MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING OF
APRIL 26, 2016

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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, April 26, 2016, 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, 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, Finance Manager Gitmed, Director of Recreation Services Lerma and Administrative Assistant Ramirez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Lilian Velasco, Workman Elementary School student, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Dayanara Tavira, Workman Elementary School student, spoke about the LEAD program and recapped some of the past year's activities including school assemblies, caroling to senior citizens, the mock City Council meeting and a campus clean-up at her school. She thanked the LEAD teachers for their support.

Mona Diaz, Workman Elementary School principal, thanked the City for participating in the LEAD program. She thanked Council Member Klinakis for his support, providing opportunities and benefits to the students, being a wonderful member of the community and bringing forth projects and contributions to the community. She stated she has seen the City grow and become a town she is proud of. She noted Council Member Klinakis is going out with dignity and respect from all the schools and students for everything he has done.

Maechelle Brown, Workman Elementary School teacher, bid farewell to another great LEAD year. She spoke about Council Member Klinakis' generosity and thanked him for his years of service. She thanked her colleagues, Council Member Lewis, her students and their parents for their commitment and dedication to the LEAD program.

LEAD students presented Mayor Holloway, City Manager Carmany and Director of Recreation Services Lerma with the LEAD Butterfly Effect award.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Veronica Flores Romero, on behalf of Girl Scout Troop 4714, asked for permission to build a "little free library". She noted the community will have the ability to get rid of books they no longer want and people will have the ability to get new books if the library is closed. She explained how the free library would work as well as the benefits to the Troop and the community.

Danielle Villacana spoke about the restrooms at La Puente park and noted several stalls were missing the locks. She requested the locks be fixed for the sake of privacy.

Lorraine Santamaria spoke about the water fountains at La Puente park. She stated the knobs sometimes leak which wastes water and requested the City fix the fountains.

Frank Sanchez stated it was great to have kids speaking at the City Council meetings. He thanked Council Member Klinakis for everything he has done for the City, including replacing the snack bar roof and his donations to the Boys and Girls Club. He commended Council Member Klinakis for getting the City back on track.

Art Ballin noted concerns at the South Hills Shopping Center. He provided City Council with photographs of the shopping center. He stated the center is being used as a truck stop and crime has increased. He further noted trash is being dumped at the center and asked the center to be good neighbors.

ELECTION RESULTS, INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND REORGANIZATION

1. CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE APRIL 12, 2016, ELECTION RESULTS

   A motion was made by Council Member Klinakis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Munoz, to accept the Election Official's Certificate of Canvass and adopt Resolution No. 16-5268 reciting the fact of the General Municipal Election held on April 12, 2016. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

2. OUTGOING REMARKS BY COUNCIL MEMBER KLINAKIS

Council Member Klinakis stated he left the City Council with no regrets. He noted four years ago he was asked by Mayor Holloway to run for office and help clean up the City. He is proud to say that everything he promised on his campaign statement he has accomplished, and then some. What he was able to do and guide others to do is well known by those residents who keep abreast of City issues. Everything he has accomplished could not have been done without the help of a fine team, starting with Dan Holloway, Violeta Lewis, Valerie Munoz, world-class City Manager Dave Carmany and his team of leaders and the teams behind all of them. He further thanked City Attorneys Jamie Casso and Bianca Sparks, Wes Wolf, Frank Tripepi, the dedicated team of Sheriffs led by Lieutenant Pete Cacheiro, Haddick's Towing and his wife.

Council Member Klinakis read an email he received from a voter commending him for accepting defeat and using it as an opportunity to do other things. He further thanked Council Member Klinakis for serving as a Council Member and listening to his concerns and dreams for the City.

Mayor Holloway thanked Council Member Klinakis for his dedication and service to the City and noted he is pleased they have been able to make changes that have left the City in a better place than what it was before. He thanked Council Member Klinakis for his work and friendship and further thanked Susan Klinakis for her support and for sharing Council Member Klinakis with the City. He presented Council Member Klinakis with a City tile.

Senator Ed Hernandez stated it was great to see democracy work. He noted he was born and raised in La Puente and has had a business in the City for 30 years. He thanked Council Member Klinakis for all he has done for the City and for giving back to the community, and presented a joint resolution from Assembly Member Ian Calderon and himself.

Elena Robles, on behalf of Congresswoman Grace Napolitano, noted Council Member Klinakis is one of the most welcoming and pleasant council members she has met and he has made the City better. She then presented Council Member Klinakis with a certificate.

Andrea Moreno, on behalf of Supervisor Hilda Solis, thanked Council Member Klinakis for all of his service. She noted he has been a wonderful partner and presented him with a commendation.

Council Member Klinakis thanked the elected officials and their staff for everything they do for the community. He wished John Solis the very best and stated his support to help move the City forward.

3. INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND OATHS OF OFFICE

Jennifer Holloway gave the oath of office to Dan Holloway.

Charlie Klinakis gave the oath of office to Violeta Lewis.

Brittini and Jennifer Solis gave the oath of office to John Solis.

4. SELECTION OF MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEM

Mayor Holloway thanked Violeta Lewis for her friendship and hard work over the last four years, and for being part of the team that has pushed the City forward. He further thanked Jeff Lewis for contributing his time, energy and resources to the betterment of the City. He thanked his wife, Hilda, along with his friends, voters, supporters and elected officials who supported his campaign. Mayor Holloway noted among many accomplishments the award winning LEAD program, new businesses that have been brought to town, the Valley Wall being completed, the City's fiscal recovery, negotiating the City's first 2-year contract with the SEIU, City Council harmony and refinancing the Community Center. He stated he was looking forward to another four years and thanked everyone for their support.

Senator Ed Hernandez, on behalf of the City, presented Mayor Holloway with a flag flown over the State capital.

Elena Robles, on behalf of Congresswoman Grace Napolitano, thanked Mayor Holloway for his service and presented him with a certificate.

Samantha Marquez, on behalf of Assemblyman Ian Calderon, thanked Mayor Holloway for his work during the year and presented him with a certificate.

Mayor Holloway thanked the elected officials and their staff for their contributions to the City.

Administrative Assistant Ramirez opened the nominations for Mayor.

Council Member Lewis nominated Valerie Munoz for Mayor. With no other nominations, the nominations were closed and a roll call vote was taken.

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

Mayor Munoz opened the nominations for Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Munoz nominated Violeta Lewis for Mayor Pro Tem. With no other nominations, the nominations were closed and a roll call vote was taken.

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

Mayor Munoz stated it was her privilege to be on the City Council and recommitted herself to the citizens and the community. She stated she was honored to serve as the Mayor and reaffirmed the responsibility to shape the future of the City as well as acknowledge what can be accomplished through the collaboration of the residents, sheriffs, elected officials, partners and City staff. She further acknowledged the commitment and hard work of the City Council members as well as members of the community and recognized Charlie Klinakis for being an instrumental part of the community and a great support.

Mayor Munoz welcomed John Solis to the dias and noted she was looking forward to enhancing public safety, growing the economy and improving services available to the community. She further noted her intent to host a State of the City address and recognized and applauded the progress the City has made over the last few years. She reiterated her commitment to ensuring the community continues to move in a positive direction and humbly and responsibly looks forward to serving has Mayor.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis spoke about her partnership with Dan Holloway and Charlie Klinakis and how much had been accomplished over the last four years, including a balanced budget, transparency in City government, children's programs, a greater conversation and collaboration with City residents, being one of the 50 Safest Cities in California three years in a row and the LEAD program. She noted the City is headed in the right direction and there are many things that prove it. She noted her commitment to being a positive force and wife, mother, nurse and true advocate for the people. She thanked the voters who exercised their right to vote because their voice was heard. She thanked outgoing Mayor Holloway and Charlie Klinakis, wished Mayor Munoz the best of luck and noted she was looking forward to collaborating with Council Members Solis and Argudo to continue the harmony the City Council has had the last four years. She thanked her family and her husband for their support. She quoted Cesar Chavez and stated: "We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget about progress and prosperity for our community. Our ambitions must be broad enough to include the aspirations and needs of others, for their sakes and for our own."

Council Member Solis thanked his family and friends for their support.

Council Member Holloway congratulated Mayor Munoz and noted his appreciation of her support as Mayor Pro Tem. He noted the health fair and all the other great things she has done and will do in the next year. He congratulated Council Member Solis on his election and stated he was looking forward to working together to keep the City moving forward.

Council Member Argudo congratulated Mayor Munoz, Mayor Pro Tem Lewis and Council Member Holloway. He thanked Charlie Klinakis for his leadership.

Mayor Munoz thanked her family for attending, especially her father who came from Sacramento to attend the meeting.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETINGS – None

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL – None

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL – None

D. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR – None

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

ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

AB 1234 REPORTS – None

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Munoz noted the fiscal year will be ending in June and the budget for the new fiscal year will be evaluated. She stated the City is ending the current fiscal year on a good note and thanked staff for being on target and coming out ahead with extra funds. She recommended staff reevaulate some deferred maintenance items which had been put on hold and bring back information on an upcoming agenda so the City can move forward with some of the maintenance items.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF – None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Munoz adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Approved this 10th day of May, 2016.

Sheryl Garcia
Chief Deputy City Clerk

Valerie Munoz
Mayor/Chair