

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2016
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

6:30 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Horvath called the meeting to order at 6:49 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Yola Dore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmember D’Amico, Councilmember Duran, Councilmember Heilman, Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, and Mayor Horvath.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Arevalo, City Attorney Jenkins, City Clerk Quarker, and Records Management Specialist Martinez.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:

City Attorney Jenkins reported that the Closed Session was called to order at 6:00 p.m. He stated that there was no public comment. He further stated that an Item was added to the Closed Session Agenda; the matter of Owens v. City of West Hollywood. He reported that the closed session adjourned at 6:45 p.m. with no reportable action.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councilmember D’Amico requested that Items 4.A. and 4.B. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Items 2.U. and 2.V. respectively.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister requested that Item 5.A. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Item 2.W.

City Clerk Quarker stated that Staff has requested that Item 2.L. be tabled as the event was moved to a different venue.

Motion by Councilmember Heilman to approve the February 1, 2016 Agenda as amended, seconded by Councilmember D’Amico and approved.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

Councilmember D'Amico requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of resident Coe Holbrook.

Councilmember Heilman requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Supreme Court Justice Scalia.

Councilmember Duran requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Raymond Rector and Chris Cox. He also stated for the record that he did not support adjourning the meeting in memory of Justice Scalia.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Horvath presented a Welcome to Weho Proclamation to our new Sherriff's Captain Holly Perez.

Scott Houston, Director of the West Basin Water District Board of Directors, recognized those West Hollywood Businesses who participated in the Cash for Kitchens program.

City Councilmembers thanked member of the West Hollywood Advocates for Metro Rail (WHAM) and signed a poster board supporting a rail extension in West Hollywood extension.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

MICHAEL WAGNER, LOS ANGELES, spoke in support of 2.N.

RICK WATTS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 2.M. and 2.N.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 2.L. and addressed his concerns regarding the harassment of tenants in the City.

SYDNEY STANFORD, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding 2.N. and provided statistics on tobacco users and urged the City Attorney to draft an ordinance prohibiting the use of tobacco.

JOHN CORONA, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding 2.N. and expressed his opposition to allowing another tobacco retailer in the City.

LIDIA GUERRA, VAN NUYS, spoke regarding 2.N. and provided contact information for Valley Community Healthcare; (818) 763-8836 ext. 1311 or email at lguerra@bch.org.

NIR ZILBERMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 2.E. and urged City staff to be more involved in assisting the community's homeless and senior population.

HAL ELLE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 2.E. and 4.A. and stated that he is being displaced from his home.

MONTY MESSEX, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding 2.N. and provided statistics to City Council regarding tobacco retailer licensing in the State of California.

JOHN YI, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding 2.N. and showed support regarding a new tobacco retailer policy.

JEANNE DOBRAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of 2.N.

RICHARD ANTONIO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 2.N. and expressed his support.

PRIMO CASTRO, LA HABRA HEIGHTS, spoke regarding 2.N. and asked on behalf of American Cancer Society for City Council to approve this item.

STEPHANIE J. HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 2.G. and thanked City staff for working on this item and expressed her condolences on the passing of Coe Holbrook.

IRENE OPPENHEIM, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding her missing pet and the lack of services to help locate lost animals, especially in vacant houses and construction sites.

GRACIELA IPARRAGUIRRE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding City Hall's automated parking garage and the possible breach of security.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, addressed various concerns regarding the proposed project located at 1274 Crescent Heights Blvd.

FRANCESCA JACOBS, spoke regarding 2.N. and informed City Council regarding wellness options for smoking cessation.

TIM FLYNN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OXNARD, addressed City Council and stated that they are going to several Cities to view how Council conducts its meetings and stated that he was impressed with West Hollywood.

The following individual did not wish to speak, but submitted a citizen position slip in opposition to Item 2.G.: *Yola Dore*

The following individuals did not wish to speak, but submitted citizen position slips in support of Item 2.P.: *Darren Gold, Ryan Farber, Karen Kuo, and Jamie Adler.*

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Councilmember Heilman thanked Mayor Flynn for attending tonight's meeting and congratulated everyone who participated in the marathon this weekend. He also thanked Public Safety staff, Special Events staff, residents and businesses, for their work and patience each year during this event. Councilmember Heilman thanked Mayor Horvath for bringing Item 2.N. before the City Council and asked if the CUP requirement is still being enforced regarding tobacco products. Councilmember Heilman directed the City Manager to look into the issues surrounding Uber and Lyft drivers using the areas around Sunset as a staging area. He also spoke regarding public comment made regarding harassment issues and asked that Rent Stabilization and Housing Staff look into the issue. He also spoke regarding public comment made by a resident who was being displaced and expressed the lack of assistance from City staff, and asked that the City Manager look into this issue as well.

Councilmember D'Amico expressed his concerns regarding e-cigarettes currently being sold at dispensaries in the City, and how that would relate to Item 2.N. He spoke regarding Item 4.A. and stated that the report shows that two traffic calming studies have been conducted on the east side of town and two on the west side of town. He suggested that a study be conducted in the mid-city area as well. He spoke regarding Item 4.B. and expressed excitement that the project is moving forward. He spoke regarding Item 5.C. and appointed Dawn Moreno-Freedman to the Arts & Cultural Affairs Commission and asked that the Item be moved to the Consent Calendar as Item 2.X. Councilmember D'Amico disclosed that he received campaign donations from representatives from 8335 Sunset Blvd; which as an Item on the Closed Session Agenda.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister reported that she attended the West Hollywood Chamber installation of Board members and congratulated the new members. She spoke regarding her attendance at the recent One Billion Rising event. She spoke regarding the need for signage with emergency contact numbers listed at vacant properties and asked that the City ensure that a letter of agency is on file for these properties to that the Sheriffs can enter if needed. She requested that the City Manager work with the Rent Stabilization and Housing Division to provide Council with a list of Inclusionary Housing units and their respective expiration dates. She spoke regarding item 2.M., asking Staff to study Fountain and Hayworth further, once the crosswalk changes have been implemented, and return to the Transportation Commission with data and recommendations. She thanked the Mayor for bringing forward Item 2.N. and asked for enforcement measures and an education components. She spoke regarding Item 4.A. and asked that staff be mindful of negative economic indicators when moving forward with expenditures. She spoke regarding Item 4.B. and stated that she would like to use returned development funds instead of Housing Trust funds. She spoke regarding Item 5.A. and requested that staff reach out to the Association of Apartment Owners and inform them of this Item.

Councilmember Duran stated that will be attending a trip to Cuba on a good will trip during the first week in March and will not be available by email, phone, etc.

Councilmember Duran briefly explained why he could not support adjourning the meeting in memory of Justice Scalia because of his contempt to minorities and the LGBT community.

Mayor Horvath thanked Acting Captain Alamo for keeping the community safe and thanked Lt. Smith for his leadership during the recruitment of a new Captain. She also thanked her colleagues for their support of Item 2.N. to create healthier futures for the youth. She spoke regarding Item 4.A. and thanked her fellow Finance Sub-committee member Mayor Pro Tempore Meister for her diligence in reviewing the city's budget. She reported that there will be a Disaster Recovery seminar for small businesses on February 23, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the West Hollywood Park Community Meeting Room. She also reported that there will be Water Conservation Classes on March 5, 2016 and March 12, 2016 at City Hall and the West Hollywood Park Community meeting room, respectively. She spoke regarding SB 1053; which would assure that those who have a Section 8 voucher from being harassed and denied housing. She thanked staff for another successful One Billion Rising Event. She also reported that the Postal Inspectors are continuing with lock replacements starting with the 90069 zip code. She spoke regarding her recent testimony in Los Angeles and congratulated the City of Los Angeles on their efforts to assist the homeless. She also reported that she was invited to participate in an event with the Israeli Consulate.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Arevalo briefed City Council regarding the Uber issue and stated that Parking Enforcement has been citing them, and that Staff will look for ways to work with Uber on this issue. He spoke briefly regarding public comment made by the resident who was being displaced and that social services offered services and the individual declined those services. He spoke regarding public comment surround harassment issues and stated that Staff is working with the residents on these issues. He spoke regarding traffic calming studies, and stated that the mid-city will be studied after the East side and the Norma Triangle. He spoke regarding 1274 Crescent Heights Blvd., regarding bond financing prior to cityhood and stated that he will look into this issue with Rent Stabilization and Housing. He also spoke regarding upcoming special events related to the Oscars and a short Pre-Academy Awards event and street closure on Sunset the day before the awards show.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Quarker stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar is \$1,671,450 in expenditures, \$62,483 in potential revenue, and (\$19,013) in waived fees.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, 2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H.,I.,J.,K.,M.,N.,O.,P.,Q.,R.,S.,T.,U.,V.,W.,X. Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Councilmember D'Amico and approved.

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Tuesday, February 16, 2016 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station and at the West Hollywood Library on Tuesday, February 9, 2016.

ACTION: Receive and file. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

SUBJECT: The City Council is requested to approve the minutes of the prior Council meeting.

ACTION: Approve the minutes of February 1, 2016. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.C. DEMAND REGISTER NO. 780, RESOLUTION NO. 16-4794:

SUBJECT: The City Council is requested to approve payment of bills due as presented by the Director of Finance.

ACTION: Approve Demand Register No. 780 and adopt Resolution No. 16-4794, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 780". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.D. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2015 [D. WILSON, L. QUIJANO, K. BARENG, N. CORONADO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the Treasurer's Report for the month ended December 2015 pursuant to Section 53646 of the Government Code of the State of California.

ACTION: Receive and file. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.E. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD ACTION REPORTS:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive reports from various Commissions and Advisory Boards on actions taken at their recent meetings.

ACTION: Receive and file. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.F. APPROVAL OF MOU AGREEMENT WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY (LACMTA) RELATED TO PROPOSITION A INCENTIVE FUNDS AND THE CITYLINE FIXED ROUTE SHUTTLE SERVICE [E. SAVAGE, D. GIUGNI, P. SLOANE GOODMAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the approval of a two year agreement with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority (LACMTA) which will reimburse Proposition A incentive funds for reporting statistics to the National Transit Database (NTD) for the Cityline Shuttle Service.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute MOU.PAIWEHO15 with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority (LACMTA) for Proposition A incentive funds for the reporting of

statistical data to the National Transit Database; and 2) Authorize the Director of Finance to accept \$32,483 reimbursement to the Prop A Operating Account. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.G. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH BLOCK BY BLOCK FOR ADDITIONAL SECURITY AMBASSADOR SERVICES FOR 2016 [K. COOK, B. SMITH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement for services with Mydatt Services, Inc. d/b/a Block by Block for 2016 for additional security ambassador services to provide enhanced bicycle patrols on the eastside.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Services with Mydatt Services, Inc. d/b/a Block by Block, increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$80,000, for a revised total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,578,000 for additional security ambassador services; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents related to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.H. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC. FOR ON-CALL CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES [O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement for services with Michael Baker International, Inc. for on-call construction management and inspection services to increase the not-to-exceed amount and extend the agreement term.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the agreement for services with Michael Baker International, Inc. for on-call construction management and inspection services to increase the amount of the agreement by \$225,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$350,000 and extend the agreement by 12 months to June 30, 2017; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.I. AMENDMENT TO LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR STREET FURNITURE BETWEEN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AND OUTFRONT / JCDECAUX [P. AREVALO, F. CONTRERAS, K. MAYERSON, D. WILSON, J. LEONARD, S. DEWOLFE, B. SIEGL]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an amendment to the License Agreement for Street Furniture with Outfront/JCDecaux, LLC.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment Number 2 to the License Agreement for Street Furniture with Outfront/JCDecaux, LLC. to extend the term to July 1, 2016 and continue the Agreement under the same terms beyond July 1, 2016, on a month to month basis and to add additional items of street furniture to include up to 15 advertising panels at specified locations on City right-of-way as part of the City's bike share program (ATTACHMENT A); and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to

execute documents incident to the Amendment. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.J. AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR CIP 1610, CONCRETE REPAIR PROGRAM EAST SIDE – PHASE V, CDBG PROJECT NO. 601729-15 [O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider awarding a construction contract for the Concrete Repair Program East Side – Phase V, CIP 1610, CDBG Project No. 601729-15.

ACTIONS: 1) Accept the bid dated January 26, 2016, submitted by EBS General Engineering, Inc.; 2) Approve an agreement for services with EBS General Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$349,000 for the construction of CIP 1610, Concrete Repair Program East Side – Phase V, CDBG Project No. 601729-15; 3) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement; 4) Authorize the City Engineer to manage Change Orders to the agreement for services in an amount not to exceed 5% (\$17,450) of the total agreement amount; 5) Adopt Resolution No. 16-4795, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING THE DESIGN AND PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CONCRETE REPAIR PROGRAM EAST SIDE – PHASE V, CIP 1610, CDBG PROJECT NO. 601729-15, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 830.6 AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT PAYMENT ACCOUNT”; and 6) Make a finding that pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA-Public Resources Code, Section 21084 et. Seq.), Concrete Repair Program East Side – Phase V, CIP 1610, CDBG Project No. 601729-15, meets the requirements for a categorical exemption in compliance with Article 19, Section 15301, (Class 1- Existing Facilities). **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.K. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE 2016 OVARIAN CANCER CIRCLE / INSPIRED BY ROBIN BABBINI 6TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISER EVENT [J. HEILMAN, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider co-sponsoring the 6th Annual Ovarian Cancer Circle/Inspired by Robin Babbini Fundraiser event to be held on Sunday, May 1st at the Comedy Store.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the use of the City’s name and logo on printed materials advertising and promoting the event; and 2) Direct the Communications Division to utilize all appropriate communications tools to promote the event including, but not limited to, the City’s website and social media tools. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.L. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF MEMORIAL PROGRAM FOR JEANNE CÓRDOVA [J. DURAN, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider co-sponsorship of a memorial program for Jeanne Córdova, pioneering lesbian rights activist, to be held Saturday, March 5th at Fiesta Hall.

ACTIONS: This Item was Tabled.

2.M. PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK IMPROVEMENTS AT SAN VICENTE AND LIBRARY/PDC, FOUNTAIN AND HAYWORTH [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, B. CHEUNG, O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN]:

City Council will receive an update on the status of the crosswalk safety improvement study and recommendations regarding crosswalk improvements at the existing crosswalks at San Vicente Boulevard at Pacific Design Center (PDC)/Library and Fountain Avenue at Hayworth Avenue.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the installation of a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) at the existing crosswalk on San Vicente Boulevard at the PDC/Library crossing; and 2) Approve the installation of a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) at the existing crosswalk on Fountain Avenue at Hayworth Avenue. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.N. TOBACCO RETAILER LICENSING PROGRAM [L. HORVATH, H. MOLINA, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing the City Attorney to draft an ordinance aimed at developing and implementing a "Tobacco Retailer Licensing" (TRL) program.

ACTION: Direct the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to establish a new Tobacco Retailer Licensing (TRL) program. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.O. DENY THE DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 972-974 SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, D. DEGRAZIA, R. DIMOND]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation to deny the property located at 972-974 San Vicente Boulevard as a local Cultural Resource (Resolution No. HPC 16-117).

ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council uphold the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation, and adopt Resolution No. 16-4796, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, TO DENY THE DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 972-974 SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE." (EXHIBIT A) **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.P. APPROVE STREET CLOSURES AND WAIVE FEES FOR THE STREET AF(FAIR) IN THE WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGN DISTRICT [E. SAVAGE, C. SMITH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider waiving fees and approving street closures on portions of Almont Drive between Santa Monica Boulevard and Melrose Avenue to accommodate the Street Af(Fair) scheduled for Saturday, April 30, 2016.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the closure of Almont Drive between Santa Monica Boulevard and Melrose Avenue from 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 29 to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 30, 2016 with specific hours being adjusted dependent on public safety requirements; 2) Approve the following fee-waivers totaling \$19,013: Street Closure Fees of \$15,500, Special Event Permitting Fees of \$2,740, and Building and Safety Permit Fees not to exceed \$773; 3) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to negotiate with West Hollywood Design District regarding additional requests; and 4) Authorize the Communications Division to promote the event. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.Q. LOS ANGELES COUNTY PARK NEEDS ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS, E. SAVAGE, O. WALKER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the outcome of the Los Angeles County Park Needs Assessment Workshop conducted by the Public Facilities Commission.

ACTION: Accept the recommendation of the Public Facilities Commission to approve the list of potential projects as prioritized by the Commission and Community Members and forward that list to the County of Los Angeles County to be included in the Countywide Park Needs Assessment process. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.R. A RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE ELLIS ACT TO REQUIRE A ONE YEAR NOTICE PERIOD FOR ALL TENANCIES TERMINATED UNDER THE ACT AND REQUIRE NOTICE TO TENANTS OF RE-RENTAL OF VACATED PREMISES [J. HEILMAN, A. REGAN, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution calling on the California State Legislature to amend the State's Ellis Act to require a one year notice period for all tenancies terminated under the Ellis Act and to require notice to tenants of re-rental of vacated premises.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 16-4797, "A RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE ELLIS ACT TO REQUIRE A ONE YEAR NOTICE PERIOD FOR ALL TENANCIES TERMINATED UNDER THE ACT AND REQUIRE NOTICE TO TENANTS OF RE-RENTAL OF VACATED PREMISES"; 2) Direct staff to send signed copies of the adopted resolution to the offices of Assemblymember Richard Bloom, Senator Ben Allen, and other state legislators; and 3) Direct staff and City Lobbyist to pursue the legislative

reforms to the Ellis Act as noted in Resolution No. 16-4797. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.S. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF H.R.938/S.1299, THE GARRETT LEE SMITH MEMORIAL ACT REAUTHORIZATION OF 2015 [J. HEILMAN, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution in support of H.R.938 (Jolly, R-FL) and S.1299 (Reed, D-RI), the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act Reauthorization of 2015, which provides funding for suicide prevention and crisis intervention programs across the nation.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 16-4798, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF H.R.938 (JOLLY, R-FL) and S.1299 (REED, D-RI) – THE GARRETT LEE SMITH MEMORIAL ACT REAUTHORIZATION OF 2015"; and 2) Direct the City Lobbyist to send signed copies of the adopted resolutions to the bill sponsors: U.S. Representatives David Jolly and Danny Davis and U.S. Senators Jack Reed and Lisa Murkowski; the offices of U.S. Senators Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer; U.S. Representative Adam Schiff; and President Barack Obama; and State Assemblymember Richard Bloom and Senator Ben Allen. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.T. A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SB 868 (JACKSON) THE STATE REMOTE PILOTED AIRCRAFT ACT [L. MEISTER, A. LOVANO]:

The City Council will consider adopting a resolution in support of SB 868 (Jackson) The State Remote Piloted Aircraft Act, which would establish conditions for operating remote piloted aircraft, commonly known as drones, on private property, over state parks, near critical infrastructure such as bridges, and around the State Capitol.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 16-4799, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF SB 868 (JACKSON) THE STATE REMOTE PILOTED AIRCRAFT ACT"; and 2) Direct staff to send signed copies of the adopted resolution to the offices of Governor Jerry Brown, CA Assemblymember Richard Bloom, CA State Senators Ben Allen and Hannah-Beth Jackson, and other statewide partners as appropriate. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.U. (4.A.) UPDATE OF THE 2015-16 OPERATING BUDGET & ACCOMPLISHMENTS [P. AREVALO, D. WILSON, J. LEONARD, C. SAFRIET]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the mid-year update of the City's 2015-16 Operating Budget and Capital Work Plan, as well as receive an update on work program accomplishments. The mid-year adjustment proposes \$1,704,282 in additional General Fund revenues, \$3,171,340 in General Fund Expenditures, a transfer of \$50,000 from the General Fund to the Computer Master Plan Fund to fund WehoX, \$75,000 in Traffic Mitigation Fund expenditures, and \$30,000 in Air Quality

Management District Fund expenditures. This mid-year adjustment also requests two new full-time staff positions.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve budget adjustments identified in the attached "Proposed Mid-Year Changes to the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget" (Attachment A); 2) Receive and file the attached Mid-Year Financial Report (Attachment B) and Vision 2020 Work Plan Accomplishments (Attachment C); 3) Approve the addition of a position that will perform principal planner duties in the Long Range and Range & Mobility Planning Division; and 4) Approve the addition of a position that will perform construction management supervision in the Facilities & Field Services Division. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.V. (4.B.) CONSTRUCTION FINANCING COMMITMENT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AT 1125 NORTH DETROIT STREET (BLUE HIBISCUS) [E. SAVAGE, P. NOONAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing the City Manager to sign a letter committing an additional \$1 million in construction financing for a 22-unit affordable housing development at 1125 North Detroit Street known as Blue Hibiscus.

ACTIONS: 1) Authorize the City Manager to sign a commitment letter in substantially the form provided at Attachment 1, pledging an additional \$1 million in construction and permanent financing for the Blue Hibiscus project located at 1125 North Detroit Street; 2) Authorize the City Manager to sign a commitment letter in substantially the form provided as Attachment 2, authorizing an existing \$1 million acquisition and predevelopment loan dated November 21, 2014, and a \$232,000 deferred receipts loan dated December 19, 1988 and \$334,519 accrued interest to be converted to permanent financing, bringing the total permanent loan commitment for the project to \$2,566,519; and 3) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$1 million from unallocated reserves in the Affordable Housing Trust Fund for the purposes of funding Recommendation No. 1, or transfer \$2 million of the 2011 redevelopment housing bond proceeds for use by the project if approved by the Successor Agency Oversight Board and the State Department of Finance, for the purposes of funding Recommendation No. 1 and No. 2 (funding is not needed for the deferred receipts loan). **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.W. (5.A.) RELOCATION FEE SCHEDULE FOR NO-FAULT EVICTIONS [E. SAVAGE, P. NOONAN, J. HOLUB]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution establishing a relocation fee schedule for no-fault evictions.

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 16-4800, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ESTABLISHING A RELOCATION FEE SCHEDULE FOR NO-FAULT EVICTIONS". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.X. (5.C.) ARTS & CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION APPOINTMENT [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider making an appointment to the Arts & Cultural Affairs Commission.

ACTION: Councilmember D'Amico appointed Dawn Moreno-Freedman.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

4.C. LOCALLY PREFERRED LIGHT RAIL ROUTE FOR METRO'S CRENSHAW / LAX NORTHERN EXTENSION PROJECT [P. AREVALO, L. MARIE BELSANTI, H. MOLINA, S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, J. HANKAMER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will review the results of rail technical studies comparing three alternative routes of the potential Metro Crenshaw / LAX Northern Extension Project; consider advocating for a locally preferred light rail route; and receive updates on related Metro activities and the City's outreach and advocacy campaign for rail service.

Long Range and Mobility Planning Manager Bianca Siegl provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated February 16, 2016.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 4.C. and expressed concern with a West Hollywood possibly proposing a sales tax increase for transit.

Councilmember Duran spoke regarding the Item and gave a brief history of previous sales tax initiatives that did not benefit West Hollywood.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister expressed concerns regarding the staff report and asked the Fehr & Peers' representative to provide further clarification regarding the population, unemployment, and ridership statistics referenced in the report. She expressed concerns that the recommendation of Santa Monica/San Vicente as the preferred option was predetermined.

Councilmember D'Amico also expressed concerns with the statistics and numbers provided in the report relating to population, unemployment, and ridership. He also stated that the City should be certain that this is a priority for the residents.

Councilmember Heilman, thanked City staff and the consultant for working on this item and stated that there are advocates for the Metro Crenshaw.

He expressed support for staff's recommendation and hopes that this moves forward.

Mayor Horvath expressed her support for this item and the importance of having Cedar Sinai in the proposed route. She also stated that residents have shown their support for this type of transit by voting for Measure R.

ACTIONS: 1) Review and consider the Fehr & Peers technical report comparing three routes of the potential Metro Crenshaw / LAX Northern Extension Project; and direct staff to advocate for the inclusion of the San Vicente to Santa Monica Boulevard route in Metro's countywide ballot measure expenditure plan; 2) Receive an update on related Metro activities; and 3) Receive an update on the City's outreach and advocacy campaign for rail service. **Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Councilmember Heilman, and approved.**

4.D. WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK MASTER PLAN PHASE II IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT – 50% CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS COMPLETION [P. AREVALO, F. CONTRERAS, S. DEWOLFE, J. HANKAMER, D. WILSON, J. LEONARD]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider and confirm 50% completion of the Construction Document Phase of the West Hollywood Park Phase II Master Plan Implementation Project ("Project"); review and consider the project cost estimate, project schedule, construction phasing strategy, and mitigation plan; review and consider value engineering and mitigation plan budget impacts; consider the contractor prequalification process; authorize staff to advertise the Project for construction bids; consider establishing the FAM AIDS Monument as a separate project; and review the status of the Mural Art Program.

Innovations and Strategic Initiatives Manager Francisco Contreras and Consultant Dan Adams, provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated February 16, 2016.

Revenue Manager John Leonard presented the preliminary financing plan for this project as outlined in the staff report dated February 16, 2016.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 4.D. and inquired about the possibility of the installation of a pool at Plummer Park instead of West Hollywood Park.

CYNTHIA BLATT, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 4.D. and addressed her concerns regarding the cost of the project.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 4.D. and addressed her concerns regarding the potential loss of parking and having a dog park component.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 4.D. and addressed her concerns regarding the grand staircase and animal shelters that put animals to sleep.

FRANCESCA JACOBS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, addressed various concerns regarding Item 4.D.

MICHAEL WOJKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 4.D. and in support of a dog park. He stated that that the current dog park is the City is inaccessible.

Councilmember Heilman provided information regarding Item 4.D. and the proposed amenities & programs. Councilmember Heilman addressed his concerns regarding the parking component and the elimination of the grand stair. He proposed an advertisement mechanism to help bridge the gap of about \$5 M.

Councilmember Duran expressed his support for the Item as presented and stated that a 4.5% increase for a project that will last for years and year to come is minimal.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, spoke regarding 4.D. and the proposed items that could be removed to reduced costs. She requested a break down in these costs that would give Council more flexibility when deciding what can be eliminated from the overall project. She also spoke in favor of keeping the dog park areas, gym, picnic tables and eliminating the Grand Stair and one pool. She suggested waiting to see if market changes would allow for reduced construction costs. She spoke regarding utilizing the additional parking at the Pacific Design Center, rather than spending funds to alter the Park's existing parking garages.

Councilmember D'Amico expressed concern with the proposed financing plan for this project and stated that he could not support the Item as presented.

City Manager Arevalo requested clarification as to the impact of the park closure as it relates to special events that take place at the park. Staff indicated that they have already begun working with various event producers to discuss issues beforehand.

Mayor Horvath expressed her concerns regarding losing what we already have in terms of proposed amenities in the Park and spoke in support of a discussion regarding a Project Labor Agreement. She suggested that Council look at some of the options before making a decision tonight.

Councilmember Duran motioned to approve the Item. Councilmember Heilman proposed a friendly amendment to the motion to direct staff and the consultant to look into the following items and bring them back for discussion and approval; 1) Savings from keeping some or all of the 11 parking spaces near the dog park; 2) Different alternatives for construction in less phases; 3) Provide a cost/benefit analysis of removing the stacker parking system; 4) Have the Grand Staircase and the Café as a bid alternatives; 5) Private fundraising; 6) Allowing short-term advertising on the west side wall; and 7) During the bid qualification process try to ensure that the project is primarily a Union based project that can give us the benefits of a Project Labor Agreement without the administrative costs.

ACTION: Mayor Horvath made a substitute motion to continue the Item to the March 7, 2016 meeting to allow Staff to return with information on the seven items proposed in Councilmember Heilman's friendly amendment. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilmember D'Amico and was approved with Councilmember Duran voting No.

(Councilmember Duran left the meeting at 10:39 p.m.)

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.B. MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT PRIORITIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE [P. AREVALO, F. CONTRERAS, D. WILSON, J. LEONARD, S. DEWOLFE, J. HANKAMER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a multi-year prioritization and implementation timeline for major Capital Projects.

Innovations and Strategic Initiatives Manager Francisco Contreras provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated February 16, 2016.

STEPHANIE J. HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 5.B. and asked that there be ample community input regarding Plummer Park improvements.

CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 5.B. and spoke about the need for community input on the Plummer Park improvements..

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister spoke in support of prioritizing the Street Media Project before the AID Monument.

Councilmember D'Amico stated that the proposed timeline is very helpful. He spoke regarding the AIDS Monument and the Plummer Park Improvements being on the same timeline, and suggested that the

Plummer Park improvements begin in July, even if the AIDS Monument is not complete.

ACTIONS: Receive the multi-year prioritization and implementation timeline for major Capital Projects and provide feedback as needed.
Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember D'Amico, and approved, noting the absence of Councilmember Duran.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:

6. LEGISLATIVE: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 10:56 p.m. in memory of Raymond Rector, Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, Chris Cox, and Coe Holbrook, to its next regular meeting, which will be on Monday, March 7, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. at West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room - Council Chambers.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 7th day of March, 2016 by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmember:	D'Amico, Duran, Heilman, Mayor Pro Tempore Meister and Mayor Horvath.
NOES:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSENT:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember:	None.

LINDSEY HORVATH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

YVONNE QUARKER, CITY CLERK