MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR
REGULAR MEETING OF
AUGUST 13, 2013

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A Regular Meeting of the City Council and Successor Agency of the City of La Puente was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 15900 East Main Street, La Puente, California, on August 13, 2013, at 6:30 p.m.

6:30 P.M. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chair Klinakis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:	Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House
Members absent:	None
Staff present:	City Manager Plumlee, City Attorney Casso, Administrative Secretary Ramirez, Director of Development Services Di Mario and Recreation Manger Lerma.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS -- CLOSED SESSION - None.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION:

City Attorney Casso recessed the City Council into closed session at 6:32 p.m. to discuss the item as posted on the agenda.

CLOSED SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c) (One case)

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Mayor Klinakis reconvened to open session at 7:05 p.m.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Casso reported that the Council recessed into closed session to discuss the item as posted on the agenda there was direction given to the City Attorney's Office and no final action was taken.

7:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chair Klinakis called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:	Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House
Members absent:	None
Staff present:	City Manager Plumlee, City Attorney Casso, Administrative Secretary Ramirez, Director of Development Services Di Mario, City Engineer Pagett, Finance Manager Purificacion, and Recreation Manager Lerma

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Klinakis.

PRESENTATIONS

HACIENDA LA PUENTE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT CYNTHIA PARULAN-COLFER

Interim Superintendent Colfer stated that the City of La Puente was very instrumental in helping the Culinary Arts Program at the Willow Campus at Hacienda La Puente Adult School. The students prepared a snack for the Council and introduced themselves and described what they had prepared.

Council Member Holloway thanked Ms. Colfer and Development Services Director Di Mario for their part in helping this project. He stated he was student at La Puente Unified and described the many programs offered through adult education and wished the program the best of luck.

Hacienda La Puente School District Vice President Mr. Gino Kwok expressed his gratitude to the Council and for adult education.

The students presented the Council with an official apron and posed for pictures.

RECESS THE CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING

Mayor/Chair Klinakis recessed the City Council and Successor Agency meeting for five minutes to try the food the students had prepared.

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION FOR NATIONAL NIGHT OUT PARTICIPATION

Mayor Klinakis expressed his thoughts with the direction of the Sheriffs Department and the community. He explained how the Sheriff's department was working together with local agencies to clean up the City. The Mayor thanked the Sherriffs department for their hard and ongoing work in keeping the community safe. He also thanked the Recreation staff for the excellent job on the Second Annual National Night Out Event.

The Mayor and City Council provided Certificates of Appreciation to the participants of the National Night Out Event.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Leonard Wayne Rose Jr. stated how he had attended a Christian church play regarding gangs, drugs, and violence.

Manuel Maldonado expressed his pleasure with the National Night Out event although he did not attend he heard it was a great success. He informed the Council of the trash on the City streets especially near St. Louis of Francis Catholic Church near Temple and Sunset. He would like to have an ordinance in place to cite the public for throwing trash on the streets. Mr. Maldonado also stated he would like to have a new candidate for the La Puente School Board be from the City of La Puente.

Mayor Klinakis agreed with Mr. Maldonado and stated that he would like to support a candidate for the Hacienda La Puente School Board to be from the City of La Puente.

Council Member House stated that since becoming a Council Member it had been his ambition to help the City clean itself up. He expressed to Mr. Maldonado how the City needed more citizens like him to help with the clean-up effort.

Council Member Holloway stated that for the last five years he was a Council Member he had also tried to push initiatives to clean up the City, but the work had to begin with the City's sidewalks and parks.

California Joint Powers Insurance Authority representative Melaina Francis introduced herself and to let staff know that she was available to assist with risk management needs.

Greg Fess expressed his concerns with all the problems at the La Puente Park such as drinking fountains not working, restrooms that smell like urine, and the potholes in the grass. He invited the Council to go to the park on Monday morning to see all the beer bottles and cans. He stated his concerns with the City's staff member that advised him that he could not place solar panels on his home that were visible from the street.

Mayor Klinakis informed Mr. Fess that Council had been working on the issue of the drinking fountains at the park. Development Services Director Di Mario was working on this issue.

City Attorney Casso stated that he believed that solar panels were preempted by state law and that the City would look into the City's Municipal Code and get back to Mr. Fess.

Council Member Argudo stated that some of the issues regarding the cleaning of City streets were due to the departments being under staffed. There were less than six employees to clean the entire city. He would like the Council and City staff to bring forth a recommendation on how to solve these problems. There are only five full time employees and one acting supervisor in the Public Works Department.

Council Member Holloway stated that the City was under staffed in several departments within the City after the reorganization due to budgetary reasons. The City was unable to fund additional positions at this time. The City needed to look at other areas that could be cut in order to hire additional staff.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Holloway provided a packet of information to the Council Members which included the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control press release on the Tiger Mosquitoe and the Sanitation District No. 15 discussion on the closure of the Puente Hills Landfill in October.

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 23, 2013

Council Member Argudo moved to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of July 23, 2013; seconded by Council Member House. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL - None.

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

C-1 DISCUSSION AND PROVIDE DIRECTION ON THE APRIL 8, 2014 ELECTION

City Manager Plumlee provided a summary of this item.

A Council and Staff discussion ensued as to the accuracy of the information being provided, the City Clerk's duties, the cost of the election training, the actual costs of the stand-alone versus a consolidated election, and the requirements for the election official.

The majority of the Council supports that the City Clerk continue to receive and complete the Certified Election and Voter Registration Administrator training. By Council consensus, this item was continued to the August 27, 2013 meeting to allow for the City Clerk to be present and provide clarifying information.

D. CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Argudo moved to approve Consent Calendar Item No. D-1, D-3, and D-4; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lewis. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

D-1 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NOS. 1346 AND 14

Action Taken: The City Council and Successor Agency adopted Resolution Nos.13-5088 and 13-23 approving Warrant Register Nos. 1346 and 14.

D-2 CONSIDERATION OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO. 07-900 FOR COMPLETION OF THE CITY'S ZONING CODE UPDATE

Council Member Argudo requested clarification on what changes had been made to warrant this amendment.

Development Services Director Di Mario provided the changes as follows: 1) the term has been extended to June 30, 2014; 2) the services schedule; and 3) the name change of Hogle Ireland to Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. (MIG)

A Council, City Attorney, and Staff discussion ensued as to the history of this item, the consultant's services, the delays in completing this update, the lack of staffing, and the law pertaining to the compliance and updating requirements.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis moved to approve Second Amendment No. 07-900-02 to Agreement No. 07-900 between the City of La Puente and Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. to complete the update of the City's Zoning Code; seconded by Mayor Klinakis. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Holloway, and House. NOES: Argudo.

D-3 CONSIDERATION OF AN AMENDMENT TO USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LA PUENTE AND THE EAST VALLEY BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

Action Taken: The City Council approved Amendment No. 08-938A-01 to the agreement between the City of La Puente and the East Valley Boys and Girls Club consultant services and authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City.

D-4 CONSIDERATION OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT PHASE IV AND STREET RESURFACING BETWEEN THE CITY AND RAMONA, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,351,736.25

Action Taken: The City Council: 1) awarded the contract no. 13-1122 to Ramona, Inc. in the amount of $1,351,736.25; and 2) authorized the City Manager to approve change orders up to 10% of the bid amount.

D-5 CONSIDERATION OF A SECOND AMENDMENT TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH INTELLIBRIDGE PARTNERS, LLC TO PROVIDE INTERIM ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $50,000.00

Council Member Argudo stated his concerns with the recruitment process and questioned the consultant hours. City Manager Plumlee provided the three ways that had been used to advertise the recruitment and the hours that the consultant was working per week (12).

Mayor Klinakis moved to approve second Amendment No. 13-1105-02 to the Professional Services Agreement with IntelliBridge Partners, LLC in an amount not to exceed $50,000.00; seconded by Council Member Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

RECESS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

Chair Klinakis recessed the Successor Agency meeting at 9:06 p.m.

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 CONSIDERATION OF AN AGREEMENT TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY AND SEIU, LOCAL 721.

City Manager Plumlee provided a brief summary of this item.

Council Member Holloway moved to approve Side Letter Agreement No. 12-1096-01 with the SEIU to extend the terms of the MOU between the City and the SEIU to September 25, 2013 and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement reflecting this extension; seconded by Council Member House. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

E-2 PRESENTATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE SPECIAL EVENTS AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE ANNUAL MAIN STREET RUN

Recreation Manager Lerma provided a brief summary of this item. She outlined the recommendations as follows: 1) pre-packet pick up before the day of event with an additional $5.00 fee for same day pick; 2) a $5.00 fee increase to all runs except the fun run would have a $3.00 increase; 3) to have an opening ceremony and the removal of a closing ceremony and to have the medals presented at a City Council meeting; 4) participants requested reversal of course, staff does not recommend this change; and 5) to bring back the pancake breakfast at a fee.

A Council and Staff discussion ensued as to the route, the students run LA packet pick up, the pancake breakfast, the October 27, 2013 date for the event, and the possibility of having the downtown association participate in this event.

Council Member House moved to accept the recommendations that were made by the Special Events Ad Hoc Committee for the Annual Main Street Run with the exception of the pancake breakfast and to ask the Downtown Association if they would like to provide food for the event; seconded by Council Member Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

E-3 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION WAIVING THE FORMAL BID PROCESS AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF NINE ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLES FOR THE CITY FLEET FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $448,000.00; DECLARING AS SURPLUS PROPERTY SEVEN VEHICLES IN THE CITY'S FLEET, ADOPTING FINDINGS TO MODIFY THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCESS FOR THE SALE OF THE SURPLUS VEHICLES, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE SURPLUS VEHICLES AT AUCTION, AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH WSM AUCTIONS FOR THE SALE OF THE VEHICLES

City Manager Plumlee provided an introduction of this item.

Interim Director of Administrative Services Steinbrink provided a brief summary of this item.

A Council and Staff discussion ensued on the DGS contract and the amount of vehicles to be purchased and surplused. Additional discussion on the funding for these purchases, the type of fuel they would use and the status and location of the current fleet.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis moved to 1) Adopt Resolution No. 13-5089 waiving the formal bid process and authorizing the purchase of nine (9) vehicles; 2) Adopt Resolution No. 13-5090 declaring surplus property, modifying the process for disposing of surplus property, and approving an agreement with WSM Auctions, for the disposal of seven (7) City vehicles; and 3) Approve carryover appropriations of $452,000.00 from FY 2012-13 to FY 2013-2014 in Fund 42 (AB 2766 Fund) to purchase the new vehicles; seconded by Council Member House. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

E-4 DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2013 - JUNE 30, 2014 (Council Member Argudo)

Council Member Argudo requested that this item be discussed at a future City Council meeting.

ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis reported that they monitored a recent travel reimbursement request from Council Member Argudo and all the provisions of the travel policy were followed.

Council Member Holloway confirmed that the travel reporting was done correctly by the Council Member and staff.

Mayor Klinakis provided a status report on the interviews of the Code Enforcement staff.

Council Member Holloway confirmed that there were a couple of interviews needed in order to provide the Council with the report.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis thanked the staff that helped with the National Night Out event.

Council Member Holloway also thanked the staff involved in the National Night Out event.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

City Manager Plumlee echoed the Council comments for the National Night Out and thanked the staff involved in this event.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council and Successor Agency, Mayor/Chair Klinakis adjourned the meeting at 10:10 p.m.

Approved this 27th day of August 2013

Pat Jacquez-Nares

Pat Jacquez-Nares, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary

Charlie Klinakis

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Mayor/Chair