## <u>Minutes for the Meeting of City of Hawthorne</u> <u>Veterans Affairs Commission</u> September 23, 2019

## Meeting Convened: 3:15 P.M.

- 1) Call to Order
  - o Commissioner's Present: Lester, Moreno, Robilotta, Steinhauer, Chair Orlemann
- 2) Flag Salute, Pledge of Allegiance.
- Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3, the September 23, 2019 Veterans Affairs Commission Agenda was posted at City Hall, 4455 West 126<sup>th</sup> St., Hawthorne, CA on September 18, 2019 at 12 noon.
- 4) Oral Communications:
- 5) Written Communications:
- 6) Approval of Minutes: The September 9 meeting minutes were approved, and motioned by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Robilotta; passed 3-0 (abstained: Commissioners Lester, Steinhauer, absent from the September 9 meeting)
- 7) Commission's Discussion/Action Items
  - o Discussion of Hawthorne Veteran Housing related to Council approval of city-owned land
    - i. Discussion was limited due to no new updates on the status of the project. It is still expected to be presented to the City Council at a later date, TBD.
  - o Budget Review and Update
    - i. Solicitation update; reconciliation with "Hope is Helping"
      - South County Labor Board check received 9/23 to Hope is Helping. Being held by Pat, awaiting disposition.
        - a. Based on Commission decision, check/cash can be deposited with the City or held by Secretary Gafney or Commissioner Robilotta since the HIH account has not been reinstated.
      - Invoice from Integrity Products is pending confirmation of order from Deborah so Chair Orlemann can reimbursed.
  - Website and technical Responsibilities
    - i. Further discussion on alternate "general purpose" use email addresses and replies to HVAC emails were deferred to the next meeting.
    - ii. Commissioner Lester was going to check Facebook page and determine access limitations and whether further clarification from the Chief could help provide access to the Commissioners.
  - Open Business
    - i. Chair Orlemann announced new executive changes occurring at VA GLA hospital with the appointment of Dr. Steven Roberman. Also, the record of final decision on the housing buildout was rendered, allowing efforts to begin construction could proceed.

- ii. The Commission agreed on recognizing Secretary Gafney as the Veteran of the Quarter for a December council presentation.
- iii. The Commission deferred the October 7 meeting due to scheduling conflicts and will meet again on October 21.
- 8) Adjournment: 4:25 p.m.