

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE CITY OF VERNON HELD
MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2009, AT 9:05 A.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE CITY HALL
LOCATED AT 4305 SANTA FE AVENUE,
VERNON, CALIFORNIA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gonzales, Davis, Maisano, Newmire

MEMBERS ABSENT: McCormick

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gonzales.

The Chief Deputy City Attorney announced to the audience that this was the time for public comments.

Mayor Gonzales asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to address the City Council at this time.

There was no one in the audience who wished to address the City Council at this time.

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Maisano, that the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held July 27, 2009, be approved and adopted as submitted. Motion carried. 4-0

The Chief Deputy City Attorney announced that this was the time to present the service pins.

The Mayor presented Service Pins to the following employees:

- Martha Valenzuela, Director of Business Services/Personnel, 30 Years
- Sergio Canales, Planning Assistant, 10 Years

The following employees were unable to attend the meeting. Their Service Pins were accepted by their respective Department Head.

- Jeremany Cross, Police Officer, 5 Years
- Paul Hallenberg, Firefighter, 5 Years
- Corey Hernandez, Firefighter, 5 Years
- Jonathan Sudduth, Firefighter, 5 Years
- Jonathan Van Oeffelen, Firefighter, 5 Years

The Chief Deputy City Attorney announced that this was the time for the Public Hearing to Grant a Variance to 2720 Soto Street, LLC from Section 26.4.2-8(e) of the 2007 Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Development Standards (Access).

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Maisano, to open the Public Hearing. Motion carried. 4-0

The Director of Community Services & Water requested that the Public Hearing be adjourned to August 10, 2009, in order for staff to study the implications of the variance.

It was moved by Maisano, seconded by Newmire, that the Public Hearing be adjourned to August 10, 2009. Motion carried.
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The Consent Calendar was presented.

Light & Power Department

1. Light & Power Resource Procurement Report for the Month of March 2009.

Personnel Department

2. Request to hire Michael Lawrence Johnson, Police Officer, step 3, effective August 17, 2009.

Treasury Department

3. Ratification of Light & Power Warrant Register No. 239 to void Check No. 506619 issued June 16, 2009, in the amount of \$139.80.
4. Ratification of the issuance of early checks for Warrant Register No. 1279, covering claims and demands presented during the period of July 21, 2009, through July 27, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$347,288.76, which includes Check Nos. 326509 through 326518 (Accounting period August 2009).
5. Ratification of wire transfers for Warrant Register No. 1279, covering claims and demands presented during the period of July 21, 2009, through July 27, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$30,187.50, which includes Wire Nos. 335 through 336 (Accounting period August 2009).
6. Warrant Register No. 1279, covering claims and demands presented during the period of July 21, 2009, through July 27, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$1,041,541.35, which includes Check Nos. 326519 through 326581 (Accounting period August 2009).
7. Ratification of wire transfers for Light & Power Warrant Register No. 244, covering claims and demands presented during the period of July 21, 2009, through July 27, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$230,480.15, which includes Wire Nos. 4360 through 4366 (Accounting period August 2009).
8. Ratification of the issuance of early checks for Light & Power Warrant Register No. 244, covering claims and demands presented during the period of July 21, 2009, through July 27, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$676.83, which includes Check Nos. 506715 through 506717 (Accounting period August 2009).
9. Light & Power Warrant Register No. 244 covering claims and demands presented during the period of July 21, 2009, through July 27, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$99,551.46, which includes Check Nos. 506718 through 506732 (Accounting period August 2009).
10. Ratification of wire transfers for Gas Warrant Register No. 34, covering claims and demands presented during the period of July 21, 2009 through July 27, 2009, drawn on East West Bank totaling \$2,121,493.68, which includes Wire Nos. 40 through 41 (Accounting period August 2009).

11. City of Vernon Requisitions from the Light & Power Capital Projects Custody Escrow Account No. 800458 covering claims and demands presented during the period of July 21, 2009, through July 27, 2009, to be drawn on The Bank of New York Mellon totaling \$46,656.86, which includes Requisition Nos. LPCP621 through LPCP623 (Accounting period August 2009).

End of Consent Calendar

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Maisano, that the matters on the Consent Calendar be approved as recommended. Motion carried. 4-0

Request from Director of Business Services & Purchasing for approval to issue a purchase order to Canon Business Solutions for maintenance services, in the amount of \$1,784.98 and authorization for the Director of Community Services & Water to execute the maintenance agreement, was presented.

It was moved by Maisano, seconded by Newmire, to approve the issuance of a purchase order to Canon Business Solutions for maintenance services, in the amount of \$1,784.98 and to authorize the Director of Community Services & Water to execute the maintenance agreement. Motion carried. 4-0

RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Vernon Determining the Tax on all Parcels Subject to the Special Parcel Tax Imposed by Ordinance No. 1076 for Fiscal Year 2009-2010, was read by title.

Robert Toering reported that the .02 cent increase of the special parcel tax is a continuation of the gradual increase that started in 2008.

It was moved by Maisano, seconded by Newmire, that **Resolution No. 10,033** of the City Council of the City of Vernon Determining the Tax on all Parcels Subject to the Special Parcel Tax Imposed by Ordinance No. 1076 for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 be approved and adopted. Motion carried. 4-0

RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Vernon Authorizing the City Administrator to Enter Into Negotiations with Gladstein, Neandross & Associates for Preparation of a Climate Action Plan and a Green Industrial Development Plan and Directing the City Administrator to Report Back to the City Council with a Recommendation for Action, was read by title.

It was moved by Maisano, seconded by Davis, that **Resolution No. 10,034** of the City Council of the City of Vernon Authorizing the City Administrator to Enter Into Negotiations with Gladstein, Neandross & Associates for Preparation of a Climate Action Plan and a Green Industrial Development Plan and Directing the City Administrator to Report Back to the City Council with a Recommendation for Action be approved and adopted. Motion carried. 4-0

The Director of Community Services & Water sought guidance from the City Council on the graphic display for the Graffiti Abatement Truck.

The City Council Members in attendance unanimously agreed on the graphics that would display the City Hall in the background.

The Director of Health & Environmental Control requested authorization to work with the City Attorney on resolutions to present to thirty-eight businesses in Vernon to recognize them for their Compliance with Waste Water Discharge Requirements.

The City Council Members in attendance unanimously agreed to authorize the presentation of resolutions to the Vernon Businesses who complied with Waste Water Discharge Requirements.

The Chief Deputy City Attorney announced that now was the time for elected officials to report on conference/seminars for the period of July 27, 2009, through August 2, 2009.

It was reported that Elected Officials did not attend any conferences/seminars during the period of July 27, 2009, through August 2, 2009.

The Chief Deputy City Attorney announced that now was the time for reports from departments.

The Chief of Police had nothing to report.

The Director of Personnel had nothing to report but thanked the City Council for the opportunity to work for the City for the past thirty years.

The Fire Chief had nothing to report.

The Director of Community Services & Water reported that he was working on the following:

- SB375 requiring regional planning to reduce greenhouse gases.
- Meeting with the High Speed Rail Authority.

The Director of Health & Environmental Control reported on working with the solid waste consultant regarding solid waste diversion.

The Director of Finance had nothing to report.

The Director of Light & Power had nothing to report.

The City Administrator had nothing to report.

The Risk Manager announced that the Health Fair has been scheduled to take place on Wednesday, August 19, 2009.

The Deputy City Clerk had nothing to report.

The City Attorney had nothing to report.

