

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE CITY OF VERNON HELD
MONDAY, JULY 13, 2009, AT 9:00 A.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE CITY HALL
LOCATED AT 4305 SANTA FE AVENUE,
VERNON, CALIFORNIA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gonzales, McCormick, Davis, Maisano, Newmire

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gonzales.

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Maisano, that the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held July 6, 2009, be approved and adopted as submitted. Motion carried.

Special Counsel announced to the audience that this was the time for public comments.

Mayor Gonzales reported that Mayor Pro Tempore Emeritus Thomas A. Ybarra passed away over the weekend. He reported that the message was received while he and the entire City Council were attending the Independent Cities Association Annual Conference in San Diego.

Councilman Newmire lead in a prayer.

Mr. Dante D'Eramo, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Chamber of Commerce of Huntington Park addressed the City Council and expressed his deepest condolences for the loss of Mayor Pro Tempore Emeritus Thomas A. Ybarra. He thanked the City Council for the City's recent Gold Tournament Sponsorship of the Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce's Golf Tournament; presented four plaques to the Mayor and the City Council; and addressed the various types of children's events of which said funds were used for, including a scholarship program for the Huntington Park High School.

Mr. Juan Guerra, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Salesian Boys & Girls Club thanked the City Council for supporting the Club and introduced Ms. Madeline Salazar, the "Youth of the Year of the State of California."

Ms. Madeline Salazar addressed the City Council and thanked them for their support of the Salesian Boys and Girls Club and gave her winning speech that made her the "State Youth of the Year."

Mr. Juan Guerra reported that Ms. Madeline Salazar would be competing against other students in the United States and the top five students would meet with President Obama.

RESOLUTION NO. 9990 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement By and Between the City of Vernon and Richards, Watson & Gershon for Legal Services, was read by title.

It was moved by McCormick, seconded by Davis, that Resolution No. 9990 be approved and adopted. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 9999 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Modifying the Duties and Titles of Certain City Employees, was read by title.

It was moved by McCormick, seconded by Maisano, that Resolution No. 9999 be approved and adopted. Motion carried.

Special Counsel announced that this was the time for the Public Hearing to consider evidence to amend Vernon's Transmission Owner Tariff and establish Vernon's new Transmission Revenue Requirement, for its high voltage (over 200 kV) transmission entitlements (all located outside the City), to include adjustments for increased costs under the City's existing transmission contracts ("ETCs") with Southern California Edison Co.

It was moved by McCormick, seconded by Davis, to open the Public Hearing, the time being 9:20 a.m. Motion carried.

Abraham Alemu addressed the City Council and offered his condolences for the passing of Mayor Pro Tempore Emeritus Thomas A. Ybarra. Mr. Alemu addressed the highlights and the recommendations incorporated in the staff report pertaining to the matter.

Mayor Gonzales asked if there was anyone else who wished to address the City Council on this matter.

There was no one else wishing to address the City Council at this time.

It was moved by Davis, seconded by McCormick, that the Public Hearing be closed, the time being 9:40 a.m. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 10,005 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vernon Adopting a New Transmission Revenue Requirement Associated with Vernon's High Voltage (Over 200 kV) Entitlements Located Outside of the City and Adopting an Amended Transmission Owner Tariff for Purposes of the City's Participation in the California Independent System Operator, was read by title.

It was moved McCormick, seconded by Maisano, that Resolution No. 10,005 be approved and adopted. Motion carried.

Special Counsel announced that now was the time to appoint the members of the Police & Fire Commission.

It was moved by McCormick, seconded by Davis, to appoint Councilman Newmire as a Commissioner to the Police & Fire Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Leonis C. Malburg. Motion carried.

The Consent Calendar was presented.

Council Department

1. Ratification of the execution of a quote from Tim Park Photography, in the amount of \$358.44, and authorization to issue payment in accordance with the quote at the conclusion of the photo session for a professional portrait of newly appointed Council Member Dan Newmire.

Fire Department

2. Fire Department Activity Report for June 16th through June 30th, 2009.

Light & Power Department

3. Ratification of expenses for 6th Renewable Energy Finance Forum - Wall Street, for four Council Members and one consultant, June 23, 2009 through June 24, 2009, in the amount of \$42,032.83.

Police Department

4. Police Department Activity Report for June 16th through June 30th, 2009.

Treasury Department

5. Ratification of the issuance of early checks for Warrant Register No. 1276, covering claims and demands presented during the period of June 30, 2009, through July 6, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$348,008.96, which includes Check Nos. 326222 through 326250 (Accounting period July 2009).

6. Warrant Register No. 1276, covering claims and demands presented during the period of June 30, 2009, through July 6, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$549,917.54, which includes Check Nos. 326251 through 326340 (Accounting period July 2009).

7. Ratification of wire transfers for Light & Power Warrant Register No. 241, covering claims and demands presented during the period of June 30, 2009, through July 6, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$182,967.33, which includes Wire Nos. 4346 through 4349 (Accounting period July 2009).

8. Ratification of the issuance of early checks for Light & Power Warrant Register No. 241, covering claims and demands presented during the period of June 30, 2009, through July 6, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$31,071.47, which includes Check Nos. 506676 through 506680 (Accounting period July 2009).

9. Light & Power Warrant Register No. 241 covering claims and demands presented during the period of June 30, 2009, through July 6, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$19,095.72, which includes Check Nos. 506681 through 506693 (Accounting period July 2009).

10. Ratification of the issuance of early checks for Gas Warrant Register No. 31, covering claims and demands presented during the period of June 30, 2009 through July 6, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$6,013.74, which includes Check Nos. 171 through 172 (Accounting period July 2009).

11. Gas Warrant Register No. 31 covering claims and demands presented during the period of June 30, 2009 through July 6, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$19,997.51, which includes Check Nos. 173 through 177 (Accounting Period July 2009).

12. Ratification of City of Vernon Requisitions from the Light & Power Capital Projects Custody Escrow Account No. 800458 covering claims and demands presented during the period of June 23, 2009, through July 6, 2009, drawn on The Bank of New York Mellon totaling \$356,099.38, which includes Requisition Nos. LPCP604 through LPCP605 (Accounting period July 2009).

13. City of Vernon Requisitions from the Morgan Stanley Debt Service Custody Escrow Account No. 800456 covering claims and demands presented during the period of August 2, 2007, through July 6, 2009, to be drawn on The Bank of New York Mellon totaling \$3,295.00, which includes Requisition No. MS003 (Accounting period July 2009).

14. City of Vernon Requisitions from the Citi Gas Custody Escrow Account No. 800457 covering claims and demands presented during the period of March 26, 2009, through July 6, 2009, to be drawn on The Bank of New York Mellon totaling \$4,100.00, which includes Requisition No. CG017 (Accounting period July 2009).

15. City of Vernon Requisitions from the Light & Power Capital Projects Custody Escrow Account No. 800458 covering claims and demands presented during the period of June 23, 2009, through July 6, 2009, to be drawn on The Bank of New York Mellon totaling \$241,603.22, which includes Requisition Nos. LPCP606 through LPCP610 (Accounting period July 2009).

End of Consent Calendar

Councilman Davis asked that item number five be removed from the Consent Calendar to be considered separately.

It was moved by McCormick, seconded by Maisano, that the matters on the Consent Calendar, with the exception of item number five, be approved as recommended. Motion carried.

Item Number 5 - Ratification of the issuance of early checks for Warrant Register No. 1276, covering claims and demands presented during the period of June 30, 2009, through July 6, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$348,008.96, which includes Check Nos. 326222 through 326250 (Accounting period July 2009), was presented.

It was moved by Maisano, seconded by McCormick, that the issuance of early checks for Warrant Register No. 1276, covering claims and demands totaling \$348,008.96, be ratified. Motion carried. Councilman Davis abstained and disqualified himself on this matter.

