

NOTICE

COMPTON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA Tuesday, July 05, 2011 5:45 PM

HEARING(S)

OPENING

ROLL CALL

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA MATTERS

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent items are routine and expected to be non-controversial. They will be acted upon by the Council at one time without discussion unless a Council Member requests an item be removed or discussed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. June 21, 2011

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMISSIONS

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

2. Warrant #201542 - Date - 6/30/11 - Name - CleanStreet - Description - Street Sweeping Services - Amount - \$35,000.00 - Requested by: Public Works

END CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

3. APPOINTMENT(S) OF OFFICERS, COUNCIL MEMBERS,
BOARDS/COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

**APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR
PRO-TEM (2011/2012)**

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

4. REQUEST TO RESCHEDULE THE PARKING CITATION BAIL RATE
INCREASE HEARING (**July 26, 2011 at 5:55 p.m.**)

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, July 12, 2011 @ 5:45 PM.

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JUNE 21, 2011

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:22 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall by Mayor Eric Perrodin.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin

Council Members Absent: None

Other Officials Present: C. Cornwell, A. Godwin, W. Norfleet

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

1. **ORAL PRESENTATION** - Erica Teasley-Linnick - African American Redistricting Coordinator (AARC) (**Not In Attendance**)

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA MATTERS

Gerald Pickens, Compton Baseball Academy Teams (CBATS), announced that another one of CBATS greatest accomplishments, Desmond Henry, was recently drafted into the Major Leagues. He requested the process and procedures to have a press conference at Jackie Robinson Stadium, so that Desmond might sign his contract at the stadium where he once played as a youth. He mentioned the achievements of the newest members of the Junior Olympics baseball team Tyree Davis (2014 First Round Draft Pick) and K. Valentine. He stated that he has proven that he can get a kid drafted to the major leagues; however, his latest desire is to see them play in the College World Series. He commended the City Council for their continued support of the CBATS program and the youth over the years.

David Irons, Compton resident, commented on the "Emancipation Proclamation" and "Father's Day" events that were held at Gonzales Park. He expressed how important these two events were to him personally and the people who were influential in his life, i.e., Maxcy Filer and the Boy Scouts of America. He stated that he was happy to discover that Jackie Robinson Stadium would be reserved and asked that the council reconsider any notions to demolish the stadium.

Imani Robinson, representative of the Compton Toastmasters Club, dispelled the notion that only one club was all that is needed in the City of Compton. She encouraged anyone interested in improving their speaking skills to attend the next meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 16, 2011 at 323 West Compton Boulevard in the Reading Room beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Rhonda Webb, Director of Leaps Action Center, expressed her appreciation to Councilperson Arceneaux for her participation in their "Know Your Neighborhood Workshop" project.

Talameka Lynch, Co-Director of Leaps Action Center, recognized the City and the Compton Unified School District for their participation in the Loyola Marymount University's Science Project.

Councilperson Arceneaux stated that she was honored to be a part of this event and cited it to be a great experience for the youth.

Val Dudley, Compton resident, expressed her appreciation for the improved lighting in the Richland Farms area. She also mentioned her fondness for the preferential parking permit program and her ability to walk to work safely. She acknowledged the kinks in the permit program; however, she indicated that they were minor and could be resolved with the help of the City Attorney and City Manager. She thanked the City Council for their leadership and encouraged them to continue to move the City forward.

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Marjorie Shipp, Compton resident and member of the Compton Unified School Board of Trustees, expressed her appreciation for the preferential parking program in the Richland Farms area and asked that the City continue to reinforce its rules and regulations.

Anthony Multry, Compton resident, spoke in opposition to the preferential parking permit program. He stated that after personally talking to the residents living on Tichenor and Center Street, he discovered that the majority of them did not want the program. He questioned the City's concept of "Birthing a New Compton" and requested an opportunity to meet with the City Council to discuss an agreement that incorporates the wishes of the majority of the Richland Farms residents.

Lynn Boone, Compton resident, referenced a comment made by the Mayor last year, in regards to the cost of the Gospel Concert. She stated that this City Council voted in January 2011 to allocate \$150,000 towards the concert, however, during the 2010-2011 fiscal year budget they also voted to allocate \$500,000 for the concert. She indicated that this totals \$650,000 for the concert, which is supposed to improve the image of the City. She suggested that this concern would cost over one million dollars to host in the City. She asked that the City Council hire someone to assist the City during the budget process.

Joyce Kelly, Compton resident, stated that she would hold the Mayor to his word that the Gospel Concert will not be held. She indicated that she had an expenditure report by funds, in regards to the non-departmental budget dated June 6, 2011. She cited an item at 19,489,321.015 under expenditures and under the encumbered account, as well. She asked if this allocation was approved by the City Council and suggested an investigation by the City Attorney. She pleaded with the members of this Body to deny the proposed budget and workforce reduction.

Dr. Lloyd Wilkins, property owner, stated that he surveyed the residents on every street in the Richland Farms community and indicated that more than 50% of residents oppose the preferential parking permit program. He asked that the council redress their grievance and suggested that Ms. Shipp, Ms. Dudley and Ms. Hollis work with their neighbors instead of criticizing them. He asked that the council consider his petition and rescind the program.

Ron Johnson, representative of the Coalition of Compton Unions, read a letter that was presented to the City Council, in regards to the workforce reduction. He mentioned a meeting held between the City Manager and the unions and the City Manager's intention to move forward on the elimination of 200 positions and 120 lay-offs. He stated that the lay-offs would affect the emergency medical services provided by Compton fire fighters, thereby destroying the lives of dedicated professionals and making the residents vulnerable to an unbalanced public safety. He cited that the City Manager has acted in bad faith and dismissed their proposal for the CalPers Early Retirement Incentive Program even with the council's request for data. He stated that the process is broken and respectfully requested that the City Attorney and City Treasurer be appointed to take charge of the discussions with the coalition to serve the vital service to the City and jobs.

William Carter, Compton resident, stated that he was disheartened to read that only 7% of the population voted during the June 7, 2011 election. He recalled a time when voting was an important issue. He encouraged the residents to express their right to vote at every opportunity. He commented on the proposed redistricting and the 2011-2012 budget and asked that the City Council continue to move the City in the right direction.

Deon Straight, youth advocate Community Fresh Start Program, invited the citizens to participate in the "Youth Ages 16 through 24 Job & Resource Fair" to be held on Saturday, July 9, 2011 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Tower of Faith Church. For additional information regarding this event, please call (562) 472-5428. The event will include: job training and resume building. The following resources will also be available: law enforcement, transportation, caregiver, sales clerical, security, administration and education.

Mike Bradford, founder of Building Business Network Services (BBNS), stated that he's been giving local job fairs since 2005. He stated that there will be very effective resources available and cordially invited the youth to attend.

Jessica Lopez, City employee, spoke in regards to the elimination of four positions within the Planning and Economic Development Department. She stated that the proposed budget suggests that the division can be operated by one person. She stated that the cuts would jeopardize the services and requirements of the Revolving Loan Fund and Enterprise Zone programs. She indicated that now was not the time to short circuit and handicap the economic development division given the economic climate in America. She suggested that the City invest and focus its time and energy into stimulating and development and growth in the City considering the City's coffers are heavily dependent on funds. She stated that the positions are currently filled with capable experienced individuals and suggested that it would be a shame to lose the wealth of knowledge that these individuals provide the City.

Tara Bonner, Compton resident and Board Director of Compton High Alumni Association, invited the members of the City Council to participate in their "Fourth Annual Scholarship & Recognition Banquet" to be held on Saturday, June 25, 2011 at Simon's Waterfront Banquet Center from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tomas Carlos, Compton resident, spoke in opposition to the preferential parking permit program. He argued that the residents in Richland Farms were fooled into thinking that the program and pocket parks were beneficial to them.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Dobson, seconded by Arceneaux, the Consent Agenda was approved, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin

NOES: Council Members - None

ABSENT: Council Members - None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. June 8, 2011

COMPTON CAREERLINK

3. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO REDISTRIBUTE YOUTH PROGRAM FUNDS WITHIN THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA) SERIES 200 AND 100 ACCOUNTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 (**Resolution # 23,343**)

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

4. Warrant #200638 - C.H.A.N.G.E. - Graffiti Removal - \$2,500.00 - Requested by: Public Works

Warrant #200702 - All Pro Fence - Compton Creek Public Art - \$4,675.00 - Requested by: Planning

Warrant #200663 - Total Corporate Solutions - Quarterly Lease Payment for 27 Departmental Copiers - \$46,738.39 - Requested by: City Manager

Warrant #200717 - CleanStreet - Street Sweeping Services - \$35,490.45 - Requested by: Public Works

Total Amount - \$89,403.84

END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

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REGULAR AGENDA

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

5. REQUEST TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING - INCREASE IN STREET WORK PERMIT FEES

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Jones, the public hearing was scheduled for July 12, 2011 at 5:50 p.m., by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin

NOES: Council Members - None

ABSENT: Council Members - None

6. REQUEST TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING - PARKING CITATION BAIL RATE INCREASE

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Jones, the public hearing was scheduled for July 12, 2011 at 5:55 p.m., by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin

NOES: Council Members - None

ABSENT: Council Members - None

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

7. **CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF COMPTON**

Johnnie Thurmond v. City of Compton (I-8433/LI0000110A)

Tirzo Flores v. City of Compton (I-8434/LI0000109A)

Edward Simpson v. City of Compton (I-8435/LI0000111A)

Craig Cornwell, City Attorney, reported that he was notified at the Planning Commission meeting last Wednesday about a matter in the City of Long Beach, in which a conditional use permit for a trucking depot was proposed. He indicated that after addressing his concerns to the Long Beach Planning Commission the request for the conditional use permit was approved. He notified the residents that he would be diligently working on a response to the City of Long Beach and asked that the residents be prepared to attend a Long Beach City Council meeting at the appropriate time.

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Jones, the above claims were denied, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin

NOES: Council Members - None

ABSENT: Council Members - None

CLOSED SESSION

8. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Three (3) Potential Cases

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Jones, closed session was approved, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin

NOES: Council Members - None

ABSENT: Council Members - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - There was no Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS**5:50 P.M. - PUBLIC HEARING - COMPTON RENAISSANCE TRANSIT SYSTEM - FARE INCREASE**

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Jones, the public hearing was opened at 7:40 p.m., by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin

NOES: Council Members - None

ABSENT: Council Members - None

Wendell Johnson, Director of the Public Works Department, announced that this public hearing was being held for the City Council to consider a parking citation bail rate increase. Mr. Johnson stated that after a thorough investigation, staff determined that the transit system had not experienced a rate adjustment in over 21 years. Additionally, the transit system is running at a deficit of \$980,000. Therefore, City staff is proposing a rate increase from .50 to \$1.25 a ride, which will reduce the deficit to \$500,000. Additional services and hours will be added tentatively.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON THE HEARING

Mary Patterson, Compton resident and bus rider, expressed a concern for the rapid increase in the rates, although she stated that she was happy to hear that the services and hours would be extended. She asked that the gate dividing the casino and the Artesia Blue Line Station be opened to allow the bus riders an opportunity to enjoy the casino's facility and services.

David Irons, Compton resident, made a recommendation to reduce the size of the buses to accommodate the cost to operate them.

Joyce Kelly, Compton resident, compared the services provided by Compton with the City of Long Beach. She disputed the rate increase and asked that the City consider another method to restoring the City's shortfall.

William Carter, Compton resident, expressed a concern for the rate increase and asked if the City had considered discounts for the disabled.

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Jones, the public hearing was closed at 7:49 p.m., by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin

NOES: Council Members - None

ABSENT: Council Members - None

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON THE HEARING - There were no Council Comments on the hearing.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilperson Calhoun stated that she never received the information she requested, in regards to the CalPers Retirement Incentives program. She went on to request that the information be provided immediately.

Willie Norfleet, City Manager, assured Councilperson Calhoun that the information would be provided at the next City Council meeting.

Councilperson Calhoun explained that she had personally contacted a representative of the CalPers program and discovered that the information was true and correct as indicated by Mr. Wax at the last council meeting.

Councilperson Calhoun stated that she is aware of the union's proposal concerning seniority and bumping rights and cited that she has yet to receive that information.

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Councilperson Arceneaux stated that she agrees with the comments made by Councilperson Calhoun. Ms. Arceneaux stated that it is impossible for her to make an informed decision regarding the lay-offs without adequate documentation.

Councilperson Arceneaux stated that she is aware of the union's proposals to address the lay-offs, although she does not know if the City Manager has discussed it with the unions to determine if it is acceptable or beneficial to the City of Compton.

Councilperson Arceneaux requested that the meeting be adjourned in the memory of one of the founding Lady's of Distinction, Clara Stevens and Compton resident, Kathleen Hollis.

Councilperson Arceneaux mentioned a recent article in the Press Telegram concerning the topics of education and employment for African American and Latino men and their inability to keep up with their white counterparts. Ms. Arceneaux asked that every entity that provides a service in the City of Compton buy into the City's educational system. She mentioned the opportunities available through the Mosquito Abatement Committee and cited a lack of exposure that disenfranchises the youth of Compton.

Councilperson Arceneaux announced that she would be coupling the Solar Cup with the Boat Doctor to provide the youth with more technical assistance for the Solar Cup program in September.

Councilperson Jones stated that he is in agreement with the comments made by both Councilperson Calhoun and Councilperson Arceneaux.

Councilperson Jones indicated that it is inconceivable for the City Council to operate without the information that they request. Mr. Jones asserted that additional information was needed to make an informed decision, which many times is provided at the last minute.

Councilperson Jones asked that the residents remember Lorraine Cervantes during her time of illness.

Mayor Perrodin recognized Imani Robinson of the Compton Toastmasters Club. The Mayor expressed the importance of clear articulation and encouraged the residents to take advantage of this invaluable program.

Mayor Perrodin stated that he received the letter referred to by Ron Johnson and held that it was personal for the unions to propose that the City Attorney and City Treasurer be appointed to the budget process.

Mayor Perrodin recited Article 6; Section 601(Powers Vested in the City Council) and stated that it is the duty of the City Council to enforce the provisions of the City Charter. The Mayor also cited Article 17(Miscellaneous); Section 1702 (Violations) and stated that any non-compliance to the City Charter is in violation of a misdemeanor.

Mayor Perrodin also cited Article 7(Officers Powers and Duties); Section 700 (City Clerk); 701(City Treasurer);702 (City Attorney) and indicated that there was nothing under those sections that state that the City Treasurer or the City Attorney shall be engaged in the budget process. The Mayor further cited Article 7;706B (City Manager) which states that he/she shall prepare the budget annually and submit it to the City Council and be responsible for its administration after adoption.

Mayor Perrodin mentioned Section 1107 (Lay-offs), Article 14 (Fiscal Administration); Section 1407 (Budget, Further Consideration and Adoption) and Section 1408 (Budget Appropriations). The Mayor stated that no one would receive a pay check if the budget was not passed by June 30, 2011.

Mayor Perrodin requested the union's proposal, but noted that he would approve the budget if it looked fiscally responsible to him. The Mayor also declared that he would not bestow his authority to the City Attorney or the City Treasurer.

Mayor Perrodin requested that the meeting be adjourned in the memory of Gloria Jean Jernigan.

The meeting was recessed to closed session at 8:17 p.m. and reconvened at 10:06 p.m.

Council Members Present: Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin
Council Members Absent: None

THE MEETING WAS EXTENDED

On motion by Calhoun, seconded by Dobson, the meeting was extended passed the four-hour mark, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - None

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Craig Cornwell, City Attorney, stated that counsel met in closed session to discuss anticipated litigation pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9. No reportable action was taken.

9. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON
DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD IN
SAID CITY ON JUNE 7, 2011

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Jones, Resolution # 23,344 entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD IN SAID CITY ON JUNE 7, 2011" was approved, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - None

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Jones, the meeting was adjourned at 10:09 p.m. in the memory of Kathleen Hollis, Gloria Jean Jernigan and Clara Stevens, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Jones, Perrodin
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - None

Clerk of the City Council

Mayor of the City Council

WARRANT APPROVED BY COUNCIL

<u>Warrant #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
201542	06/30/11	CleanStreet	Street Sweeping Services	\$35,000.00

Requested by: Public Works

I hereby certify that the above demand in the amount of \$35,000.00 was approved at a regular meeting of the City Council and reject _____ as of July 5, 2011.

Council Member_____
Council Member_____
City Manager

I hereby certify that the Finance Committee at a regular meeting of the City Council on July 5, 2011, allowed the above demand.

Alita Godwin
City Clerk

June 28, 2011

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: CITY CLERK

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO TEM

Councilman Willie Jones served as Mayor Pro Tem of the City Council for the 2010/2011 fiscal year. His term expired on June 30, 2011. Consequently, the City Council must elect a Mayor Pro Tem for the 2011/2012 fiscal year.

**ALITA L. GODWIN, CMC
CITY CLERK**

