

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,
CALIFORNIA HELD MARCH 13, 2018.**

1.

Mayor Vargas called the City Council, meeting to order jointly and concurrently at 6:04 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne, California.

ROLL CALL-Present: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
Absent: None.

2.

Kathy Wagner from Outreach Children Ministry gave the evening's invocation. Allen Richards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.

Mr. Neil Gafney gave a brief update regarding the Veterans Affairs Commission, State of the Commission - 2017 and presented a special Recognition of Jerry Nibel as former VOTQ and esteemed Hawthorne resident.

4.

Councilmember Valentine introduced Coronel Charles Roberts who came to the dais to proceed with the Signing Ceremony for the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Los Angeles Air Force Base and the City of Hawthorne for the Los Angeles Air Force Base Housing Partnership Program

Mayor Vargas took Item 21 out of order

CITY COUNCIL'S DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

22.

a.- Appointment of Judy G. Ramirez to the Senior Citizens Commission.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, to appoint Judy G. Ramirez to the Senior Citizens Commission.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None.

b.- Appointment of Godpower S. Azuoma to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Valentine, to appoint Godpower S. Azuoma to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None.

Mayor Vargas recessed for 10 minutes in celebration of the signing ceremony between the City and the Airforce.

5.

Under oral communications **John L. Jefferson** Senior Pastor at Del Aire Baptist church announced that on April 21 the Church in conjunction with NewBalance shoes will be giving around 1200 pairs of tennis shoes for children in the Hawthorne School District, foster kids and families in need of shoes. Also, requested help form Costco, Walmart and Whole Foods to provide a free week of food to these families that will attend the event. **Danielle Marquez**, North Hawthorne Community Association, thanked Councilmember Michelin and Mayor Vargas for attending meeting, got in contact with Officer Espinoza whom will be speaking about parking issues at their next meeting. Gordon M. Mego, announced that Saturday from 8-11 Hawthorne Historical Society will be holding their Hometown Pancake Breakfast at Jim Thorpe Park. **Gloria Ramos**, Centinela Valley Union School District Board Member read a proclamation that they presented at their meeting honoring dedicated veterans in the country. **Yolanda Dunn**, announced the Resolve to rise 2nd annual symposium on Saturday April 28 at the Memorial Center,

invited Elected and Chief of Police to attend. **Kyle Orleman** announced masterplan process for the VA hospital, and the \$1000 scholarship from Vietnam Veterans of America. **Alex Monteiro**, announced the Relay for Life on April 28 from 9am to 9pm, Volunteer Appreciation Day April 22 at Memorial Center 5K and Health Fair at Hawthorne High School on May 12 and K-9 Dinner on May 24.

6.

CITY CLERK'S CONSENT CALENDAR

7.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting of December 12, 2017 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None. ABSTAIN: Councilmember Michelin.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, that the reading of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting of February 27, 2018 be waived and that they be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None. ABSTAIN: Councilmember Reyes English.

8.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Reyes English, to waive full readings of resolutions and ordinances on March 13, 2018's agenda.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None.

9.

The City Treasurer submitted a financial statement regarding warrants.

Warrants Nos.: 149154-149454 ; 459957-460131 ; 10451-10455 ;44111-44113.

Warrant Totals: \$ 708,922.61 ; \$428,828.08 : \$117,859.92 : \$125.57.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Michelin, that the following warrants, properly audited and signed, be paid.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None.

10.

City Clerk Huber announced that sealed bids were publicly received and opened for the El Segundo Blvd. Improvement Project (#15-03).

Public Works Department submitted declaration of publication, which was ordered filed. Bidder's bonds were required.

THERE WERE EIGHT BIDS RECEIVED. (ALL WERE ACCOMPANIED BY BIDDER'S BOND)

THE PRICES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

SHAWNAN	\$6,248,000.00
GRIFFITH COMPANY	\$6,536,665.00
SULLY-MILLER CONTRACTING	\$6,546,450.00
EXCEL PAVING	\$6,554,570.00
SEQUEL CONTRACTORS INC	\$6,290,500.00

ALL AMERICN ASPHALT	\$6,432,675.00
EBS GENERAL ENGINEERING	\$7,844,422.00
TORO ENTERPRISES	\$6,332,372.00

Councilmember Reyes English moved seconded by Mayor Vargas to refer these bids for study and recommendation.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None.

RESOLUTIONS

12.

RESOLUTION NO. 7955

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, NOTIFYING THE PUBLIC OF THE IMPORTANCE OF REPLACING AUTOMOBILE AIR BAGS.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, that Resolution 7955 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None.

13.

RESOLUTION NO. 7968

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A SIDE LETTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE AND THE HAWTHORNE POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION AMENDING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE HPOA EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020 REGARDING PHYSICAL FITNESS INCENTIVE PAY.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, that Resolution 7968 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None.

14.

RESOLUTION NO. 7971

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING, APPROVING AND RATIFYING ACCEPTANCE OF HOMELESS SERVICES CITY PLANNING GRANT FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English, that Resolution 7971 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None.

15.

RESOLUTION NO. 7974

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX CITIZEN'S OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Olivia Valentine, that Resolution 7974 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.

NOES: None.

16.

RESOLUTION NO. 7975

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, OPPOSING SENATE BILL 946 (LARA) - 'SIDEWALK VENDORS'.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Valentine, that Resolution 7975 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.

NOES: None.

17.

RESOLUTION NO. 7976

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF MARCH AS "WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH."

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Awad, that Resolution 7976 be approved and adopted.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.

NOES: None.

18.

This item was pulled before the council meeting

RESOLUTION NO. 7977

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING & UPDATING ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION SCHEDULE FOR VARIOUS VIOLATIONS OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE.

19.

PUBLIC HEARING

20.

City Clerk Huber announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing to Receive and file the Annual Housing Element Progress Report for the calendar year 2017.

Planning Department's declaration publication filed. No written communications were received.

Mayor Vargas called for public comments.

Under oral comments, no one expressed a desire to be heard.

Mayor Vargas moved seconded by Councilmember Valentine to Direct staff to submit the report to the California Department of Housing and Community Development and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

ROLL CALL-AYES: Councilmembers Awad, Reyes English, Michelin, Valentine, Mayor Vargas.
NOES: None.

23.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

City Treasurer **Patterson** thanked the public for coming out and expressing their opinions and congratulated the new commissioners.

City Clerk **Huber**, announced the new Common Space Brewery in town. the Pancake Breakfast at the Historical Society. State of the City, the Bunny Breakfast, the Parks and Recreation Foundation Golf Tournament,

Councilmember **Michelin** thanked everyone who came to honor Jerry Nibel, congratulated the new commissioners, recommended to put all the events happening in the city on the website, attended the North Hawthorne Homeowners meeting and received several complaints on parking, garage conversions and not answering phone calls in City hall.

Councilmember **Valentine** attended the Common Space Brewery in Hawthorne, the stack event for the Marriot Hotel, the Holly Park Little League opening ceremony. Thanked everyone who attended the signing ceremony and requested that the letter from Coronel Roberts, the appropriate form and the contact number for the person on the veteran's commission in charge of this be put on the website to invite landlords to participate on this event.

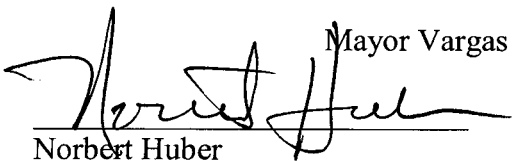
Councilmember **Reyes English** thanked the Veteran's commission for all their work which assures that veterans have representation in the city, attended the League of Cities dinner, the modular stacking event, and reminded residents of the Service Provider Fair on April 21st, 2018. She thanked the city council for approving Ordinance No. 2156 which authorized the implementation of a Community Choice Aggregation Program, which is now comprised of 31 cities and stated that she has been participating in the board meetings as an elected official for the City of Hawthorne. They recently voted to rename the board – the Clean Power Alliance of Southern California. She was appointed the chair of the community advisory development committee and community members will have an opportunity to participate in various committees. There will also be job opportunities for this new "utility company" which will be in competition with Southern California Edison.

Councilmember **Awad** thanked the Veterans Commission for all the work they do providing help for the veterans, condolences to Mrs. Nibel, thanked staff and the Directors for the work done taking Hawthorne to a different level, residents comments on changes and new businesses, thanked Chief Fager for bringing crime rate down in the City, he also thanked City Manager Arnie Shadbehr for his great leadership.

Mayor **Vargas** attended along with the rest of the city council the stacking ceremony for the Marriot Hotel, and the new Common Space Brewery in Hawthorne, asked that the City improve on customer service, requested more information on the Clean Power Alliance, Received compliments on the beautification and the new openings of businesses in the City.

24.

Mayor Vargas adjourned the regular meeting at 8:18 p.m.


Norbert Huber
City Clerk