MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING OF
AUGUST 27, 2013

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 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 27, 2013, at 6:30 p.m.

6:30 P.M. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Members present: Klinakis, Lewis, Holloway, House, and Argudo (Arrived at 6:37 p.m.)

Members absent: None

Staff present: City Manager Plumlee, City Attorney Casso, City Clerk Jacquez-Nares, and Labor Attorney Trinnaman

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 PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 54957.6(f) TO CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES: BRET M. PLUMLEE, CITY MANAGER; JAY TRINNAMAN, COUNSEL. EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION: SEIU

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Mayor Klinakis reconvened to open session at 7:21 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. Council Member Argudo arrived to the Closed Session at 6:37 p.m. and participated in the entire session. There was direction given to the City's negotiators 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 7:22 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:	Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House
Members absent:	None
Staff present:	City Manager Plumlee, City Attorney Casso, City Clerk Jacquez-Nares, Director of Development Services Di Mario, City Engineer Pagett, Finance Manager Purificacion, Recreation Manager Lerma, and Assistant Planner Espino

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor/Chair Klinakis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION FOR RELAY GIVES BACK COMMUNITY WORK DAY

Jeff Lewis, Relay for Life Chair, presented a plaque to the Mayor and City Council for their support of this event.

The Mayor and the City Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to Sam's Club, Portillo's Painting Company and the La Puente High School Key Club for their participation in the Relay Gives Back Community Work Day.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Leonard Wayne Rose Jr. provided an update on Board of Supervisor's meeting.

Ruben G. Guerra requested that he and his neighbors get assistance with the loud noise on Nelson Street created by the trucking company.

The Mayor, Council Members, and Staff provided Mr. Guerra an update on the City's actions to alleviate this problem and stated that they would continue to work with the City of Industry and the residents.

Manuel Maldonado stated his concerns with the noise from the trucking company, the City of Industry's lack of AQMD compliance with the dust coming from the vacant lots near Nelson Elementary; one was the former IDC Trucking Company site on 15210 Nelson Ave. and the other is located on the other corner along that intersection. Mr. Maldonado stated his concerns with the lack of educated voters attending the polls.

Mayor Klinakis stated that he would request that the City of Industry replace the green mesh at the property where it had been removed. He also questioned if the City of Industry was still responsible for that property. City Attorney Casso confirmed that the City of Industry was still responsible for that property.

Nelson T. Do requested assistance with the noise on Nelson from the trucking company.

Emma Romero stated that the City Council does understand the residents plight but would like to have any suggestions the Council may have in order to have the City of Industry listen to their issue.

Mayor Klinakis suggested that the residents attend the City of Industry's Council meetings. The residents need to let the City of Industry's Council know the level of frustration and that they would seek media assistance to alleviate this problem.

City Manager Plumlee stated that the City of Industry Council meetings were held on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

City Attorney Casso stated that the City of Industry's Municipal Code dictates what they can enforce.

Council Member House stated that the City of Industry's Municipal Code book was available online at their City's website.

Council Member Holloway suggested that the residents attend the meetings, write letters to the editor's and as a last resort sue the City of Industry.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis provided the address to the City of Industry's website: cityofindustry.org.

Marty Paz stated his concerns with the lack of parking at the Senior Center due to the City vehicles being parked in that lot, the use of a Code Enforcement Officer to follow the street sweeper to issue citations, the purchase of Prius vehicles for the Code Enforcement Officers, the City's esthetics, the lack of leadership within the City, and the speeding on Glendora.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member House reported that he attended the California Contract Cities Association meeting. He provided a brief summary of the items that were discussed at the meeting.

Council Member Holloway provided the City Council with handouts on the Asian Tiger Mosquito Treatment and the West Nile Virus Activity from the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District.

Council Member Argudo asked Council Member Holloway if he was aware of any negative impacts on humans from the pesticides. Council Member Holloway stated that he was aware that Vector Control is working with the County on the pros and cons of the pesticides but he was not aware of any impacts as of yet.

Mayor Pro Tem Klinakis reported that he attended the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments meeting. He provided a brief summary of the items that were discussed at the meeting. He asked City Manager Plumlee if he was aware of an environmental agency that wanted to take over the parks in the State.

City Manager Plumlee stated that he was aware that it was on the COG agenda and that he would get additional information and provide it to the City Council.

Council Member Holloway stated that the environmental entity had come up in the past and that several cities opted out of participating.

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 13, 2013

Council Member Argudo moved to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of August 13, 2013; 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 8:18 p.m.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL

B-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION TO SELF-CERTIFY COMPLIANCE WITH THE LOCAL LOS ANGELES COUNTY CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Assistant Planner Espino provided a brief summary of this item.

Mayor Klinakis opened the Public Hearing at 8:20 p.m. There being no speakers in favor or in opposition, the Public Hearing was closed.

Council Member Holloway requested clarification on the Congestion Mitigation Fee.

Assistant Planner Espino stated that Metro was looking at a program that the base fee would be $200 per trip and that within the following two years after adoption Metro would work with local jurisdictions for this one-time fee assessment that would be paid by the developer of the project.

City Engineer Pagett further clarified the use of these funds would be collected by Metro and used for road improvements throughout the County. In order for the City to keep these funds, it would need to show that it has projects scheduled to be completed within the City.

Council Member Argudo moved to adopt Resolution No. 13-5091 certifying that the City is in compliance with the 2010 CMP, adopting the 2013 CMP Local Development Report and directing the City Clerk to forward a certified copy of said Resolution to Metro.; 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.

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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

City Manager Plumlee provided a brief update on this item.

A Council and staff discussion ensued as to the two options, the true costs for each option, the additional support staff needed for both options, the certification required to run the election, the training and the completion dates for the training, the training costs, the actual duties of the lead Election Official, and the cost of a consolidated and a stand-alone election.

City Clerk Jacquez-Nares stated that she would support any decision that the Council made but with either option she would need additional support for the City Clerk's Office. She requested that she complete her training. She further confirmed that she was confident, capable and had the experience to run the election with the outsourcing of the minutes and the additional part-time staff member.

Council Member Argudo moved to allow the City Clerk be the lead Election Official and to continue her training; seconded by Council Member House. The motion failed by the following roll call vote: AYES: Argudo and House. NOES: Klinakis and Lewis. ABSTAIN: Holloway.

Council Member Holloway stated the reason for the abstention was that he did not believe that $132,000 was the true cost as presented if the City was to bring in a consultant and the City Clerk was to mirror the consultant.

City Manager Plumlee stated that his estimated cost of $97,500 was correct for the consultant to be the Election Official. If the City Council wanted the City Clerk to continue the training even if she is not the Election Official, then that cost would be $110,100 compared to the City Clerk as the Election Official of $102,100.

Further discussion ensued as to the additional support amount of $11,000 if a consultant were to be the Election Official, for the final contracted total of $121,100 compared to the City Clerk of $102,100.

City Attorney Casso provided the City's ability to reconsider this item as per its Municipal Code.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis moved to reconsider the item; seconded by Council Member Argudo. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

Council Member Argudo moved to have the City Clerk to serve as the lead Election Official and to continue her training; seconded by Council Member House. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Argudo, Holloway, and House. NOES: Klinakis, and Lewis.

D. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Argudo moved to the Consent Calendar; 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.

D-1 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1347

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 13-5092 approving Warrant Register No. 1347

D-2 AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR STREET, STORM DRAIN, AND CENTER MEDIAN LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS ON AMAR ROAD FROM UNRUH AVENUE TO AILERON AVENUE - ALL AMERICAN ASPHALT

Action Taken: The City Council: 1) awarded the Contract No. 13-1123 to All American Asphalt in the amount of $1,160,000.00; 2) authorized the City Manager to approve change orders up to 10% of the original bid amount; and 3) authorized the appropriation of up to $238,850 of Proposition C funds from available fund balance.

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ATTEND THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN SACRAMENTO SEPTEMBER 18-20, 2013

Council Member Holloway asked if this item was budgeted. City Manager Plumlee answered it was under the City Manager's Office Travel Budget.

Mayor Klinakis stated that he supports the City Manager attend these conferences.

Council Member House moved to approve the request for the City Manager to attend the conference; seconded by Council Argudo. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway and House. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Klinakis reported that the Code Enforcement Ad Hoc Committee had completed their interviews and requested that their report be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next Council meeting.

AB 1234 REPORTS – None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Council Member Holloway announced that on August 28, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. Sheriff Lee Baca was having a Town Hall meeting at the Evergreen Baptist Church located at 323 Workman Road.

Council Member Argudo requested that the City Manager send a letter to the County Library for an update on the reopening of the Library.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF - None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council/Successor Agency, Mayor/Chair Klinakis adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Approved this 10th day of September 2013

Pat Jacquez-Nares, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary

Charlie Klinakis
Mayor/Chair