Inglewood, California
March 18, 2008

The City Council of the City of Inglewood, California held a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 18, 2008 in the Council Chambers in City Hall of said City.

Mayor Dorn called the meeting to order at the hour of 6:00 p.m. The City Clerk announced the presence of a quorum as follows:

Present: Mayor Dorn, Council Members Morales and Franklin;
Absent: Council Members Tabor and Dunlap.

City officials and personnel present for closed session were:

Yvonne Horton	City Clerk
Cal Saunders	City Attorney
Cheryl Moore	Deputy City Clerk
Aisha Phillips	Administrative Assistant
Tunisia Johnson	Administrative Aide

134 **PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY.** Mayor Dorn inquired if there were any persons present who wished to address the City Council on any closed session items.

There was no response.

Mayor Dorn recessed the meeting at the hour of 6:00 p.m. for closed session item nos. CS-1 through CS-4.

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Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country and invocation by Mayor Dorn, the meeting was called to order at the hour of 7:42 p.m. with all Council Members present except Council Members Tabor and Dunlap.

City officials and personnel present were:

Yvonne Horton	City Clerk
Wanda M. Brown	City Treasurer
Michael D. Falkow	Acting City Administrator
Cal Saunders	City Attorney
Cheryl Moore	Deputy City Clerk
Tunisia Johnson	Administrative Aide

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.

Willie Agee spoke concerning agenda item nos. 4, 5, 6 & 8.

Ethel Austin spoke concerning agenda item no. 8, Revised Memorandum of Understanding with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) to assist the City with traffic law enforcement as it relates to gang enforcement.

Diane Sambrano spoke concerning agenda item no. 5, Adoption of a Resolution approving the submission of a grant application for $250,000 from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition A Excess Funds Program.

Council Members Dunlap and Tabor arrived in Council Chambers at the hour of 7:45 p.m.

142.9 **PAYMENTS OF WARRANTS AND BILLS.** It was moved by Council Member Morales

and seconded by Council Member Tabor that the demands presented to the City Council dated March 12, 2008 in the amount of $2,648,681.03 and dated March 7, 2008 in the amount of $450.00 and dated March 5, 2008 in the amount of $3,458,145.34 are hereby approved and the City Clerk is 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 Tabor, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;
Noes: Council Member Dunlap.

MINUTES.

This item was pulled from the agenda.

171 **AGREEMENT NO. 08-27 APPROVED – CITY OF LOS ANGELES - RESOLUTION NO. 08-11 ADOPTED.** Staff report dated March 18, 2008 was presented recommending approval of an agreement with the City of Los Angeles to accept Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant funds and adoption of a resolution amending the 2007-2008 fiscal year budget.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that the City Council does hereby 1) Award a contract to the City of Los Angeles in the amount of $30,000 and that 2) Resolution No. 08-11 entitled:

> A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA ACCEPTING $30,000 IN URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS THROUGH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008 ANNUAL BUDGET

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Council Members Tabor, Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn.
Noes: None.

171 **RESOLUTION NO. 08-12 ADOPTED - BUDGET AMENDMENT.** Staff report dated March 18, 2008 was presented recommending adoption of a resolution amending the 2007-2008 fiscal year budget to reflect the receipt of additional grant funds from Los Angeles County for a new senior lunch site at Ladera Park Senior and Community Center.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that Resolution No. 08-12 entitled:

> A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD AMENDING THE 2007-2008 ANNUAL BUDGET

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Council Members Tabor, Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;
Noes: None.

171 **RESOLUTION NO. 08-13 ADOPTED – LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION A EXCESS FUNDS PROGRAM.** Staff report dated March 18, 2008 was presented recommending adoption of a resolution approving the submission of a grant application for $25,000 from the Los Angles County Regional Park and Open Space District Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition A Excess Funds Program.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that Resolution No. 08-13 entitled:

> RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION A – EXCESS FUNDS GRANT PROGRAM FOR VARIOUS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AT VARIOUS INGLEWOOD PARKS

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Council Members Tabor, Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;
Noes: None.

171 **AGREEMENT NO. 08-28 APPROVED – RIFE AND CROY PAINTING.** Staff report dated March 18, 2008 was presented recommending approval of an agreement for painting of Rogers Park facility with Rife and Croy Painting.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that 1) Agreement No. 08-28 in the amount of $42,467 be approved; 2) Approve a 10% contingency in the amount of $4,247.00. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Tabor, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn
Noes: None.

171 **PROPOSED DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE POLICY STATEMENT AND PROGRAMS - APPROVED.** Staff report dated March 18, 2008 was presented recommending approval of the Proposed Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Policy Statement and Programs.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that the City Council does hereby approve the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Policy Statement and Programs. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Tabor, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn
Noes: None.

178 **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL (CHP).** Staff report dated March 18, 2008 was presented recommending approval of a revised Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) to assist the City with traffic law enforcement as it relates to gang enforcement.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that the City Council does hereby approve the revised Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the California Highway Patrol (CHP). The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Council Members Tabor, Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;
Noes: None.

214.1 **PUBLIC HEARING SET – AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTERS 2, 5,8,10, 11 AND 12 OF THE INGLEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE**. Staff report dated March 18, 2008 was presented requesting that a public hearing be set to consider the adoption of proposed code amendments to Chapters 2, 5, 8, 10, 11 and 12 of the Inglewood Municipal Code to reflect the creation of the Planning and Building Department.

Mayor Dorn ordered the matter set for April 8, 2008 at the hour of 7:00 p.m.

214.5 **PUBLIC HEARING SET – DENIAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT NO. 1058 (SP-1058).** Staff report dated March 18, 2008 was presented requesting that a public hearing be

set to consider an appeal to the Planning Commission's denial of Special Use Permit No. 1058 (SP-1058) to allow the installation of a 42-foot high, 672 square-foot bi-faced billboard sign at 10125 South Hawthorne Boulevard.

Mayor Dorn ordered the matter set for April 8, 2008 at the hour of 7:00 p.m.

132.6 **CLOSED SESSION – CONFER WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING LOS ANGELES WORLD AIRPORTS (LAWA) AND RESIDENTIAL SOUND INSULATION PROGRAM (RSIP).** Closed session - Confidential - Attorney/Client Privileged; Potential Litigation, Government Code Section 54956.9(b)(1); Confer with Legal Counsel regarding Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and Residential Sound Insulation Program (RSIP).

Discussion was held with staff; Instructions given; No final action was taken.

132.6 **CLOSED SESSION – BROOKS NORRINGTON VS. CITY OF INGLEWOOD.** Closed session – Confidential – Attorney/Client Privileged; Pending Litigation, Government Code Section 54956.9(a) Brooks Norrington vs. City of Inglewood.

Discussion held; No final action was taken.

132.6 **CLOSED SESSION – WATT DEVELOPERS VS. CITY OF INGLEWOOD.** Closed session – Confidential – Attorney/Client Privileged; Pending Litigation, Government Code Section 54956.9(a); Watt Developers vs. City of Inglewood.

Discussion held; Instructions given to staff; No final action was taken.

132.6 **CLOSED SESSION – LEDFORD VS. CITY OF INGLEWOOD.** Closed session – Confidential – Attorney/Client Privileged; Pending Litigation, Government Code Section 54956.9(a); Ledford vs. City of Inglewood.

Discussion held with staff; No final action was taken.

140.81 **RESOLUTION NO. 08-14 ADOPTED – LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S CERTIFIED ELECTION RESULTS.** Resolution declaring the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder's certified election results of February 5, 2008 for Measure F (Ban on possession, sale and use of fireworks).

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Dunlap that Resolution No. 08-14 entitled:

> A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACT OF A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD TO CONSIDER MEASURE F AND DECLARING THE RESULT AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS PROVIDED BY LAW

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Council Members Tabor, Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;
Noes: None.

Mayor Dorn recessed the City Council and called to order the Redevelopment Agency at the hour of 7:51 p.m.

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Mayor Dorn reconvened the City Council meeting at the hour of 7:56 p.m.

214.5 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD – RESOLUTION NO. 08-15 – ADOPTED; APPEAL TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT NO. 1056**

(SP-1056). The City Clerk announced that the next scheduled matter is a public hearing to consider an appeal to the Planning Commission's denial of Special Use Permit No. 1056 (SP-1056) to allow the installation of a 42 foot high, 672 square-foot single-faced billboard sign at 472 South Market Street, that notice of this hearing has been given in the time, form and manner as required by law, the affidavit was on file, the complete file of the Planning Commission was present and no communication was received on the matter.

The City Administrator presented staff report dated March 18, 2008 submitting background information.

Mayor Dorn ordered the staff report dated March 18, 2008 received and filed.

Mayor Dorn recessed the meeting at the hour of 8:00 p.m.

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Mayor Dorn reconvened the meeting at the hour of 8:03 p.m.

Wanda Williams, Sr. Planner gave a brief oral report on the matter.

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

Andrew Bilanche, 360 Burnside Avenue, owner of A South Advertisement commented he will not advertise beer or tobacco on the billboard if he's permitted to have the billboard.

Diane Sambrano commented the city would not get much compensation for having the billboard. She also commented that campaign contributions have gone towards political campaigns. She expressed there are too many billboards in the city.

Ethel Austin commented she doesn't agree with billboards being placed in the city.

Willie Agee inquired if the address was correct where the billboard was going to be placed. He commented if the billboard will benefit the schools and the parks he's all for it.

Rafael Guconian represents the property owner at 450 S. Market Street, Mr. Don Ho, commented the property owner does not agree with having the billboard over his property.

Eric Holly commented he is in favor of having the billboard.

Don Ho expressed he's not in favor of having the billboard. He commented if the billboard is permitted it would place a damper on there business sign and feels it will also cause distraction for motorist.

No other persons wishing to address the City Council on this matter, Mayor Dorn declared the public hearing section closed at the hour of 8:14 p.m.

Council Member Tabor commented he has had conversations with the property owners adjacent to the property on Market Street. He inquired to staff if there would be a safety issue if the proposed billboard is placed at the location on Market Street.

Wanda Williams replied that the property on Market Street is triangular shaped and the Planning Commission thought would be a distraction to motorist therefore causing safety hazards.

Council Member Dunlap explained prior to September 26, 2000 new billboards weren't permitted in new redevelopment areas because they're urban blight. She inquired from staff what square footage is allowed to place a billboard around the city without a Special Use Permit (SUP).

Wanda Williams replied the municipal code states that a person wanting to put up a 300 square feet sign that doesn't exceed a height of 35 feet doesn't need a SUP.

Council Member Dunlap commented that billboards are bad for the city and hopes the City Council resends the action in the municipal code prohibiting billboards in the city.

Council Member Morales commented that billboards have a place in the city. He also commented a billboard doesn't seem reasonable at this time and that he will support the Planning Commission's decision.

Council Member Tabor left Council Chambers at the hour of 8:19 p.m. and returned at the hour 8:22 p.m.

Council Member Franklin expressed his concerns stating he is not in favor with billboards used for political purposes or adult entertainment advertisement. He also commented this city has reached out repeatedly for police officer recruitment and doesn't want to see other law enforcement agencies advertising on billboards in the City of Inglewood to recruit for other cities. He commented a billboard at the location will be a distraction and will allow for another pigeon nest. Finally, he commented he supports the Planning Commissions decision.

Mayor Dorn commented he is in support of the Planning Commissions decision and feels it would be bad business for Market Street. He also commented when downtown Inglewood gets developed he doesn't want the billboard to be a hindrance.

It was moved by Council Member Tabor and seconded by Council Member Franklin that Resolution No. 08-15, entitled:

> A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, UPHOLDING THE PLANNING COMMISSIOIN'S DENIAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT NO. 1056 (SP-1056) FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A 42-FOOT HIGH, 672 SQUARE-FOOT SINGLE-FACED BILLBOARD SIGN AT 472 SOUTH MARKET STREET

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call:
Ayes: Council Members Tabor, Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn
Noes: None.

214.5 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD – RESOLUTION NO. 08-16 – ADOPTED; APPEAL TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT NO. 1057 (SP-1057).** Public hearing to consider an appeal to the Planning Commission's denial of Special Use Permit No. 1057 (SP-1057) to allow the installation of a 42-foot high, 672 square-foot bi-faced billboard sign at 10000 South Grevillea Avenue, that notice of this hearing has been given in the time, form and manner as required by law, the affidavit was on file, the complete file of the Planning Commission was present and no communication was received on the matter.

The Acting City Administrator presented staff report dated March 18, 2008 submitting background information.

Mayor Dorn ordered the staff report dated March 18, 2008 received and filed.

Wanda Williams gave a brief oral report on this matter.

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

Andrew Blanche explained several independent studies have been done by the Federal Highway Administration and by independent university groups on the safety with billboards with motorist and there have been no findings of accidents. He stated that if the City

Council would like to have a copy of the findings he will be happy to provide it.

Diane Sambrano commented she wanted to stand corrected about her last comment regarding politicians and the purchase of billboards. She explained if a person wanted to purchase a billboard for a political event that's okay. She explained that political dollars are given by billboard companies to political candidates running for an elected office. Finally she commented billboards are still a distraction to motorist.

No other persons wishing to address the City Council on this matter, Mayor Dorn declared the public comment section closed at the hour of 8:32 p.m.

Council Member Dunlap expressed having a billboard on Grevillea Street is no different than one on Market Street because it's still urban blight. She also expressed she would like to see her colleagues become more proactive and come up with an ordinance to get rid of billboards in the city.

Council Member Morales commented the billboard is close to a residential area adjacent to Century Boulevard. He also commented advertisement does have a place on a street like Century Boulevard however; he would like to see the city gain more when they make these types of decisions. He expressed no tobacco and alcohol advertisement is good and he doesn't want to see adult entertainment advertised. Finally he expressed he would like to start capitalizing on Inglewood's main thoroughfare and allowing businesses to advertise however the City of Inglewood would benefit every time these types of decisions are made.

Council Member Franklin commented the city has an ordinance stating that if a billboard is within 200 feet of a residence it's not permissible and this billboard is within 36 feet of a residence. He expressed this billboard will be up from dusk to midnight and will give residents a hard time to sleep because of the light of the billboard will amplify into the residents home. He also expressed the city is dealing with taggers in the community and having a billboard at this location will allow for more problems. Finally he stated he will be supporting the Planning Commissions decision.

Mayor Dorn expressed his support with the Planning Commissions decision.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that Resolution No. 08-16 entitled:

> A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, UPHOLDING THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT NO. 1057 (SP-1057) FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A 42-FOOT HIGH, 672 SQUARE FEET BI-FACED BILLBOARD SIGN AT 10000 SOUTH GREVILLEA AVENUE

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Council Members Tabor, Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;
Noes: None.

114.4 **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES.** Upon the
114.10 ion of Council Member Tabor, Mayor Dorn appointed Norris Turner to the Parking and Traffic Commission, representing Councilmanic District No. 1 and for the term ending June 2009, and upon the recommendation of Council Member Dunlap, Mayor Dorn appointed Margaret Patton to the Civil Service Board, representing Councilmanic District No. 2 and for the term ending June 2009. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Council Members Tabor, Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None.

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.

Ethel Austin commented that she doesn't agree with the Inglewood Police Department working for the Inglewood Unified School District.

Tony Jones, Renaissance homeowner, commented that the developers of the Renaissance project did not live up to their obligations.

Chibuzo Walton thanked the Mayor and City Council for approving a surveyor to determine how many parking spaces are at the Renaissance development however, she expressed that the residents are still waiting for the surveyor. Finally she read a letter from the community regarding the bond.

Denise McDonald expressed her likes about being a homeowner in the City of Inglewood however she asked the City Council not to release the bond to Watts Developers until they own up to there side of the bargain.

Bill Depner commented that he's upset with the City Council for allowing the Watts Developers to develop the Renaissance. Finally he asked the City Council to have the developers fix the problems before they release the bond.

Willie Agee asked that the City Council to assist the Renaissance homeowners with their concerns. He commented that if the Inglewood Police Department is called upon by the Inglewood Unified School District he hopes they will respond.

(Speaker Unknown) commented that parents should teach their children to do the right thing.

Diane Sambrano asked that Council Members stay until to end of the council meeting. She also expressed that many school board concerns should not be addressed at the City Council meeting but at the School Board meetings.

Monica King, Renaissance homeowner commented that she hopes the City Council doesn't allow the developers to take advantage of the residents at the Renaissance. She also commented that if the City Council will not allow a billboard into the city, then they can make the developers own up to their commitments.

Valerie Coveting spoke concerning her property at the Renaissance and commented that if Renaissance fails then the City Council has failed.

There being no further business to be presented, Mayor Dorn declared the meeting adjourned in memory of Adam and Louise Herbert at the hour of 9:43 p.m.

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City Clerk

Approved this _____day of _____, 2008

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Mayor

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