

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,
CALIFORNIA HELD JUNE 11, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Alex Vargas called the City Council meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne, California.

INVOCATION

Patricia Donaldson gave the evening's invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Angie Reyes English led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

ROLL CALL-Present: Councilmembers Angie Reyes English, Alex Monteiro, L. David Patterson, Mayor Pro Tem Katrina Manning, Mayor Alex Vargas.

Also Present: City Manager Vontray Norris, City Attorney Robert Kim, City Clerk Dayna Williams-Hunter, City Treasurer Marie Poindexter-Hornback.

PROCLAMATIONS/CERTIFICATES/PRESENTATIONS

1. TeleHealth Update- Dion Rambo
2. Proclamation for the American Lung Association
3. Presentation: Business Improvement District (BID) by Andrew Jared (Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley)

This presentation was not held. It is scheduled to come back on June 25th.

4. Education First- Nikki Win (D. Patterson)
5. Human Resources Director Erica Lampkin presented the Good Neighbor Award nominees for the month of May. They are Kimberly Duran and Adrian Jurado, who both won the award.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Christina Prado from the Fair Housing Foundation spoke on the services available through the foundation. District Representative **Hayley Hutt** from Assemblymember Tina McKinnor's office introduced new Senior Field Representative, LaQuisha Bryant. Announcement was made regarding the annual backpack event on August 17th. **Pat Donaldson**, Chamber of Commerce President, announced the upcoming Chamber Mixer, Fireworks Stand, Backpack Giveaway, Annual Golf Tournament, Masquerade Halloween Luncheon, Thanksgiving Giveaway, Christmas Mixer, Christmas Party and BBQ Contest. Requested prayers for resident Moe Awadallah who had surgery. **Ruben Sanchez**, North Hawthorne Community Association,

requested someone look into the lighting calibration on 120th. Spoke on concerns regarding the Telehealth program. **Ryan Richard**, President Hollypark Neighborhood Association, requested support for a THTR TRUK performance in Holly Park. **Lely Fernandez** requested help regarding safety in her North Hawthorne neighborhood.

CITY CLERK'S CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Approval of waiver of full readings of resolutions and ordinances on Tuesday, June 11, 2024's agenda.
7. City Treasurer requests approval of the warrants.

Warrant Nos.: 26837-27147; 196084 - 196094;	486290-486376;	73434-73770;	10961-10963;
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Totals:	\$852,712.31;	\$1,093,941.33;	\$954,803.85;	\$11,825.99;
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RESOLUTIONS

8. RESOLUTION NO. 8474 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR SPECIFIED ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR.

A correction to reflect that Resolution 8474 was for FY 2024-2025, not 2023-2024 as it appeared on the agenda, was made through interlineation.

9. RESOLUTION NO. 8472 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT OF THOSE EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE HAWTHORNE EXECUTIVE GROUP ("HEG") ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE ("HMC") AND AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO EXECUTE HEG MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("MOU").

10. RESOLUTION NO. 8473 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT OF THOSE EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE'S ASSOCIATION ("HMEA"), ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL CODE ("HMC") AND AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE HMEA MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("MOU")

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Monteiro to approve the City Clerk's consent calendar (Items 6-10).

ROLL CALL AYES: Councilmembers Monteiro, Patterson, Reyes English, Mayor Pro Tem Manning and Mayor Vargas.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (FIRST READING AND ADOPTIONS)

11. Public Hearing and Resolution No. 8468

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE ANNUAL ENGINEER'S REPORT, CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT AMOUNTS, AND AUTHORIZING THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM (LANDSCAPING AND STREET LIGHTING ACT OF 1972) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council open and close public hearing and approve Resolution 8468.

City Clerk Williams-Hunter announced this was the time and place for the Public Hearing and adoption of Resolution No. 8468.

No written communications were received.

Mayor Vargas opened the public hearing and called for public comments.

No members of the public provided public comments.

Mayor Vargas closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Reyes English moved, seconded by Councilmember Monteiro to adopt Resolution No. 8468.

ROLL CALL AYES: Councilmembers Monteiro, Patterson, Reyes English, Mayor Pro Tem Manning and Mayor Vargas.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

12. Public Hearing and Resolution No. 8469

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 WEED AND WASTE ABATEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COLLECTION THEREOF

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council open and close public hearing and approve Resolution 8469.

City Clerk Williams-Hunter announced this was the time and place for the Public Hearing and adoption of Resolution No. 8469.

No written communications were received.

Mayor Vargas opened the public hearing and called for public comments.

No members of the public provided public comments.

Mayor Vargas closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Reyes English moved, seconded by Councilmember Monteiro to adopt Resolution No. 8469.

ROLL CALL AYES: Councilmembers Monteiro, Patterson, Reyes English, Mayor Pro Tem Manning and Mayor Vargas.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

CITY MANAGER'S CONSENT CALENDAR

13. Award of Contract for Zela Davis Park Improvement (Project # 24-04)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve contract to second-lowest responsive and responsible bidder, DOJA, Inc. of Ontario, CA.

14. Agreement/Contract between the City of Hawthorne and Matrix Consulting Group, Ltd. for analysis, evaluation, and recommendations related to the City's permitting processes pursuant to the Economic Development Strategic Plan.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve an agreement with Matrix Consulting, Ltd. for the analysis, evaluation, and recommendations related to permitting processes.

15. Progress Payment #5 in the amount of \$151,789.96 due to Klassic Engineering & Construction, Inc of Orange, CA for Hawthorne Housing Rehabilitation of City Owned Properties 2023 (Project #23-09)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve this Progress Payment #5 to Klassic Engineering & Construction Inc of Orange, CA.

16. Progress Payment #4 in the amount of \$1,980,792.38 due to Sequel Contractors of Santa Fe Springs, CA for Northeast Hawthorne Mobility Improvement Project (Project # 21-05)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve this Progress Payment #4 and approve Change Order #1 & #2 to Sequel Contractors of Santa Fe Springs, CA

17. Agreement/Contract between the City of Hawthorne and ViaTRON Systems, Inc. for the digitization of planning records.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff Recommends that the City Council approve the contract with ViaTRON Systems, Inc.

18. The Agreement between the City Hawthorne and West Coast Aviation for the Sales

Representation and Consultation for the sale of 1988 MD500E Helicopter (Air-55) by the Hawthorne Police Department.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve the Consulting Agreement with West Coast Aviation and authorize the chief of the Hawthorne Police Department to execute the Agreement and any minor amendments thereto.

19. Third Amendment to Exclusive Agreement between the City of Hawthorne and Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. for Photo Red Light Enforcement Program.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve and authorize the City Manager to execute the Third Amendment to the Exclusive Agreement between the City of Hawthorne, and Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. for Photo Red Light Enforcement Program.

20. Annual renewal payment of cloud-hosted Tyler Technology's software Enterprise Permitting & Licensing (formerly EnerGov) in the amount of \$79,004.25

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff Recommends that the City Council authorize payment to Tyler Technologies.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English to approve the City Manager's consent calendar (Items 13-20).

ROLL CALL AYES: Councilmembers Patterson, Reyes English, Mayor Pro Tem Manning and Mayor Vargas.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

City Treasurer **Poindexter-Hornback** thanked the community for coming out and participating and congratulated the Good Neighbor award winners.

City Clerk **Williams-Hunter** spoke regarding Bright Life Kids and Saluna, resources for kids. Announced the next food drive will be held on July 13th and thanked the American Heart Association for providing the food.

Councilmember **Patterson** requested THTR TRUK come out and address the City. Spoke on attending the Contract Cities Conference regarding fireworks.

Councilmember **Monteiro** addressed the homeless situation on Imperial. Spoke regarding scholarships that were given out last week to local schools. Due to recent lack of quorums in the Planning Commission, directed that any project that needs approval to bypass the Planning Commission and come to the City Council for approval.

Councilmember **Reyes English** commented on the Hawthorne Police and Firefighter of the Year luncheon given by the Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs and on the 48th Annual South Bay Medal of Valor event. Commented on the Carson/Hawthorne Partnership with the Boys and Girls Club. Announced Chief Gary Tomatani will be a guest speaker at the Hawthorne Historical Society on June 12th. Announced upcoming events Juneteenth and a Senior Citizen trip. Spoke on potentially adding Education First, Carson/Hawthorne Boys and Girls Club and Fair Housing Foundation to the City's sponsored events list. Spoke regarding TeleHealth services. Thanked the Public Works department for all the improvements being made on the north side of Hawthorne. Addressed the needs of the unhoused. Requested that the theater individual send a proposal to the City Manager.

Mayor Pro Tem **Manning** sent out Happy Father's Day wishes. Provided comments on

the work that TeleHealth is doing. Commended Chief Tomatani on the work he is doing. Directed the City Manager to look into asking Edison for some type of incentive program where our residents could get a discount for either a solar panel or a generator that would be used when the power goes out, look into getting potholes repaired on Van Ness/El Segundo to 120th, and look into bringing in a subject matter expert for potentially managing future assets.

Mayor **Vargas** announced upcoming Concerts and Movies in the Park. Addressed the homeless situation on Imperial. Spoke on enforcing the law and his commitment to make sure the residents of Hawthorne are safe. Spoke on the non-profits in the City and if they are servicing the residents of the City.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Vargas adjourned the regular meeting at 7:50 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

Passed and approved on this 22nd day of April 2025.

Dayna Williams-Hunter
City Clerk