MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING OF
AUGUST 25, 2015

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 of the City of La Puente was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 15900 East Main Street, La Puente, California, on Tuesday, August 25, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Holloway called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:	Holloway, Munoz, Argudo, Klinakis and Lewis.
Members absent:	None.
Staff members present:	City Manager Carmany, City Attorney/Legal Counsel Casso, Director of Administrative Services Bird, Development Services Director Di Mario, Chief Deputy City Clerk Garcia, Finance Manager Gitmed, Director of Recreation Services Lerma and City Engineer Pagett.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Manager Carmany led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

City Manager Carmany, on behalf of the City Council, presented a certificate of recognition to Louis Torrez for his 100th birthday.

The presentation of a certificate to the Soka Gakkai organization was postponed to a later date.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Leonard Wayne Rose, Jr. spoke about giving back to the community by handing out school backpacks and getting people more involved in community events such as National Night Out. He further spoke about the benefits of exercise and losing weight.

Gieslle Arguello spoke about the traffic speed on Asuza and how it is affecting residents. Mayor Holloway noted that Ms. Arguello's property was in the unincorporated portion of the County and asked staff to look into and refer her concerns to the County of Los Angeles.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Klinakis reported he had attended the COG meeting the previous week.

Council Member Lewis reported she and City Manager Carmany attended the California Contract Cities dinner.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY

City Manager Carmany requested that the August 7, 2015, draft minutes be revised to reflect that Council Member Lewis arrived at 6:15. He also requested the August 11, 2015, draft minutes be revised to reflect Mayor Pro Tem Munoz and Council Member Klinakis were the members of the Valley Wall Ad Hoc Committee.

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETINGS OF AUGUST 7, 2015 AND AUGUST 11, 2015.

A motion was made by Council Member Argudo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Munoz, to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the meetings of August 7, 2015 and August 11, 2015, with the noted revisions. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Holloway, Munoz, Argudo, Klinakis and Lewis.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	None.

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

Director of Development Services Di Mario presented a report on compliance with the County's Congestion Management Program Guidelines. He noted the City could forfeit State gas funds by not complying.

Mayor Holloway opened the public hearing. There being no speakers, Mayor Holloway closed the public hearing.

Mayor Holloway asked about future requirements listed in Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's nexus study that do not take effect until 2020. Development Services Director Di Mario responded that staff had anticipated the question, contacted Metro for information and were informed the study had been placed on hold. He indicated the study is not progressive and City staff will continue to monitor it.

A motion was made by Council Member Lewis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Munoz, to (1) open the public hearing and take public testimony; (2) close the public hearing; (3) adopt Resolution No. 15-5230 certifying that the City is in compliance with the 2010 CMP, adopting the 2015 CMP Local Development Report and directing the City Clerk to forward a certified copy of said Resolution to Metro.

AYES:	Holloway, Munoz, Argudo, Klinakis and Lewis.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	None.

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

C-1 UPDATE AND DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CITY OF LA PUENTE'S STRATEGIC PLAN

Director of Recreation Services Lerma presented the powerpoint.

Action Taken: City Council received and filed the update.

D. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

City Manager Carmany noted for the record the dollar amount for the agreement referred to in D-3 is $4,615.50.

Council Member Klinakis pulled Item D-3 for further discussion.

A motion was made by Council Member Lewis, seconded by Council Member Klinakis Munoz, to approve Consent Calendar Items D-1, D-2 and D-4. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Holloway, Munoz, Argudo, Klinakis and Lewis.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	None.

D-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NO. 1392

Action taken: City Council adopted Resolution No. 15-5229 approving Warrant Register No. 1392.

D-2 CONSIDERATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH KEENAN & ASSOCIATES FOR BROKER OF RECORD DESIGNATION SERVICES

Action taken: City Council approved the Agreement for Broker of Record Designation Services and authorized the City Manager to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City.

D-3 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AN AGREEMENT WITH LIEBERT CASSIDY WHITMORE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS CONSORTIUM IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,720.00

Council Member Klinakis pulled this item for further discussion.

City Manager Carmany explained this is a consortium that the City has participated in for training purposes. The item was budgeted for, within the City Manager's authority to sign and was placed on the consent calendar for information purposes and to maintain a clear record of contracts in the City Clerk's office. He further noted the City receives good value from the consortium.

Director of Administrative Services Bird noted this is a membership and the City receives full access to training and document templates. Any in-depth or extensive work requested by the City would be billed at an hourly rate. City Attorney Casso confirmed the City has no obligation to Liebert Cassidy Whitmore under the agreement and could hire other attorneys if it so chose.

Action taken: City Council received and filed the Agreement.

D-4 ACCEPTANCE OF EASEMENT FOR STROM DRAIN PURPOSES – SANTO ORO STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Action taken: City Council accepted the Grant of Easement for Storm Drain and directed the City Clerk to record the easement document in the County Recorder's Office.

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL - None

F. CLOSED SESSION

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

At 7:57 p.m., Mayor Holloway recessed the Successor Agency meeting and City Council recessed into closed session to discuss the item as posted on the agenda.

1. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8, CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS:

Properties:	City owned right-of-way at Old Valley Boulevard and Common Street, La Puente City owned right-of-way at northeast corner of Hacienda Boulevard and Glendora Avenue, La Puente City owned right-of-way at southeast corner of Old Valley Boulevard and Valley Boulevard, La Puente
City Negotiators:	David Carmany, City Manager and James M. Casso, City Attorney
Negotiating Party:	Bulletin Displays, LLC
Under Negotiation:	Price and Terms of Payment

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION / RECONVENE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

The City Council reconvened to open session at 8:19 p.m.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Casso reported that direction was given to the City Manager and City Attorney, no final action was taken and there was nothing further to report.

ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Code Enforcement: Mayor Holloway stated there was nothing to report at this time.

Electronic Signs: Mayor Holloway reported this item was covered in Closed Session.

Health Fair: Mayor Pro Tem Munoz reported the Health Fair had been tentatively scheduled for February 13, 2016, and the committee was awaiting further information from potential vendors.

Homeless: Council Member Klinakis reported the homeless issue is broad and covers so many different problems the committee is not quite sure what needs to be brought to City Council. Mayor Holloway responded the City needs to be involved in the issue, have the latest information on what other organizations are doing and develop a standard approach in dealing with homeless.

Council Member Argudo noted the focus should be on the City's parks and schools and where homeless are being dropped off.

Mayor Pro Tem Munoz noted there are many concerns and limited resources. She would like to engage with the Sheriff's Department to have a better understanding of where the issues are and bring in an outside organization to assess the City and provide some direction.

Mayor Holloway stated the committee should involve the City Attorney and Sheriff's Department in implementing a plan.

Public Art: Mayor Holloway reported the committee had met and staff was working on a draft ordinance.

Valley Wall: Council Member Klinakis reported the committee is making progress on locating funding. Council Member Argudo asked if funding would cover completion of the wall itself or complete streets and noted the wall should be the priority. Council Member Klinakis responded that if the committee is successful, funding would cover the entire project.

Boys and Girls Club: Mayor Holloway reported on a tour of the West San Gabriel Valley Boys and Girls Club with City Manager Carmany and Director of Recreation Services Lerma. He commented the facility is impressive and the program was well run.

Council Member Argudo expressed concern over the existing Boys and Girls Club, operational issues, the merger between the Clubs, and what corrective actions are being taken to address the City's concerns. Discussion ensued regarding the timing of the Club merger and interim operating agreement. City Manager Carmany stated the safety of our youth is the highest priority and he has addressed the City's concerns directly and honestly with the existing Club.

Council Member Klinakis noted the City should not micromanage the Club and once the issues are resolved the City should allow the Club to operate how they see fit.

AB 1234 REPORTS - None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Council Member Klinakis thanked City Attorney Casso for hosting the City's summer staff party at his home.

Mayor Holloway reminded staff of the Open House for Los Angeles County Fire Chief Stone on August 28, 2015.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

City Manager Carmany reported that County Librarian Margaret Todd had retired and he thanked her for service to community. He noted the Planning Commission meeting scheduled for September 1, 2015, had been cancelled due to a lack of agenda items; the County Parks and Recreation department was preparing an update to its master plan; and the LEAD partnership with the City would be kicking off with 4 schools participating. He further noted the City had prepared Requests for Proposals for landscape maintenance, tree trimming and restroom design;

that routine audits of transit funds were taking place and that 1st quarter sales tax revenues were up slightly.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Holloway adjourned the meeting in memory of Mike T. Solis and Willard E. Green at 8:55 p.m.

Approved this 8th day of September, 2015.

Sheryl Garcia
Chief Deputy City Clerk

Daniel C. Holloway
Mayor/Chair