

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE,
CALIFORNIA HELD JUNE 25, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Alex Vargas called the City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne, California.

INVOCATION

Pat Donaldson gave the evenings invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilmember Alex Monteiro.

ROLL CALL

ROLL CALL-Present: Councilmembers Alex Monteiro, L. David Patterson, Angie Reyes English and Mayor Alex Vargas.

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Katrina Manning

Also Present: City Manager Von Norris, City Attorney Robert Kim, City Clerk Dayna Williams-Hunter

PROCLAMATIONS / CERTIFICATES / PRESENTATIONS

1. Business Improvement District Presentation (Andrew Jared)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Pat Donaldson, introduced new members of the Chamber of Commerce Emily Catoa and Derek Jones, and announced upcoming events.

Emily Catoa and **Derek Jones**, Legal Shield representatives provided information on the mission of Legal Shield

Byron and Marvin, Pressure Washing Services provided background on services available

Resident #1, expresses concern regarding Republic Services

Olivia Valentine, introduced So Cal Gas program “CARE” and provided information

Hawthorne Police Department, provided information regarding fireworks including education, violations, and enforcement.

CITY CLERK’S CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Approval of waiver of full readings of resolutions and ordinances on Tuesday, June 25, 2024’s agenda.
3. City Treasurer requests approval of warrants.

Warrant Nos.: 486377-486552; 73771-73771; 10964-10967;

Totals: \$1,347,193.11; \$88.43.; \$51,148.76;

RESOLUTIONS

4. RESOLUTION NO. 8470
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025.
5. RESOLUTION NO. 8471
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN APPROPRIATION SPENDING LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLA XIII B OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.
6. RESOLUTION NO. 8475
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE CITY-COUNTY MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR SUPPLEMENTAL ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English to approve the City Clerk’s consent calendar (Items 2-6 except Item 4).

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

NOES: None.

Finance Director Felice Lopez gave a presentation for Item 4.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Monteiro to approve the Item 4 on the City Clerk's Consent Calendar.

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

NOES: None.

CITY MANAGER'S CONSENT CALENDAR

7. First Amendment to the Consultant Agreement for Building Plan Check Services ("First Amendment") between the City of Hawthorne ("City") and Labib Funk + Associates ("Consultant")

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve this first amendment and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment to the consultant agreement.

8. Fiscal Year 2024/25 Blanket Purchase Orders

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends the Council approve fiscal year 2024/25 Blanket Purchase Orders (BPO's) for supplies and services in a total amount not to exceed \$35,548,365.

9. The nominated members Glenn Grindstaff and Dawn Harris to fill the Hawthorne business private sector seats on the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB), that currently are vacant.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff Recommends that the City Council make an appointment of representatives of the Hawthorne Business Private Sector.

10. City of Hawthorne's Investment Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2024.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council receive, approve and file the City of Hawthorne's Investment Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2024 of FY 23-24.

11. Appropriation of \$315,000 grant from the Department of Cannabis Control, Retail Access Grant Program.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff Recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to appropriate funds for Program development.

12. Agreement Between the City of Hawthorne and TeleHealth Van, LLC. for the Mobile Daily Virtual Tele-Health Services for the Low Income and Un-housed residents of Hawthorne.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff Recommends that the City Council approve a New Agreement with TeleHealth Van, LLC.

13. Progress Payment #8 in the amount of \$289,858.95 due to Elecnor Belco Electric of Chino, CA for Hawthorne Mobility Improvement Project – Phase II (Project # 23-01)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve this Progress Payment #8 and approve Change Order #2 to Elecnor Belco Electric of Chino, CA

14. Progress Payment #12 in the amount of \$174,080.30 due to Elecnor Belco Electric of Chino, CA for Highway Safety Improvement Project Traffic Signal Upgrade and Reconstruction 120th St Improvement Project – Prairie Ave to Felton Ave (Project # 21-06).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve this Progress Payment #12 to Elecnor Belco Electric of Chino, CA

15. Progress Payment #3 and Final Acceptance in the amount of \$140,970.50 due to Martinez Landscape Company, Inc. of Sylmar, CA for Alley Reconstruction (Project #24-06).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve this Progress Payment #3 and Final Acceptance for the Alley Reconstruction (Project #24-06) to Martinez Landscape Company Inc. of Sylmar, CA and release 5%retention amount 35 days after Final Approval.

16. Progress Payment #4 and Final Acceptance for the second contract year in the amount of \$797,303.35 due to Martinez Landscape Company, Inc. of Sylmar, CA for General Maintenance (Project \$22-05).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve this Progress Payment #4 and Final Acceptance for the second contract year, release 5% retention amount 35 days after Final Acceptance and approve the start of the third contract year to Martinez Landscape Company, Inc. of Sylmar, CA.

17. Annual renewal payment of Hawthorne hosted Tyler Technology’s Enterprise ERP software suite (formerly Munis) in the amount of \$114,575.08

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

Councilmember Reyes Englihs moved, seconded by Councilmember Monteiro to approve the City Manager’s consent calendar (Items 7-17 except Item 12).

Item 12 was pulled by Mayor Vargas for discussion.

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

NOES: None.

Mayor Vargas moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English to approve Item 12 on the City Manager's Consent Calendar.

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

NOES: Mayor Vargas

CITY ATTORNEY'S CONSENT CALENDAR

18. Claim for false arrest and use of excessive force by Ubong Edem.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the City Council deny the claim of Ubong Edem.

Councilmember Monteiro moved, seconded by Councilmember Reyes English to approve the City Attorney's consent calendar (Item 18)

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

NOES: None.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS

City Treasurer **Marie Poindexter Hornback**, provided an update on the request of an increase on the City's money market account which was approved and encouraged to ask for an increase on interest.

City Clerk **Dayna Williams Hunter**, thanked the public for coming out. Happy Father's Day to all the fathers and thanked the Veterans' Commission for the banners program.

Councilmember **L. David Patterson**, thanked the community for coming out and encouraged attendees to bring others. He congratulated the Veterans' Commission on the banner program and the City staff on the budget.

SUGGESTIONS:

- Safety Concern: Kornblum near the railroad

Councilmember **Alex Monteiro** thanked the public for coming out and thanked the staff for their dedication and hard work towards the City's budget. Thank you to the Veterans' Commission for the banner program. Thank you to all of the new businesses that have come to

the City of Hawthorne. Thanked all participants of the Juneteenth event and their contributions. Councilmember Monteiro asked the adjourn the evening's meeting in honor of Dean Joseph Flores, Jerry Flores' son.

Councilmember **Angie Reyes English** thanked Selena Acuna for reaching out the Republic Services and efforts to address residents' concerns. Also, thanked Dulce Medina, Telehealth Van, and Venice Family Clinic for various resources, programs, and services made available to the community. Thanked the Veterans' Affairs commission for the banner program and announced various upcoming events and resources available throughout the City.

SUGGESTIONS:

- Request of Resolution: Proclaiming the City of Hawthorne Drone Day
- Third Party Translation services, Woody program

Mayor Pro Tem **Katrina Manning** expressed appreciation to the Police Department, Chief Tomatani. Also, thanked Faye Johnson for the Veterans' Affairs commission banner program honoring veterans.

SUGGESTIONS:

- Update on the program with Edison to provide residents with backup generators/ solar panels

Mayor **Alex Vargas** thanked Faye Johnson for the Veterans' Affairs commission banner program honoring veterans. Mayor Vargas announced his nomination and selection to the National Association of Latino Elected Officials Board. He also announced various upcoming events and resources available throughout the City.

CLOSED SESSION

19. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Subdivision (a) of Section 54957.6 of the California Government Code. Name of Labor Negotiator(s): City Manger Von Norris and Human Resources Director Erika Lampkin Hawthorne Police Management & Supervisory Group ("HPMSG"))

Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54954 Subsection 2 City Attorney Robert Kim requested to add an agenda item regarding the same labor negotiations but regarding HPOA, Hawthorne Police Officers Association

Councilmember Reyes English moved, seconded by Councilmember Monteiro to add an agenda item regarding Labor Negotiations for HPOA.

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

NOES: None.

20. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

(pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8, 54954.5(b)) Properties:
Approximately 1.49 acres of land located at 3136 West Rosecrans Ave. Hawthorne CA.
90250, APN 4071-020-001, APN 4071-020-002, APN 4071- 020-003, APN 4071-020-
005, APN 4071-020-004 and APN 4071-013-025. City Negotiator: Vontray Norris, City
Manager.

Negotiating Parties: Keller Williams Realty/John Hanley

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment.

No members of the public desired to speak during oral communications on closed
session items.

Council went to recess at 7:44pm and was back in session at 8:24pm.

City Attorney Robert Kim Reported out.

Council voted unanimously to approve the terms of HPOA and HPMSG MOU to be
brought back to council for final approval.

Item 20, The City has been directed by the Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Vargas adjourned the regular City Council meeting at 8:25 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

Passed and approved this 22nd day of April 2025.

Dayna Williams-Hunter
City Clerk