

**Regular** Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, October 1, 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.

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

Diana Zarazua, City Clerk was absent and was excused.

Dave Cybulski, City Councilman, was absent and was excused.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Striz.

Vista Maria Foster Care did a presentation for Mayor and City Council to raise awareness.

Dennis MacGillis and TMR & Associates gave a presentation on the 2015 Healthcare.

**14-10-200:** Moved by Hess and supported by Balderas approve the 2015 Healthcare elections for active employees and pre-65 retirees, as presented to City Council, contingent on no objections being raised from the AFSCME, POAM and POLC unions.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-201:** Moved by Balderas and supported by Hess to waive the 3 day right for council to rescind this resolution and waive the 7 day waiting period regarding the 2015 Healthcare elections.

YEAS: Hess, Balderas, Marsee, Barnes.

NAYS: Louvet

***Motion passed***

Receive and place on file the resignation letter from Dorothy Linzell from the Library Commission.

**14-10-202:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Balderas to remove from the table the Mayoral nomination of Carman Cotto to the Housing Commission.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-203:** Moved by Balderas and supported by Marsee to approve the appointment of Carman Cotto to the Housing Commission to finish serving the unexpired term of J. Michael Suiter that expires 11/18/2014.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-204:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Barnes to remove from the table the mayoral nomination of Patrick Czeski to the Library Commission.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-205:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Barnes to approve the appointment of Patrick Czeski to the Library Commission to finish serving the unexpired term of Shirla Kewin that expires 11/18/2018.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-206:** Moved by Hess and supported by Balderas to approve the **Regular** Council Meeting minutes dated September 17, 2014.

YEAS: Hess, Louvet, Balderas, Marsee

ABSTAIN: Barnes

Passed Unanimously

Audience Participation was offered.

**14-10-207:** Moved by Balderas and supported by Louvet to approve the amendment to the General Fund 2014 Budget, as presented to City Council.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-208:** Motion by Balderas and supported by Hess to approve the 2015 Melvindale Days carnival contract with Big Rock Amusements, Inc., upon the terms and conditions as presented to City Council, and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-209:** Motion by Marsee and supported by Balderas to approve the printing and mailing to city residents of an informational brochure describing the November ballot proposal, relating to the Unlimited Tax Pledge and General Obligation Bonds not to exceed \$1,800.00.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-210:** Motion by Marsee and supported by Balderas to waive the 3 day right for council to rescind this resolution and waive the 7 day waiting period regarding the printing and mailing of an informational brochure describing the November ballot proposals.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-211:** Motion by Barnes and supported by Balderas to concur with the City Clerk's recommendation to issue a license to Star Auto Group located at 19241 Dix Avenue.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-212:** Motion by Hess and supported by Balderas to authorize the mayor and city administrator the right to exercise the right of refusal on foreclosed Wayne County tax properties and transfer the properties to the EDC at the city's purchase cost plus all additional costs assessed against the purchased properties additional costs with the sale of the property.

Passed Unanimously

Audience participation was offered a second time.

**14-10-213:** 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 \$394,663.31 and the electronic transfers totaling \$133,854.27.

Passed Unanimously

**14-10-214:** Moved by Barnes and supported by Marsee to adjourn at 9:30p.m.

Passed Unanimously

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Stacy L. Striz, Mayor

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Yvonne M. Kollmorgen, Deputy City Clerk