MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING OF
MARCH 13, 2018

Per *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 11th 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, March 13, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:	Lewis, Holloway, Munoz.
Members absent:	Argudo, Solis.
Staff members present:	City Manager David Carmany, City Attorney James Casso, Director of Administrative Services Troy Butzlaff, Director of Development Services John Di Mario, City Clerk Sheryl Garcia, Director of Community Services Roxanne Lerma, Finance Manager Joann Gitmed, Management Assistant Cece Dunlap and Adel Freij of Willdan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Daniela Molina, Sunset Elementary School student, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayte Perez, Sunset Elementary School student, spoke about representing the Sunset School and noted on February 24, 2018, students participated in science projects at Occidental College and earned a silver medal. She further reported on the "Read Across America" event and thanked Mayor Lewis for her participation. She noted students are looking forward to the mock City Council meeting and she announced the "District Elementary Basketball March Madness" tournament is underway.

Council Member Munoz announced the presentation by the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority would be scheduled for the meeting of April 24, 2018.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Veronica Zamora spoke on behalf of residents on Inyo Street. She expressed her concern regarding speeding cars on Inyo Street between Wickford Avenue and Ferrero Lane and that traffic signs have been placed but nothing has changed with speeding cars. She stated kids can't play and cars don't respect pedestrians. She inquired on no yellow lines painted on Inyo Street from Ferrero Lane to Wickford Avenue and asked if the City would consider painting. She further stated an officer should be placed on Chatterton Avenue and Ferrero Lane.

Daniel Luevanos, One Legacy, spoke about April being donor awareness month and organ donation is on the rise. He noted the "Making a Difference" rose float won a trophy award and he thanked Mayor Lewis for attending the rose dedication ceremony. He asked the City to declare April as "National Donate Life Month" with a proclamation and he noted the upcoming annual run/walk on April 28, 2018 in Fullerton. He thanked the City Council.

Marty Paz expressed his concern about the sidewalk shaving project; the overhanging trees along the Valley Boulevard wall; Valley Boulevard storm drain flooding; street repairing; and litter along Old Valley Boulevard.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Holloway reported the Mosquito and Vector Control District distributed plans at their last meeting for proceeding over the next 5 years and potentially a larger facility for more employees.

Council Member Munoz reported she attended the Foothill Transit meeting on February 16, 2018, and the topic of discussion was the Foothill Transit Bus Stop Grant and applications are currently being accepted. She noted there are limited amount of cities applying and notified staff that it is open to cities previously awarded.

Mayor Lewis reported she attended the Sanitation Districts meeting and the topic of discussion was the closure of a trash recycling plant and she noted the upcoming Sanitation Districts Earth Day celebration will take place in April.

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING OF FEBRUARY 27, 2018

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway, seconded by Council Member Munoz, to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the City Council and Successor Agency meeting of February 27, 2018. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL - None

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL - None

D. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Pro Tem Holloway pulled item D-4 for further discussion.

A motion was made by Council Member Munoz, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway, to approve Consent Calendar Items D-1 through D-3. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

D-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NOS. 1446 AND 55

Action taken: The City Council and Successor Agency adopted Resolution No. 18-5397 approving Warrant Register No. 1446 and Resolution No. SA 18-81 approving Warrant Register No. 55.

D-2 CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR S&H CIVILWORKS FOR CONCRETE REPAIRS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS CITYWIDE

Action taken: The City Council: (1) accepted the project as complete; and (2) authorized the City Clerk to execute the Notice of Completion.

D-3 CONSIDERATION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LA PUENTE AND VAN LANT & FANKHANEL, LLP EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE AUDIT CONTRACT FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO YEARS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $28,900.00 PER YEAR

Action taken: The City Council: (1) approved Amendment No. 1 with Van Lant & Fankhanel, LLP for Professional Auditing Services; and (2) authorized the City Manager to execute the amendment on behalf of the City.

D-4 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING A COMPLIANCE ACTION PLAN OUTLINING THE CITY'S INTENT TO COMPLY WITH AB 1826 - MANDATORY COMMERICIAL ORGANICS RECYCLING

This item was pulled by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway for further discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem Holloway expressed displeasure with the State of California unfunded mandates and noted that considerable fines would be imposed which would greatly impact the City. Mayor Lewis agreed with Mayor Pro Tem Holloway's comments and

further noted the City does not have a choice and would be subject to fines if the item is not passed.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Holloway, seconded by Council Member Munoz, to adopt Resolution 18-5398 approving a compliance action plan outlining the City's intent to comply with AB 1826, through the implementation of an organic waste recycling program. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

E-1 DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION REGARDING AMAR ROAD AND ELLIOTT AVENUE PARKWAY LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

Director of Development Services Di Mario provided a staff report. He introduced John Hidalgo, Landscape Architect, of Willdan who provided a PowerPoint presentation and an overview of the proposed landscape improvements.

Discussion ensued regarding homelessness, plant material, street furniture, and capturing of rain water. Mayor Pro Tem Holloway noted that the design should take into consideration of standing water to deter the possible breeding of mosquitos.

Council Member Munoz stated her excitement about the project and noted the beautification is a step in the right direction. She further noted about homeless concerns and she stated La Puente is not the only City with these issues. She further stated this is positive for the improvement of our community pride.

Mayor Lewis stated it is a great idea and a major street in our community. She agreed the area needs to be less inviting for homeless and she noted the area could not be made into a dog park but tying into the planning for the City's parks master plan.

Director of Development Services Di Mario noted the comments and concerns from the City Council to move forward and proceed with the project to get it out to bid. He further noted staff will working with the residents affected by the new wall.

City Manager Carmany thanked Mr. Hidalgo for being the author of many beautification projects throughout the City.

In response to an inquiry by Mayor Lewis regarding the funding source for the project, Director of Development Services Di Mario noted this was a budgeted project utilizing available Prop C funds.

ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Landscape and Lighting District: Nothing to report.

Code Enforcement: Mayor Pro Tem Holloway reported the committee met with City Manager Carmany and Code Enforcement Manager Mrakich to discuss the current code enforcement staffing status.

La Puente Park and Youth Program Oversight: Council Member Munoz reported the committee met on March 7, 2018 discussing youth coalition meeting dates and Park Master Plan scheduling for town hall meetings. She further noted the next committee meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2018.

Military Banner Recognition Program: Nothing to report.

Public Art: Nothing to report.

Community Alliance: Nothing to report.

Grant Writing: Nothing to report.

Traffic Sign Inventory and Revitalization: Nothing to report.

AB 1234 REPORTS – None

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Council Member Munoz requested the City Manager to make part of the next meeting agenda for proposed ballot measure asking the community to support a ½ cent sales tax increase and approving such increase would represent 1.5 million annually to the general fund. She further noted public support of recent poll was in excess of 70% of residents and she asked for the opportunity for the community to have a voice and determine future and direction of the City.

Mayor Lewis thanked Los Angeles County Fire Department for partnering with La Puente Kiwanis Club and she thanked the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for protecting and serving the communities and especially in the City of Pomona. She noted a Deputy from SAO Team recently saved a child from an electric gate.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

City Manager Carmany reported that in addition to the item requested by Council Member Munoz, several items are forthcoming on future agendas, such as the small cell agreement; a first look at new procurement ordinances; and updates to the fire code.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Lewis adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m. in memory of Greggory Casillas, Daniel Anthony Sanchez, and Rudy Escalera.

Approved this 27th day of March, 2018.

Sheryl Garcia
City Clerk

Violeta Lewis
Mayor/Chair