MINUTES
LA PUENTE JOINT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING OF
JULY 7, 2011

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.lapuente.org

A Joint Special Meeting of the City Council and Community Development Commission of the City of La Puente was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 15900 East Main Street, La Puente, California, on July 7, 2011, at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chair Solis called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:	Holloway, Argudo, Solis
Members absent:	House, Mendoza (Council Member/Commissioner Mendoza arrived at 6:55 p.m.)
Staff Members present:	Interim City Manager Romero, City Engineer Pagett, Assistant Planner Chow, Acting Finance Manager Leung, City Clerk Jacquez-Nares, and Interim Administrative Services Director Plumlee

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Argudo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - None

RECESS THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Chair/Mayor Solis recessed the Community Development Commission Meeting at 6:36 p.m.

E. NEW BUSINESS

E-2 DISCUSSION REGARDING DUI CHECKPOINTS BY LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN LA PUENTE

Mayor Solis stated that he has received a letter from Chief Lang of the Sheriff's Department regarding safety issues for deputies and residents, and is seeking direction from the City Council regarding staffing of DUI checkpoints.

Mayor Pro Tem Argudo stated that on April 12 City Council directed the City Manager to send correspondence to the Sheriff's Department requesting that an additional towing company be added to the rotation, and outlined the reasons for the request. A reply from Chief Lang stated that current conditions do not warrant a second towing company on rotation; however, this did not preclude the City of La Puente from using a second towing company for tows initiated by the City's parking control officers.

Following discussion, Mayor Solis moved to suspend DUI checkpoints immediately until a meeting to discuss the issues with the Captain can be scheduled; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Argudo. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Argudo and Solis. NOES: Holloway. ABSENT: House and Mendoza.

E-1 DISCUSSION REGARDING FIXED ROUTES, TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AND L.P. LINK

Mayor Pro Tem Argudo stated that the buses being utilized are not the buses intended for the purposes proposed by the City. He stated that that he has observed buses that display Southland Transit but do not display the City's LP Link symbol. Mr. Argudo further stated that the contact for transportation services has expired, and within the movement to create healthier communities and going green, there are other viable options available. He suggested that an RFQ for potential electric buses would be in order.

Discussion ensued regarding ownership of the buses currently being used. Assistant Planner Chow stated that the two buses being utilized for the fixed routes are owned by the City, and further stated that the LP Link symbol should be displayed on all buses. Assistant Planner Chow confirmed that the contract with Southland Transit has been in place since 2004, was amended in 2009, and expired in June 2010.

Following discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Argudo moved to direct staff to prepare an RFQ for fixed route services; seconded by Mayor Solis. The motion carried by the following roll vote: AYES: Mendoza, Holloway, Argudo and Solis. NOES: None. ABSENT: House

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

C-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 ANNUAL BUDGET IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ADOPTION OF THE CITY'S GANN APPROPRIATION LIMIT AND ESTABLISHING CONTROLS ON CHANGES IN APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE VARIOUS FUNDS

Mayor Pro Tem Argudo recommended that the City Council approve only the operational portion of the budget for 30 days, and call a special meeting at a later date when all Council Members are present.

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Argudo to appropriate funds for the next 30 days for minimal operations, and to call a special meeting to approve the budget at a later date; seconded by Council Member Holloway. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mendoza, Holloway, Argudo and Solis. NOES: None. ABSENT: House

RECESS THE CITY COUNCIL AND RECONVENE THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEHNT COMMISSION

Mayor Solis recessed the City Council Meeting and reconvened the Community Development Commission Meeting at 7:20 p.m.

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

C-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION'S FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 ANNUAL BUDGET

Vice Chair Argudo recommended that the Community Development Commission approve only the operational portion of the budget for 30 days, and call a special meeting at a later date when all Commission Members are present.

It was moved by Vice Chair Argudo to appropriate funds for the next 30 days for minimal operations, and to call a special meeting to approve the budget at a later date; seconded by Commission Member Holloway. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mendoza, Holloway, Argudo and Solis. NOES: None. ABSENT: House

RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Argudo reconvened the City Council meeting at 7:21 p.m.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Pro Tem Argudo stated that he and Council Member House completed the Los Angeles Sheriff's Community Academy, which consisted of six weeks of training.

Council Member Holloway thanked staff for their excellent work at the July 4 fireworks show.

Mayor Solis also thanked staff for their work at the July 4 fireworks show, and announced that the City's first Concert in the Park series would be held on July 13.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

Interim City Manager Romero introduced Interim Administrative Services Director Bret Plumlee.

Interim City Attorney Casso confirmed that Council Member Mendoza arrived at the joint meeting at 6:55 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Solis adjourned the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Approved this 8th day of November, 2011

Adrian Garcia
Acting Deputy City Clerk

John M. Solis
Mayor