

Regular Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 7:30 pm.

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

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

ALSO PRESENT: Diana Zarazua, City Clerk; Karen Lowe, Treasurer; Richard S. Ortiz, City Administrator/Finance Director; Corinne Galusky, Corporation Counsel; Chad Hayse, Police Chief; Joseph Murray, Fire Chief; Steven Densmore, Assistant Fire Chief; Joe Owens DPW Director.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Stacy Striz.

14-03-055: Moved by Hess and supported by Louvet to approve the **Regular** Council Meeting minutes dated February 19, 2014.

Passed Unanimously

14-03-056: Moved by Hess and supported by Louvet to approve the request of Tony Fuoco, Assessor and approve the City of Melvindale Poverty Exemption Guidelines to be implemented beginning with the 2014 assessment year, as presented.

Passed Unanimously

Audience Participation was offered.

14-03-057: Moved by Marsee and supported by Cybulski to close the regular City Council meeting.

Passed Unanimously

14-03-058: Moved by Louvet and supported by Cybulski open the public hearing regarding the Program Year 2014 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

Passed Unanimously

14-03-059: Moved by Hess and supported by Barnes that, having received no further comments, written or oral, Mayor Striz declared the Public Hearing closed regarding the Program Year 2014 CDBG.

Passed Unanimously

14-03-060: Moved by Hess and supported by Barnes concur with the February 21, 2014 recommendation of the Melvindale's CDBG Coordinator, Mark Kibby, and adopt the Program Year 2014 CDBG allocations and activities as presented to City Council.

Passed Unanimously

14-03-061: Moved by Marsee and supported by Balderas to reopen the Regular City Council Meeting.

Passed Unanimously

14-03-062: Moved by Marsee and supported by Balderas to approve the business plan for the City's ice arena as presented to City Council, with such ministerial changes as may be required upon the recommendation of Corporation Counsel, and submit the plan to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Passed Unanimously

14-03-063: Moved by Louvet and supported by Barnes to receive and place on file the February Treasurers Report.

Passed Unanimously

14-03-064: Moved by Marsee and supported by Barnes to approve the Mayoral Appointment of Richard S. Ortiz, as the full time City Administrator and Finance Director at an annual salary of \$85,000, opting out of the City's health care insurance and no other benefits.

Passed Unanimously

14-03-065: Moved by Marsee and supported by Barnes to waive the three day waiting period and right to rescind the motion for the appointment of Richard S. Ortiz as the full time City Administrator and Finance Director, with the appointment becoming effective March 10, 2014.

Passed Unanimously

Receive and place on file the resignation letter of Joe Owens.

Audience Participation was offered for a second time.

14-03-066: Moved by Barnes and supported by Balderas to approve the Mayoral Appointment of Richard K. Browning, as the full time Interim DPW Director and Interim Water Commissioner at an annual salary of \$47,840.00 plus Schedule B benefits.

Passed Unanimously

14-03-067: Moved by Balderas and supported by Barnes to waive the three day waiting period and right to rescind the motion for the appointment of Richard K. Browning as the full time Interim DPW Director and Interim Water Commissioner, with the appointment becoming effective March 10, 2014.

Passed Unanimously

14-03-068: Moved by Louvet and supported by Cybulski to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission regarding PC14-02 17945 Allen Road.

Passed Unanimously

Audience participation was offered a second time.

14-03-069: Moved by Louvet and supported by Hess to receive and place on file the invoices and cover sheets and to authorize the payment of invoices totaling \$1,578,101.00.

Passed Unanimously

14-02-054: Moved by Barnes and supported by Cybulski to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Passed Unanimously

Stacy L. Striz, Mayor

Diana Zarazua, City Clerk