

**CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
MINUTES  
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2015  
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

**6:30 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor D’Amico called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Roy Huebner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: **Councilmember Duran, Councilmember Horvath,  
Councilmember Meister, and Mayor D’Amico**

ABSENT: **None.**

ALSO PRESENT: **City Manager Arevalo, City Attorney Jenkins, City Clerk  
Quarker, and Assistant City Clerk Crowder**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

City Clerk Yvonne Quarker indicated that staff has requested that Item 2.U. be tabled.

Councilmember Horvath requested that Items 5.A. and 5.B. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Items 2.NN. and 2.OO. respectively. She also requested that Item 2.X. be moved to Excluded Consent.

Councilmember Meister requested that Items 2.J and 2.Z. be moved to Excluded Consent and requested that Item 6.A. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Item 2.PP.

Councilmember Duran requested that Item 2.MM. be moved to Excluded Consent since the proposed Bill has since been modified.

**Motion by Councilmember Meister, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to approve the April 6, 2015 agenda as amended and approved.**

**ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:**

Councilmember Horvath requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of long-time West Hollywood resident Lou Sesanto. She requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Yael Hornstein Galperin, the mother of L.A. City Controller Ron Galperin.

Councilmember Meister requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of long-time West Hollywood resident Scott Edwin Stewart.

## **PRESENTATIONS:**

Councilmember Duran presented a plaque honoring former Historic Preservation Commissioner Danny Castro. Marc Yeber received the plaque on his behalf.

Mayor D'Amico presented a Proclamation to the Public Facilities Commission in recognition of Arbor Day 2015.

Mayor D'Amico presented a Proclamation to Mason Summer, on behalf of DMV/Donate Life California Month.

Councilmember Horvath presented a Proclamation honoring Bamby Salcedo and her work with the LGBTQ community.

Councilmember Meister presented plaques to outgoing Commission and Advisory Board members.

### **1. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

ROB BERGSTEIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.J.

JESSIE KORNBERG, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding Items 2.D. and 2.GG.

JOE CARO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.L.

LISA LIBERATI, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding Item 2.H.

MARINA BERKMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.L.

KAREN O'KEEFE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.H.

TIM BOND, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding an upcoming screening of the film Gen Silent.

RICHARD GIESBRET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.Z.

EFIM STOLYARSKY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.GG

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various items on the Consent Calendar.

LYNN ETCETERA, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues in the City.

NIR ZILBERMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding tolerance in the City.

RICK WATTS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 5.D.

IVY BOTTINI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 5.D.

The following individuals did not wish to speak but wanted to express their support or opposition to the following items: BRAD KIESTLER, WEST HOLLWYOOD in support of Item 2.H.; JOE CARO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, in support of Item 2.R; and MANNY RODRIGUEZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, in opposition to Item 2.Z.

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:**

Councilmember Horvath thanked all of the direct appointees of former Councilmember John Heilman for their service to the City. She congratulated Nadia Sutton on receiving the Woman of the Year Award from Congressman Schiff. She also congratulated Mark Yeber on being asked to participate in the National APA Conference on Seattle. She also stated that she has chosen to keep all of the direct appointees of former Councilmember Land on their respective Commission and Boards until their terms expire on May 31<sup>st</sup>, and will make her reappointment/appointments at that time. She spoke regarding the recent Employee Bike Share launch and her support of Item 2.H. She also spoke regarding various events hosting by the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce. She indicated that April is Sexual Assault Prevention Month and mentioned the various events that are scheduled in support of it. She spoke regarding the recruitment process for her Council Deputy and thanked Kiran Hashmi for agreeing to be her Interim Council Deputy. She asked the City Manager to provide information about the proposed development at 826 N. Kings Road and the associated community meetings that are scheduled. Finally, she disclosed her campaign contributions.

Councilmember Duran thanked his colleagues for supporting Item 2.K. He mentioned Item 2.R. and the expansion of the PickUp. He spoke regarding Item 2.MM. and reported that the language included in the Religious Freedoms Restoration Act had been revised, and asked his fellow Councilmembers if the Resolution should be revised in light of this change.

Councilmember Meister and Councilmember Horvath agreed with revising the Resolution to remove the verbiage relating to enacting a travel ban to Indiana and amending it to state that the City Manager ban official travel to any state that adopts similar legislation. With this approved revision, Item 2.MM. was placed back onto the Consent Calendar for approval.

Councilmember Meister spoke briefly regarding her decision to appoint new Commission and Advisory Board members and stated that she appreciates everyone's comments. She also reported on the Westside Cities Council of Governments (Westside COG) meeting that she attended last week. She mentioned that April is Earthquake Preparedness Month and discussed ways that residents can prepare. She spoke briefly regarding Item 2.I. and requested that Staff looks at LED lights and ornamental lamps to improve visibility. She spoke regarding Item 2.M. and asked staff to look at residential demolition fees and also how to protect and attract small

businesses. She spoke regarding Items 5.A. and 5.B. and asked Staff to also focus on getting residents out to vote along with encouraging Permanent Vote-by-Mail registration.

Mayor D'Amico disclosed his campaign contributions. He spoke regarding public comments surrounding Item 5.D. and in support of changing the Commission and Advisory Board term expiration dates to March 31<sup>st</sup>. He asked the City Manager to have Staff bring an Item to Council providing an update on the City's lobbying efforts to the MTA. He also asked the City Manager to respond to public comments surrounding the ongoing investigation involving Council Deputies.

Councilmember Meister asked Staff to include study of a Design Review Commission or Board, separate from the Planning Commission.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

City Manager Arevalo spoke regarding the proposed developed at 826 N. Kings Road. He reported that a community meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2015 and that the project is scheduled to be heard at the May 4<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.

City Attorney Mike Jenkins provided clarification on the result of a deadlock vote of the Council as it relates to Appeals of Planning Commission decisions. He stated that the City's Municipal Code indicates that in the event of a tie vote by the City Council, the action of the Planning Commission will be the final decision.

Mr. Arevalo spoke briefly about the City Council Deputy investigation. He indicated that public discussions of personnel issues must be limited to protect both the employees and the City. He also stated that the internal reports have not been finalized, however, when they are, the information that can be shared, will be provided. City Attorney Jenkins further commented that the City retained an outside investigator to handle this personnel issue.

### **FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:**

City Clerk Quarker stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar is \$1,410,651.00 in expenditures, \$15,680.00 in additional revenue, and (\$6,824.00) in waived fees.

## **2. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**ACTION: Approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, 2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H.,I.,K.,L.,M.,N.,O.,P.,Q.,R.,S.,T.,V.,W.,Y.,AA.,BB.,CC.,D.,EE.,FF.,GG.,HH.,II.,KK.,LL.,MM.,NN.,OO.,PP. Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Mayor D'Amico, and approved.**

**2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:**

*SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday April 6, 2015 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station and at the West Hollywood Library on Thursday, April 2, 2015.*

**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 March 16, 2015. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.C. DEMAND REGISTER NO. 762, RESOLUTION NO. 15-4665:**

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

**ACTION:** Approve Demand Register No. 762 and adopt Resolution No. 15-4665, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 762". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.D. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2015 [D. WILSON, L. QUIJANO, K. BARENG]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the Treasurer's Report for the month ended February 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. CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council is asked to deny claims filed against the City as an administrative step in claims processing.*

**ACTION:** Deny the claims of John Simon and Jordan Schau and refer them to the City's claims adjuster. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.F. COMMISSION ACTION REPORT:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will receive a report from the Public Facilities Commission on actions taken at its recent meeting.*

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

**2.G. APPROVE LICENSE AGREEMENT, PARKING RATES AND INSTALLATION OF PAY-BY-SPACE MACHINES FOR SURFACE PARKING LOTS LOCATED AT 820 SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD AND 815 PALM AVENUE [O. DELGADO, J. ROCCO, B. BORTFELD]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing the Parking Services Division to enter into a license agreement to manage, establish*

*rates and hours of operation and install pay-by-space machines at two parking lots located at 820 San Vicente Boulevard and 815 Palm Avenue.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve a License Agreement with the property licensee of 820 San Vicente Boulevard and 815 Palm Avenue, KKGHSVI, LLC to manage both parking lots; 2) Authorize the City Manager to sign the License Agreement; 3) Approve the installation of two pay-by-space machines for the parking lots located at 820 San Vicente Boulevard and 815 Palm Avenue; 4) Adopt Resolution No 15-4666, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF SINGLE SPACE PARKING METERS AND ESTABLISHING THE HOURS OF OPERATION AND PARKING RATES FOR THE PARKING LOT LOCATED AT 820 SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD"; 5) Adopt Resolution No 15-4667, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF SINGLE SPACE PARKING METERS AND ESTABLISHING THE HOURS OF OPERATION AND PARKING RATES FOR THE PARKING LOT LOCATED AT 815 PALM AVENUE"; 6) Approve an amendment to the ABM/Ampco contract for parking management services in the amount of \$33,000 increasing the not to exceed amount to \$1,221,174.32; and 7) Authorize staff to negotiate an agreement with the IPS Group to purchase two (2) "pay-by-space" machines in an amount not to exceed \$20,000. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.H. PRIORITIZATION OF THE INSTALLATION OF BICYCLE LANES ALONG FAIRFAX AVENUE FROM FOUNTAIN AVENUE TO WILLOUGHBY AVENUE [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, B. CHEUNG, T. ROBINSON, O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adding a project to the City's 5-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Year 2015-16 for the installation of bicycle lanes along Fairfax Avenue between Fountain Avenue and Willoughby Avenue.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve prioritizing bicycle lanes along Fairfax Avenue between Fountain Avenue and Willoughby Avenue; and 2) Direct staff to recommend including a project to design and construct bicycle lanes along Fairfax Avenue between Fountain Avenue and Willoughby Avenue, as part of the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget Update. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.I. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS ON SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD BETWEEN LA CIENEGA AND SAN VICENTE BOULEVARDS [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, B. CHEUNG, O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN, K. COOK, L. BELSANTI]:**

*SUBJECT: City Council will receive an update regarding community outreach efforts related to potential signalization of crosswalks and intersections, changes in turning movements at intersections, and potential changes to the street medians and access to certain properties*

*on Santa Monica Boulevard between La Cienega and San Vicente Boulevards. Initial outreach has been completed, and the project team is currently evaluating additional alternatives as requested by area businesses. The City Council will also receive an update regarding related pedestrian safety measures.*

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

**2.J. WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY HOUSING CORPORATION SECOND QUARTER REPORT FOR 2014-2015 [E. SAVAGE, P. NOONAN, A. LOVANO]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation (WHCHC) Administrative Contract Report for the Second Quarter of fiscal year 2014-2015.*

**ACTION:** Receive and file. **Item moved to Excluded Consent.**

**2.K. WATER INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE [J. DURAN, I. OWENS]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider requesting an analysis on the current status and planned improvements to the City of West Hollywood's Water Infrastructure from the Department of Public Works.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Direct the Department of Public Works to request a comprehensive report from both the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power and the Beverly Hills Department of Water & Power on the current status and planned improvements to the City's aging Water Infrastructure; and 2) Direct the Department of Public Works to return to the City Council within 90 days with an analysis of both agencies reports and suggested recommendations for improving the functionality and safety of the City's Water Infrastructure. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.L. REPROGRAMMING 2013-14 CONTRACT SAVINGS AND UNSPENT FUNDS [E. SAVAGE, D. GIUGNI]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a recommendation that \$96,376.51 in contract savings, returned and unspent funds be re-programmed and used to augment the Jewish Family Services Comprehensive Services Center and the Bet Tzedek Legal Services contracts.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve the re-programming of \$96,376.51 to Social Service contracts, including \$36,273.51 in returned funds and \$60,103 in unspent funds and contract savings; 2) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to increase both revenue account 100-461001 and expenditure account 100-3-05-53-536023 by \$36,273.51 the amount of returned funds; 3) Approve an amendment to the Jewish Family Services' Comprehensive Services Center contract in the amount of \$60,103; 4) Approve an amendment to the Bet Tzedek Legal Services contract in the amount of \$36,273.51; and 5) Authorize the City Manager to sign any documents related to the contract amendments. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.M. RELEASE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF ALL CITY FEES [D. WILSON, J. LEONARD, C. DUNCAN]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving the release of a Request for Proposals for a Comprehensive Study of all City Fees.*

**ACTION:** Authorize the issuance of a Request for Proposals for a Comprehensive Study of all City Fees. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.N. APPROVAL OF CONSULTANT CONTRACT WITH GLADWELL GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES FOR PREPARATION OF DOCUMENT IMAGING [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. ROME]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving a contract with Gladwell Governmental Services to create policies and procedures for conversion of the Community Development Department (CDD) property files to electronic formats within the City's new document storage system and permitting software.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve a contract with Gladwell Governmental Services, Principal Diane Gladwell, in an amount not-to-exceed \$20,000.00; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to sign and execute all necessary documents related to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.O. AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH HISTORIC RESOURCES GROUP FOR ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTING SERVICES [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an Agreement for Services with Historic Resources Group, LLC, for an Architectural Condition Assessment and development of a Rehabilitation and Maintenance Plan for the William S. Hart House.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve an Agreement for Services with Historic Resources Group, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of \$35,000, for an Architectural Condition Assessment and development of a Rehabilitation and Maintenance Plan; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement for Services. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.P. AGREEMENT FOR ON-CALL PROFESSIONAL AUDIOVISUAL TECHNOLOGY CONSULTING AND SUPPORT SERVICES [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider awarding an Agreement with Waveguide Consulting, Incorporated for On-Call Professional Audiovisual Technology Consulting and Support Services.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve an Agreement for Services through June 30, 2016 in the not to exceed amount of \$60,000 with Waveguide Consulting, Incorporated for providing On-Call Professional Audiovisual Technology Consulting and Support Services; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement in the not to exceed amount of \$60,000. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**



**2.Q. APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH CRW SYSTEMS FOR MODIFICATIONS TO EXISTING SQL SERVER REPORTING SERVICE DOCUMENTS AND PROVIDE STAFF TRAINING [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, D. DEGRAZIA, S. BAILEY, B. ROME]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving a contract with CRW Systems for modifications to existing SQL Server Reporting Service documents used by the Community Development Department permitting software program and include additional staff training sessions.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve an agreement with CRW Systems, not to exceed the amount of \$15,000.00 to make modifications to existing SQL Server Reporting Service documents used by the Community Development Department permitting software program and provide additional training on the TRAKiT9 permitting system to staff; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to sign the contract amendment. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.R. AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH AMERICAN GTS FOR THE WEHO PICKUP LINE TO EXTEND THE LENGTH OF THE CONTRACT AND TO IMPLEMENT THE EXPANSION OF THE ROUTE TO LA BREA AND OTHER SERVICE ENHANCEMENTS [E. SAVAGE, D. GIUGNI, F. GOMEZ]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of Amendment No. 4 to the existing Agreement for Services with American GTS (operator of The PickUp Line), to allow for The PickUp's expansion to La Brea Avenue, the continuance of service on popular "nightlife" holidays, and the introduction of a three-month pilot program to operate on Sundays during the summer months.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement for Services with American GTS, extending the term of the Agreement by two years (new expiration date June 30, 2017), and increasing the "not-to-exceed" amount of the Agreement by \$847,104 for a total "not-to-exceed" amount of \$1,262,214. The amendment includes an annual increase 1.65% to the hourly service rates; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Amendment to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.S. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH PCI [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Services with PCI for Installation of Regulatory Traffic and Parking Signs.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Services with PCI extending the term of the Agreement for a period of two years (new expiration date June 30, 2017), and increasing the not-to-exceed amount of the Agreement by \$164,650, for a total new not-to-exceed amount of \$329,300; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the

Amendment to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.T. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH WESTERN AUDIO VISUAL [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement with Western Audio Visual to include a fixed dollar amount for non-warranty Audio Visual Equipment Repair, Upgrades and Replacement Services as required to maintain the City's equipment for the remainder of the term of the agreement which expires on June 30, 2016.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Services with Western Audio Visual for Warranty & Maintenance Services by expanding the scope of the Agreement to include additional non-warranty related services for audio visual equipment repair, upgrades and replacement; 2) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Services with Western Audio Visual for Warranty & Maintenance Services and increasing the not-to-exceed amount of the Agreement by \$45,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$96,682; and 3) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Amendment to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.U. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES FOR MAINTENANCE OF CITYWIDE DOG WASTE STATIONS [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Services with Woods Maintenance Services, Inc. (for Maintenance of Citywide Dog Waste Stations), extending the term of the Agreement by one year and increasing the not-to-exceed amount of the Agreement by \$185,179.18.*

**ACTIONS: This Item was Tabled.**

**2.V. APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 69594 FOR THE CONDOMINIUM PROJECT LOCATED AT 1223 LARRABEE STREET [O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the approval of Final Tract Map No. 69594, an eight unit condominium, located at 1223 Larrabee Street.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Make findings for the Final Tract Map as follows: a) That this project will not violate any of the provisions of Sections 66474, 66474.1, and 66474.6 of the Subdivision Map Act.; b) That the proposed subdivision, together with the provisions for its design and improvement, is consistent with the General Plan required by Article 5 (commencing with Section 65300) of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of the Government Code or any specific plan adopted pursuant to Article 8 (commencing with Section 65450) of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of the Government Code; and c) That the development of the property in the manner set forth on the subject division of land will not unreasonably interfere with the free and complete exercise of any public entity and/or public utility rights of way and/or

easements within the subject division of land, pursuant to Section 66436(a)3A(i-viii) of the Subdivision Map Act; 2) Approve Final Tract Map No. 69594; and 3) Instruct the City Clerk to endorse on the face of the map of Final Tract Map No. 69594, the certificate that embodies the approval of said map. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.W. DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8214-8218 W. NORTON AVENUE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, D. DEGRAZIA, A. CASTILLO, S. CISNEROS]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider designating the building located at 8214-8218 W. Norton Avenue as a local Cultural Resource.*

**ACTION:** Staff recommends that the City Council continue the item to a date uncertain to allow for further analysis. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.X. MODERNIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL SUPPORT STAFF PROGRAM UPDATE [J. D'AMICO, P. AREVALO]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will receive a status update on the modernization of the City Council Support Staff Program and establish an interim work plan to administer the current Deputy program that will include coordinating efforts, establishing internal working protocols and enhancing services.*

**ACTION:** This Item was moved to Excluded Consent.

**2.Y. WEHO READS AUTHOR SERIES & FULL DAY EVENT [P. AREVALO, M. LOUIE, A. CAMPBELL, M. CHE]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on 'WeHo Reads' 2015 programming and consider authorizing the use of the West Hollywood City Council Chambers and Autocourt for upcoming events as part of 'WeHo Reads'.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve the use of the West Hollywood City Council Chambers and West Hollywood Library Autocourt for arts and culture events as outlined in this report; 2) Approve the waiver of facilities use and special event permit fees for the event and associated fees for additional validated parking in the 5-story parking structure; and 3) Authorize use of the City name and logo on promotional and collateral materials and the promotion of the event through the City's website, calendar and social media networks. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.Z. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ADD ENTERTAINMENT STAGES TO THE ROUTE, APPROVAL OF PARKING MITIGATION PLAN AND PROVIDE AN UPDATE REGARDING THE SUNSET STRIP HALF-MARATHON [E. SAVAGE, C. SMITH, B. SMITH]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving five entertainment stages and a parking mitigation plan for the Sunset Strip Half Marathon and receive an update regarding the event.*

**ACTIONS: This Item was moved to Excluded Consent.**

**2.AA. OBSERVATION OF HARVEY MILK DAY [L. MEISTER, S. SCHMIDT, J. DURAN, I. OWENS]:**

*SUBJECT: City Council will direct staff to develop recommendations to elevate the celebration of Harvey Milk Day (May 22nd) from a “commemorative” holiday to an “observed” holiday on the Friday preceding Memorial Day, including a signature event and parking meter holiday.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Direct the Human Resources Division to return to the City Council with recommendations on alternatives for observing Harvey Milk Day (Observed) as an official City Holiday in which City Staff may take personal holidays or personal time off on the Friday before Memorial Day in future years; 2) Direct the City Attorney to draft a resolution amending Resolution 15-4664 by adding Harvey Milk Day (May 22) to the list of Holidays, suspending the enforcement of parking meter violations and parking meter hours of enforcement; 3) Direct the Department of Public Works to update stickers listing observed holidays on parking meters to include Harvey Milk Day (May 22) and any other parking meter holidays adopted since January 1, 2015; 4) Approve the use of City venues, as well as waive event permits, parking validations, and any other associated costs or fees for any events related to Harvey Milk Day; 5) Direct the Public Information Office to utilize all appropriate communication tools to promote Harvey Milk Day including, but not limited to, the City’s website and social media tools; and 6) Authorize the City Manager to sign all required documents relating to this item. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.BB. HARVEY MILK DAY COMMEMORATION PROGRAMMING [E. SAVAGE, C. SMITH, L. FOOKS]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving programming to commemorate Harvey Milk Day.*

**ACTION:** 1) Approve programming for Harvey Milk Day and direct staff to coordinate and promote appropriately; and 2) Approve the use of the West Hollywood City Council Chambers and an additional one hour of validated parking (for a total of 3 hours) at the 5-story parking structure for attendees of the Harvey Milk Day event. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.CC. SUPPORT OF NATIONAL EQUAL PAY DAY ON APRIL 14, 2015 [E. SAVAGE, C. SMITH, L. FOOKS]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a recommendation from the Women's Advisory Board in support of National Equal Pay Day on April 14, 2015.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Adopt Resolution No. 15-4668 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL EQUAL PAY DAY ON APRIL 14, 2015"; 2) Direct staff to send copies of the signed resolution to the appropriate government representatives; and 3) Direct the Public Information Division to promote National Equal Pay Day through appropriate communication tools. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.DD. DENIM DAY 2015 [K. COOK, B. SMITH]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on Denim Day 2015.*

**ACTION:** 1) Direct staff to collaborate with relevant partners and plan Denim Day 2015; and 2) Approve the use of the senior patio in Plummer Park as the location for a Denim Day Press Conference to be held on Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.EE. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF SB 128, THE END OF LIFE OPTIONS ACT (WOLK AND MONNING) [J. DURAN, I. OWENS, J. D'AMICO, M. REX, J. GUZON]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution in support of SB 128 (End of Life Options Act).*

**ACTION:** 1) Adopt Resolution No. 15-4669, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF SB 128, THE END OF LIFE OPTIONS ACT (WOLK AND MONNING)"; and 2) Send copies of the signed resolution to California Governor Jerry Brown, Senator Lois Wolk, Senator Bill Monning, Senator Ben Allen, and Assemblymember Richard Bloom. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.FF. SUPPORT OF SB 252 (LENO) WAIVING FEES FOR HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY EXAMS FOR HOMELESS YOUTH [L. MEISTER, S. SCHMIDT, J. DURAN, I. OWENS]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution in support of SB 252 (Leno) to waive fees for high school equivalency exams for homeless youth.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Adopt Resolution No. 15-4670 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF SB 252 (LENO) WAIVING FEES FOR HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY EXAMS FOR HOMELESS YOUTH"; and 2) Direct staff to send signed copies to Governor Jerry Brown, Assemblymember Richard Bloom, Senators Ben Allen, and Mark Leno, the California Coalition for

Youth, Housing California, and the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.GG. SECTION 8 SATELLITE SERVICES [L. HORVATH, K. HASHMI]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider redirecting funds and advocating for a Russian-speaking representative from the Housing Authority of County of Los Angeles (HACoLA) reestablish a regular schedule at the Comprehensive Services Center in Plummer Park to provide Section 8 consultation regarding eligibility and waitlist information.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Authorize the City Manager to identify funding that can be redirected to fund a Section 8 specialist to hold regular hours at Plummer Park as previously provided by the County, and to provide Jewish Family Services funds to close the gap in the interim; 2) Direct Rent Stabilization & Housing Division staff to coordinate with the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (HACoLA) and Supervisor Sheila Kuehl's Office to provide a regular staff person to answer Section 8 questions at Plummer Park; and 3) Direct Rent Stabilization & Housing Division staff to coordinate with the Public Information Office to promote services currently being offered at Jewish Family Services regarding Section 8 assistance until a permanent HACoLA representative can be contracted. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.HH. WEST HOLLYWOOD EARTH DAY PARTICIPATION [L. HORVATH, K. HASHMI]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider joining the Earth Day Network and promoting A Billion Acts of Green on April 22, 2015, a campaign organized on Earth Day to create global awareness to protect the planet and secure a sustainable future.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve signing on with the Earth Day Network to show the City of West Hollywood's participation; 2) Direct the Public Information Office to promote the Earth Day Network's "A Billion Acts of Green" campaign on April 22, 2015 through all of the City's communication resources including but not limited to the City's website, calendar, WeHo TV and social media networks; and 3) Direct Social Services staff to share the Earth Day Network's Climate Education Week Toolkit with local schools and to display related materials at the City Booth of the 2015 Kids Fair. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.II. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN LOS ANGELES' SEDER WITH COALITION TO ABOLISH SLAVERY & TRAFFICKING [L. HORVATH, K. HASHMI]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider co-sponsoring the National Council of Jewish Women Los Angeles' (NCJW/LA) Seder in partnership with the Coalition to Abolish Slavery & Trafficking (CAST) on April 12, 2014 from 5:00 pm-7:30 pm.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve co-sponsorship of NCJW/LA's Seder with CAST, scheduled for April 12, 2015 at the National Council of Jewish Women Los Angeles' Parking Lot; 2) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on promotional and collateral materials; 3) Direct the Public Information Office to promote the event through the City's website, calendar, and social media networks; and 4) Direct staff to coordinate with the Women's Advisory Board for event outreach and participation. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.JJ. MODERNIZATION OF THE RESIDENTIAL REFERRAL LIST [L. MEISTER, S. SCHMIDT, J. D'AMICO, M. REX]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a recommendation develop a plan for the modernization of the Residential Referral List to make it more accessible through multiple platforms, searchable, and include pet-friendly housing options.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Authorize staff to prepare a plan for the modernization of the Residential Referral List to: a) Make the list more compatible for search on mobile devices; b) Allow for criteria and geographic-based searches; c) Include a pet-friendly referral list; and 2) Direct staff to return to the Council with funding options and budget requests for the modernization of the Residential Referral List. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.KK. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF A SCREENING OF TRIANGLES- WITNESSES OF THE HOLOCAUST [J. DURAN, I. OWENS, L. MEISTER, S. SCHMIDT]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider co-sponsoring a screening of the documentary TRIANGLES- Witnesses of the Holocaust to raise funds for the nonprofit, Remember the Woman Institute on Thursday, April 30, 2015.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve use of the City Council Chambers, and waive the facility use fee, for a screening of *TRIANGLES- Witnesses of the Holocaust* on Thursday, April 30, 2015; 2) Waive parking fees for attendees of the screening (\$6.00 per car, for approximately 100 cars) in the 5-story parking structure; 3) Direct the Public Information Office to utilize all appropriate communication tools to promote the event including, but not limited to, the City's website and social media tools; and 4) Authorize the City Manager to sign all required documents relating to this item. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.LL. DROUGHT MITIGATION MEASURES [L. MEISTER, S. SCHMIDT, L. HORVATH, K. HASHMI]:**

*SUBJECT: City Council will direct staff to develop measures to bring West Hollywood into conformance with new State regulations regarding water conservation, to develop programs to educate residents and business about new water conservation regulations, and draft resolutions in support of State legislation regarding drought mitigation.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Direct staff to draft an ordinance modifying Municipal Code Chapter 15.52 Water Conservation Plan to codify new emergency regulations from the State Water Resources Control Board issued on March 17, 2015 and return to the council within thirty days (30). Specifically: a) Prohibiting watering of turf or ornamental landscapes during and 48 hours following measurable precipitation; and b) Requiring operators of hotels and motels to provide guests with the option of choosing not to have towels and linens laundered daily and prominently display notice of this option; 2) Direct the Public Information Division and Code Compliance Division to develop a public education plan to raise public awareness of new regulations to include; creative designs, collateral materials, advertisements, informational mailings and any outside public relations services needed to adequately inform and notice the public and report back to the Council with the plan within ninety (90) days; 3) Direct the Community Development Department to return to Council within sixty (60) days with additions to the "Can and Will Serve Letter" that may serve as evidence of no significant impact to water services for projects undergoing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR); and 4) Direct Legal Services and Legislative Affairs Division and Department of Public Works to review recently-adopted Drought Mitigation Legislation (AB 91 and AB 92) for opportunities to benefit the City of West Hollywood. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.MM. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DENOUNCING INDIANA'S RELIGIOUS FREEDOM RESTORATION ACT WHICH CALLS UPON THE CITY MANAGER TO IMMEDIATELY SUSPEND ALL OFFICIAL TRAVEL TO THE STATE OF INDIANA AND ANY OTHER STATE WHICH ADOPTS SIMILAR LEGISLATION AND DEVELOP ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL SANCTIONS UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE LAW IS REVOKED [L. MEISTER, S. SCHMIDT, L. HORVATH, K. HASHMI]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution denouncing Indiana's Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA), and similar legislation under consideration in other States, which calls upon the City Manager to immediately suspend official travel to the State of Indiana or any State which adopts similar legislation, and directs staff to review current and likely future contracts with Indiana-based businesses in order to examine the feasibility of procuring such products or services elsewhere until such time as the RFRA is revoked.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Adopt a revised Resolution No 15-4671, removing the reference to the ban on official travel to Indiana to just state that the City manager will suspend official travel to any State which adopts similar legislation and develop additional financial sanctions until such time as the law is revoked; 2) Direct the Legal Services and Legislative Affairs Division to monitor progress of legislation similar to the Religious Freedom Restoration Act in other States, and report the adoption of any such legislation to the City Manager within seventy-two (72) hours of its



adoption; 3) Authorize the City Manager to suspend official travel to any State identified by the Legal Services and Legislative Affairs Division as having adopted legislation substantively similar to Indiana's Religious Freedom Restoration Act; 4) Direct the City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk to review all current and likely future contracts with Indiana-based businesses in order to examine the feasibility of procuring such products and services elsewhere; 6) Direct Staff to send copies of the adopted resolution to Indiana Governor Mike Pence, Arkansas Governor Asa Hutchinson, Georgia Governor Nathan Deal, the Human Rights Campaign and others as deemed appropriate by the City Manager.  
**Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.NN. (5.A.) SPONSORSHIP OF THE CITYWIDE RESIDENT VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE [J. D'AMICO, M. REX]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will approve sponsorship of the Citywide Resident Voter Registration Drive.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve sponsorship of the Citywide Resident Voter Registration Drive and authorize the use of the City name and logo on invitations, programs, and other collateral materials; 2) Direct staff to include a 'Register to Vote' graphic and web site link and the date of the next election in the signature line of every City staff member's e-mail; 3) Require voter registration forms to be made available to the public at all City meetings including, but not limited to, Advisory Board and Commission meetings, Neighborhood Watch meetings, City-sponsored community meetings, and City Council meetings; 4) Direct staff to include voter registration forms in all Citywide mailings 90 days in advance of an election; 5) Direct the Public Information Office to always feature the voter registration graphic and link on the homepage of the City's website along with information in regard to the next election date and to maintain voter registration graphic and links on the interior of the City website as well; 6) Direct the Public Information Office to prepare and released a press release detailing polling place locations prior to each election and direct staff to include polling place information with links in social media posts and e-mail blasts prior to each election; 7) Direct staff to prepare a social media campaign highlighting the importance of voting and educating residents on the process for registering to vote; 8) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$4,500 from unallocated General Fund reserves to the Special Council Programs Account: 100-1-01-00-531001, and increase the budget for Special Council Programs by the same amount, to cover the cost of the Citywide Resident Voter Registration Drive; 9) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$10,000 from the allocated funds in the City Council budget for Special Council Programs: 100-1-01-00-531001 for the Citywide Resident Voter Registration Drive; and 10) Authorize the City Manager to sign all required documents relating to this item. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.OO. (5.B.) AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH MATRIX CONSULTING GROUP AND RRM DESIGN GROUP TO CONDUCT A MANAGEMENT STUDY OF THE PLANNING DIVISIONS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND THE ENGINEERING DIVISION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, O. DELGADO]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing Agreements for Service with Matrix Consulting Group and RRM Design Group for the purpose of conducting a Management Study of the Current & Historic Preservation Planning Division (CHPP) and the Long Range & Mobility Planning Division (LRMP) of the Community Development Department and the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve an agreement with Matrix Consulting Group in an amount not-to-exceed \$32,000; 2) Approve an agreement with RRM Design Group in an amount not-to-exceed \$31,920; 3) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$63,920 from unallocated General Fund Reserves to account 100-3-07-07-531004 (Professional Services) to fund the Matrix Consulting Group and RRM Design Group Agreements; and 4) Authorize the City Manager to sign and execute all necessary documents. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**2.PP. (6.A.) PROHIBITION OF THIRD PARTY SALE, LEASE OR RESERVATION OF PUBLIC PARKING [O. DELGADO, J. ROCCO, D. NORTE]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council shall consider adopting legislation that would prohibit the sale, lease or reservation of any public parking space without express authorization from the City.*

**ACTION:** Introduce for first reading, Ordinance No. 15-951 "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ADDING SECTION 9.04.330 TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION OF THE SALE, LEASE, RESERVATION OR FACILITATING FOR A FEE THE SALE, LEASE OR RESERVATION OF ANY PUBLIC PARKING SPACE WITHOUT EXPRESS AUTHORIZATION FROM THE CITY". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**3.A. MISCELLANEOUS ZONE TEXT AMENDMENTS [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, G. SHERIDAN]:**

*SUBJECT: The West Hollywood City Council will hold a public hearing to consider minor revisions and clarifications to the Zoning Ordinance related to construction mitigation measures for zone clearances and CEQA review authority for decision-making bodies.*

Long Range and Mobility Planning Manager Bianca Siegl provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 6, 2015.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to Staff's recommendations.

MANNY RODRIGUEZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of staff's recommendations.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding issues with Zoning Ordinance.

Senior Planner Georgia Sheridan and Assistant Director of Community Development John Keho clarified that staff's recommendation is codifying the practice that takes place currently.

Councilmember Duran commented on the Item and stated that staff's recommendation is "clean-up" language to clarify the practices that the City currently engages in as it relates to construction mitigation measures, and codifying the way decision making bodies accept and approve documents.

Councilmember Meister inquired whether the encroachment permit can be tied to the construction permit, to reduce parking issues in the neighborhoods.

Councilmember Horvath spoke in support of the Item and asked staff to look into issues with water run-off during construction.

Mayor D'Amico requested that staff post on the City's GIS map the construction mitigation measures as well as at the construction site. He further commented that City staff should work together to identify violations at construction sites.

**ACTION:** Staff recommends that the City Council hold the public hearing, consider all pertinent testimony, and adopt the following: Ordinance No. CC 15-\_\_\_\_\_: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO CLARIFY CONSTRUCTION MITIGATION STANDARDS FOR ZONE CLEARANCES AND CEQA AUTHORITY FOR REVIEW BODIES." (ATTACHMENT A). **Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Councilmember Horvath and approved.**

**4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**4.A. PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE [K. COOK, G. HONINGS, A. WHITTLE, J. AUBEL]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on public safety activities and provide additional direction to staff.*

Director of Public Safety Kristin Cook provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 6, 2015 and introduced LACFD Battalion Chief (BC) Patrick Errett, LASD Captain Gary Honings, and Code Enforcement Manager Jeff Aubel.

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Captain Gary Honings provided background information on the data provided in the 6- month report.

Los Angeles County Fire Department BC Patrick Errett discussed the various fire incidents in the City.

Code Compliance Manager Jeff Aubel spoke about the City's Code Enforcement Division. He stated that the Division's goal is reducing issues that affect City residents' quality of life in the City.

Mayor D'Amico asked staff to address the City's Report Card, the incident on Palm Avenue, and he thanked the Public Safety staff and the Sheriff's Department for their interactions with residents, especially those that have expressed concerns with law enforcement. Ms. Cook provided an update on the progress of developing a City's Report Card. Captain Honings provided an update on the incident on Palm Avenue and stated that the investigation is still on-going. He discussed the steps that the Sheriff's Department have taken as a result of that incident; which includes continuous education and training.

Councilmember Meister inquired about the rise in crime against property, the Fire Department's response time, and the status of the City's Noise Ordinance Task Force. Captain Honings responded to Councilmember Meister's inquiry about crimes against property and indicated that they have increased their crime suppression, including foot patrol, to help reduce these crimes. BC Errett commented on the Fire Department's response time, and how it's tracked. He indicated that Dispatch tracks the time of the call to the time of arrival, however, he stated that the station's focus is trying to reduce the time from when the tone goes off in the Fire Station to the time they arrive at the scene. He stated that he could provide response time information to Council. Code Enforcement Manager Jeff Aubel responded to the question about the City's Noise Ordinance Task Force and stated that Task Force met on March 24<sup>th</sup> and indicated that the next step will be outreach meetings with stakeholders.

Councilmember Horvath posed questions regarding the Sheriff's Department's response to the increase in sexual assaults in the City as well as domestic violence. She also discussed the correlation between intoxication and pedestrian/vehicular accidents.

BEN COLEMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about increased permanent enforcement and foot patrols.

KEVIN BURTON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the City's West Hollywood Bicycle Coalition and spoke regarding bicycle accidents.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding a wehoville.com article about crime rates in the City.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding enforcement of dog nuisances.

JEANE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the City's Security Ambassadors.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding crime and complaints in the City.

RICHARD GIESBRET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the proposed changes to the Noise Ordinance and stated that West Hollywood West residents would like to be a part of the discussion.

Councilmember Duran inquired about the Fire Department's response if an earthquake occurs and ruptures water mains. BC Errett spoke about the Fire Department's training for catastrophic emergencies.

Mayor D'Amico asked that Captain Honings provide clarification on the article stating that the City of West Hollywood's crime statistics are higher than other cities. Captain Honings providing information on statistics and how the population dictates these percentages; which gives a false impression of actual crime rates between Cities. He stated that West Hollywood is a safe City and that crime has decreased.

Councilmember Meister asked Captain Honings to review the nighttime hours and staffing, increase the foot patrol, and include average response times for both the Sheriff's and Fire Departments.

Councilmember Horvath requested that the City Manager work with the Sheriff's Department on ABC Licensing enforcement as it pertains to pedestrian/vehicular accidents.

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve the following public safety priorities including: a) Monitor and adjust deployment as necessary to combat and prevent crime; b) Continue to provide attentive customer service and conduct a “Sheriff’s Station Report Card”/community satisfaction survey; c) Monitor and adjust traffic enforcement deployment as needed to address crosswalk enforcement, pedestrian safety, speeding vehicles, distracted driving and “distracted movement” by pedestrians, bicycles on sidewalks, driving under the influence, and other traffic violations; d) Continue to work with Security Ambassadors, local businesses, residents, and neighboring jurisdictions to promote neighborhood livability and mitigate impacts from nighttime establishments and strengthen education regarding alcohol related incidents; e) Continue to collaborate with the Code Compliance Division to address various nuisance issues, including dogs off leash, inappropriate disposal of dog waste, scavenging, and noise; f) Continue to address criminal transient issues and assist Social Services with overall homelessness issues; and g) Continue to educate the community through Neighborhood Watch and the Public Safety Commission’s “Live, Work, Play, Be Safe” campaign on key public safety issues utilizing new models of community engagement whenever possible; and 2) review the nighttime hours and staffing, increase the foot patrol, and include average response times for both the Sheriff’s and Fire Departments.. **Motion by Councilmember Meister, seconded by Councilmember Duran and approved.**

**4.B. SUNSET LA CIENEGA DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT YEARLY REVIEW [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, J. HANKAMER, O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN, J. ROCCO]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will review the Sunset La Cienega Project annual update required by Section 4.3.1 of the Development Agreement, including a discussion of efforts being made to improve traffic flow on Sunset Boulevard.*

Joanna Hankamer, Special Projects Senior Planner, provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 6, 2015.

Parking Operations Supervisor reported on the City’s traffic mitigation for the site.

Councilmember Horvath inquired about employee parking and if a recent meeting was properly noticed.

Councilmember Meister inquired about community outreach efforts as two community neighborhood groups stated that they had not received any information.

Brad Aaronson, representing the CIM Group commented on the public outreach efforts and ongoing meetings. He spoke regarding the ongoing

updates to the project website and stated that the two neighborhood groups will receive notices for future meetings.

Mayor D'Amico reiterated that public outreach is fundamental and the website updates need to be completed.

Councilmember Meister suggested that the public meeting be conducted on the Westside of the City to ensure that affected residents can attend.

**ACTIONS:** 1) Review the Sunset La Cienega Project Yearly Review for 2015; and 2) Review coordinated efforts to improve traffic flow on Sunset Boulevard during construction of the Sunset La Cienega Project. **Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Councilmember Meister and approved.**

**4.C. APPOINTMENT OF VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT (SCAG) [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider appointing a Voting Delegate and Voting Delegate – Alternate(s) for the Southern California Association of Government (SCAG) in preparation for their upcoming Regional Conference and General Assembly.*

**ACTION:** Confirm Mayor John D'Amico as the Voting Delegate and appoint Councilmember Meister as the Voting Delegate-Alternate to the Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) Regional Conference and General Assembly meeting to be held May 7 – 8, 2015. **Motion by Mayor D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Meister and approved.**

**5. NEW BUSINESS:**

**5.A. SPONSORSHIP OF THE CITYWIDE RESIDENT VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE [J. D'AMICO, M. REX]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will approve sponsorship of the Citywide Resident Voter Registration Drive.*

**ACTION:** This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

**5.B. AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH MATRIX CONSULTING GROUP AND RRM DESIGN GROUP TO CONDUCT A MANAGEMENT STUDY OF THE PLANNING DIVISIONS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND THE ENGINEERING DIVISION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, O. DELGADO]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing Agreements for Service with Matrix Consulting Group and RRM Design Group for the purpose of conducting a Management Study of the Current & Historic Preservation Planning Division (CHPP) and the Long Range & Mobility*

*Planning Division (LRMP) of the Community Development Department and the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department.*

**ACTIONS: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.**

**5.C. APPOINTMENT OF A NEW ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 4 [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider appointing a new Alternate Director to the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 4.*

**ACTIONS:** 1) Adopt Resolution No. 15-4672, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBER LINDSEY HORVATH AS ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 4"; and 2) Direct the City Clerk to return to Council with an Item to approve a Resolution appointing Councilmember D'Amico as the new Alternate Director once Councilmember Horvath is installed as Mayor. **Motion by Mayor D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Horvath and approved.**

**5.D. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider making appointments to City Commissions and Advisory Boards.*

The following individual did not wish to speak but wanted to express support for the Item: CHRISTOPHER CLARKIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD

**ACTIONS:** 1) Mayor D'Amico appointed Louise Smith to the Disabilities Advisory Board; 2) Councilmember Meister made the following direct appointments: a) Arts & Cultural Affairs Commission; Catherine Lee; b) Business License Commission: Michael King; c) Historic Preservation Commission: Cathy Blaivas ; d) Human Services Commission: Patrick Shandrick; e) Planning Commission: Sheila Lightfoot; f) Public Facilities Commission: Victor Omelczenko; g) Public Safety Commission: Tory Berger; h) Rent Stabilization Commission: Stephanie Harker; i) Transportation Commission: William Doebler; j) Eastside Working Group: Steve Martin; k) Disabilities Advisory Board: Michael Wojtkieleweicz; l) Lesbian & Gay Advisory Board: Kate Eggert and Lucas John; m) Russian Advisory Board: Raisa Aguf; n) Seniors Advisory Board: Joy Nuell; o) Transgender Advisory Board: Justine Gonzalez; and p) Women's Advisory Board: Kelly Alexander.

3) Council Tabled the at-large appointments to the Eastside Working Group, Transportation Commission, Senior Advisory Board; and the Women's Advisory Board until after the June 2, 2015 Special Election.



**EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**2.J. WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY HOUSING CORPORATION  
SECOND QUARTER REPORT FOR 2014-2015 [E. SAVAGE, P.  
NOONAN, A. LOVANO]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation (WHCHC) Administrative Contract Report for the Second Quarter of fiscal year 2014-2015.*

Director of Human Services and Rent Stabilization Elizabeth Savage provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 6, 2015. She introduced Rent Stabilization Manager Peter Noonan and Andi Lovano.

CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, expressed concerns regarding the item as it relates to the Detroit Bungalows.

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, expressed concerns regarding the item as it relates to the Detroit Bungalows

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWEICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the lack of services provided by the West Hollywood Housing Corporation (WHCHC) to its tenants.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, expressed his concern with campaign contributions made by the WHCHC.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, expressed concerns regarding the item as it relates to the Detroit Bungalows and spoke regarding designating these types of properties as historically significant.

Councilmember Meister expressed concern that the City would not be receiving the grant funding mentioned in the October 20<sup>th</sup> Staff Report to Council. She further expressed concern that if the funding comes from the County it may change the eligibility of some of the current residents to return. She also expressed concerns regarding Inclusionary Housing and how it relates to the lack of funding for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and if this issue needs to be studied. She also spoke in support of the creation of a resident survey regarding WHCHC.

Director of Human Services and Rent Stabilization & Housing, Elizabeth Savage spoke regarding the concerns expressed by Councilmembers. She stated that Staff would need to look into these concerns and report back at a future meeting.

Councilmember Duran spoke regarding the Item before Council and stated that the discussion is outside the scope of the item.

Councilmember Horvath commented that she is in agreement with Councilmember Duran regarding what is currently before Council for approval, but also stated that the issues expressed by the public require attention.

Mayor D'Amico expressed concern with the outreach conducted by WHCHC with the 11 residents of the Detroit Bungalows. He requested that representatives from WHCHC meet with those residents and discuss the proposed development of the site.

City Manager Arevalo recommended that staff move forward with engaging the residents about the proposed development and bring forward a timeline for the project to a future City Council meeting.

Robin Conerly, Director of the WHCHC, spoke briefly about the goals of the WHCHC.

**ACTION:** Receive and file. **Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Mayor D'Amico and approved.**

**2.X. MODERNIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL SUPPORT STAFF PROGRAM UPDATE [J. D'AMICO, P. AREVALO]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will receive a status update on the modernization of the City Council Support Staff Program and establish an interim work plan to administer the current Deputy program that will include coordinating efforts, establishing internal working protocols and enhancing services.*

Mayor D'Amico provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 6, 2015. He indicated that the goal of the Item was to look into stabilizing staffing during the transition period, which included looking at the salary range, creating a work plan for the Deputies and starting the process to create permanent processing and procedures for the Deputy Program.

Councilmember Horvath provided an overview of the current recruitment practice for hiring Council Deputies provided Council with a document which enumerated the recruitment process for her Council Deputy. She asked that this document and the proposed recruitment process be included as part of the Item.

Councilmember Meister spoke regarding the Council Deputy completing timesheets, but expressed concern with the current Form provided as it does not fully show the actual hours worked.

Councilmember Duran commented on the Deputy system over the years. He further commented about the line of authority. He indicated that the City Manager should have the authority over the Deputies and each Councilmember should handle the hiring of their Deputy.

City Manager Arevalo thanked the Council for their comments and spoke regarding past issues with the current system. He spoke in support of creating an accountability sheet to account for work hours of Deputies.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, expressed concern with the current Deputy system and the personnel issues.

JEANE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about past issues with the Deputy system.

**ACTION:** 1) Receive and file, 2) Approve work plan outlined in the staff report, and 3) implement the recruitment process outlined by Councilmember Horvath. **Motion by Councilmember Meister, seconded by Councilmember Horvath and approved.**

**2.Z. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ADD ENTERTAINMENT STAGES TO THE ROUTE, APPROVAL OF PARKING MITIGATION PLAN AND PROVIDE AN UPDATE REGARDING THE SUNSET STRIP HALF-MARATHON [E. SAVAGE, C. SMITH, B. SMITH]:**

*SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving five entertainment stages and a parking mitigation plan for the Sunset Strip Half Marathon and receive an update regarding the event.*

Special Events Manager Cleo Smith provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 6, 2015.

JEANE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about the sale of alcohol at the event.

RICHARD GIESBRET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about the impacts to the residents.

Councilmember Meister posed questions to staff about the impacts to residents, such as parking, traffic, and street closures. She also asked about community outreach about the event.

Mayor D'Amico expressed concern with the stages and parking.

Special Events Manager Cleo Smith responded to the Councilmember's concerns and stated that staff has been working with the event coordinators to try to mitigate the impacts on residents.

Parking Operations Supervisor Rod Marquez enumerated the events that the City waives the permit parking restrictions, especially for residents and stated that the proposed Item waives restrictions only until 3:00 p.m. and then allows only residents with Permits to park in neighboring districts that night.

Ms. Smith responded to the Mayor's inquiry about the additional stages and the reason for the request.

Councilmember Meister asked if LAPD is assisting with the portions of the route that are in Los Angeles. Captain Smith affirmed that they are assisting.

Councilmember Duran spoke in opposition to any amplified sound.

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve staging and music only at West Hollywood Park on Saturday and Sunday; 2) Approve a parking mitigation plan; and 3) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to negotiate with RaceForce, LLC for additional requests. **Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Mayor D'Amico and approved.**

## 6. LEGISLATIVE:

### 6.A. PROHIBITION OF THIRD PARTY SALE, LEASE OR RESERVATION OF PUBLIC PARKING [O. DELGADO, J. ROCCO, D. NORTE]:

*SUBJECT: The City Council shall consider adopting legislation that would prohibit the sale, lease or reservation of any public parking space without express authorization from the City.*

**ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.**

### PUBLIC COMMENT:

YOLA DORE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the Special Olympics.

RICHARD EASTMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding his efforts to have an event honoring Dennis Barone.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues in the City.

MICHAEL WOJTKIEWLEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the WHCHC, cell towers and Item 2.J.

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues in the City.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked Councilmember Meister for appointing him to the Eastside Working Group.

JOE CARO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues in the City.

CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked Councilmember Meister for appointing her to the Historic Preservation Commission and spoke regarding the Detroit Bungalows.

**COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:**

Mayor D'Amico thanked everyone for their support during his term as Mayor.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The City Council adjourned at 11:48 p.m. in memory of Scott Edwin Stewart, Lou Sesanto, and Yael Hornstein Galperin. The City Council adjourned to its next meeting which will be the Mayoral Installation meeting to be held on Monday, April 20, 2015 at 6:00 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015 by the following vote:

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

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LINDSEY HORVATH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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YVONNE QUARKER, CITY CLERK