#### Inglewood, California June 13, 2006

The City Council of the City of Inglewood, California held a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 13, 2006 in the Council Chambers in City Hall of said City.

Mayor Dorn called the meeting to order at the hour of 6:06 p.m. The City Clerk announced the presence of a quorum as follows:

Present: Mayor Dorn, Council Members Morales and Franklin;

Absent: Council Member Dunlap (arrived at 6:06 p.m.)

Absent: Council Member Price.

City officials and personnel present were:

Yvonne Horton City Clerk Wanda M. Brown City Treasurer

Jerry Givens Asst. City Administrator

Anita C. Willis City Attorney

Mike Calzada Exec. Asst to the City Administrator

Yakema Decatur Administrative Assistant Katie Howe Administrative Analyst

Mayor Dorn called the Redevelopment Agency into joint session with the City Council at the hour of 6:06 p.m.

## <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY.</u> Mayor/Chairman Dorn inquired if there were any persons present who wished to address the City Council/Redevelopment Agency on any closed session items.

Willie Agee, spoke concerning closed session item no. CSR-1, closed session regarding real property negotiations for the Disposition and Redevelopment of the property located at the Southeast Corner of Florence and La Brea Avenues (Parcels 4015-028-900 through 909) in the Merged Inglewood Redevelopment Project Area (In-Town).

Mayor/Chairman Dorn recessed the City Council/Redevelopment Agency for closed session item nos. CS-1, CSR-1 and CSR-2 at the hour of 6:07 p.m.

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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 7:04 p.m. with a quorum present.

Mayor Dorn announced that the meeting will be held in memory and honor of

Mayor Dorn announced that agenda item nos. 5, 12 and R-4 are pulled from the agenda. He also announced that agenda item no. PH-2 will be carried over to July 11, 2006.

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

Diane Sambrano spoke concerning the attendance of Council, the invocation after the pledge, change in agenda items, the no of items on the agenda after not having meetings, and agenda item nos. 5 & 13.

Roosevelt Douglas agenda item nos. 3, City Attorney's Office recommending the denial of claims and 11, recommending approval to use \$93,000 in Asset Forfeiture Funds.

Willie Agee spoke concerning agenda item nos. 11, recommending approval to use \$93,000 in Asset Forfeiture Funds.

<u>PAYMENTS OF WARRANTS AND BILLS.</u> It was moved by Council Member xxx and seconded by Council Member xx that the demands presented to the City Council dated May 31, 2006 in the amount of \$414,824.67 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 Price, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: Council Member Dunlap.

MINUTES. It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that the minutes of the meetings of May 9, 2006 and May 16, 2006 be approved as recorded. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Not Voting: Council Member Dunlap; Absent: Council Member Price.

<u>CLAIMS DENIED.</u> Letters from the City's Attorney's Office were presented, recommending denial of the following claims:

- a) Marie Miller and Trevon Shavers for personal injury on March 15, 2006.
- b) Sandra Porchia for personal injury on November 12, 2005.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, seconded by Council Member Franklin and carried that the above listed claims be denied.

AGREEMENT NO. 06-54 APPROVED - LOS ANGELES COUNTY AREA AGNECY ON AGING SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICES EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (AAA SCSEP). Staff report dated June 13, 2006 was presented recommending approval of an agreement with Los Angeles County Area Agency on Aging Senior Community Services Employment Program (AAA SCSEP) for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that Agreement No. 06-54 be approved. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Price.

**ACHTER PRODUCTIONS.** This item has been removed from the agenda.

PAYMENT AUTHORIZED – SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (SBCCOG OR COG). Staff report dated June 13, 2006 was presented recommending authorization to pay the South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG or COG) for annual membership dues in the amount of \$26,018, which includes a \$1,000 assessment for participation in a Human Resources Project consortium.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that the City Council does hereby authorize the payment. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Price.

<u>**REJECTION**</u> OF <u>BIDS</u> APPROVED – 2006 ALLEY <u>RECONSTRUCTION</u> PROJECT. Staff report dated June 13, 2006 was presented recommending approval to reject all bids submitted for the contract services for the 2006 Alley Reconstruction Project.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that

the City Council does hereby 1) Approve rejection of bids; and 2) Instruct staff to re-bid the project. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Price.

#### <u>MOU FOR SUBREGIONAL PARATRANSIT SERVICES APPROVED – LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTAION AUTHORITY (MTA).</u>

Staff report dated June 13, 2006 was presented recommending approval of the Memorandum of Understanding for Subregional Paratransit Services with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) for receipt of approximately \$200,000 in Proposition A Incentive Subregional Paratransit Program (Incentive) grant funds for the 2006-2007 fiscal year, and additional amounts annually through June 30, 2011 in accordance with a performance-based formula.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that the Memorandum of Understanding be approved. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Price.

<u>SUBMITTED PROPOSAL REJECTED – PRO LAB.</u> Staff report dated June 13, 2006 was presented recommending approval to reject the proposal submitted by Pro Lab as non-responsive and approval of an agreement for film and photo development with Cary Photo Lab.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that the City Council does hereby 1)approve the rejection of the proposal; and 2) Approve a one-year agreement with Cary Photo Lab (with the ability to extend the agreement an additional 2-years in one-year increments) in the amount of \$40,975. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Price.

<u>USE OF ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS APPROVED; RESOLUTION NO. 06-63</u>
<u>ADOPTED – BUDGET AMENDMENT.</u> Staff report dated June 13, 2006 was presented recommending approval to use \$93,000 in Asset Forfeiture Funds to rent 8-10 unmarked vehicles for Narcotics Section investigations, purchase six (6) bicycles and related equipment for a new Police Bike Team, purchase hardware to mount mobile data terminals (MDTs) in police vehicles, and adoption of a resolution amending the 2005-2006 Fiscal Year Budget.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that 1) the use of the Asset Forfeiture Funds be approved and 2) that Resolution No. 06-63 entitled:

A RESOLTUION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING PURCHASES USING ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$93,000 AND AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 ANNUAL BUDGET

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

Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Price.

### HAAGEN COMPANY LIMITED (HCL) INGLEWOOD VILLAGE, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). This item was removed from the agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 06-64 ADOPTED – CONSENTING TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY'S PAYMENT FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE VETERAN'S MEMORIAL BUILDING. Staff report dated June 13, 2006 was presented recommending adoption of a resolution consenting to the Inglewood Redevelopment Agency's payment for improvements to the Veteran's Memorial Building located at 700 Warren Lane.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that Resolution No. 06-64 entitled:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD CONSENTING TO THE INGLEWOOD REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY'S PAYMENT FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE VETERANS' MEMORIAL BUILDING AT 700 WARREN LANE

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

Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Price.

PUBLIC HEARING SET – CONSOLIDATED PLAN TO ADD THE RENOVATION OF THE VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING AS A PRIORITY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEED. Staff report dated June 13, 2006 was presented requesting that a public hearing be set to receive public comments on amending the Consolidated Plan to add the renovation of the Veterans Memorial Building located at 700 Warren Lane, as a priority Community Development need.

Mayor Dorn ordered the public hearing set for June 27, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

# ORDINANCE NO. 06-09 INTRODUCED – AMENDING THE IMC TO AUTORIZE REMOVAL OF UNAUTHORIZED TRASH BINS/ROLL-OFF BOXES PALED IN THE CITY. The City Clerk read the title of Ordinance No. 06-09; whereupon it was moved by Council Member Franklin and seconded by Council Member Morales that further

moved by Council Member Franklin and seconded by Council Member Morales that further reading be waived. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Price.

Thereupon, Ordinance No. 06-09 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA AMENDING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE 3, SECITON 7-26 OF THE INGLEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE

was introduced by Council Member Franklin.

<u>CLOSED SESSION – SYLVIA BEDROSSIAN VS. CITY OF INGLEWOOD.</u> Closed session - Confidential - Attorney/Client Privileged; Pending Litigation, Government Code Section 54956.9(a)l Sylvia Bedrossian vs. City of Inglewood, LASC Case No.: BC 334782.

It was moved by Council Member Franklin and seconded by Council Member Morales that the City Council does hereby confirm, approve and ratify settlement in the amount of \$10,000. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None:

Absent: Council Member Price.

Mayor Dorn recessed the City Council at the hour of 7:19 p.m.

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Mayor Dorn reconvened the City Council at the hour of 7:21 p.m. with a quorum present.

AGREEMENT NO. 06-52 APPROVED – HEYMAN-DENSMORE, LLP, ATTONREYS AT LAW. Staff report dated June 13, 2006 was presented recommending approval of an amendment to Agreement NO. 06-22 with Heyman-Densmore, LLP, Attorneys at Law for the purpose of increasing the total compensation from \$20,000 to \$50.000.

It was moved Council Member Franklin and seconded by Council Member Morales that Agreement No. 06-52 approved. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Price, Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None.

219 <u>MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT.</u> Staff report dated June 13, 2006 was presented, submitting the Monthly Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2006.

Mayor Dorn ordered the report received and filed.

<u>VERBAL REPORTS – CITY TREASURER.</u> The City Treasure gave an update on the investments made on behalf of the City and all its entities. She thanked the Principal of Monroe Middle School which allowed her to participate in their career day. She commented on the specials Delta Airline is offering by flying college bound students and their parents to the college of their choice. She further commented on Channel 11 who did a special on her son Johnny Brown and aired it on LA's Most Wanted and thanked the City Council and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

Mayor Dorn recessed the City Council at the hour of 7:24 p.m.

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Mayor Dorn reconvened the City Council at the hour of 7: 27 p.m. with a quorum present

PUBLIC HEARING HELD – RESOLUTION NO. 06-65 ADOPTED - VACATE A PORTION OF 83<sup>RD</sup> STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY. The City Clerk announced that the next scheduled matter is a public hearing to adopt a Resolution to vacate a portion of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Street right-of-way west of La Cienega Boulevard, that notice of this hearing has been given in the time, form and manner as required by law, the affidavit is on file and no communications have been received.

City Administrator, Joseph Rouzan, Jr., presented staff report dated June 13, 2006.

Mayor Dorn ordered the staff report received and filed.

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

No other persons wishing to address the City Council on this matter, Mayor Dorn ordered the public comment section closed at the hour of 7:30 p.m.

William Barnett, Public Works Department, commented that this vacation is in response to a request by the adjoining property owner. He further stated that the area of discussion is 83<sup>rd</sup> Street from the western edges of the City where the boundary commences with the Westchester District of Los Angeles. He stated that 83<sup>rd</sup> Street was originally a straight road way that abutted the Santa Fe tracks. He commented that back in the 1960's when the 405 freeway was built and La Cienega Blvd. was reconfigured, 83<sup>rd</sup> street was re-routed to

curve up and intersects with La Cienega Blvd. He further commented that the new road way curved away from the original right of way; however the old right of way lines still exist creating a triangular "no man's land" that is not used for street or utility purposes. The adjoining property owner is requesting the property for utilization and maintenance. He commented that the City can find no purpose for the land and is therefore requesting that the property be vacated.

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

Diane Sambrano commented that she is surprised that residents from that area are not present. She further commented that a greenery would be nice to develop. She also commented that it would have been nice to have a map to refer to so the public can see what area is being affected.

No other persons wishing to address the City Council on this matter, Mayor Dorn ordered the public comment section closed at the hour of 7:30 p.m.

Council Member Dunlap inquired if the street is going to be reconfigured.

Mr. Barnett commented that the street is going to remain as is.

Council Member Dunlap commented that her interest is the continuing maintenance of the property. She inquired if there are stipulations regarding the maintenance of the property.

Mr. Barnett commented that the area becomes private property upon vacation and the owner would be obliged to maintain it understand the same standard as any other property owner in the City.

Council Member Dunlap inquired if the property was not maintained properly, could the City take it back.

Mr. Barnett responded the City Could not.

Council Member Dunlap commented that she does not mind surrendering a small parcel, however she does have issues with the lack of recourse should that parcel not be maintained.

Council Member Morales inquired if it is foreseeable to use the property for any purpose to benefit the City.

Mr. Barnett commented that the property is unusable and is of no use to the City.

Council Member Morales inquired about the type of business the proposed owner has.

Mr. Barnett commented that he is not specifically aware as to the type of business is being ran but he does know the building is commercial.

Council Member Franklin inquired if the resolution to be adopted is a spin-off of the first resolution that was adopted in May.

Mr. Barnett commented that first Council adopted a resolution declaring its intention to vacate the property. He commented that the second phase is to adopt the actual vacation.

Council Member Franklin commented that from his understanding according to the map, there is a sewer easement and inquired if the proposed property owner would assume liability once he acquires the property.

Mr. Barnett responded yes.

It was moved by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Franklin that the City Council does hereby 1) Receive and file the Affidavit of Positing of the notice of intent to vacate said street; 2) Receive public comments; 3) Approve the Negative Declaration to be filed with the L.A. County Recorder; and that 4) Resolution No. 06-65 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA ORDERING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF  $83^{\rm RD}$  STREET WEST OF LA CIENEGA BOULEVARD

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Council Members Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Price; Not Voting: Council Member Dunlap.

## PUBLIC HEARING NOT HELD – PROPOSED AMENDMENTST TO ARTICLE 25 (SPECIAL USE PERMITS) OF CHAPTER 12 (ZONING) OF THE IMC TO ESTABLISH A SUPERSTORE ORDINANCE.

This item has been rescheduled to July 11, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

#### <u>PUBLIC HEARING HELD – RESOLUTION NO. 06-66 ADOPTED – OPPOSITION</u> <u>TO GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY'S (GSWC)</u> 30% WATER RATE

**INCREASE.** The City Clerk announced that the next scheduled matter is a public hearing to adopt a resolution opposing Golden State Water Company's (GSWC) 30% water rate increase proposed to take place over the next three years, that notice of this hearing has been given in the time, form and manner as required by law, the affidavit is on file and no communications have been received.

City Administrator, Joseph Rouzan, Jr., presented staff report dated June 13, 2006.

Mayor Dorn ordered the staff report received and filed.

Eric Escobar, Public Works Department, commented that the purpose of this hearing is to request that a resolution be adopted opposing Golden State Water's proposed rate increase which is submitted to the California Public Utilities Commission. He further stated that private utility companies are governed and regulated by the Public Utility Commission. HE commented that every three years, private utility companies can request rate adjustments by law. He stated as it stands now, Golden State Water company is requesting approval form CPUC for a 15.77 percent increase in 2007, 4.32 percent in 2008 and a 6.02 percent increase in 2009. He commented that the gross result after a 3 year period considering the compounding effect, and the omission of a credit, which is given to the residents, comes to a 30% increase in the water rates. He commented that the rate increase is unfair and high, residents in the service area being serviced by the City's water supply will be paying less for the same service and for those reasons, it is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution to be presented to the public participation hearing to be conducted in the City of Gardena. He finally requested that attention be brought to the map that shows the affected areas, which are portions of Districts 3 and 4.

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

Paul Russell commented that the price for may services are increasing and instead of just saying no, the City Council should come up with some type of alternative.

Johnny Inghram commented that although the rate increase does not affect him personally, affected residents should attend the hearings. He further commented on the lack of presence at the last hearing held that pertained to the residents of Ladera Heights. He

commented that it is naïve to think that this situation is going to work itself out on its own.

Willie Agee spoke concerning the affect this increase and the factors have on different classes of people.

Roosevelt Douglas encouraged residents to take action as opposed to depending solely on the Council Members.

Frank Wheeler commented that if the 10% utility tax imposed by the city is added, the actual increase would be 40%.

Dorothy Cole, 4<sup>th</sup> District, commented that she is opposed to the rate increase and the number of retired persons in her community. She commented that she hopes something can be done to stop the rate increase.

Elliot Petty spoke in opposition of the rate increase stating that it is obsessive and it seems fundamentally unfair. He commented that other Inglewood residents would be paying less that are covered by other companies and urged the CPUC to deny the application.

Alonzo Smith spoke in opposition to the proposed rate increase.

Linda Smith spoke in opposition to the rate increase stating that although prices are rising, 30% is entirely too much.

Catalina Hernandez spoke in Spanish (translated by Council Member Morales) stating that she is opposed to the rate increase by Golden State Water Company. She commented that her focus is on the green life and how it is a fundamental resource both inside and outside the house. She commented on her satisfaction of the neighboring front lawns and stated that she feels an increase would affect it and she wanted to be placed on record opposing the rate increase.

Diane Sambrano commented that Golden State Water Company has been servicing her area since 1926 and they have done a fine job. She commented that it's interesting how the City Council proposes salary increases for themselves but yet want to deny this company to do the same. She commented on water being an essential resource, and out of all the items on the agenda, Council chooses to fuss over this one. She commented that Council did not go to PUC to protest against the telephone company, nor natural gas. She suggested that Council do a better job on managing the water usage it has.

Ethel Austin spoke concerning the issue being revisited repeatedly. She stated that she is satisfied with her water service and suggested that efforts need to be made to catch the persons committing crimes against prostitutes.

Milton Brown commented on the goodness of humor at the meetings. He also spoke concerning profit motives being attached to vital resources such as water. He suggested that the public ban together when it comes to natural resources.

Shad Rezai, Golden State Water District Manager, commented that he wanted to clarify a few points. He stated that Golden State Water Company is a regulated utility company, not private. He commented that the rates are set by the PUC. He further commented that Golden State Water has about 300 million in capital improvement projects which contributes to the rate factor. He stated that prices are going up and water can not be pumped without energy. He further stated that increasing oil and natural gas prices affect his company as well. He commented that other companies have to go thru the same process as GSWC.

James Burt inquired if the company is simply trying to catch up as opposed to just going up. He commented that he was away from home for 15 days and wonders why his bill is exactly the same. He inquired if chlorination was part of the packet. HE urged the City Council to look into having GSWC prove that a rate increase is necessary.

Council Member Morales left the City Council Chambers at the hour of 8:01 p.m. and returned at 8:02 p.m.

No other persons wishing to address the City Council on this matter, Mayor Dorn ordered the public comment section closed at the hour of 8:03 p.m.

Council Member Dunlap commented that the Council is doing more than looking into the issue. She stated that the purpose of this hearing is to oppose the rate increase. Council Member Dunlap commented that it is important for residents to realize that these companies requesting rate increases must obtain permission from the CPUC. She further commented that there would be an administrative judge and commission. She commented that the judge takes testimony form public hearings. She further stated that at the meeting of May 31, there were only 12 residents and the room should have been packed. She inquired how this public hearing was noticed.

Eric Escobar commented that all residents in the service area were noticed as instructed.

Council Member Dunlap stated that it is important that everyone was noticed and yet the chambers are not filled. She commented that she attended a hearing and settlement conference regarding another water company and cities take this issue very seriously. She commented that cities hire outside legal counsel and experts to deal with these issues because it has a great impact on the community. She commented that the staff report states that GSWC has an application to the PUC. She stated that it further reads that the application is being reviewed by the Division of the Ratepayers Advocates (DRA), which is an extension of the CPUC that performs independent analysis. She stated that the comments from the public hearings are very important and are given great weight when the decision is made by the commission. She commented if no one shows at the hearings, the commission is going to assume that it is okay with those residents that didn't attend. She suggested that residents in the affected areas write a letter to CPUC opposing the rate increase. She further commented that if information is needed, The Council Office can be contacted at 310-412-5320. Lastly, she commented that it seems unfair that residents of the same city are paying different prices for the same service.

Council Member Morales commented that water is a huge business and both private companies as well as municipalities are involved. He stated that if companies get their water form other sources and those sources raise their prices, those companies will do the same just like any other business. He inquired where the city stood in regards to the process of GSWC filing the application. He commented that the City Council is doing all it can but it is very important for residents to give an opinion. He inquired about what other factors are taken into consideration, other than public input when CPUC is asked to approve a rate increase.

Eric Escobar commented that there is an extensive review conducted by the DRA. He commented that evidentiary hearings are then conducted by the CPUC. HE stated that at that time, the DRA recommends the rates be adopted to the presiding judge who has the power to set the increase.

Council Member Morales commented on the importance of public input and stated that a rate increase can be sought after every 3 years and being involved allows them to see the increase or changes that are coming along.

Council Member Franklin thanked all those for coming to the meeting. He commented that at the numerous block club meetings he has attended and communications received from the outreach efforts, the outcry was to oppose this proposed rate increase. He commented on the residents in Districts 3 and 4 who received a notice from GSWC informing them of another hearing to take place in the City of Gardena and urged them to join him to officially protest this proposition on behalf of the City, as a resident and as a customer. He inquired on a remedy that the City could pursue in acquiring the tie ins legally and supplying the affected residents form another water source.

Jerry Givens, Asst. City Administrator, commented that staff has made great strides in obtaining experts in the field of water acquisition.

Council Member Franklin commented that he knows it is a long drawn out process but he just wanted to inform everyone that that option is available. He commented that the residents of Districts 3 and 4 should not be treated as second class with regards to the quality of water they receive. He stated that the rest of the city's residents receive a more superior quality of water than the District 3 and 4 residents. He ended by providing the address for those residents who wanted to write the commission.

Mayor Dorn commented that if there will or won't be a rate increase is not determined by the City Council. He commented that the City Council is opposing the rate increase and stated that an increase of 30% is outrageous. He thanked the residents for attending the meeting and urged them to attend the Gardena meeting next week. He stressed the importance on speaking out at this meeting and the impact it has on the situation. He also urged those that could not attend to start a letter campaign opposing the rate increase. He further commented that it would be a terrible thing if people could not afford water because it is one of life's necessities. He said that it is important to do all the City can to stop the increase and it is also important to try and pick up those residents affected and bring them under the City's jurisdiction and provide for them what the city provides to the other residents.

It was moved by Council Member Dunlap and seconded by Council Member Morales that Resolution No. 06-66 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA OPPOSING THE PROPOSED WATER RATE INCREASE REQUESTED BY GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY

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

Ayes: Council Members Dunlap, Morales, Franklin and Mayor Dorn;

Noes: None;

Absent: Council Member Price.

<u>PUBLIC REMARKS</u>. 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.

Johnny Inghram encouraged the residents to come out and speak up against the proposed water rate increase.

Willie Agee spoke concerning the tardiness of a certain City Council Member and disrespecting the Mayor from the dais and insulting the staff of the City.

Paul Russell, commented on not starting the meetings on time, commented on reference material not included in the public or council packet and the costs of the water rate increase as opposed to the bottled water provided on the dais.

Roosevelt Douglas spoke concerning attending the meeting in Gardena and commended Channel 11 for showcasing the murder of the City Treasurer's son.

Mayor Dorn returned to the Council Chambers at the hour of 8:23 p.m.

Speaker commented on taxpayer's dollars, and the conduct of the police department.

George Harris spoke concerning the water issue and suggested alternatives to the City Council.

Ethel Austin spoke concerning a rebate that residents received, and the number of casualties in Districts 2 and 4.

Diane Sambrano spoke concerning the election results not being yet certified, her dismay to the false information being disseminated within the campaign, approving Council salaries, and the spending habits of the community.

There being no further business to be presented, Mayor Dorn declared the meeting adjourned in memory and in honor of his recently deceased brother, War Veteran, William Woodrow Dorn at the hour of 8:51 p.m.

		City Clerk
Approved thisday of	, 2006	
Mayor		