBRID 2WD TRUCKS AND APPROVAL OF BUDGET RESOLUTION FOR THE SAME

D-4 APPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR STREET RECONSTRUCTION ON TEMPLE AVENUE, DORA GUZMAN AVENUE AND DEL VALLE AVENUE

Council Member Holloway moved to 1) adopt Resolution No. 10-4859, to authorize the use of Prop C funding, Prop 42 funding and Prop 1B funding for the Temple Avenue, Dora Guzman Avenue and Del Valle Avenue Reconstruction Project; 2) direct the Finance Director to establish a new CIP account for the designated project; 3) approve the Plans and Specifications; and 4) authorize Staff to solicit bids for the Temple Avenue, Dora Guzman Avenue, and Del Valle Avenue Reconstruction Project; seconded by Council Member Solis. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Holloway, Solis, Mendoza, and Argudo. NOES: None.

D-5 APPROVAL OF SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SR2S) STATE PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENT NO.G75 FOR THE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS AT NELSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, DEL VALLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND SIERRA VISTA MIDDLE SCHOOL

D-6 APPROVAL OF LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR MAINTAINING CURRENT OPERATIONS AT THE CITY OF INDUSTRY UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE PROCESSING AND DISTRIBUTION CENTER.

D-7 APPROVAL OF A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' PROPOSAL TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

D-8 APPROVAL OF LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR HR 4349 (NAPOLITANO) THE HOOVER DAM POWER ALLOCATION ACT OF 2009

D-9 APPROVAL OF LETTER OF OPPOSITION TO AB X8 6/ SB X8 6 "FUEL TAX SWAP"

NEW BUSINESS

E-1 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING VALLEY VISTA SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE RATE INCREASE REQUEST

Council Member Solis moved to Valley Vista Services' request for a rate increase for solid waste collection services to residential and commercial based on the documented increases in the cost to provide solid waste services to the City of La Puente.; seconded by Argudo. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Holloway, Solis, Mendoza, and Argudo. NOES: None.

RECESS

Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza recessed the City Council meeting and reconvened the Community Development Commission meeting. After deliberation of the Community Development Commission meeting, Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza reconvened the City Council meeting.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

COUNCIL AB1234 REPORTS/ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

ORAL COMMENTS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Kenline thanked City Clerk Turner for her service to the City.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Olivarez announced that the City Council and would recess to closed session to discuss the items listed on the agenda.

F-1 THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8 TO CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS PROPERTY: 1249-1311 and 1313-1335 N. Hacienda Boulevard; 15217 and 15225 E. Fairgrove AGENCY NEGOTIATORS: James Casso. Commission Counsel: Josefina Mendez Kenline. Executive Director: Gregg Yamachika. Deputy Executive Director: Frank Tripepi. Consultant NEGOTIATING PARTIES: Arman Gabay and Sarah Magana Withers representing Charles Company UNDER NEGOTIATION: Price and terms

F-2 THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 54957.6(f) TO CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES: EDWARD RAYA EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION: SEIU LOCAL 721

F-2 THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION TO CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION – SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (b) OF SECTION

54956.9: LETTER DATED JANUARY 14, 2009 FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY COUNCIL THREATENING TO JOIN CITY AS DEFENDANT IN NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, INC. ET AL. VS. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ET AL., NO. 08-1467 AHM UNLESS A TOLLING AGREEMENT IS SIGNED

- F-3 THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(a) TO CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO INTERVENE IN EXISTING LITIGATION A False Claims Action filed under seal in Los Angeles Superior Court No. BC 410135 and ordered to be confidential pursuant to Government Code section 12652(c)

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza reconvened the meeting to open session at 10:30 p.m.

Council Member Holloway moved to extend the City Council meeting past 10:30 p.m.; seconded by Council Member Argudo. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Holloway, Solis, Mendoza, and Argudo. NOES: None.

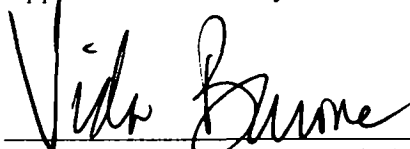
A suggestion was made by Councilmember Solis to pursue information regarding requiring "background checks" on all applicants for the vacant position on the City Council.

City Attorney Olivarez announced that the City Council recessed to closed session for discussion of two items as posted on the agenda and that all four Council members were present. He reported that as to Item F-2, the Council received a briefing and there was no final action taken.

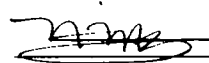
ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the City Council, Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza adjourned the meeting.

Approved this 23rd day of March, 2010.



Vida Barone, Interim City Clerk



Nadia A. Mendoza, Mayor Pro Tem