

# MINUTES

## CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA

### ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M. & REGULAR MEETING 6:30 P.M.

Monday, October 3, 2022

**APPROVED:** These Minutes were approved on October 17, 2022.

**ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M.:** Cancelled.

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Medrano 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 Chamber, located at 100 East La Habra Boulevard, La Habra, California.

**INVOCATION:** Assistant City Attorney Collins

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Councilmember Espinoza

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Medrano  
Mayor Pro Tem Gomez  
Councilmember Espinoza  
Councilmember Nigsarian  
Councilmember Simonian

**COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** City Manager Sadro  
Assistant City Attorney Collins  
Assistant City Clerk Barone  
Executive Assistant Hurt

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT:** None.

#### **PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:**

1. PRESENTATION OF LA HABRA BOULEVARD SPECIFIC PLAN BY DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ROY RAMSLAND

Mayor Medrano invited Deputy Director of Community and Economic Development Roy Ramsland to the podium for a PowerPoint presentation of La Habra Boulevard Specific Plan.

Mayor Pro Tem Gomez congratulated Roy Ramsland on his retirement and for his work on the La Habra Boulevard Specific Plan.

Councilmember Nigsarian spoke regarding the wealth of knowledge Roy Ramsland possesses in his 37 years of service with the City.

2. RECOGNITION OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ROY RAMSLAND UPON HIS RETIREMENT AND 37 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE CITY OF LA HABRA

City Council recognized and presented Deputy Director of Community and Economic Development Roy Ramsland with a City proclamation and plaque for his 37 years of service with the City of La Habra.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Randy MacDonald, resident of Friendly Village Community in La Habra, spoke regarding safety concerns due to frequent explosions occurring near his home for the past year. He further commented on excessive noise caused by an increased number of vehicles with illegal exhaust systems, and communities that have implemented quiet zones.

Robert Hatcher, La Habra resident, spoke regarding Americans with Disabilities Act compliance; and his recent California Public Records Act requests.

Marie Laveaga, La Habra Area Chamber of Commerce President, provided a recap of the State of the Community held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Moved by Councilmember Simonian seconded, by Mayor Pro Tem Gomez, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0) TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8.

Said motion CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Medrano, Mayor Pro Tem Gomez,  
Councilmember Espinoza, Councilmember Nigsarian, Councilmember Simonian  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE

1. PROCEDURAL WAIVER: Waive reading in full of resolutions and ordinances and approval and adoption of same by reading title only.
2. APPROVE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA MEETING MINUTES

That the City Council approve the City Council of the City of La Habra Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2022.

3. APPROVE THE SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF **ORDINANCE NO. 1847** ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 22-02 TO AMEND TITLE 18 ZONING OF THE LA HABRA MUNICIPAL CODE (LHMC), CHAPTER 18.12 SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, SECTION 18.12.140 OUTDOOR SEATING AREA, MODIFYING THE OUTDOOR SEATING REQUIREMENTS FOR RESTAURANTS AS PER EXHIBIT "A"

That the City Council approve the second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 1847.

4. APPROVE DENIAL OF LIABILITY CLAIM OF FRANCISCO RAMIREZ

That the City Council deny the claim of Francisco Ramirez in order to set a definite six-month Statute of Limitations date.

5. APPROVE A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE REQUIRED FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TO ALLOW REMOTE CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS AS REQUIRED BY AB 361

That the City Council:

A. Receive this report; and,

B. APPROVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 6086 ENTITLED: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, MAKING THE LEGALLY REQUIRED FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TO AUTHORIZE THE CONDUCT OF REMOTE "TELEPHONIC" MEETINGS DURING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY.

6. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH YUNEX LLC FOR CITYWIDE TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE SERVICES, FISCAL 2022-2023 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

That the City Council:

A. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into a five-year agreement with Yunex LLC for an amount not-to-exceed \$500,000 for Citywide Traffic Signal Maintenance Services, Fiscal Year 2022-2023 through Fiscal Year 2026-2027; and,

B. Authorize staff to issue a purchase order to Yunex LLC in the amount of \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2022- 2023.

7. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH KOA FOR PROFESSIONAL TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) CYCLE 9, CITY PROJECT NO. 1-TC-19, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. HSIPL-5266(029)

That the City Council:

A. Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with KOA Corporation, of Monterey Park, California, for Professional Traffic Engineering Design Services for the Highway Safety Improvement (HSIP) Cycle 9, City Project No. 1-TC-19, Federal Project No. HSIPL-5266(029); and

B. Authorize staff to issue a purchase order to KOA Corporation in the amount of \$132,737, which includes a ten percent (10%) contingency.

8. WARRANTS: APPROVE NOS. 00135866 THROUGH 00136069 TOTALING \$1,732,466.15

That the City Council approve Nos. 00135866 through 00136069 totaling \$1,732,466.15.

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS REMOVED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION:** None.

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

**CONSIDERATION ITEMS:**

1. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF GUIDELINES FOR THE DINE AND SHOP LOCAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM AND APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH GIVERRANG IN THE AMOUNT OF \$220,000 FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROGRAM

Economic Development Project Manager Montenegro presented the staff report.

City Council discussion included: gift card expiration dates; and restrictions on purchasing items such as tobacco or alcohol.

Mayor Pro Tem Gomez thanked Community Development staff for their hard work on the Dine and Shop Local Incentive Program.

Mayor Medrano invited the public to testify at 7:22 p.m.

Dr. Susan Pritchard, La Habra resident, spoke in support of this item; and asked about the average amount funded per application and the funding balance. She asked how program advertising would be done should additional funds be available; and if an organization could fund the administrative costs to implement the program in order to provide additional funding for La Habra residents.

Mayor Medrano closed public testimony at 7:25 p.m.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Gomez, seconded, by Councilmember Nigsarian, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0) THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- A. Consider and approve program guidelines, application and agreement for the proposed \$200,000 Dine and Shop Local Incentive Program;
- B. Authorize staff to make minor modifications and revisions to the guidelines, application, and agreement, if necessary;
- C. Approve an additional \$20,000 appropriation of American Rescue Plan Act funding for implementation costs related to the Dine and Shop Local Incentive Program; and,
- D. Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Giverrang in an amount not to exceed \$220,000 for implementation of the proposed Dine and Shop Local Incentive Program.

Said motion CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Medrano, Mayor Pro Tem Gomez,  
Councilmember Espinoza, Councilmember Nigsarian, Councilmember Simonian  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE

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

Mayor Medrano made the following announcements:

- COVID Testing, Vaccination and Boosters at the La Habra Community Center. Testing will be held Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; closed Saturday and Sunday. Vaccinations and Boosters will be held Monday through Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.
- Fall-O-Ween Home Decorating Contest nominations accepted through October 26, 2022; winners will be announced by October 28, 2022.
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Saturday, October 15, 2022, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the La Habra Public Works Yard.
- La Habra Movies in the Park on Friday, October 21, 2022, at Our Lady of Guadalupe.
- La Habra Community Open House on Saturday, October 22, 2022.
- La Habra Host Lions Club Corn Festival on Friday, November 11 through Sunday, November 13, 2022, at El Centro-Lions Park.
- La Habra Senior Week, November 14 through November 18, 2022, at the La Habra Community Center.
- Water conservation efforts are still in effect with lawn irrigation prohibited between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., as is the washing of hard surfaces such as sidewalks and driveways.

## **COMMENTS FROM STAFF:**

City Manager Sadro commended Deputy Director of Community and Economic Development Ramsland on his 37 years of service with the City and his community involvement. He stated Mr. Ramsland is responsible for many of the projects in the City, notably the new Civic Center project.

## **COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS:**

Mayor Pro Tem Gomez made a motion that a City tile be purchased for Roy Ramsland in recognition of his retirement from the City of La Habra and installed in front of the Council Chamber. Mayor Medrano concurred with the recognition. He congratulated Mayor Medrano on the success of the State of the Community held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022. He congratulated Public Works Director Saykali and Public Works staff on the success of the Compost Giveaway Event held on Saturday, October 1, 2022. He requested the meeting be adjourned in memory of Mr. Perez.

Councilmember Nigsarian congratulated Mayor Medrano on the success of the State of the Community held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022. He thanked Mayor Medrano for allowing him to join in on the neighborhood crime watch meeting held on Thursday, September 29, 2022. He commended the La Habra Police Department on its public safety efforts. He thanked Deputy Director of Community and Economic Development Ramsland for his years of service to the City of La Habra.

Councilmember Simonian thanked Deputy Director of Community and Economic Development Ramsland for his years of service to the City of La Habra and dedication to the La Habra community. He offered his apologies for not being able to attend the State of the Community held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022, due to a prior engagement.

Councilmember Espinoza commended Deputy Director of Community and Economic Development Ramsland on and thanked him for his years of service to the City of La Habra.

Mayor Medrano congratulated Deputy Director of Community and Economic Development Ramsland on his retirement from the City of La Habra, and thanked him for his service to the La Habra community. He relayed a message from an anonymous resident who wished to express their gratitude to Director of Public Works Saykali, and Public Works staff Brian Jones and Randy Stephens for recent residential sewage pipeline repairs. He thanked Public Works staff for the Compost Giveaway Event held on Saturday, October 1, 2022. He thanked the La Habra Area Chamber of Commerce for the opportunity to speak at the State of the Community held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Medrano adjourned the meeting in memory of Mr. Perez at 7:45 p.m. to Monday, October 17, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Closed Session Room 112c, 100 East La Habra Boulevard, followed by the Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda J. Barone, CMC  
Assistant City Clerk