MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING OF
OCTOBER 8, 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 October 8, 2013, at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Members present:	Klinakis, Lewis, Holloway, House, and Argudo (Arrived at 6:40 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 6:31 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(a) 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 7:16 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's negotiators and no final action was taken.

Council Member Argudo arrived to the Closed Session at 6:40 p.m. and participated in the session.

7:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION AGENDA

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, and Recreation Manager Lerma

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PRESENTATIONS - None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Leonard Wayne Rose Jr. provided an update on the health fair at the church. He mentioned School Board candidate Penny Fraumeni's political campaign material.

Maria Turribiantes provided a PowerPoint Presentation on Student Global Network.

Dino Bakolas stated his support and the need for the holiday parade route extension. He also requested that the City become co-owners with the Old Town Association of the City of La Puente murals.

Mayor Klinakis requested that City Manager Plumlee help Mr. Bakolas and the Old Town Association meet with the Historical Society for the safe keeping of these murals. City Manager Plumlee confirmed that he would assist with this meeting.

Frank Sanchez stated that the Artwalk and the Main Street tree lights were great. He stated his support for the holiday parade extension and complimented staff on working with the businesses and residents of the City.

Manuel Maldonado spoke on the following: an Obama Care Workshop on November 19, 2013 at his home; the No Te Dejes Institute voter information workshop; the Beautify La Puente Ad Hoc Committee meeting held at Hurley Elementary; the creek contamination; the suicide of a Bassett Teacher due to bullying; and he stated his concerns with the School District's appointment of the interim as the permanent Superintendent. He also suggested that the Old Town Association make September Latino Heritage month.

Robert Berdin announced the magic show on October 9, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. He supports the holiday parade extension and stated that Henry Nodal was the person that donated the City murals.

Anthony Duarte confirmed that the School Board had appointed Interim Cynthia Parulan-Colfer as the new permanent Superintendent.

A Council discussion ensued on the lack of information received from the School District and the responsibilities of the Council appointed Commissions and Committees.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Holloway provided the City Council with the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District's newsletter.

Mayor Klinakis stated that he attended a San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) meeting where they discussed water rights and he would provide any future updates to the Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis attended the Foothill Transit Zone meeting and announced that the City of Industry Park and Ride was now open and operational.

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2013

Council/Agency Member Argudo moved to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the Regular and Special meetings of September 24, 2013; seconded by Council/ Agency Member House. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway, and House. NOES: None.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL - None.

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

C-1 UPDATE TO THE RECOMMENDATION BY THE SPECIAL EVENTS AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARADE AND TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY AND THE OLD TOWN PUENTE'S ASSOCIATION REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PARADE ROUTE.

Recreation Manager Lerma provided a brief summary of this item.

A Council, staff, and public discussion ensued as to the impacts of the parade route extension that included the length of the parade, the amount of parade entries, the start time of the tree lighting and event, the street closures, the man power for the barricades, the volunteers needed to be live scanned, the type of volunteers such as the Sheriff's Explorers, Volunteers On Patrol and the Reserves, the potential of a High School CIF football game, the history of the parade, the change of the location to begin the parade to La Puente High School on Nelson instead of the Community Center, and the additional cost to use the High School.

The following people spoke in favor of the parade extension: Bob Berdin, Lauren Carboney, Dino Bakolas, and Marty Paz.

Mayor Klinakis moved to accept the recommendations that were made by the Special Events Ad Hoc Committee, start the parade at the Community Center with the provision that if a high school game is played the parade would follow the original route, to have the volunteers in place in a timely manner, to work with the City of Industry and the School District for approval of the street closures, and to have the tree lighting ceremony begin right after the parade ends; seconded by Council Member Argudo. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway, and House. NOES: None.

D. CITY COUNCIL - SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

Council/Agency Member Argudo moved to Consent Calendar Items D-1 through D-4; seconded by Council/Agency Member Holloway. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway, and House. NOES: None.

D-1 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTERS NOS. 1350 and 16.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution Nos. 13-5097 and 13-27 approving Warrant Registers Nos. 1350 and 16.

D-2 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS PERTAINING TO THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION OF TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2014

Action Taken: The City Council: 1) adopted Resolution No. 13-5098, calling for the holding of a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, for the election of certain officers as required by the provisions of the laws of the State of California relating to General Law Cities; and 2) adopted Resolution No. 13-5099, adopting regulations for candidates for elective office pertaining to candidates statements submitted to the voters at the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014.

D-3 PUENTE CREEK NATURE EDUCATION CENTER - NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND CONSIDERATION OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH U.S. SPECIALTY INSURANCE, KOAM CONSTRUCTION, INC., AND SCHMIDT DESIGN

Action Taken: The City Council: 1) Approve the Settlement Agreement No. 13-1126 and Mutual Release between the City, U.S. Specialty Insurance Company, Inc., and Koam Construction, Inc.; 2) Approved the Settlement and Release Agreement No. 13-1127 between the City and Schmidt Design Group, Inc.; 3) Accepted the project as complete; and 4) Authorized the City Clerk to execute the Notice of Completion.

D-4 CONSIDERATION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN JASMINE REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS, LLC AND WABA GRILL FRANCHISE CORP

Action Taken: The Successor Agency considered and approved the lease agreement between the Developer and Waba Grill Franchise Corp. in accordance with the Disposition and Development Agreement between the Successor Agency and Jasmine Real Estate Investments, LLC.

RECESS THE COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY

Mayor/Chair Klinakis recessed the Council/Agency Meeting at 8:55 p.m.

RECONVENE THE COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY

Mayor Klinakis reconvened the Council/Agency meeting at 9:05 p.m.

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 RECEIVE AND FILE SPECIAL EVENTS QUARTERLY REVIEW AND UPDATE

Recreation Manager Lerma provided a brief summary of this item.

Council Member Argudo moved to receive and file this report; seconded by Council Member House. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway, and House. NOES: None.

E-2 QUARTERLY UPDATE ON CITY'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS - FISCAL YEAR 2013-14

Development Services Director Di Mario and City Engineer Pagett provided a summary of the PowerPoint presentation.

Council Member Argudo requested that staff be aware of the additional funding sources that are potentially available for these projects. City Engineer Pagett stated that Federal funds may be used if the wall is tied to a street improvement.

Council Member Holloway asked about the Elliott at Amar flooding repair schedule, the SGVCOG Valley improvement could include the wall project, and that the projects seemed all to be on the East side of town were there any projects for the West side of town. City Engineer Pagett answered that the flooding repair is being done now, yes, the SGVCOG funds could be used but would potentially delay the wall project three to four years and that the street resurfacing that was just completed was done on the West side of town and there are a couple of sewer improvements scheduled for Nelson and Eldon.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis asked if the safe routes to school would begin in the spring. City Engineer Pagett confirmed it would begin in the spring.

Mayor Klinakis stated that the bids for the snack bar roof had been received and they included additional items that the Health Department had requested be corrected. Development Services Director Di Mario confirmed the receipt of the bids and that the award of contract would be brought to Council for approval at the next Council meeting.

Council Member Argudo moved to receive and file the presentation; seconded by Council Member House. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway, and House. NOES: None.

E-3 PROPOSAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO EXPAND THE TEEN PROGRAMMING

Recreation Manager Lerma provided a brief summary of this item.

Council Member Holloway stated his concerns with the potential damage to the gymnasium floor and the security. Recreation Manager Lerma stated that the events would be held outdoors in the courtyard and that the Sheriff's reserves would be assisting with the security.

Council Member Argudo moved to approve the proposed expansion of the Teen Programming to include the Teen Dance, a Battle of the Bands, and new marketing strategies for the Teen Voice.; seconded by Council/Agency Member House. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway, and House. NOES: None.

E-4 CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING - ESTABLISHING AN ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND COORDINATED INTEGRATED MONITORING PROGRAM FOR THE UPPER SAN GABRIEL RIVER WATERSHED AREA BETWEEN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND THE CITIES OF BALDWIN PARK, COVINA, GLENDORA, INDUSTRY AND LA PUENTE

Development Services Director Di Mario provided a brief summary of this item.

Council Member Holloway asked if these were fixed costs and if the City would have to implement the plan. Staff confirmed that the costs for this stage were fixed and that the City was obligated to implement a plan.

Council Member Argudo moved to 1) approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, the County of Los Angeles and the Cities of Baldwin Park, Covina, Glendora, Industry and La Puente; and 2) authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the City; seconded by Council Member House. The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Klinakis, Lewis, Argudo, Holloway, and House. NOES: None.

ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Klinakis reported that the Beautify La Puente Ad Hoc Committee held a community meeting at Hurley Elementary and it was well received. He requested that the Council Members set a date for the Code Enforcement workshop.

City Manager Plumlee stated that a date for the Code Enforcement workshop had not been agreed on and that he would send out another set of dates for the Council to review.

Council Member House stated that he received several positive phone calls to one negative from the residents that attended the Beautify La Puente Ad Hoc Committee meeting.

AB 1234 REPORTS - None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Council Member Holloway requested that for future meetings within the Community be special meeting to allow for all of the Council Members to attend. He also requested that the meeting be adjourned in the memory of Brenda Peeler's mother Annie Files.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

City Manager Plumlee echoed the comments of Mayor Klinakis and Council Member House on the Ad Hoc Committee meeting at Hurley Elementary and felt it was well received by the community. He thanked City Engineer Pagett for his presentation on railroad noise. He thanked staff for the work they had done on the various projects showcased in the quarterly reports.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council/Successor Agency, Mayor Klinakis adjourned the meeting at 9:42 p.m. in the memory of Annie Files.

Approved this 22nd day of October 2013

Pat Jacquez-Nares, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary

Charlie Klinakis
Mayor/Chair