

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA**  
**ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING**  
**&**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

**Monday, April 07, 2014**

**APPROVED:** These Minutes were approved on April 22, 2014.

**ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING:**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Beamish called the Adjourned Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Habra to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room 106, located at 201 E. La Habra Boulevard, La Habra, California.

**I. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR CLOSED SESSION MATTERS:**

None

**II. CLOSED SESSION:**

Mayor Beamish announced the Closed Session as listed below. Council convened as follows:

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel potential litigation per Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) (3 cases) Facts and Circumstances: Dispute of ownership and obligation to maintain streets adjacent to several schools with and within the Fullerton Joint Union High School District, Locations: La Habra High School - Idaho Street between Highlander Avenue and Whittier Boulevard, Highlander Avenue between Idaho Street and Monte Vista Street, Monte Vista Street between Highlander Avenue and Whittier Boulevard; Sonora High School - Palm Street.
- b. Public employee evaluation per Government Code Section 54957 - Title: Interim City Manager.

**III. ADJOURNMENT:** Council reconvened from Closed Session at 6:15 p.m. There were no announcements. Mayor Beamish adjourned the Adjourned Regular Meeting at 6:15 p.m.

**REGULAR MEETING 6:30 P.M.:**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Beamish called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Habra to order at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 201 E. La Habra Boulevard, La Habra, California.

AGENDA ITEM NO. _____ MEETING DATE: 4/7/14
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**INVOCATION:** City Attorney Jones

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** La Habra Area Girl Scouts Troops

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Beamish  
Mayor Pro Tem Blazey  
Councilmember Shaw  
Councilmember Espinoza

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Interim City Manager Sadro  
City Attorney Jones  
City Clerk Mason  
Deputy City Clerk Swindell

**COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:** Councilmember Gomez (excused absence)

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT:** None

**I. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:**

- a. Proclaim the week of April 13 - 19, 2014 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week in the City of La Habra.

Mayor Beamish invited Police Chief Price to assist him with the presentations to the following people:

- Brian McClure
- Kristen Kernohan
- Romelia Montgomery
- Jennifer Romo-Andrade
- Cynthia Gulley (Supervisor)

Police Chief Price also acknowledged Dispatchers Jennifer Romo-Andrade and Brian McClure for helping with a missing person case.

- b. Proclaim the week of April 13 - 19, 2014 as National Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week in the City of La Habra.

Police Chief Price to assisted Mayor Beamish with the presentations to Dennis Coyle.

- c. Proclaim Thursday, May 1, 2014, as a day set apart for the Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast in recognition of the National Day of Prayer.

Brian Burgess accepted the proclamation, announced that Barry Meguiar would be the speaker for the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast this year, and invited the community to attend.

- d. Proclaim April 2014 as National Donate Life Month in the City of La Habra.

Ambassador Steve Lang accepted the proclamation and encouraged the community to consider Donate Life Program.

## **II. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

John Reyes, resident of La Habra, stated that he was a registered nurse and spoke regarding a traffic ticket he received from Officer Tigner, and an overnight parking ticket he received.

Assistant Fire Chief Chris Jackson introduced himself as the newly assigned Assistant Fire Chief of Los Angeles Fire Department Division 4 that covers La Habra.

## **III. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, seconded by Councilmember Espinoza, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 4-0 TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS III.1 THROUGH III.11 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ITEM III.7 WHICH WAS REMOVED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION.

Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Beamish, Mayor Pro Tem Blazey, Councilmember Shaw, Councilmember Espinoza

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: Councilmember Gomez

### **A. PROPOSED ITEMS:**

1. PROCEDURAL WAIVER: Waive reading in full of resolutions and ordinances and approval and adoption of same by reading title only.
2. Approve Community Services Commission Minutes of:
  - a. January 22, 2014
  - b. February 12, 2014
3. Approve Planning Commission Minutes of:
  - a. December 23, 2013
  - b. February 24, 2014
  - c. March 10, 2014
4. Approve City Council Minutes of March 17, 2014.
5. Approve second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 1750 ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 14-01 MODIFYING CHAPTER 18.06, CHAPTER 18.26, CHAPTER 18.32, CHAPTER 18.36, AND CHAPTER 18.38 OF TITLE 18 (ZONING) OF THE LA HABRA MUNICIPAL CODE; AND MODIFY CHANGES TO THE ZONING DESIGNATION ON 296 PARCELS TO CREATE CONSISTENCY WITH THE GENERAL PLAN 2035, AS PER EXHIBITS "A", "B", AND "C."

6. Approve and adopt a resolution rescinding Resolution No. 5620 establishing a passenger loading zone on San Jose Avenue and establishing a new passenger loading zone on the south side of San Jose Avenue at 300 South Beach Boulevard.
  - a. APPROVE AND ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. 5621** ENTITLED: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 5620 ESTABLISHING A PASSENGER LOADING ZONE AT ALL TIMES ON SAN JOSE AVENUE AND ESTABLISHING A NEW PASSENGER LOADING AT ALL TIMES ON SAN JOSE AVENUE.
7. Receive and file the Annual Report on the City of La Habra General Plan for the year 2013 and authorize the Director of Community and Economic Development to forward the document to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and the Department of Housing and Community Development per Government Code Section 65400 (b) (1).
8. Approve and authorize the payment of \$178,269 to Commonwealth Land Title Company for right-of-way acquisition in connection with the Harbor Boulevard and Lambert Road Intersection Improvement Project.
9. Grant and authorize the Interim City Manager to execute a temporary construction easement for the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) over the unimproved portion of Guadalupe Park west of Idaho Street.
10. Waive formal bid requirements per La Habra Municipal Code, Section 4.20.050 "When the City Council finds that negotiations shall best serve the City due to the nature of the goods, supplies, equipment or services"; and authorize the Interim City Manager to execute an agreement with Pyro Spectacular for the 2014 - 4th of July Program.
11. WARRANTS: Approve Nos. 00095532 through 00095972 totaling \$1,112,904.40.

#### **IV. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS REMOVED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION:**

- III.7. Receive and file the Annual Report on the City of La Habra General Plan for the year 2013 and authorize the Director of Community and Economic Development to forward the document to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and the Department of Housing and Community Development per Government Code Section 65400 (b) (1).

Director of Community and Economic Development Haack presented the staff report.

Councilmember Shaw spoke regarding the energy efficient goals and the Fair Housing Programs.

Mayor Beamish invited the public to testify at 7:11 p.m. There was no public testimony.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHAW, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM BLAZEY, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 4-0 TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE ANNUAL REPORT ON THE CITY OF LA HABRA GENERAL PLAN FOR THE YEAR 2013 AND AUTHORIZE THE

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO FORWARD THE DOCUMENT TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65400 (B) (1).

Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Beamish, Mayor Pro Tem Blazey, Councilmember Shaw,  
Councilmember Espinoza

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: Councilmember Gomez

**V. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None at this time.**

**VI. CONSIDERATION ITEMS:**

1. Consider a resolution waiving building permit fees for structures damaged by the La Habra earthquake of March 28, 2014 for repair of existing legally permitted improvements for 90 days.

Director of Community and Economic Development Haack presented the staff reported.

Council discussion included: verification that permits are valid for 180 days and can be extended on a case by case basis; clarification that there was a loss of approximately \$600,000 of structural damage due to the earth quake on March 28, 2014, which included two water main breaks; and an announcement that the City of La Habra will hold a Town Hall Meeting for earthquake/disaster preparedness on April 24, 2014, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the La Habra Community Center.

Mayor Beamish invited the public to testify at 7:18 p.m.

Rudy Gonzales, visitor to La Habra, spoke regarding the City reaching out to the businesses and residents to offer assistance for earthquake recovery.

Mark Sturdevant, President of the La Habra Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of the proposed resolution.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Blazey, seconded by Councilmember Shaw, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 4-0 TO APPROVE AND ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. 5622** ENTITLED: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA WAIVING BUILDING PERMIT FEES FOR 90 DAYS FOR STRUCTURES DAMAGED BY THE LA HABRA EARTHQUAKE OF MARCH 28, 2014 FOR REPAIR OF EXISTING LEGALLY PERMITTED IMPROVEMENTS.

Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Beamish, Mayor Pro Tem Blazey, Councilmember Shaw, Councilmember Espinoza

NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: Councilmember Gomez

## **VII. MAYOR'S COMMUNITY CALENDAR:**

Mayor Beamish made the following announcements:

- Mayor's Office hours are available by appointment.
- La Habra Chamber of Commerce Citrus Fair - Friday, April 11 – Sunday, April 13.
- La Habra Children's Museum "Target Free Sunday" - Sunday, May 4. The theme is "The Art of the Escape".
- La Habra Lions Club Annual Pancake Breakfast - Saturday, April 19 from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at El Centro – Lions Park.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Family "Eggstravaganza" at La Bonita Park - Saturday, April 19 begins at 8:00 a.m. and will end at noon at El Centro – Lions Park.
- La Habra Children's Museum "Chipping in for Kids" Golf Classic - Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.
- The Mayor's Prayer Breakfast - Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at the La Habra Community Center. Breakfast is served at 6:15 a.m. with the program following at 7:00 a.m.
- Free Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) classes - May 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup> at the Vista Grande Scout Hut located at 1100 West Lambert Road. The CERT program helps residents know what to do in the event of an emergency. Classes are led by instructors from the Los Angeles County Fire Department and this set of classes will be conducted in Spanish.
- The Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee - Thursday, April 24 at the La Habra Chamber of Commerce located at 321 East La Habra Boulevard.
- Upcoming City Council Meeting - Tuesday, April 22, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.
- Visit the City's website at [www.lahabraca.gov](http://www.lahabraca.gov) for more information about what's happening in La Habra, the Children's Museum, and the La Habra Chamber of Commerce.

## **VIII. COMMENTS FROM STAFF:**

Interim City Manager Sadro spoke regarding the City's immediate response to the March 28, 2014, earthquake. He thanked the City Staff, the Police Department, Fire Department, Community Development, and Community Services for their efforts.

## **IX. COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS:**

Councilmember Espinoza spoke regarding the aftermath of the March 28, 2014, earthquake. She expressed her appreciation for the City Staff's responsiveness, and stated it made her feel secure. She thanked the Red Cross for their aid. She announced that the South Coast Air Quality Management Department is having an Electric Lawnmower Exchange Program and invited the community to participate on April 16. She commended the Community Services Department for a successful 5K event. She congratulated the Miss La Habra Pageant participants.

Councilmember Shaw thanked Interim City Manager Sadro for the City's response to the March 28 earthquake. He welcomed Assistant Fire Chief Jackson. He stated that he attended the Miss La Habra pageant and congratulated Miss La Habra Allison Staumont, and Princesses Arleen Orozco, Alondra Gonzalez, Victoria Johnson, and Jessica Maidlow.

Mayor Pro Tem Blazey thanked the City Staff, the Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works District, and Community Services Department for their earthquake recovery efforts. He stated that his home sustained some damage and noted the dangers of potential fires after an earthquake. He recommended that La Habra residents consider installing gas earthquake shut-off valves and at least 72 hours' worth of food and water. He concurred with Interim City Manager Sadro and stated that staff could improve in the area of messaging to the media and residents following emergency events. He stated that he was glad that Councilmember Gomez was out in the community to get the word out, but acknowledged that there were bits of miss communication that could be improved. He thanked Administration Staff for installing listening devices in the Chambers for the attendees and also at the dais. He noted his participation in the previous lawnmower exchange program and expressed his approval.

Mayor Beamish commended employees regarding recovery for earthquake. He invited the community to participate the City of La Habra Earthquake/Disaster Preparedness Town Hall Meeting, and invited the community to participate in the CERT Training. He stated that his wife was injured so he was unable to attend the 5k Run event this year. He stated that he attended the Miss La Habra Pageant and noted that his daughter was Miss La Habra in 1995. He mentioned the La Habra Lions Club pancake breakfast.

**X. ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Beamish adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara D. Mason, MMC  
City Clerk