

A **Regular** Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, March 17, 2010, at 7:30 pm.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Cadez and roll call was taken:

PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS: Striz, Herman, Bolton, Rowe, Alvarado.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Valerie A. Cadez; Paul L. LaManes, City Administrator; Joseph Couvreur, Assistant Corporation Counsel; Kelly L. Spence, City Clerk; John K. Kessey, Treasurer; Rick Cadez, Police Chief; Dan Wilhelm, Fire Chief; Eric Witte, DPW Commissioner; Laura Irvin, Director of Parks & Recreation; Ryan Massolia, Senior & Recreation Director.

Council Woman Kalley Hess was absent and is excused.
Housing Director, Teresa Kirk was absent and is excused.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Cadez and Invocation led by Reverend William Schuman of New Hope United Methodist Church.

10-03-61: Moved by Striz and supported by Rowe to approve the *Regular* Council Meeting minutes dated March 3, 2010.

Passed Unanimously

Receive and place on file the communications from Mayor Cadez, City Clerk, Kelly Spence, Police Chief Cadez and Fire Chief, Dan Wilhelm regarding their upcoming absence at the April 7 meeting due to vacation.

Receive and place on file the resignation of Phil Palucki to the Downtown Development Authority effective immediately.

Receive and place on file the resignation of Theresa Tubek from the Downtown Development Authority effective immediately.

Receive and place on file the resignation of Clare Pavluk to the Library Commission effective immediately.

Audience Participation was offered.

10-03-62: Moved by Herman and supported by Striz to receive and place on file the invoices and cover sheet and to authorize the payment of the invoices totaling \$398,705.33.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-63: Moved by Bolton and supported by Rowe to authorize the request from Police Chief, Rick Cadez to approve Technology Designs, Inc. to install an Access Control Security System in the police department in the amount of \$15,325.00 to be paid by Drug Forfeiture Funds.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-64: Moved by Rowe and supported by Bolton to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission granting SPECIAL APPROVAL for outdoor recreational use including go-carts in an M-1 zone at 19400 Allen Road contingent upon submittal of an approved site plan with noise levels addressed to an acceptable level.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-65: Moved by Alvarado and supported by Rowe to approve the request from DPW Commissioner, Eric Witte to hire 6 summer temporary employees at \$8 per hour, (\$9 per hour for returning seasonal employees and \$7.40 per hour for employees under 18 or without a valid driver's license). Persons are to be employed on a temporary basis from May 1, 2010 thru October 31, 2010, per the union contract. Council also approves to hire 2 of the 6 individuals 1 month earlier starting April 1, 2010. Union Concurrence has been received and placed on file.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-66: Moved by Herman and supported by Rowe to authorize the City Clerk to advertise the annual notice to property owners concerning noxious weeds and sidewalk maintenance effective April 1, 2010.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-67: Moved by Alvarado and supported by Rowe to authorize the 2nd reading of Ordinance #739 by title only:

**CITY OF MELVINDALE
ORDINANCE NO: 739**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF MELVINDALE BY THE AMENDMENT OF SECTIONS 24-473 THRU 24-483 OF ARTICLE XVIII "SIGNS" IN CHAPTER 24 TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE SIGN ORDINANCE INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, WALL, ILLUMINATED AND FREESTANDING SIGNS

Passed Unanimously

10-03-68: Moved by Alvarado and supported by Rowe to adopt Ordinance #739.

Passed Unanimously

Receive and place on file the overtime reports from the Ice Arena and Banquet Hall.

10-03-69: Moved by Rowe and supported by Alvarado to approve the proposed playscape equipment to be constructed at Deluca Tot Lot and to approve proposal from Midwest Recreation Products LLC in the amount of \$14,677.00.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-70: Moved by Bolton and supported by Alvarado to extend the continuation budget until the 2010 budget has been approved to the end of April 2010 subject to review and amendment.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-71: Moved by Striz and supported by Rowe to approve the Mayoral nomination of Colleen Bates of Comerica Bank to the Downtown Development Authority.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-72: Moved by Rowe and supported by Herman to approve the application from Bell Auto Sales Inc., located at 17564 Dix for a license to operate a used auto sales business for the year 2010.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-73: Moved by Herman and supported by Rowe to approve the application from Supreme Automotive Group, located at 19300 Dix for a license to operate a used auto sales business for the year 2010.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-74: Moved by Bolton and supported by Herman to request a letter be sent to the City of Dearborn requesting use of their Sewage Yard at 2651 Greenfield Road for the Melvindale Days Festival Fireworks Display to be held on June 13, 2010.

Passed Unanimously

10-03-75: Moved by Striz and supported by Rowe to adjourn at 8:35.

Valerie A. Cadez, Mayor

Kelly L. Spence, City Clerk