

**CITY OF VERNON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2009, 10:00 A.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBER
4305 SANTA FE AVENUE
VERNON, CA 90058**

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CALL TO ORDER

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held
January 12, 2009.

Minutes of the Adjourned Regular City Council Meeting
held January 14, 2009.

Presentation of trophies and prizes to the following students from the Vernon Elementary School for their participation in the City's "2009 Used Oil Recycling Calendar Contest."

Honorable Mention Prize Winners:

1. Alyssa Bravo
2. Luis Calderon
3. Victoria Drapeau
4. Claudette Guzman
5. Marbella Hernandez
6. Joeanna Munoz
7. Julia Ochoa
8. Wendy Parrilla
9. Viviana Vargas

Second Prize Winner: Cynthia Hernandez

First Prize Winner: Gloria Avelino

Grand Prize Winner: Allison Hernandez

Presentation of appreciation awards to the following teachers and principal for supporting the "2009 Used Oil Recycling Calendar Contest."

1. Mrs. Santa Cruz
2. Mrs. Vargas
3. Principal Martin Sandoval

Presentation of recognition plaques to the following businesses for supporting the "2009 Used Oil Recycling Calendar Contest" and providing the funds for the gifts and trophies.

1. Asbury Environmental Services
2. Baker Commodities
3. ExxonMobil Oil Corporation
4. Lubricating Specialties
5. U.S. Growers
6. Athens Disposal Company
7. Exide Technologies
8. The Alpert Group
9. Waste Management Healthcare Solutions
10. Norman Fox & Company
11. Vernon Chamber of Commerce

Appointment of members to sit on the following committees and designation of the Chairman and Vice Chairman for each committee:

1. Police & Fire Commissions' Section
2. Public Benefits Resource Committee

Time allotted for anyone in the audience who wishes to address the City Council on agenda and non-agenda items other than with regard to any public hearings that may be listed.

CONSENT CALENDAR – All matters listed on the Consent Calendar are to be approved with one motion. Items may be removed from the Consent Calendar by Council. Those items removed will be considered at the end of the agenda.

City Treasurer's Department

1. Ratification of the following warrant registers to record the following voided checks:

- a. **Gas Warrant Register No. 8** to record voided Check No. 56 in the amount of \$19.20 issued to Qwest on October 27, 2008.
- b. **Warrant Register No. 1256** to record voided Check No. 323649 in the amount of \$72.00 issued to League of California Cities on January 5, 2009.
- c. **Warrant Register No. 1257** to record:
 - Voided Check No. 323754 in the amount of \$71.00 issued to Imperial Professional Services on January 7, 2009;
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 - Voided Check No. 323759 in the amount of \$71.00 issued to Imperial Professional Services on January 7, 2009;
 - Voided Check No. 323760 in the amount of \$71.00 issued to Imperial Professional Services on January 7, 2009;
 - Voided Check No. 323821 in the amount of \$225.00 issued to Derek Meyer on January 14, 2009; and

- Voided Check No. 323857 in the amount of \$569.20 issued to Margaret Kenzy on January 14, 2009.

2. Ratification of the issuance of checks for Payroll Warrant Register No. 631 covering claims and demands presented during the period of November 9 through December 6, 2008, drawn on Bank of America totaling **\$3,048,196.74** - \$2,445,970.37 paid through electronic funds transfers (EFTs); \$6,141.81 paid through Early Check No. 9610; and \$596,084.56 paid through General Warrant Register (Accounting period December 2008).

3. Ratification of City of Vernon Requisitions from the Light & Power Capital Projects Custody Escrow Account No. 800458 (*formerly the Legal Counsel Disbursement Custody Escrow Account*) covering claims and demands presented during the period of January 6 through January 20, 2009, drawn on The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation totaling **\$357,553.01**, which includes Requisition Nos. LCD523 through LCD536.

4. Ratification of City of Vernon Requisitions from the Remediation Proceeds Fund Custody Escrow Account No. 800460 covering claims and demands presented during the period of December 30, 2008 through January 20, 2009, drawn on The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation totaling **\$337,632.77**, which includes Requisition No. RPF027.

5. Ratification of City of Vernon Requisitions from the Bicent Capacity Payment Custody Escrow Account No. 800594 covering claims and demands presented during the period of December 30, 2008 through January 20, 2009, drawn on The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation totaling **\$1,679,684.26**, which includes Requisition No. BCP001.

Fire Department

6. Fire Department Activity Report for the period of January 1 through January 15, 2009, to be received and filed.

Health & Environmental Control Department

7. Health & Environmental Control Department Monthly Report for December 2008, to be received and filed.

Police Department

8. Police Department Activity Log for the period of January 1 through January 15, 2009, to be received and filed.

End of Consent Calendar

Request for authorization for the Fire Chief to seek quotes for custodial services for the four fire stations and all Fire Department facilities and offices located outside of City Hall.

Request from the Fire Chief for a \$12,000.00 increase to the 2008-2009 fiscal year open purchase order issued to L.N. Curtis & Sons for turnout gear, which would bring the total amount of said purchase order to \$42,000.00 for the current fiscal year.

Request from the Director of Light & Power for approval of and authorization to execute Work Authorization No. PM-257-08-GAS under the contract with Galliera Inc., dba Trico Construction in the amount of \$30,312.62 for the annual leak assessment of the natural gas distribution and transmission system.

Request from the Director of Business Services & Purchasing for approval of and authorization to execute Maintenance Agreement No. 422972 with Canon Business Solutions, Inc. for the Purchasing Department's IR1630 copier for the period of January 12, 2009 through January 11, 2010.

Request from the Chief of Police for approval of and authorization to execute a Sale and Installation Agreement with SimplexGrinnell LP for an audio/video recording system for the department's Interview Room.

Request from the Director of Community Services for approval of and authorization to execute an Account Application and Agreement to Pay Charges with SC Fuels/Cardlock Fuels System, Inc. to serve as an alternative fuel source for the City's fleet vehicles.

Request from the Director of Community Services for approval of and authorization to execute an Agreement for Code Enforcement Software and Services with HdL Software, LLC, at a cost of \$18,150.00.

Request for ratification of the presentation of the following proclamation to Mr. George Cole on January 23, 2009:

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VERNON COMMENDING AND HONORING GEORGE COLE IN RECOGNITION OF HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO CITY GOVERNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 9823 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Appointing Richard J. Maisano to Fill the Unexpired Term of Thomas A. Ybarra as a Library Trustee on the Board of Library Trustees

RESOLUTION NO. 9824 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Granting a Conditional Use Permit to L.A. Wash Rack, Inc. for the Operation of a Truck Wash Facility Located at 4317 Downey Road in the City of Vernon

RESOLUTION NO. 9825 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Appointing Richard J. Maisano to Fill the Unexpired Term of Thomas A. Ybarra as a Director on the Board of Directors of the Vernon Historic Preservation Society

RESOLUTION NO. 9826 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Providing for the Recognition of Certain Signatures on Warrants Issued by the City of Vernon to Withdraw Funds Deposited by the City of Vernon in Any Bank Account

RESOLUTION NO. 9827 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Services Agreement By and Between the City of Vernon and Hartzog & Crabill, Inc. for Citywide Speed Study

RESOLUTION NO. 9828 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Confidentiality Agreement By and Between the City of Vernon and Starwood Energy Group Global, LLC

RESOLUTION NO. 9829 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Amendment No. Four to Traffic Signal Maintenance Contract By and Between the City of Vernon and Republic Intelligent Transportation Services, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. 9830 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Approving and Authorizing the Termination of Rental Agreements for All City-Owned Housing in Huntington Park and to do All Other Actions Deemed Necessary or Advisable Concerning Said Termination

RESOLUTION NO. 9831 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Dissolving, Cancelling and Terminating all Agreements with Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP, Calderon Group, Inc. and McCabe & Company and Repealing all Resolutions or Parts of Resolutions in Conflict Therewith

RESOLUTION NO. 9833 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Dissolving, Cancelling and Terminating all Agreements with Project Labor Group and Repealing all Resolutions or Parts of Resolutions in Conflict Therewith

RESOLUTION NO. 9834 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Approving and Authorizing an Amendment to the Current City Health Plans

Ratification of the issuance of early checks for Warrant Register No. 1258, covering claims and demands presented during the period of January 14 through January 20, 2009, drawn on Bank of America totaling **\$15,805.57**, which includes Check Nos. 323904 through 323930, (Accounting period January 2009).

Ratification of wire transfers for Warrant Register No. 1258, covering claims and demands presented during the period of January 14 through January 20, 2009, drawn on Bank of America totaling **\$5,295.91**, which includes Wire No. 300 (Accounting period January 2009).

Warrant Register No. 1258, covering claims and demands presented during the period of January 14 through January 20, 2009, drawn on Bank of America totaling **\$225,793.54**, which includes Check Nos. 323931 through 323987 (Accounting period January 2009).

Ratification of the issuance of early checks for Light & Power Warrant Register No. 223, covering claims and demands presented during the period of January 14 through January 20, 2009, drawn on Bank of America totaling **\$931.22**, which includes Check Nos. 506218 through 506222 (Accounting period January 2009).

Ratification of wire transfers for Light & Power Warrant Register No. 223, covering claims and demands presented during the period of January 14 through January 20, 2009, drawn on Bank of America totaling **\$272,252.10**, which includes Wire Nos. 4192 through 4193 (Accounting period January 2009).

Light & Power Warrant Register No. 223, covering claims and demands presented during the period of January 14 through January 20, 2009, drawn on Bank of America totaling **\$106,765.58**, which includes Check Nos. 5062223 through 506245 (Accounting period January 2009).

Ratification of the issuance of early checks for Gas Warrant Register No. 14, covering claims and demands presented during the period of January 14 through January 20, 2009, drawn on Bank of America totaling **\$118.50**, which includes Check No. 92 (Accounting period January 2009).

There were no wire transfers made for Gas Warrant Register No. 14.

Gas Warrant Register No. 14, covering claims and demands presented during the period of January 14 through January 20, 2009, drawn on Bank of America totaling **\$3,212.15**, which includes Check Nos. 93 through 94 (Accounting period January 2008).

Discussion of City-owned housing to be occupied by Police, Fire, Health, Electric Service and Gas Personnel, and the City Treasurer, and all necessary and appropriate changes to be made in existing City-owned housing.

Conference/Seminar reports from Elected Officials for the period of January 15 through January 25, 2009.

Reports from departments.

CLOSED SESSION

1. With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Government Code § 54957.

a. EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE

b. EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

1. Acting Deputy City Clerk
2. Captain (Fire Department)

c. EMPLOYEE EVALUATION

1. Deputy Director of Community Services & Water
2. Senior Administrative Assistant
3. Senior Dispatcher
4. Director of Health & Environmental Control
5. Director of Human Resources
6. City Administrator
7. Finance Director
8. City Attorney/Director of Industrial Development
9. Assistant Director of Industrial Development
10. Risk Manager
11. Director of Personnel/Director of Business Services & Purchasing
12. Chief of Police
13. Fire Chief
14. Director of Community Services & Water
15. Director of Light & Power
16. City Treasurer
17. City Clerk

2. With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, subdivision (a) of Government Code § 54956.9.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

a. Huff, et al. v. Malkenhorst; Giron v. Huff, et al.; LASC No. BS 101423, Court of Appeal Case No. B194722

b. City of Bell v. City of Vernon, LASC BC 390397

c. Venegas, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.; LASC No. BC 207136

d. Martin, et al. v. Vernon, LASC No. VC 052176

3. With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, subdivision (b) of Government Code § 54956.9.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation:

- Two (2) potential cases

OPEN SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 9832 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Appointing Sharon Duckworth as Acting Deputy City Clerk

CONSENT CALENDAR II – All matters listed on the Consent Calendar II are to be approved with one motion. Items may be removed from the Consent Calendar II by Council. Those items removed will be considered at the end of the agenda.

Personnel Department

1. Request to reclassify Craig Peltier, from Firefighter, step 1, to Captain, step 3, effective February 2, 2009.
2. Request to grant merit step increases to the following employees as specified:
 - a. Sherwood Natsuhara, Deputy Director of Community Services & Water, from step 2 to step 1, effective February 1, 2009.
 - b. Marisol Trujillo, Senior Administrative Assistant, from step 3 to step 2, effective February 1, 2009.
 - c. Teresa Nelson, Senior Dispatcher, from step 3 to step 2, effective February 1, 2009.

End of Consent Calendar II

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing agenda was posted on the bulletin board at the main entrance of the City of Vernon City Hall, located at 4305 Santa Fe Avenue, Vernon, California, not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting set forth on this agenda. Dated this 22nd day of January, 2009.

By: _____
Manuela Giron, City Clerk