

Inglewood, California

May 9, 2000

The City Council of the City of Inglewood, California held a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 9, 2000 at Morningside High School.

Mayor Dorn called the City Council to order for a closed session meeting at the hour of 6:09 p.m. The City Clerk announced the presence of a quorum as follows:

Present: Mayor Dorn, Council Members Dunlap, Fernandez and Kirkley;

Absent: Council Member Horton. (Arrived at 6:15 p.m.)

Mayor Dorn declared the meeting recessed for a closed session at the hour of 6:10 p.m.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country and invocation by Minister Kelly Duval, Strait-Way Church, Mayor Dorn again called the meeting to order at the hour of 7:02 p.m.

City officials and personnel present were:

Hermanita V. Harris City Clerk

Wanda Brown City Treasurer

Joseph T. Rouzan, Jr. City Administrator

Charles E. Dickerson City Attorney

Gloria J. McCoy Deputy City Clerk

Norah Arroyo Spanish Interpreter

101 SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY CITY ADMINISTRATOR. The City Administrator

193 commented that the special presentation would come later in the council meeting with the

playing of a song, AWe=re Inglewood@.

180 PROCLAMATION - DECLARING MAY 14 - 20, 2000 AMERICAN LEGION POPPY WEEK. Mayor Dorn read a proclamation proclaiming May 14-20, 2000 American Legion Poppy Week in appreciation and support of the brave men and women who served our country in the armed forces.

180 COMMENDATION - INGLEWOOD COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE. Mayor Dorn read a proclamation and introduced John Reeder, Regional Director, Census Bureau, who gave statistical information regarding the Inglewood Complete Count Committee and its accomplishments. Mayor Dorn introduced Robert L. Robinson, Chairperson of Inglewood Complete Count Committee and acknowledged his efforts during the census drive and saluted him for ensuring a more accurate census count. He also requested the committee members to stand and be acknowledged for their participation.

180 COMMENDATION - STOP THE VIOLENCE, INCREASE THE PEACE. Mayor and Council presented the members of Stop the Violence, Increase the Peace with Certificates of Appreciation for their involvement in the census count. Mr. Shaw commented on the accomplishments of the members of the organization and praised them for their efforts.

180 COMMENDATION - MAYOR=S YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE CENSUS PRESENTATIONS. Mayor and Council thanked participants from Inglewood High School, Morningside High School, South Bay Lutheran High School, Hillcrest, St. Mary=s Academy and Faithful Central Church for their participation in the census count and the carnival. They were presented with Certificates of Appreciation for their efforts.

180 COMMENDATION - INGLEWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. It was announced that a commendation would be presented at next week=s meeting.

134 PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS. Mayor Dorn inquired if there were any persons present who wished to address the City Council on any item on the agenda.

Michael Stevens spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001.

Marilyn White spoke concerning item no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process and no. 5, community development and housing needs for HUD Consolidated Plan Grant Programs for fiscal year 2000-2001.

Velma Slaughter spoke concerning item no. 3 HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001 and no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process.

Joyce Alexander, District 1, spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001 and no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process and no. 5, community development and housing needs for HUD Consolidated Plan Grant Programs for fiscal year 2000-2001.

Shelly Phillips, District 1, spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001 and no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process.

Ethel Brown, spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001 and no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process.

Theola Gardner spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001 and no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process.

Willie Agee referred to comments made by previous speakers and thanked Council Member Horton for speaking at and engagement on Friday night.

Maria Bella commented that a piece of metal scrap from an airplane fell into her front yard as a result of flights in the City.

Doris Baker spoke concerning the school system and teaching the children how to make a better tomorrow. She suggested sending a publication out each month to inform the public.

Ellis Springs spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001 and no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process.

Jessie Crowder, District 1, spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001 and no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process.

John Simms spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001 and no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process.

Derrick Hope, District 1, spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001 and no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process.

Gilbert Mathieu, District 1, spoke concerning the airport issue.

Darryl Kamack, District 1, spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001.

Paul Russell spoke concerning item no. 1, payment of bills.

Resident Rudy, District 1, spoke concerning item no. 3, HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001 and no. 4, Public Participation Plan to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process.

Diane Sambrano spoke concerning recognizing the City's problems and image enhancement. She also commented on the presence of a translator and reaching out to the community.

142.9 PAYMENTS OF WARRANTS AND BILLS. It was moved by Council Member Fernandez and seconded by Council Member Kirkley that the demands presented to the City Council dated May 4, 2000 in the amount of \$718,985.33 are hereby approved and the City Clerk hereby authorized to certify upon said registers that said demands are so approved. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Horton, Fernandez, Kirkley and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Not Voting: Council Member Dunlap.

MINUTES. It was moved by Council Member Fernandez and seconded by Mayor Dorn that the minutes of the meeting of April 4, 2000 be approved as recorded. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Horton, Dunlap, Fernandez, Kirkley and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None.

131 REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL TO RECEIVE AND FILE HUD CONSOLIDATED PLAN CALENDAR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000-2001. Staff report dated May 9, 2000 was presented pertaining to the HUD Consolidated Plan Calendar for fiscal year 2000-2001. There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

It was moved by Mayor Dorn and seconded by Council Member Fernandez that the report be received and filed. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Horton, Fernandez, Kirkley and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: Council Member Dunlap.

131 PUBLIC HEARING HELD - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN TO ENCOURAGE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN THE HUD CONSOLIDATED PLAN DEVELOPMENT PROCESS - RESOLUTION NO. 00-41 ADOPTED. The City Clerk announced that the next scheduled matter was a public hearing to encourage community participation in the HUD Consolidated Plan Development Process and approve a Public Participation Plan for fiscal year 2000-2001, that notice has been given in the time, form and manner as required by law, the affidavit was on file and no communication was received on the matter.

The City Administrator presented staff report dated May 9, 2000 submitting background information.

Mayor Dorn ordered the staff report dated May 9, 2000 received and filed.

Pamela Thigpen, Acting Senior Planner, discussed the three grant entitlement programs - Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership Act, and Emergency Shelter Grant - that comprise the Consolidated Plan and commented that the project funds for the three programs will total \$3,878,181 for fiscal year 2000-01. She further discussed the Public Participation Plan commenting that this plan will encourage participation by community members in the development of the Consolidated Plan, especially low and moderate income persons living in CDBG eligible neighborhood where grant funds are proposed to be used. She pointed out that through public hearings, meetings, survey and advertising, the City anticipates encouraging the participation of all its residents.

The following persons spoke in favor of amending the Consolidated Plan:

Michael Stevens Aldene Sligh
Ethel Brown Joyce Alexander
Jessie Braddock Marilyn White
Cecil Smith Derrick Hope
Mable Johnson Gloria Armstrong

Willie Agee commented that he felt that Council and Mayor were doing the best they could and commented that residents needed to go the Los Angeles City Council to protest.

Larry Springs spoke concerning the consolidated plan and the action plan and commented that persons should listen to Council Member Dunlap.

Maria Bella commented on her dissatisfaction of council vote and in the past Council Member Dunlap is the only council member to vote Ano@.

Darryl Kamack commented on the need for sound insulation.

Council Member/resident Judy Dunlap commented on the closing of the public hearings without council members having the opportunity to speak. She spoke concerning procedures and the role of the public hearing.

Gilbert Mathieu spoke concerning the grant performance report which is available by law and required by HUD and the need to work together as a team.

Gary Farwell, District 2, spoke concerning the obstructive comments made by Council Member Judy Dunlap and encouraged spending money for home insulation.

Diane Sambrano, District 4, encouraged public participation in the plan and the use of funds for various projects.

Shelly Phillips referred to previous speaker=s comments and noted that he wants to obtain money from as many sources as possible and that the residents did not create any of the problems that are being addressed. He further commented that since the money is available, it should be made available to all of the residents and not just those below a certain income.

No other persons wishing to address the City Council on this matter, Mayor Dorn declared the public hearing closed at the hour of 9:43 p.m.

Council Member Dunlap requested that the hearing not be closed and continued for a couple of weeks to allow for additional public input and staff could respond to inquiries in a public setting. She made reference to placing a survey in water bills.

It was moved by Council Member Dunlap to continue the hearing. The motion died due to the lack of a second.

Council Member Fernandez commented that he was willing to work with legislators to bring about a resolution to the problem noting that if we don't work together, we won't be successful. He requested that everyone read and be informed of how funds have been used in the past especially the social service component.

Mayor Dorn commented that he empathized with the residents and noted that he did not want planes flying over his home. He further commented that he wanted to see some of the funds used for sound insulation and other areas to benefit from the funds. He commented that it is not necessary to amend anything to use CDBG funds but noted that there are strings attached to the CDBG funds. For those who qualify, he commented that he wanted to see them take advantage of the funds. Finally, he commented that expert advice was needed and noted that set aside funds could only be used for the Market Street Revitalization Program.

Council Member Horton commented that his family does not live within the airport contours but does suffer from the noise. He further commented that they did not create the problems and the City Council is prepared to file a lawsuit regarding the environmental impact. He further commented that the City Attorney was directed to seek legal advice so that when the appropriate time comes, the City will be in a position to do so. He commented that he had filed a personal lawsuit to challenge the United Cargo Airlines matter and will be heard this Thursday in court. In reference to CDBG funds, he commented that the City needs to provide more information to the public noting that CDBG does have restrictions.

It was moved by Council Member Kirkley and seconded by Council Member Fernandez that Resolution No. 00-41, entitled:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD,
CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000 CONSOLIDATED PLAN**

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Horton, Fernandez, Kirkley and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: Council Member Dunlap.

Mayor Dorn declared the meeting recessed at the hour of 10:06 p.m.

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Mayor Dorn again called the meeting to order at the hour of 10:21 p.m. with all Members present except Council Member Dunlap.

131 PUBLIC HEARING HELD - HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS FOR 1999-2000 CONSOLIDATED PLAN GRANTS. The City Clerk announced that the next scheduled matter was a public hearing to identify Housing and Community Development needs for 2000-2001 Consolidated Plan Grants, that notice of this hearing has been given in the time, form and manner as required by law, the affidavit was on file and no communication was received.

The City Administrator presented staff report dated May 9, 2000 submitting background information.

Mayor Dorn ordered the staff report dated May 9, 2000 received and filed.

Pamela Thigpen, Acting Senior Planner, referred to the pamphlet AFunding Overview@ made available for public viewing in the foyer and discussed the information outlined in the document. She commented that this was the City=s 26th year of participation in the program and discussed the eligible activities, criteria to receive funds and the purpose of the three entitlement programs as outlined by HUD.

Council Member Dunlap returned to the meeting at the hour of 10:23 p.m.

Mayor Dorn inquired if there were any persons present who wished to address the City Council on this matter.

The following persons spoke in favor of amending the Consolidated Plan:

Marilyn White Velma Slaughter

Ethel Brown Joyce Alexander

Shelly Phillips Cecil Smith

Theola Gardner Larry Springs

Bill Anderson Maria Bella

Jessie Crowder Mrs. Granberry

Henry Coleman Sidney Thompson

Aldene Sligh Jerry Robinson

Sandra Roberts, District 4, commented that 90% of persons in District 4 are below poverty level and impacted by the airport. She further commented that there is not a park or after school program; streets and sidewalks are in need of repair; there is a need for more residential lighting and police. Finally, she noted that her district is in need of things that most people take for granted.

Martina Guilfoil requested continued funding of the First Time Homebuyers Program and Home Preservation Program and commented on the successes of the program.

Norma Byrd, District 4, commented that the district is becoming a blighted area with gangs, graffiti and absentee landlords and noted that the district never receives feedback when the councilman does a walk through the community.

Michael Stevens spoke concerning allocation of funds for a 20 % match for sound insulation and elimination of avigation easements.

Michelle Autry, District 4, requested that the funds be used to insulate homes and the physical damages caused by the high frequency of noise.

Elaine Baker, District 4, commented that she understood the sentiments expressed regarding airport noise and the use of CDBG funds and noted that she would like to see the funds distributed equitably throughout the city.

Tom Sheridan, District 1, commented that he would like for the funds to be used for home insulation.

Council Member Kirkley left the meeting at 11:15 p.m. and returned at 11:25 p.m.

Gilbert Mathieu, District 1, requested that funds should be used for sound insulation and to support Inglewood Neighborhood Housing Services and commented that the tax base in the City needed to be increased. He further commented that the City Council should request that the Board of Supervisors provide a resolution declaring this area as a noise problem area and referred to previous comments regarding parts falling off of an airplane.

Willie Agee commented that he did not want to take money from persons with AIDS to insulate homes and he had confidence in the leadership of Inglewood. He further commented that it was good to protest but to do so constructively.

Diane Sambrano referred to a letter dated October 26, 1999 from HUD and commented on giving service to the people.

Johnny Inghram, District 2, commented that everyone agreed on wanting homes insulated but the question was how to go about doing it. He referred to federal guidelines and encouraged Council to do the right thing and not be pressured into making the wrong decision. He also spoke against black on black criticism.

It was moved by Council Member Dunlap that the hearing be continued. The motion died due to the lack of a second.

Council Member Kirkley referred to an attack on the City's song and commented that it had no bearing on sound insulation. He commented that people from his district are saying that they need sound insulation. He further commented that he understood the concerns expressed but he would not commit all of the funds to sound insulation.

No other persons wishing to address the City Council on this matter, Mayor Dorn declared the public hearing closed at the hour of 11:35 p.m.

It was moved by Mayor Dorn and seconded by Council Member Kirkley that all public comment on community development and housing needs for the HUD Consolidate Plan Grant Programs for fiscal year 2000-2001 be received and filed. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Horton, Fernandez, Kirkley and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: Council Member Dunlap.

132.6 CLOSED SESSION. Closed session to discuss labor negotiations with all bargaining units. Government Code Section 54957.6.

There was no action taken.

132.6 CLOSED SESSION. Closed session for consideration of personnel appointment, employment, promotion, performance evaluation, discipline, dismissal, release. Government Code Section 54957.6.

There was no action taken.

151 AGREEMENT NO. 00-61 APPROVED - CHARLES HAMPTON - RESOLUTION NO. 00-42 ADOPTED - OFFICIAL CITY SONG. Staff report dated May 8, 2000 was presented recommending adoption of a resolution and approving the license agreement to make AWe=re Inglewood@ the official City song. There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

It was moved by Council Member Kirkley and seconded by Mayor Dorn that Agreement No. 00-61 with Charles Hampton be approved and that Resolution No. 00-42, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD,
CALIFORNIA ADOPTING AWE=RE INGLEWOOD@ AS THE OFFICIAL SONG
OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Horton, Dunlap, Fernandez, Kirkley and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None.

180 COMMENDATION TO CHARLES HAMPTON PERTAINING TO THE OFFICIAL CITY SONG. Mayor Dorn read a commendation commending Charles Hampton, resident of District 4 for 29 years, for demonstrating his commitment to the community through his musical contribution to the City as well as his social and civic contributions.

203 RESOLUTION NO. 00-43 ADOPTED - MTA FUNDING. Staff report dated May 8, 2000 was presented recommending approval of resolution requesting that Congress approve the FY 2001 funding appropriations for the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

It was moved by Council Member Horton and seconded by Council Member Fernandez that Resolution No. 00-43, entitled:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD,
CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING CONGRESS TO SUPPORT AND FUND THE FY 2001
TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Horton, Dunlap, Fernandez, Kirkley and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None.

101 VERBAL REPORTS - CITY ADMINISTRATOR. The City Administrator commented that his staff had gone to great strides to compile information for the public which was placed on display outside of the auditorium and noted that there was a lot of misinformation voiced this evening. He further commented that it was disheartening and totally inaccurate and he was hopeful that the residents would read the document and find out the truth. He pointed out that the Council was intelligent and respected. He noted that there is \$16 million dollars waiting for sound insulation and that the decision to release easements will be made by Los Angeles City and not by the Inglewood City Council.

132.6 CLOSED SESSION - SETTLEMENT APPROVED - CLEVE SMITH V. INGLEWOOD. Closed session - Attorney Client Privileged - Cleve Smith v. City of Inglewood - Pending Litigation, Government Code Section 54956.9.

It was moved by Council Member Fernandez and seconded by Council Member Kirkley that the City Council does hereby approve, confirm and ratify settlement in the above matter in the amount of \$165,000. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Horton, Dunlap, Fernandez, Kirkley and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None.

132.6 CLOSED SESSION. Closed session - City of Inglewood vs. LAX - Pending Litigation - Government Code Section 54956.9.

This matter was removed from the agenda.

127.2 COUNCIL INITIATIVES:

RESOLUTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUNLAP TO MITIGATE CONCERNS OF AIRPORT-NOISE IMPACTED RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS. It was moved by Council Member Dunlap that the resolution be adopted. The motion died due to the lack of a second.

Council Member Horton left the meeting at the hour of 12:05 a.m.

Council Member Dunlap:

Commented that she was not aware of any member of Council residing in a noise contour.

Commented that she felt that the hearing on the CDBG funds was done improperly and persons attending did not receive notification from the City. She also spoke concerning the survey not being mailed which resulted in no information being placed on the public record.

Suggested that in reference to the public participation plan and technical assistance, LAXEN should submit a proposal with assistance from staff requesting fund. She commented that she was disappointed in her colleagues and requested that the resolution be placed on the agenda next week to give her colleagues an opportunity to reconsider.

Commented that she would like for the swimming pools to be opened 7 days a week, especially for Memorial Day weekend.

Council Member Fernandez:

Reiterated the importance of legislators, City of Los Angeles, LAX, FAA, County Board of Supervisors and city residents in reference to the LAX expansion and easement process.

He commented that in order to reach the goals as a city, everyone must work together and noted that the issue would not be solved tomorrow. Finally, he commented that he felt

that the City was on the right course.

Commented that the Inglewood Police Department will be opening a center on Arbor Vitae.

Requested that persons not be reckless and cruel with their comments.

Council Member Kirkley:

Referred to misinformation and comments made regarding noise impacted areas and pointed out that he lived one block from there and hears the same noise.

In reference to the Gaming Coalition, he commented that we must fight for what we have because to lose it would mean the loss of 4-5 million dollars a year. He commented that a public information firm was hired.

Commented that on June 1, 2000, Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) will vote on passing forward their idea of the Regional Transportation Plan and expressed hope that more people will attend the meeting on June 1, 2000 at 10:00 a.m.

Mayor Dorn:

Referred to the information pamphlet distributed regarding the use CDBG funds and

commented that he wants as much money as possible placed in CDBG funds.

Referred to misinformation regarding taking money and commented that he has never advised anyone to sign avigation easements.

134 PUBLIC REMARKS. Mayor Dorn inquired if there were any persons present who wished to address the City Council on any matter connected with City business not elsewhere considered on the agenda.

Michael Stevens spoke concerning using CDBG funds for sound insulation and uses of HUD 108 money and encouraged persons to attend LAXEN meeting.

Michelle Autry spoke concerning the previous speaker providing information and applauded Council Member Dunlap for her efforts. She spoke concerning noise pollution and its impact on the environment.

Johnny Inghram, District 2, thanked the City Council for presenting a forum whereby the residents could receive a better understanding of the noise problem and spoke concerning comments made by African-Americans against African Americans.

Willie Agee, District 1, referred to actions of persons at the meeting and comments made by Blacks. He commented that he had confidence in the elected officials.

Diane Sambrano spoke concerning freedom of the press, democracy and the political process and acceptance of being an adult human being.

Albert Guzman, District 3, thanked Council Member Dunlap for standing up for what she believes in and the expense to obtain cable channels.

Gilbert Mathieu, District 1, spoke concerning Council setting policy regarding politics and free speech and the vote regarding another taxicab in the city.

Frederick Davis thanked persons for working overtime and congratulated everyone for the census. He thanked Mr. Hampton for the city song, spoke concerning a MTA contract and extended Happy Mother=s Day to everyone.

Council Members Fernandez and Kirkley left the meeting at 12:40 a.m.

There being no further business to be presented, Mayor Dorn declared the meeting adjourned at the hour of 12:49 a.m.

City Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2000

Mayor