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**AGENDA FOR THE CONCURRENT REGULAR MEETINGS OF  
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE AND  
THE COMMERCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
5655 JILLSON STREET, COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2008 – 6:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor/Chairperson Baca Del Rio

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Robert Chavez  
Director of Community Services Department

**INVOCATION**

Mayor Pro Tempore/Vice Chairperson  
Aguilar

**ROLL CALL**

City Clerk/Assistant Secretary Olivieri

**NOVEMBER 4, 2008, SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION – DECLARATION  
OF RESULTS, PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES, OATH OF OFFICE**

1. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Commerce, California, Reciting the Fact of the Special Municipal Election Held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, Declaring the Result and Such Other Matters as Provided by Law

Pursuant to State law, the Los Angeles County Elections Department canvassed the returns of the Tuesday, November 4, 2008, Statewide General Election, with which the City of Commerce Special Municipal Election was consolidated, and has certified the results to the Secretary of State. The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors declared the results of the November 4, 2008, Statewide General Election official at its regular meeting of December 2, 2008.

The **City Council** will consider for approval and adoption a proposed Resolution reciting the fact of the Special Municipal Election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, declaring the result thereof and other matters as provided by law.

2. Presentation of Certificate of Election and Oath of Office of New Councilmember

Following the approval of the Resolution listed in Item 1, reciting the fact of the Special Municipal Election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, declaring the result thereof and other matters as provided by law, the City Clerk will present a Certificate of Election and administer the Oath of Office to the Councilmember-elect.

**REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL**

**3. Special Reorganization of City Council**

The **City Council** will conduct a special selection of Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore for the period of December 2008 to March 2009.

**APPEARANCES AND PRESENTATIONS**

**4. Commendation – Outgoing Councilmember – Tina Baca Del Rio**

The **City Council** will present a Commendation to Tina Baca Del Rio, commending and thanking her for her service to the City as Councilmember from March 2005 to November 2008.

**5. Commendation – Honoring Terry Salas Ortiz Upon Being Selected as “Teacher of the Year” by Rio Hondo Boys and Girls Club**

**The City Council continued this item from December 2, 2008, and will continue it to a future meeting.**

At the request of Mayor Pro Tempore Aguilar, the **City Council** will present a Commendation to City employee Terry Salas Ortiz who is a teacher at Cesar Chavez Elementary School, in recognition of her selection as “Educator of the Year” by the Rio Hondo Boys and Girls Club.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Citizens wishing to address the City Council/Commission on any item on the agenda or on any matter not on the agenda may do so at this time. However, State law (Government Code Section 54950 et seq.) prohibits the City Council/Commission from acting upon any item not contained on the agenda posted 72 hours before a regular meeting and 24 hours before a special meeting. Upon request, the City Council/Commission may, in their discretion, allow citizen participation on a specific item on the agenda at the time the item is considered by the City Council/Commission. Request to address City Council/Commission cards are provided by the City Clerk/Assistant Secretary. If you wish to address the City Council/Commission at this time, please complete a speaker's card and give it to the City Clerk/Assistant Secretary prior to commencement of the City Council/Commission meeting. Please use the microphone provided, clearly stating your name and address for the official record and courteously limiting your remarks to five (5) minutes so others may have the opportunity to speak as well.**

**To increase the effectiveness of the Public Comment Period, the following rules shall be followed:**

**No person shall make any remarks which result in disrupting, disturbing or otherwise impeding the meeting.**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Items under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. Each item has backup information included with the agenda, and should any Councilmember/Commissioner desire to consider any item separately he should so indicate to the Mayor/Chairperson. If the item is desired to be discussed separately, it should be the first item under Scheduled Matters.**

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## 6. Approval of Minutes

The **City Council** and **Commission** will consider for approval, respectively, the minutes of the Special Meeting of Tuesday, March 11, 2008, held at 7:00 p.m. [Council only] and Concurrent Regular Meetings of Tuesday, March 18, 2008, held at 6:30 p.m.

The City Council continued this item from December 2, 2008.

## 7. Approval of Warrant Register No. 10 dated December 16, 2008

The **City Council** and **Commission** will consider for approval, respectively, the bills and claims set forth in Warrant Register No. 10, dated December 2, 2008.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

### 8. Public Hearing – An Urgency Interim Ordinance Extending Urgency Interim Ordinance No. 615 of the City of Commerce Adopted Pursuant to Government Code Section 65858 Extending the Moratorium on the Establishment of Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and on the Distribution of Medical Marijuana at Existing Businesses

**The City Council will adjourn to Thursday, December 18, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. to consider this matter.**

The **City Council** will conduct a public hearing on, and thereafter consider for approval and adoption, a proposed Urgency Interim Ordinance extending Urgency Interim Ordinance No. 615 of the City of Commerce, adopted pursuant to Government Code Section 65858, extending the moratorium on the establishment of medical marijuana dispensaries and on the distribution of medical marijuana at existing businesses.

Urgency Interim Ordinance No. 615 will expire on December 27, 2008, unless extended. Staff is still in the process of reviewing information received from cities throughout Los Angeles and Orange Counties in order to prepare a comprehensive amendment to the Zoning Code.

If adopted, the proposed Ordinance will extend Urgency Interim Ordinance No. 615 for a period of ten months and fifteen days.

## SCHEDULED MATTERS

### 9. Commission and Committee Appointments

The **City Council** will make the appropriate appointments to the following City Commissions and Committees: Community Services Commission, Education Commission, Library Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Planning Commission, Senior Citizens Commission, Traffic Commission, Youth Advisory Commission, Beautification Committee, Housing Committee, Pageant Steering Committee, I-710 Local Advisory Committee (Ad Hoc), Community Railroad Task Force (Ad Hoc) and Environmental Justice Advisory Task Force.

**The City Council will adjourn to Thursday, December 18, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., to fill vacancies on the following Commission: Planning Commission.**

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

## CITY COUNCIL/COMMISSION REPORTS

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourn to Thursday, December 18, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, in memory of Colonel Robert L. Wong, father-in-law of Los Angeles County Sheriff's Sergeant Joe Gonzalez.

**LARGE PRINTS OF THIS AGENDA ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST  
FROM THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, MONDAY-FRIDAY,  
8:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.**