

**Special Meeting Minutes
City Council
City of Huntington Beach**

Thursday, December 18, 2003
4:00 P.M. – Room B8
Civic Center, 2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach, California

Call to Order

Mayor Green called the Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

City Council Roll Call

Present: Sullivan, Coerper, Hardy, Green, Cook
Absent: Boardman, Houchen

Assistant City Clerk Read *Call for Special Meeting*

Assistant City Clerk Elizabeth Ehring read the *Call for Special Meeting Notice* to discuss the following items in closed session and for possible report out by the City Attorney of any action taken:

**Call for City Council Special Meeting
City of Huntington Beach
Thursday, December 18, 2003**

Cathy Green, Mayor
Jill Hardy, Mayor Pro Tem
Connie Boardman, Council Member
Gil Coerper; Council Member
Debbie Cook, Council Member
Pam Houchen, Council Member
Dave Sullivan, Council Member

You are hereby notified that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach, California is called for and will be held at City Hall, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, California 92648 in Council Chambers at the hour of 4:00 p.m. The meeting is for the purpose of considering the following:

Closed Session of the City Council

Recommended Action: Motion to recess to Closed Session on the following items:

- 1. (City Council) Closed Session** – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c) to confer with its attorney regarding pending litigation. Based on existing facts and circumstances, the legislative body of the local agency has decided to initiate or is deciding whether to initiate litigation. Number of Potential Cases: **one**. **Subject: Potential Litigation Item 1.** (120.80)

- 2. (City Council) Closed Session** – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c) to confer with its attorney regarding pending litigation. Based on existing facts and circumstances, the legislative body of the local agency has decided to initiate or is deciding whether to initiate litigation. Number of Potential Cases: **one**. **Subject: Potential Litigation Item 2.** (120.80)

Dated: December 17, 2003

By Elizabeth Ehring
Assistant City Clerk for
/s/ Connie Brockway

ATTEST: City Clerk

/s/ Cathy Green

Mayor

I hereby certify that I received the above notice, "Call of Special Meeting of the Huntington Beach City Council" prior to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 17, 2003.

/s/ Cathy Green

Mayor

Motion to Recess to Closed Session – Approved

By unanimous consent, with all present, Boardman and Houchen absent, Council recessed to Closed Session on the following items.

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Recessed – at 4:05 p.m.

Reconvened – at 4:25 p.m.

(City Council) City Attorney's Report of Action Taken by the City Council in Closed Session on December 18, 2003 Approved to Support League-Sponsored Regarding the Matter of the Vehicle License Fee (VLF) Backfill (120.80)

On Thursday, December 18, 2003, the City Council convened in closed session to discuss whether to initiate litigation regarding the matter of Vehicle License Fee Backfill. The City Council voted to initiate to support the league-sponsored litigation re: VLF backfill. The Council voted as follows: 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 2 Absent (Boardman, Houchen).

(City Council) City Attorney’s Report of Action Taken by the City Council in Closed Session on Thursday, December 18, 2003 Pursuant to Government Code §54957.1(a)(2) – Approved to Initiate Litigation in Re: State Board Equalization Assessment of Huntington Beach AES Power Plant Property Tax (120.80)

On Thursday, December 18, 2003, the City Council convened in closed session to discuss to initiate litigation regarding the matter of State Board of Equalization reassessment of property tax of AES property. The City Council voted to initiate litigation against State Board of Equalization. The Council voted as follows: 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 2 Absent (Boardman, Houchen).

City Council-Adjournment – at 4:30 p.m.

City Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach and Clerk of the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Huntington Beach, California

ATTEST:

City Clerk-Clerk

Mayor-Chairman