

**MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING OF
JANUARY 5, 2012**

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.lapuate.org

A Special 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 January 5, 2012, at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Solis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: House, Mendoza, Holloway and Solis

Members absent: Argudo

Staff Members present: City Manager Plumlee, Interim City Attorney Casso and Acting Deputy City Clerk Garcia, Administrative Services Komers, and Recreation Manager Lerma

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member House led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Anthony Duarte stated his opposition to the hiring a new law firm to represent the City of La Puente.

Henry Nodal stated his opposition to the hiring of a new law firm, and requested clarification of the matter. Mayor Solis responded that it is the City Council's objective to change the City Attorney's position from an interim to a permanent position.

Karen Dahlitz stated her opposition to the hiring of a new law firm.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Solis stated that the City Attorney interview process would require approximately 30 to 45 minutes.

Mayor Solis recessed to closed session at 6:39 p.m.

Interim City Attorney Casso announced the City Council would recess to closed session for discussion of one item as posted on the agenda.

- A. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957(b)(2), PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT: CITY ATTORNEY

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Mayor Solis reconvened to open session at 6:55 p.m.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Interim City Attorney Casso reported that as to Item A there was no reportable action, and it would be appropriate to discuss Item B at this time.

- B. DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING APPOINTING OF A LAW FIRM AND/OR INDIVIDUAL TO PROVIDE CITY ATTORNEY SERVICES

Mayor Solis announced that the discussion regarding the appointment of a law firm would take place on Thursday, January 12, 2012, in order to ensure that all five City Council Members are present to participate in the discussion.

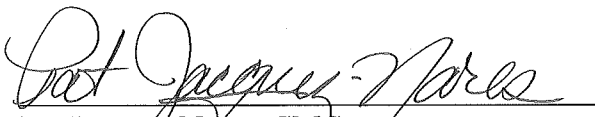
ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL - None

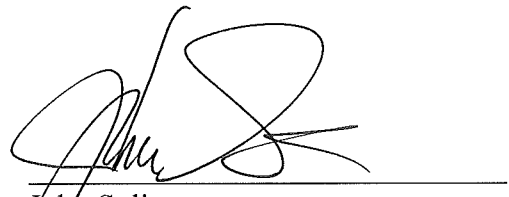
ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF - None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Solis adjourned the City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. to January 12, 2012, at 6:30 p.m.

Approved this 27th day of March 2012


Pat Jacquez-Nares, CMC
City Clerk


John Solis
Mayor