

**Regular** Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at 7:30 pm.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Stacy L. Striz and roll call was taken:

PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS: Hess, Louvet, Balderas, Marsee, Barnes, Cybulski.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Diana Zarazua, City Clerk; Corinne Galusky, Corporation Counsel; Richard S. Ortiz, City Administrator/Finance Director; Chad Hayse, Police Chief; Steven Densmore, Assistant Fire Chief; Rick Browning, DPW Director.

Karen Lowe, Treasurer was absent and excused.  
Joseph Murray, Fire Chief was absent and was excused.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Striz.

**14-08-171:** Moved by Barnes and supported by Cybulski to approve the **Regular** Council Meeting minutes dated August 6, 2014.

**YEAS:** Hess, Marsee, Barnes, Cybulski

**ABSTAIN:** Louvet, Balderas

**Motion Passed**

Audience Participation was offered.

**14-08-172:** Moved by Hess and supported by Balderas to increase water and sewerage rates effective September 1, 2014, as presented to the Finance Committee and City Council by DPW Director Rick Browning, as follows:

Sewerage disposal fee:	\$54.08 per thousand cubic feet
Water:	\$33.29 per thousand cubic feet
Cost for Operation Mains:	\$21.50 per thousand cubic feet
Minimum fee:	\$121.09 per quarter

Passed Unanimously

**14-08-173:** Moved by Barnes and supported by Balderas to approve the revised deficit elimination plan for the city's general fund as presented to City Council by City Administrator Richard S. Ortiz.

Passed Unanimously

**14-08-174:** Moved by Louvet and supported by Cybulski to waive the waiting period and the right to rescind the resolutions passed tonight relating to the general fund deficit elimination plan.

Passed Unanimously

**14-08-175:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Hess to approve and adopt the second reading of Ordinance #766 regarding the ignition, discharge and use of consumer fireworks:

**ORDINANCE #766**

**AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SECTIONS 11-111 THROUGH 11-140 OF CHAPTER 11 (FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION), ARTICLE V, OF THE CITY OF MELVINDALE CODE OF ORDINANCES AND TO ADOPT IN ITS PLACE NEW SECTIONS 11-111 THROUGH 11-140 TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATIONS OF THE IGNITION, DISCHARGE AND USE OF CONSUMER FIREWORKS AS PERMITTED UNDER THE MICHIGAN FIREWORKS SAFETY ACT, MCL 28.451, ET. SEQ., AS AMENDED.**

Passed Unanimously

**14-08-176:** Moved by Cybulski and supported by Hess to declare the revised Ordinance #766 as an emergency ordinance for the preservation of the public safety and health of the inhabitants of the city of Melvindale, and as such, to take immediate effect.

Passed Unanimously

Audience participation was offered a second time.

**14-08-177:** Moved by Louvet and supported by Hess to receive and place on file the invoices and cover sheet and to authorize the payment of the invoices totaling 3,857,075.18 and the electronic transfers totaling \$142,075.16.

Passed Unanimously

**14-08-178:** Moved by Barnes and supported by Cybulski to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Passed Unanimously

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Stacy L. Striz, Mayor

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Diana Zarazua, City Clerk