

**MINUTES OF THE  
LAWNDALE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 1, 2016**

- A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL** – Mayor Pullen-Miles called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. in the City Hall council chamber, 14717 Burin Avenue, Lawndale, California. The meeting was held concurrently with a meeting of the successor agency to the Lawndale Redevelopment Agency.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Robert Pullen-Miles, Mayor Pro Tem Pat Kearney, Councilmember James H. Osborne, Councilmember Daniel Reid, Councilmember Bernadette Suarez

Other Participants: City Clerk Rhonda Hofmann Gorman, City Manager Stephen N. Mandoki, City Attorney Tiffany J. Israel, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Lieutenant John Hocking, Public Works Director/City Engineer Frank Senteno, Community Development Director Sean Moore, Assistant City Clerk Pamela Giamario, and approximately 15 audience members

- B. CEREMONIALS** – Councilmember Osborne led the flag salute and Pastor Chris Beamer provided the inspiration.

- C. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT** – Lieutenant Hocking summarized recent law enforcement activities. Councilmember Osborne reported speaking with the city manager about preparing commendations for Deputies Vidrio and Jones for their apprehension of a robbery suspect. Mayor Pullen-Miles expressed appreciation for the deputies' response to a recent service call.

- D. ITEMS FROM CITY CLERK** – none

- E. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

- Donna Hamilton – request to revise Ord 923-02 pertaining to consignment stores and sale of collectibles
- Charmaine Doty – request for status of additional signage on the Hawthorne Boulevard side of the community center, concern about parking if a proposal to build a 41-unit development is approved
- Unidentified female – other cities' fireworks enforcement measures, recent state law change related to water conservation, property owners' failure to apply for required building-related permits, irresponsible pet owners.
- Randall Abram – fireworks enforcement and measures to increase public safety around the 4th of July
- Marco Sandoval – support for city recognition of a Los Angeles Galaxy soccer team member and Leuzinger graduate, Metro rail expansion, sheriff patrols at Hopper Park, Assemblywoman Burke's back to school event, service at the library
- Steve Koonz – public noticing of ordinances, request to empty trash cans by bus stops more often, the number of police units needed to cover the city, work truck parked on Firmona Avenue for an extended period of time
- Chris Beamer – appreciation for the Memorial Day service, and the council's appointments to fill vacant elective offices

F. **COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL** – The City Council responded generally to the comments and received clarification on some issues from the staff, but did not request placement of any issues on a future meeting agenda.

G. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Citywide Sidewalk Improvements, Primarily Hawthorne and Manhattan Beach**

**Boulevards, Marine Avenue.** (Recommendation: that the City Council accept the concrete repairs project done by Kalban, Inc. as complete and authorize the public works director to file the notice of completion with the Los Angeles County recorder's office.)

**Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrades.** (Recommendation: that the City Council accept the citywide traffic signal upgrades and modification project done by PTM General Engineering Services, Inc. as complete and authorize the public works director to file the notice of completion with the Los Angeles County recorder's office.)

**Status of City Investments.** (Recommendation: that the City Council receive and file the quarterly investment report for the quarter ended June 30, 2016.)

**Accounts Payable Register.** (Recommendation: that the City Council adopts Resolution No. CC-1608-047, authorizing the payment of certain claims and demands in the amount of \$970,139.89.)

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(Recommendation: that council approves.)

**A motion by Councilmember Suarez to approve the consent calendar was seconded by Councilmember Reid and carried by a vote of 5-0.**

H. **ADMINISTRATION**

**Advisory Body Appointments.** Assistant City Clerk Giamario reported on vacancies on advisory bodies and identified the applicants.

Mayor Pullen-Miles made the following appointments:

**Parks, Recreation and Social Services Commission** – Daniel T. Woods

**Personnel Board** – John Stephen Clark, Marcela Paez Pak, George J. Pelzl, Mercedes Santacruz,  
N. Golden Thrower

**Senior Citizen Advisory Committee** – Ray E. Rapp

**Youth Advisory Committee** – April Owens

**Councilmember Osborne moved to approve the appointments by directing staff to insert the appointees' names in Section 1 of Resolution No. CC-1608-048, and to adopt the resolution as amended. Mayor Pro Tem Kearney seconded the motion which carried by a vote of 5-0.**

I. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT** – City Manager Mandoki encouraged residents to report cars parked in the same place for extended periods so that Municipal Services Department staff can mark the vehicles and issue a citation if in violation of the 72-hour limit, and thanked the Sheriff's Department for the extra patrols at Hopper Park.

**J. ITEMS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS**

**8. Councilmember Report of Attendance at Meetings and/or Events –see below**

Councilmembers Suarez and Reid, and Mayor Pullen-Miles attended an LA County Business Federation annual event for policy makers. Councilmembers Reid and Kearney, and Mayor Pullen-Miles attended Assemblywoman Burke's back to school event. Mayor Pullen-Miles reported his meeting with Inglewood Mayor Butts, along with Lawndale staff members, where the discussion focused on the new NFL stadium, and a conversation with Los Angeles Mayor Garcetti regarding the upcoming ballot measure to provide transportation funding to the LA County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. At Councilmember Osborne's request, the city manager provided an update on the removal of the modular building used as a community center annex.

**K. CLOSED SESSION**

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**9. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation** - The City Council conducted a closed session, pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4), because the City is considering whether to initiate litigation in two cases against the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO) relating to (i) the Metro Airport Connector Draft EIR and (ii) and METRO's proposed ½ cent sales tax measure. City Attorney Israel reported that council was updated and no action was taken.

REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY

**10. Conference with Real Property Negotiator** - The agency board conducted a closed session, pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8, to enable the board to give direction to its negotiators regarding those certain real properties: 15801/15811 Hawthorne Blvd. (APN 4074-001-900/901/902/903/904), 15821 Hawthorne Blvd. (APN 4074-001-906), and 4432 Manhattan Beach Blvd. (APN 4074-001-907). The agency's real property negotiators, its executive director and assistant executive director, sought direction from the board regarding the price and terms for this property. General Counsel Israel reported that the board was updated and no action was taken.

**L. ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business to conduct, the mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m. in memory of Lawndale resident George Dikilato.

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Robert Pullen-Miles, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rhonda Hofmann Gorman, City Clerk

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Approved: 9/16/16  
Date