

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2020
REGULAR TELECONFERENCE MEETING**

5:30 P.M. – CITY COUNCIL MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Horvath called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Horvath led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

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

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Arevalo, Assistant City Attorney Langer, City Clerk Quarker, and Assistant City Clerk Crowder.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:

Assistant City Attorney Lauren Langer reported that the regularly scheduled Closed Session was called to order at 5:00 p.m. She stated that there was no public comment and that there was no reportable action. The Closed Session adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

City Clerk Quarker indicated that staff has requested that Item 2.M. be Tabled a future meeting.

Councilmember Meister requested that Items 2.V. and 2.W be removed from the Consent Calendar and discussed with Item 4.A.

Mayor Horvath requested that Item 4.C. be moved to the Consent Calendar.

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman requested that Item 5.C. be moved to the Consent Calendar. He also requested that Item 2.AA. be moved to Excluded Consent.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman to approve the October 19, 2020 Agenda as amended, seconded by Councilmember Duran, and approved.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

Councilmember D’Amico requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Bert Maggio.

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Councilmember Meister requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Martin Strudler and Duff Bennett.

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Tom West.

Councilmember Duran requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Tom West and Eddie Van Halen.

Mayor Horvath requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Haydee Florio, Patrick Lucas, Melina Rayna Barratt, Rachel Yassian, Dina Andrianos, Michael Koutsoukos, and Eleni Koutsoukos.

PRESENTATIONS:

Councilmember Meister presented a Proclamation honoring National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to Code Compliance Manager Danny Rivas honoring Code Enforcement Appreciation Week.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

KAREN EYRES, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.Q.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.U.

JESSICA ROGERS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.V.

LIZA YORKE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.V.

KENNETH GRAY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the incident that occurred on September 25, 2020 between protesters and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department/West Hollywood Station.

KERRI BALBONE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Items 2.T, 2.V., 2.W. and 4.C.

TAI SUNNANON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the Green City Awards and Item 2.L.

CATALINA OVIEDO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the incidents on September 25th by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department/West Hollywood and Palmdale stations.

ADAM DARVISH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding an incident when a truck hit his home. He also spoke regarding traffic safety measures on his street.

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ALEC WHITE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues effecting the City.

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the 2020 election and various issues effecting the City.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Councilmember Duran asked the City Manager to discuss rental assistance and agendize an Item in December to discuss how to move forward when the current eviction moratoriums expire. He thanked City staff for their hard work in assisting the Recovery Center locate a space for 12-step meetings that complies with the Los Angeles County Health Order.

Councilmember D'Amico commented that he has been attending Global Conferences on Global Warming on what small cities can do. He noted that our City continues to be on the cutting-edge. He thanked his colleagues for their support of the Drag Laureate item.

Councilmember Meister reported that she attended the SCAG CEHD meeting as well as the WSSCOG meeting as the CEHD representative. She mentioned various Consent Calendar items, specifically Items 2.L., 2.R., and 2.U. She inquired about Disabilities' Awareness Month.

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman reported that he attended the WSSCOG meeting. He spoke about COVID-19 and asked everyone to do their part to stop the spread of it. He mentioned Item 2.T. He asked the City Manager to address helping businesses reopen on the Eastside of the City. He asked the City Manager to speak with Mr. Darvish to address the concerns he expressed under Public Comment. Finally, he asked the Sheriff's Department to provide a timeline for the return of property that was ceased on September 25th.

Mayor Horvath spoke regarding various items on the Consent Calendar. She spoke about voting and commented that today is the last day to register to vote and receive a vote by mail ballot for the November 3rd election. She inquired about how Item 2.U. will be implemented during the pandemic and asked the City Manager to address it under the City Manager's Report. She spoke about rental assistance, parking updates, senior food delivery, and transportation services. She reported that she attended the Sanitation District and Clean Power Alliance meeting. She also reported that she attended the California Contract Cities Fall Virtual Summit, the Candidate's Forum, the National League of Cities Conference, and the Ending HIV epidemic Steering Committee meeting for LA County. She thanked staff and the Russian Advisory Board for the recent Holocaust remembrance event. She urged members of the community to visit the City's website to obtain valuable information and resources. She wished Nick Remidio a Happy Birthday. She also encouraged everyone to view a discussion with Barbara Meltzer regarding her work with the Tonight Show. She thanked Finley Kalik at WeHo Elementary for allowing her to participate in her book project. Finally, she announced that October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Arevalo commented that the City is conducting events for Disabilities' Awareness Month, and Social Services Manager David Giugni shared the various events celebrating Disabilities' Awareness Month. City Manager Arevalo shared concerns about Halloween and gatherings that lead to COVID-19. He noted that the westside cities are sharing information and will be ready to address any issues surrounding Halloween and the upcoming election. He commented that the City will provide transportation to Vote Centers for the November 3rd election. He also shared that the SOVA food pantry has reopened. He shared that Planning and Development Services will host a virtual meeting on Zone Text Amendments. He commented that all parking enforcement is taking place with the exception of Fountain Avenue's peak traffic enforcement. He shared information on the City's rental assistance programs. He mentioned Item 2.U. He responded to Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman's inquiry and shared information relating to the outreach that staff is conducting with businesses on the Eastside and the Russian business community. He spoke regarding public comments made by Mr. Darvish. He spoke about park programs that the City is hosting, including drive-in movies in the park and the upcoming Youth Halloween Trunk or Treat event.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Quarker stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar is \$2,684,575 in expenditures, \$0 in potential revenues, (\$0) in waived fees.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H.,I.,J.,K.,L.,N.,O.,P.,Q.,R.,S.,T.,U.,X.,Y.,Z.,2.BB.,2.CC. Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman, and approved.

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, October 19, 2020 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, and the Sheriff's Station on Wednesday, October 14, 2020.

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 September 21, 2020. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.C. APPROVAL OF DEMAND REGISTER NO. 874 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council shall receive the Demand Register for period ending October 9, 2020 pursuant to Sections 37201 to 37210 of the Government Code of the State of California.
ACTION: Approve Demand Register NO. 874 and adopt Resolution No.20-5335, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING PAYMENT OF DEMANDS PRESENTED ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 874." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- 2.D. ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 20-1122 (2ND READING) "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING ESTABLISHMENT OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS." [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 20-1122, "an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of West Hollywood, approving amendments to the Municipal Code regarding establishment of preferential parking districts."
ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance 20-1122, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING ESTABLISHMENT OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- 2.E. ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 20-1123 (2ND READING) "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING VALET PARKING LOADING ZONES." Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 20-1123, "an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of West Hollywood, approving amendments to the Municipal Code regarding valet parking loading zones."
ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance 20-1123, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING VALET PARKING LOADING ZONES." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- 2.F. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD MEETING SYNOPSES [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will receive a Synopses from the Human Services Commission, Public Facilities Commission, Public Safety Commission, Rent Stabilization Commission, Disabilities Advisory Board, Russian Advisory Board, Senior Advisory Board, and Transgender Advisory Board regarding actions taken at their recent meeting.

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

2.G. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR AUGUST 2020 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, K. BARENG, N. CORONADO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the Treasurer's Reports for the month ended August 2020 pursuant to Section 53646 of the Government Code of the State of California.

ACTION: Receive and file the August 2020 Treasurer's Report.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.H. FINAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT: 2019-2020 REGULAR SESSION OF THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE [J. LEONARD, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the final legislative update with including the status of each bill for which the City took a position since the beginning of the 2019-2020 regular session of the California State Legislature (January 2019 through September 2020).

ACTION: Receive & File. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.I. PARKING CITATION AUDIT [J. ROCCO, V. GUARINO, B. BORTFELD]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive a report on the results of the audit of parking citations issued over the last ten years.

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

2.J. UPDATE ON THE AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING PROGRAM (INCLUSIONARY HOUSING) WAITLIST AUDIT AND LOTTERY [C. PLANCK, P. NOONAN, A. BARTLE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on recertification of the City's inclusionary rental housing waitlist, and the lottery that was held to queue applicants received in November and add those applicants to the end of the City's current list.

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

2.K. WEHO SMART CITY – COMPLETION OF SMART STREET LIGHT POLE PILOT [OSCAR DELGADO, F. CONTRERAS, K. KIGONGO, J. ROCCO, H. DEMITRI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive and file an evaluation and completion report on the WeHo Smart City – Smart Street Light Pole Pilot.

ACTION: Receive and file an evaluation and completion report on the WeHo Smart City – Smart Street Light Pole Pilot. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.L. UPDATE ON NO-COST MENSTRUAL PRODUCTS IN CITY FACILITIES AND PARKS [S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS, E. HAMANT]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on the no-cost menstrual products program in City facilities and parks.

ACTION: Direct staff to incorporate the dispensing of no-cost menstrual products at all City facilities as a permanent program. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.M. AGREEMENT WITH WEST HOLLYWOOD RECOVERY CENTER FOR USE OF PARKING GARAGE DURING COVID-19 [P. AREVALO, L. LANGER, J. JIMENEZ, T. WORDEN, J. KEHO, B. GALAN, J. ROCCO, V. GUARINO, S. CAMPBELL]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of an agreement with the West Hollywood Recovery Center for use of the parking garage located at 625 N. San Vicente Boulevard to host outdoor addiction recovery support group meetings while the County of Los Angeles Health Officer Orders restrict the capacity of indoor meetings due to COVID-19 during the period of local emergency.

ACTION: This Item was Tabled.

2.N. ENHANCED CLEANING SERVICES AGREEMENTS [S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider: Rejecting the proposal received to provide litter and shopping cart retrieval services; Amending the existing Agreement with Social Vocational Services, Inc. to include litter and shopping cart retrieval services; and, Awarding a new agreement for pressure washing, graffiti removal services, and solar trash compactor (Big Belly) repair and maintenance to Woods Maintenance Services, Inc.

ACTIONS: 1) Reject the proposal received from Woods Maintenance Services, Inc. to provide litter and shopping cart retrieval as submitted on September 17, 2020; 2) Approve Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement, with Social Vocational Services, Inc. to increase the amount of \$1,335,157.12 by an additional \$152,512.59, for a new total “not-to-exceed” amount of \$1,487,669.71 to provide litter and shopping cart retrieval services; 3) Approve an Agreement with Woods Maintenance Services, Inc. for an initial period of two (2) years to provide Pressure Washing, Graffiti and Solar Trash Compacting (Big Belly) Maintenance Services in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,493,900 for a two-year term expiring on October 31, 2022; 4) Approve Woods Maintenance Services, Inc. to provide other related cleaning services, as may be required, at those costs established in the Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 per year for each year of the Agreement; and 5) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents incident to the Amendment and the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.O. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC SURVEY SERVICES WITH FAIRBANK, MASLIN, MAULIN, METZ & ASSOCIATES (FM3) [C. PLANCK, P. NOONAN, D. GIUGNI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement with Fairbank, Maslin, Maulin, Metz and Associates (FM3) to provide additional

survey services of renter issues resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic and continued rental assistance needs.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for survey services with Fairbank, Maslin, Maulin, Metz and Associates (FM3) by adding a second phase survey and increasing the amount of the Agreement by \$31,112, for a new not-to-exceed total of \$62,800; and 2) Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents incident to the Amendment to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.P. ACCEPTANCE OF AN EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC STREET AND SIDEWALK PURPOSES ALONG THE 926 HILLDALE AVENUE PROPERTY FRONTAGE [J. ROCCO, H. DEMITRI, M. SOLOGUB]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider accepting an easement for street and sidewalk purposes along the frontage of the single-family residence located at 926 Hilldale Avenue.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 20-5336 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ACCEPTING AN EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC STREET AND SIDEWALK PURPOSES AT 926 HILLDALE AVENUE IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD"; and 2) Direct the City Clerk to submit a certified copy of Resolution No. 20-5336, as well as the Easement in Attachment B for recordation by the office of the Recorder of the County of Los Angeles. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.Q. RECOGNITION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH [J. LEONARD, L. FOOKS, K. COOK, C. PLANCK, J. IVANOVA]:

SUBJECT: The West Hollywood City Council will consider recognizing October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct the Public Works Department to light the City's lanterns over Santa Monica Boulevard in the color purple to recognize National Domestic Violence Awareness Month from October 20-27, 2020; 2) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on digital collateral materials with partner agencies focused on domestic violence issues and services; and 3) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communications tools to promote National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, with a focus on sharing resources via social media platforms. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.R. WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY POET LAUREATE 2020-22 [L. BELSANTI, R. EHEMANN, M. CHE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will review and ratify the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission's recommendation for the West Hollywood City Poet Laureate 2020-22 who will serve from October 2020 to October 2022.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission's recommendation of Brian Sonia-Wallace for the West Hollywood City Poet Laureate 2020-22, to serve a two-year term from October 2020 to October

2022; and 2) Authorize use of the City's name and logo on promotional and collateral materials for City Poet Laureate-related programs and authorize the promotion of the programs through the City's website, calendar, and social media networks. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.S. "GET OUT THE VOTE" MONTH FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2020 ELECTION [C. SCHROEDER, Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will proclaim October 2020 as "GET OUT THE VOTE" Month.

ACTION: The City Council of the City of West Hollywood will proclaim October 2020 "GET OUT THE VOTE" Month. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.T. SOCIAL SERVICES NEEDS ANALYSIS FOCUSING ON PEOPLE OF COLOR IN WEST HOLLYWOOD [J. HEILMAN, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to perform an analysis of social services needs of people of color in West Hollywood, specifically focusing on health disparities and identifying gaps in services.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to perform an analysis of social services needs of people of color in West Hollywood, specifically focusing on health disparities and identifying gaps in services; and 2) Direct staff to report findings to the Human Services Commission for input and feedback before returning to City Council with the final report. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.U. SMALL BUSINESS INITIATIVE FOLLOW-UP [L. MEISTER, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to consolidate and expedite the exploration of ideas generated by previous council initiatives and the Chamber of Commerce small business initiative working group to encourage small businesses to open and efficiently operate in the City of West Hollywood.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct the Long Range Planning Division, the Urban Design and Architecture Studio, and Economic Development staff to work with the Chamber on policies, programs, and partnerships that can be implemented more rapidly to specifically help attract small business to the City of West Hollywood; and 2) Return to City Council in 60 days with an update. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.V. LASD WEST HOLLYWOOD STATION USE OF FORCE REPORT & UPDATE ON STEPS TAKEN TO MEET THE OBAMA FOUNDATION'S REIMAGINING POLICING PLEDGE [L. HORVATH, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive and file a follow-up report on the City's progress toward meeting the goals of the Obama Foundation's

Reimagining Policing Pledge, including a report of the use of force policies for LA County Sheriff's Department and data from the past 10 years at West Hollywood Station.

ACTION: This Item was removed from the Consent Calendar and heard with Item 4.A.

2.W. SUPPORT OF A REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY WITHIN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT [L. HORVATH, L. MEISTER, J. LEONARD, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to formally request the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) to open an investigation into the alleged criminal activity of a group of deputies within the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD).

ACTIONS: ACTION: This Item was removed from the Consent Calendar and heard with Item 4.A.

2.X. CREATION OF A DRAG LAUREATE PROGRAM [L. MEISTER, J. DURAN, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to develop a Drag Laureate program. The Drag Laureate would serve as an ambassador to West Hollywood businesses, especially the businesses in the City's historic LGBT district, and promote arts and culture in West Hollywood.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to develop a Drag Laureate program to serve as an ambassador to West Hollywood businesses, especially the businesses in the City's historic LGBT district, and promote arts and culture in West Hollywood; and 2) Return to City Council with the proposed scope of the program, guidelines, selection process for further consideration.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.Y. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD RATIFYING EMERGENCY MEASURES TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 RELATED TO REOPENING PLAYGROUNDS IN CITY PARKS AND TO ADD LOCATIONS TO THE OUT ZONE PROGRAM [P. AREVALO, J. JIMENEZ, T. WORDEN, P. KESPRADIT, L. LANGER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a Resolution ratifying the City Manager/Director of Emergency Services Order implementing emergency measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 related to reopening playgrounds in City parks and to add locations to the OUT Zone program.

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 20-5337, "RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD RATIFYING EMERGENCY MEASURES TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 RELATED TO REOPENING PLAYGROUNDS IN CITY PARKS AND TO

ADD LOCATIONS TO THE OUT ZONE PROGRAM". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.Z. RESOLUTION CONDEMNING AZERBAIJAN'S MILITARY OPERATION IN NAGORNO-KARABAKH AND IN SUPPORT OF A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT [J. HEILMAN, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution condemning Azerbaijan's military operation in Nagorno-Karabakh, also known as the Republic of Artsakh, and in support of a peaceful resolution to the conflict.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 20-5338, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD CONDEMNING AZERBAIJAN'S MILITARY OPERATION IN NAGORNO-KARABAKH AND IN SUPPORT OF A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT"; and 2) Direct the Community & Legislative Affairs Division to send copies of the adopted resolution to President Donald Trump, Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris, Congressman Adam Schiff, and other partners as appropriate. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.AA. RESOLUTION OPPOSING PROPOSITION 25: REFERENDUM ON LAW THAT REPLACED MONEY BAIL WITH SYSTEM BASED ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND FLIGHT RISK NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT [L. HORVATH, J. LEONARD, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution in opposition to Proposition 25, which asks California voters to decide whether SB 10 (Hertzberg) Pretrial release or detention: pretrial services, (Chapter 244, Statutes of 2018), which replaced the cash bail system for a pre-trial, risk assessment system should be repealed or upheld.

ACTION: This Item was moved to Excluded Consent.

2.BB. (4.C.) AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, REQUIRING MULTIFAMILY RESIDENCES, HOTELS, LODGING AND HOME SHARING RENTALS TO POST NOTICES IN COMMON AREAS AND ENTRANCES INFORMING RESIDENTS OF THE CURRENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER ORDER THAT PROHIBITS GATHERINGS AND REQUIRES FACE COVERINGS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS, AND SETTING FORTH THE FACTS CONSTITUTING SUCH URGENCY [P. AREVALO, J. LEONARD, M. JENKINS, L. LANGER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting an urgency ordinance that requires owners and operators of multifamily residences, hotels, lodging and home sharing rentals to post information on the current Los Angeles County Health Officer order, through signage in its common areas and main entrance to remind members of the public to wearface

coverings, practice social distancing and that social gatherings are prohibited during the COVID-19 crisis.

ACTION: Adopt Ordinance 20-1124U: AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, REQUIRING MULTIFAMILY RESIDENCES, HOTELS, LODGING AND HOME SHARING RENTALS TO POST NOTICES IN COMMON AREAS AND ENTRANCES INFORMING RESIDENTS OF THE CURRENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER ORDER THAT PROHIBITS GATHERINGS AND REQUIRES FACE COVERINGS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS, AND SETTING FORTH THE FACTS CONSTITUTING SUCH URGENCY. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.CC. (5.C) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR FUNDING UNDER THE CALHOME PROGRAM; THE EXECUTION OF A STANDARD AGREEMENT IF SELECTED FOR SUCH FUNDING AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO; AND ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CALHOME PROGRAM [C. PLANCK, P. NOONAN]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing the City Manager to apply for, and if accepted, receive funding in an amount of up to five million (\$5,000,000) from the California Department of Housing and Community Development CalHome Program for first-time homebuyer mortgage assistance, owner-occupied rehabilitation assistance, and ADU/JADU gap financing.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 20-5339, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR FUNDING UNDER THE CALHOME PROGRAM; THE EXECUTION OF A STANDARD AGREEMENT IF SELECTED FOR SUCH FUNDING AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO; AND ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CALHOME PROGRAM;" and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to submit an application to participate in the CalHome Program in response to the notice of funds available issued August 31, 2020, and if the application is selected execute on behalf of the City of West Hollywood the standard agreement, and any subsequent amendments or modifications thereto, as well as any other documents required by HCD for participation in the CalHome Program, and any amendments thereto. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 3. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.**

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4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

4.A. PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE [K. COOK, E. RAMIREZ, D. SMITH, J. JIMENEZ, D. RIVAS, C. PLANCK, D. GIUGNI]:

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 October 19, 2020. She was joined by Sheriff's Capt. Ed Ramirez and Lt. Bill Moulder, Los Angeles County Fire Captain Drew Smith, Code Compliance Manager Danny Rivas, Acting Human Services Director Corri Planck, and Social Services Manager David Giugni.

Sheriff's Capt. Ed Ramirez provided the statistics for his department. He spoke about studies that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is undertaking to address racial equity issues. He shared that the West Hollywood station was selected to pilot body-worn cameras for the LASD.

Councilmember D'Amico inquired about the proposed reforms. Ms. Cook responded to this inquiry.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, spoke on behalf of the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, thanked Public Safety and Code Enforcement staff for keeping the community safe.

ADAM KROLL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about diverting some calls for service away from public safety.

Councilmember Duran inquired about the MET (Mental Evaluation Team) Teams and how they operate. Acting Human Services and Rent Stabilization Director Corri Planck responded to his inquiry, specifically why they were transported to Orange County. Captain Ramirez also responded to the inquiry.

Councilmember Meister inquired about the Code Enforcement portion of the report, specifically quality of life requests and vacant properties. She mentioned the issue with available beds at homeless shelters. She thanked the Sheriff's volunteers for their service. She mentioned the protests in the City and the other LA County Sheriff's station personnel that was used in those situations. She also requested that Ms. Cook or Capt. Ramirez respond to use of force at the Sheriff's station. She requested that staff look at Santa Monica Blvd. and Crescent Heights and an evaluation for a left turn signal at the intersection. Mr. Rivas responded to the Code Enforcement inquiry. Ms. Planck responded to the homeless inquiry. Councilmember Meister inquired about 24/7 civilian services; what it is and what the cost is. Ms. Cook responded to this inquiry.

Captain Ramirez responded to the public safety questions, specifically the SRT (Sheriff's Response Team) and ERT (Emergency Response Team) Teams which are used in situations like protests. He also spoke about body cameras.

Captain Ramirez spoke about the incident on Friday, September 25, 2020.

Councilmember D'Amico commented that the events of September 25th were very different than any other demonstration in the community. He inquired about the comments made under Public Comment such as when the protesters will receive their personal property and why they allege that they were not offered an attorney. He supports the leadership at the West Hollywood Sheriff's Station, but he is concerned with the leadership of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman thanked City staff for the report. He noted that traffic has been reduced as well as alcohol consumption at City bars and restaurants due to COVID and cautioned that this be kept in mind when reviewing the reduced crime numbers. He spoke about homelessness in the City. He noted that residents are compassionate and used the term "aggressive compassion" to indicate that residents want those that are severely mentally ill and/or violent be transported for treatment. He mentioned complaints that he has received about loud vehicles in the City disrupting the quality of life for residents, specifically along La Cienega and requested that patrol officers enforce the City's ordinance regarding loud vehicles. Finally, he mentioned the property that was confiscated during the September 25th protest and inquired if there was a plan to return those items to the protesters. Captain Ramirez responded to the public safety inquiry. Ms. Cook responded to the loud vehicle inquiry. Ms. Planck responded to the homeless inquiry.

Councilmember Meister inquired if the City has the same number of homeless outreach teams that it had pre-COVID-19. She also mentioned the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Oversight Commission and the issues that they are having with Sheriff Villanueva. Ms. Cook responded to the public safety inquiry. Ms. Planck responded to the inquiry regarding the homeless outreach teams.

Mayor Horvath spoke about the City's security ambassadors and mask enforcement. Ms. Cook responded to this inquiry. She requested a Code Compliance COVID-19 update. Mr. Rivas responded to this inquiry. She inquired about outbreaks at the City's fire stations as well as impacts from wildfires. Los Angeles County Fire Captain Drew Smith responded to this inquiry. She mentioned the incident that occurred on September 25, 2020. She spoke about the issues at Cookies Melrose. West Hollywood Sheriff's Lieutenant Bill Moulder provided additional information about Cookies Melrose. She spoke about the meeting between Captain

Ramirez and the attorneys representing the September 25, 2020 protesters.

Councilmember D'Amico commented that he hopes an open dialogue can continue between the City and the Sheriff's Department.

Councilmember Duran mentioned peer-to-peer and other non-traditional outreach for homeless addicts and sex workers. He commented that a public safety primer is needed so that people understand what legal limits the City Council has.

ACTIONS: 1)The City Council will receive an update on public safety activities and provide additional direction to staff regarding public safety priorities such as crime prevention and resources to address homelessness and neighborhood livability; and 2) Receive an update on efforts by staff and the Public Safety Commission to promote justice and equity in policing. **Approved by consensus.**

[This Item was heard with item 4.A.]

2.V. LASD WEST HOLLYWOOD STATION USE OF FORCE REPORT & UPDATE ON STEPS TAKEN TO MEET THE OBAMA FOUNDATION'S REIMAGINING POLICING PLEDGE [L. HORVATH, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive and file a follow-up report on the City's progress toward meeting the goals of the Obama Foundation's Reimagining Policing Pledge, including a report of the use of force policies for LA County Sheriff's Department and data from the past 10 years at West Hollywood Station.

Mayor Horvath indicated that the questions in Item 2.V. could be answered at the Public Safety Commission.

ACTION: This Item was deferred to the Public Safety Commission. **Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Meister, and approved.**

[This Item was heard with item 4.A.]

2.W. SUPPORT OF A REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY WITHIN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT [L. HORVATH, L. MEISTER, J. LEONARD, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to formally request the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) to open an investigation into the alleged criminal activity of a

group of deputies within the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD).

Mayor Horvath commented that the allegations of criminal activity within the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department needs to be addressed.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to prepare a letter in support of the House of Representatives' Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties' request for the Civil Rights Division of the DOJ to open an investigation into alleged abusive conduct and potential criminal activity within the LASD; 2) Direct staff to send copies of the letter supporting the House of Representatives' Subcommittee's request for an investigation of alleged criminal conduct within the LASD to United States Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris, United States Representative Adam Schiff, State Senator Ben Allen, Assemblymember Richard Bloom, and Los Angeles County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl; and 3) Direct staff to send copies of the letter of support for the request of an investigation of LASD to the House of Representatives' Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, which initiated the request. **Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Meister, and approved.**

4.B. METRO UPDATE, RAIL INTEGRATION STUDY, AND CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH EMERSON & ASSOCIATES [J. KEHO, B. ECK, D. FENN, J. LEONARD]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on the Northern Extension of the Metro Crenshaw/LAX Line and consider authorizing the Agreement for Services with Cityworks Design for the proposed Rail Integration Study and an amendment to the Agreement for Services with Emerson & Associates.

Associate Planner David Fenn provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated October 19, 2020.

Councilmember D'Amico inquired when the Council will vote on the alignment and the construction timeline. Mr. Fenn responded to this inquiry. Community and Legislative Affairs Manager John Leonard provided additional information, as did Planning and Development Services Manager John Keho.

Councilmember Meister inquired about the technical analysis. Mr. Fenn responded to this inquiry. She expressed concern with a contract for an integration study when the EIR from Metro hasn't been developed. Mr. Keho responded to this inquiry. Councilmember D'Amico also provided clarity on why the City would enter into an agreement for the Study.

Councilmember Duran spoke regarding the need to have the extension reach San Vicente.

Mayor Horvath noted that the western-most alignment is the one that has the most support.

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman thanked staff for their hard work on this Item. He commented that there is tremendous support in the City for a metro rail. He noted that we be mindful of the configuring of the stations by looking at other cities and what has worked and what hasn't worked. He also commented that we need to be aware of the alignment so that we reach the maximum number of residents.

Councilmember D'Amico commented that the City should have federal lobbying that would help pay for it. He requested that staff return with an item outlining a Federal lobbying plan.

ACTIONS: 1) Receive an update on the Northern Extension of the Metro Crenshaw/LAX line; 2) Approve the Agreement for Services with Cityworks Design for a not to exceed amount of \$553,934 to conduct a range of technical analyses to ensure future rail service is integrated thoughtfully into the West Hollywood community through a Rail Integration Study; 3) Approve Amendment No. 8 to the Agreement for Services with Emerson & Associates to increase the amount of the agreement by \$170,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,145,000 to provide ongoing project support for the next phase of the project and related interagency negotiations; 4) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the Agreements; and 5) Direct staff to return with a federal lobbying plan. **Motion by Mayor Horvath, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman, and approved.**

4.C. AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, REQUIRING MULTIFAMILY RESIDENCES, HOTELS, LODGING AND HOME SHARING RENTALS TO POST NOTICES IN COMMON AREAS AND ENTRANCES INFORMING RESIDENTS OF THE CURRENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER ORDER THAT PROHIBITS GATHERINGS AND REQUIRES FACE COVERINGS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS, AND SETTING FORTH THE FACTS CONSTITUTING SUCH URGENCY [P. AREVALO, J. LEONARD, M. JENKINS, L. LANGER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting an urgency ordinance that requires owners and operators of multifamily residences, hotels, lodging and home sharing rentals to post information on the current Los Angeles County Health Officer order, through signage in its common areas and main entrance to remind members of the public to wear face coverings, practice social distancing and that social gatherings are prohibited during the COVID-19 crisis.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

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5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.A. TENANT SERVICES THROUGH THE COALITION FOR ECONOMIC SURVIVAL [L. HORVATH, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to enter into an Agreement for Services with the Coalition for Economic Survival (CES) to perform proactive outreach to help tenants know their rights and to provide one-on-one advice and assistance during the COVID-19 emergency and in the recovery period.

Mayor Horvath provided her reasons for adding this item to the agenda.

ANDREW REBACK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Item.

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman commented that Social Services and Housing staff should assist with developing the Scope of Services for the Item.

Councilmember D'Amico inquired why Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman removed his name from the Item. He further inquired why Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman didn't recuse himself from the Item.

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman responded to Councilmember D'Amico's inquiry and outlined his work with CES since the beginning of Cityhood. He stated that there is no need for Councilmembers to recuse themselves when there are no financial conflicts of interest involving the item.

ACTION: 1) Direct staff to return with an Item that includes funding to address the needs outlined in this report. **Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Duran and approved.**

5.B. LIMITATIONS ON CITY CO-SPONSORSHIPS WITH ORGANIZATIONS THAT ENDORSE CANDIDATES IN CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS [L. MEISTER, J. D'AMICO, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to draft a sponsorship policy that prohibits the City from co-sponsoring events – including providing monetary funding and/or in-kind support – with organizations if the organization, or its political PAC, or any of its board members has actively participated in City Council elections by endorsing candidates.

Councilmember Meister provided the reasons that she added this Item with Councilmember D'Amico. Councilmember D'Amico provided further background.

KAREN EYRES, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to the Item.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, on behalf of the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, spoke in opposition to the Item.

ADAM KROLL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, on behalf of the Stonewall Democratic Club spoke in opposition to the Item.

NADIA SUTTON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, on behalf of the Stonewall Democratic Club spoke in opposition to the Item.

ANDREW REBACK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to the Item.

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Item and read the E-Comment from Kimberly Copeland.

Councilmember Duran indicated that he plans to support the Item with some changes to the categories listed. He noted the types of organizations that should be included in the policy when it's developed.

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman indicated that he is opposed to the Item. He provided the reasons that he does not support it.

Mayor Horvath noted that she supports transparency; however she does not support the language as proposed in this Item.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to draft a sponsorship policy that prohibits the City from co-sponsoring events – including providing monetary funding and/or in-kind support – with organizations if the organization, or its political PAC, or any of its board members has formally or publicly endorsed or opposed a Council candidate; and 2) Return to Council with the draft sponsorship policy for consideration. **Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Meister, and approved noting the “no” votes of Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman and Mayor Horvath.**

- 5.C. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR FUNDING UNDER THE CALHOME PROGRAM; THE EXECUTION OF A STANDARD AGREEMENT IF SELECTED FOR SUCH FUNDING AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO; AND ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CALHOME PROGRAM [C. PLANCK, P. NOONAN]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing the City Manager to apply for, and if accepted, receive funding in an amount of up to five million (\$5,000,000) from the California Department of Housing and Community Development CalHome Program for first-time homebuyer

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mortgage assistance, owner-occupied rehabilitation assistance, and ADU/JADU gap financing.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.AA. RESOLUTION OPPOSING PROPOSITION 25: REFERENDUM ON LAW THAT REPLACED MONEY BAIL WITH SYSTEM BASED ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND FLIGHT RISK NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT [L. HORVATH, J. LEONARD, H. MOLINA]: *SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution in opposition to Proposition 25, which asks California voters to decide whether SB 10 (Hertzberg) Pretrial release or detention: pretrial services, (Chapter 244, Statutes of 2018), which replaced the cash bail system for a pre-trial, risk assessment system should be repealed or upheld.*

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman provided the reasons that he pulled the Item.

Councilmember Duran indicated that he does not support the Item. He noted that Governmental Affairs Liaison Hernan Molina provided a report to the City Council and chose not to indicate a position on Proposition 25.

Councilmember D'Amico thanked Mayor Horvath for bringing the Item forward.

ACTIONS: This Item was Tabled.

6. LEGISLATIVE: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

FRANKIE JACOBSON, UNKNOWN, spoke on Item 2.W.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Meister inquired if the City Council meeting could start at 6:00pm. The City Council agreed with this request. Assistant City Attorney Langer and City Manager Arevalo stated that staff would look into how to accomplish the change in meeting time.

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman responded to Councilmember D'Amico's comments regarding his endorsement from CES.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 10:18 p.m. in memory of Duff Bennett, Martin Strudler, Bert Maggio, Tom West, Eddie Van Halen, Haydee Florio, Patrick Lucas, Melina Rayna Barratt, Rachel Yassian, Dina Adndrianos, Michael Koutsoukos, and Eleni Koutsoukos to its next regular meeting, which will be on Monday, November 2, 2020 at 5:30 P.M. *via teleconference.

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PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 2nd day of November, 2020 by the following vote:

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

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