

**Regular** Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, November 3, 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, Hess, Alvarado.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Valerie A. Cadez, Mayor; Norine Peeples, City Clerk; John K. Kessey, Treasurer; Paul L. LaManes, City Administrator; Joe Couvreur, Asst. Corporation Counsel; Rick Cadez, Police Chief; Randy Burns, DPW Director; Ryan Massolia, Senior and Recreational Director; Teresa Kirk, Housing Director.

Dan Wilhelm, Fire Chief was absent and excused.

Laura Irvin, Director of Parks & Recreation was absent and excused.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Cadez and invocation by Pastor Frank Julian of Faith Christian Assembly Church.

**10-11-229** Moved by Bolton and supported by Alvarado to approve the *Regular* Council Meeting minutes dated October 20, 2010.

Abstain: Striz

Yeas: Herman, Bolton, Rowe, Hess, Alvarado

**10-11-230:** Moved by Herman and supported by Rowe to open the Public Hearing for Police and Fire Special Assessment at 7:35

Passed Unanimously

**10-11-231:** Moved by Herman and supported by Rowe that having received no further comments written or oral, Mayor Cadez declared the Public Hearing closed.

Passed Unanimously

**10-11-232:** Moved by Herman and supported by Rowe to adopt the resolution providing for the estimated costs and expenses of Police and Fire, determination of the amount of the special assessment and the distribution of the levy.

**WHEREAS**, the Common Council for the City of Melvindale is levying the special assessment to maintain the current level of Police and Fire Protection for the protection and well being of its citizens as permitted by MCLA 41.801 et seq; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Clerk published a Notice of Public Hearing regarding the estimate of the expenses for Police and Fire protection, the amount of the Special Assessment levied for such Police and Fire protection and for the distribution of the Special Assessment levy in the News Herald Newspaper; and,

**WHEREAS**, a Public Hearing was held on **November 3, 2010** at 7:35 p.m. before the Common Council for the City of Melvindale where citizens were given the opportunity to state their comments and objections to the estimate of the expenses for Police and Fire protection, the amount of the Special Assessment levied for such Police and Fire protection and for the distribution of the Special Assessment levy; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Common Council for the City of Melvindale that:

1. It is estimated that the cost and expenses of the police and fire motor vehicles, apparatus, equipment and housing and police and fire protection is **\$3,191,756.00** exclusive of health care and pension for police and fire personnel; and
2. The Amount of the special assessment shall be **\$654,686.00** and
3. The City Administrator or his designee shall spread the assessment on the taxable value of all property in the City of Melvindale except lands exempt from collection of taxes under the general property tax act.

Passed Unanimously

Audience Participation was offered.

**10-11-233:** 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 \$211,281.47 and the electronic transfers of \$ 109,149.67

Passed Unanimously

**10-11-234:** Moved by Rowe and supported by Alvarado to approve Neal Henson as a temporary contract mechanic for the City of Melvindale during November 15 through November 26, 2010, to be paid at \$25.00 an hour with no benefits and will be responsible for both portions of Social Security while working as an independent contractor.

Passed Unanimously

**10-11-235:** Moved by Striz and supported by Bolton to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for annual bids for 2010 for fuels, limestone, top soil and fill sand.

Passed Unanimously

**10-11-236:** Moved by Herman and supported by Rowe to authorize the Police Department to purchase new glock weapons with night sight added for an additional cost of \$1,460.00, to be added to the original price that was approved on October 6<sup>th</sup>.

Passed Unanimously

Receive and place on file the retirement letter from Toni Sobczak, Payroll clerk, effective December 31, 2010.

**10-11-237:** Moved by Bolton and supported by Rowe to table the following mayoral nominations for term renewals:

- CARL RICE, AGING COMMISSION
- MICHAEL QUINT, CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS-CONTRACTOR
- DENNIS KRESTEL, CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS- ARCHITECT
- BETTY LINDLBAUER, BOARD OF REVIEW
- JOHN PINKOWSKI, CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
- LEONARD DENARD, BOARD OF COMPENSATION
- SAIFEE ORAHA, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
- MIKE BRENNEN, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
- JASON ORTIZ, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
- GERALD DOUYARD, HISTORICAL COMMISSION
- NANCY KIBBY, HOUSING COMMISSION
- DOROTHY LINZELL, LIBRARY COMMISSION
- CARL LOUVET, PARKS & RECREATION
- JENNIFER LINDLBAUER, PARKS & RECREATION
- BOB MACVICAR, PLANNING COMMISSION
- BILL LAIN, PLANNING COMMISSION
- JOHN FRASER, PLANNING COMMISSION
- RON HENSON, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
- KEN O'ROURKE, ZONING BOARD

Passed Unanimously

**10-11-238:** Moved by Alvarado and supported by Herman to adjourn at 7:55pm.

Passed Unanimously

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Mayor Valerie A. Cadez

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Norine Peeples, City Clerk