

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

6:00 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Shyne called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and read the Land Acknowledgment.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Delfina Alden led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmember Byers, Councilmember Heilman, Councilmember Meister, Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson, and Mayor Shyne.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Human Services and Rent Stabilization Christof Schroeder, City Attorney Langer, City Clerk Crowder, and Senior Administrative Analyst Nicole McClinton.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson requested that Items 6.A., 6.B., 6.C., 6.E., 6.F., and 6.G. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Items 2.P., 2.Q., 2R., 2.S., 2.T., and 2.U, respectively.

Councilmember Meister requested that Item 2.I. be moved to Excluded Consent. City Clerk Crowder noted that City Manager Wilson requested that the Item be Tabled to the October 16, 2023 City Council meeting.

Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Byers, to approve the October 2, 2023 agenda, as amended.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

Mayor Shyne requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Senator Dianne Feinstein.

Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Randy Matthews.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Shyne presented a Proclamation in honor of Disabilities Awareness Month.

The City Council presented plaques to outgoing Appointed Officials for their service to the City of West Hollywood's Boards and Commissions.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

VIVIAN GUMBINER, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding Item 2.F. She also mentioned the issues with unhoused community members at the location.

JIMMY PALMIERI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the Human Services Commission to share the various services and resources available to those who need assistance with Domestic Violence or Intimate Partner Violence.

MIKIE FRIEDMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the recent Transportation & Mobility Commission meeting where the Dockless Mobility Pilot Program was discussed. She also encouraged the City Council to discontinue the Pilot Program as it creates challenges for the disabled community.

PATRICK BLOOD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the Dockless Mobility Pilot Program and issues it creates for the disabled community. He commented that the City Council can honor Disabilities Awareness Month by discontinuing the Pilot Program.

DAVID NASH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Disabilities Awareness Month and the Halloween Carnival. He shared information regarding the Community Health & Wellness Event on October 17th. He also mentioned challenges that he's experienced with scooters.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, on behalf of the West Hollywood Preservation Alliance spoke in support of Item 2.F.

GUENTER KEUNECKE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Item 2.F.

SEVEN GRAHAM, LOS ANGELES, spoke in support of Item 2.N.

DAN HARRINGTON-TYRELL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 6.G. (2.U.) and the ongoing issues with the West Hollywood Housing Corporation.

***The City Council recessed at 6:56 p.m. and returned at 7:14 p.m. Mayor Shyne did not return after the recess.*

RICK WATTS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about the recent passing of Senator Feinstein and the appointment of Laphonza Butler to fill her seat. He also shared quotes from several famous disabled individuals.

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LOUISE SMITH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the City's Aging in Place certification from AARP, in support of ending the Dockless Mobility Pilot Program, and expanding the City's sidewalks for ADA accessibility.

ADAM DARVISH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Disabilities Awareness Month and thanked Councilmember Byers for Item 2.O.

The following individuals submitted *Citizen Position Slips* in support of Item 2.F.: Michael Abramson, Robert Blackmon, Cathy Blaivas, Lois Blumenthal, Laura Boccaletti, Kevin Burton, Michael Carter, Laura Cazares, George Credle, Gary Dahle, Cheryl Dent, Judson Feder, Conner Fischer, Wendy Goldman, Stephanie Harker, Edyth Magoun, Janeece Karr, Steve Martin, Roxanne McBryde, Dave Monks, Jacob Pederson, Henry Rasu, David Reid, Jody John Sakstrup, Jennifer Sanborn, Mark Scheinbaum, Neal Terry, Benjamin Watts, James "Jamie" Francis Wendell, Steve Weinstein, and Christopher Ximenez.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Director of Human Services & Rent Stabilization Christof Schroeder addressed the public comments regarding the Affordable Housing Resident Satisfaction Survey item that was Tabled at the September 18th City Council meeting noting that it will return at the October 16th City Council meeting. Staff corrected a technical error in the addresses. He mentioned the launch of the community dashboard to track the progress of the 6th Cycle Housing Element. He thanked the roughly 200 community members who participated in the recent Metro meetings on the K line northern extension. He shared an update on the Seismic Retrofit Program. Finally, he commented that the City won three Institute for Local Governments Beacon Spotlight Awards for Sustainability.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Crowder stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar with the addition of Items 6.A., 6.B., 6.C., 6.E., 6.F., 6.G., and the removal of Item 2.I. was \$933,850 in expenditures, \$0 in revenues, and (\$2,804) in waived fees.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H.,J.,K.,L.,M.,O.,P.,Q.,R.,S.,T.,U. Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson, and approved.

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, October 2, 2023 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station, and at the West Hollywood Library on Wednesday, September 27, 2023.

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 18, 2023. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.C. APPROVAL OF DEMAND REGISTER NO. 934 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, S. HERNANDEZ]:

SUBJECT: The City Council shall receive the Demand Register for period ending September 22, 2023 pursuant to Sections 37201 to 37210 of the Government Code of the State of California.

ACTION: Approve Demand Register No. 934 and adopt Resolution No. 23-083, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 934". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.D. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD MEETING SYNOPSES [M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive Synopses from the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission, Public Facilities, Recreation, and Infrastructure Commission, and Transportation & Mobility Commission regarding actions taken at their recent meetings.

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

2.E. RECOGNITION OF DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH [C. SCHROEDER, C. PLANCK, M. ULLOA, D. SAUNDERS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will recognize October as Disabilities Awareness Month.

ACTIONS: 1) Proclaim October as Disabilities Awareness Month; 2) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on invitations, programs, and other collateral materials; 3) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communications tools to promote Disability Awareness Month events including, but not limited to, the City's website and social media platforms; 4) Direct the Human Services Division to oversee the installation of 45 banners along Santa Monica Boulevard that recognize past recipients of the City's Disability Services Awards; 5) Approve the Disability Service Awards to be presented at a televised meeting of the Disabilities Advisory Board on Wednesday, October 18, 2023; and 6) Waive parking enforcement of the three-hour parking restrictions until 1pm at Plummer Park on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, for the Community Health & Wellness Event. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.F. REQUEST FOR INDIVIDUAL LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE DESIGNATIONS FOR 7900 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD AND 7906 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD [N. MARICICH, J. ALKIRE, A. CASTILLO, T. GALINDO]:

SUBJECT: At the request of the owner's representative for the property at 7900 Santa Monica Boulevard, on July 17, 2023, the City Council tabled the item to a date uncertain. The City Council will consider the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation to designate two abutting commercial buildings located at 7900 Santa Monica Boulevard and 7906 Santa Monica Boulevard as individual local cultural resources. A cultural resource designation is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15331 (Historic Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation) of CEQA Guidelines, which exempts projects that preserve historical resources in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards.

ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 23-084: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGNATING THE BUILDINGS LOCATED AT 7900 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD AND 7906 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCES." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.G. WORLD AIDS DAY EVENTS AND APPROVAL OF A CO-SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE FOUNDATION FOR THE AIDS MONUMENT (FAM) [Y. QUARKER, H. MOLINA, T. RODZINEK, C. SCHROEDER, C. PLANCK, D. MURRAY, D. SAUNDERS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving the sponsorship of the annual Paul Andrew Starke Warrior Awards and the co-sponsorship of the Foundation for the AIDS Monument (FAM) Commemoration Event for World AIDS Day 2023.

ACTIONS: 1) The City Council will recognize December 1, 2023, as World AIDS Day; 2) Approve sponsorship of the annual Paul Andrew Starke Warrior Awards on November 30, 2023; 3) Approve a Co-Sponsorship Agreement with the Foundation for the AIDS Monument (FAM) for the Commemoration Event in recognition of World AIDS Day on December 1, 2023; 4) Approve the use of the City Council Chambers and other facilities, waive event permits and associated fees; 5) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on invitations and other collateral materials for the events; 6) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute documents incident to the Co-Sponsorship Agreement; 7) Waive parking fees at the 5-story parking lot for attendees of the events (estimated to be \$1590 in waived fees); and 8) Authorize the use of the City equipment and set up logistics (estimated \$70 in waived fees per event). **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.H. EXCLUSIVE NEGOTIATION AGREEMENT WITH PLENARY BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE WH LLC TO DEVELOP A FIBER NETWORK TO IMPROVE BROADBAND SERVICES CITYWIDE [L. QUIJANO, E. TSIPIIS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement with Plenary Broadband Infrastructure WH LLC to perform market analyses, feasibility level design, and negotiate the terms for the Public-Private Partnership to develop a fiber network to improve broadband services citywide.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve an Exclusive Negotiations Agreement with Plenary Broadband Infrastructure WH LLC., for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$350,000 to negotiate a Public-Private Partnership to improve broadband services citywide; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.I. APPROVE AGREEMENTS FOR SERVICES TO DEVELOP AN INCLUSIVE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD [D. WILSON, C. SAFRIET, P. KESPRADIT]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving Agreements for Services with M. Arthur Gensler Jr & Associates (Gensler), Designing in Color (DCo), and Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz (FM3) to develop an inclusive Strategic Plan for the City of West Hollywood.

ACTION: This Item was Tabled to October 16, 2023.

2.J. AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH AESCO, INC. [S. CAMPBELL, J. GILMOUR]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the Agreement for services with AESCO, Inc. for on-call public works inspections services to increase the not-to-exceed amount of the Agreement.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 5 to the Agreement for services with AESCO, Inc., to increase the amount of the agreement by \$50,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$320,000; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.K. AWARD OF AGREEMENT FOR ON-CALL CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES WITH TURNER & TOWNSEND HEERY, LLC [S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS, E. HAMANT]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving the award of an Agreement to Turner & Townsend Heery, LLC to provide on-call construction management services for the City's Capital Improvement Program.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve an Agreement with Turner & Townsend Heery, LLC to provide on-call construction management services for the City's Capital Improvement Program for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$500,000; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute

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

2.L. ACCEPT TWO EASEMENTS AND RIGHT OF WAYS FOR PUBLIC STREET AND SIDEWALK PURPOSES ALONG THE OGDEN DR. AND ROMAINE ST. FRONTAGES OF THE 950 OGDEN, LLC/7760 ROMAINE, LLC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AT 950 OGDEN DR./7760 ROMAINE ST. [S. CAMPBELL, J. GILMOUR]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider accepting two easements and right of ways for street and sidewalk purposes along the Ogden Dr. and Romaine St. frontages of the 950 Ogden, LLC/7760 Romaine, LLC development project located at 950 Ogden Dr./7760 Romaine St.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-085: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ACCEPTING GRANT OF EASEMENTS FOR PUBLIC SIDEWALK AND PARKWAY PURPOSES AT 950 OGDEN DR./7760 ROMAINE ST. IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD"; and 2) Direct the City Clerk to submit a certified copy of Resolution No. 23-085, as well as the Easements in Exhibit A of Attachment A for recordation by the office of the Recorder of the County of Los Angeles. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.M. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH [Y. QUARKER, H. MOLINA, L. FOOKS, D. RIVAS, C. SCHROEDER, C. PLANCK]:

SUBJECT: The West Hollywood City Council will consider recognizing October 2023 as Domestic Violence and Intimate Partner Violence Awareness Month.

ACTIONS: 1) Proclaim October 2023 as Domestic Violence and Intimate Partner Violence Awareness Month; 2) Direct the Public Works Department to light the City's lanterns over Santa Monica Boulevard and City Hall in the color purple to recognize Domestic Violence and Intimate Partner Violence Awareness Month and "Purple Thursday" from October 1-20, 2023; 3) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on digital collateral materials with partner agencies focused on domestic violence/intimate partner violence issues and services; and 4) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communications tools to raise awareness about Domestic Violence and Intimate Partner Violence Awareness Month, including sharing resources via social media platforms. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.N. RECOGNITION OF INTERSEX AWARENESS MONTH [J. ERICKSON, Y. QUARKER, H. MOLINA, J. DEL TORO, M. WATSON]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider recognizing October as Intersex Awareness Month in the City of West Hollywood by sharing information through the City's communication platforms.

ACTION: Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communications tools to recognize Intersex Awareness Month during the

month of October and promote October 26th as Intersex Awareness Day.
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.O. RECOGNITION OF INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL [C. BYERS, Y. QUARKER, H. MOLINA, J. DEL TORO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider recognizing International Day of the Girl on October 11, 2023, in the City of West Hollywood by sharing information to bring awareness of this day through the City's communication platforms.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communications tools to promote International Day of the Girl; and 2) Direct the Public Works Department to light City Hall in the color pink to recognize International Day of the Girl on October 11, 2023.
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.P. (6.A.) CO-SPONSORSHIP WITH C.I.T.Y. X1 YOUTH GROUP'S 2023 PRE-THANKSGIVING DINNER AND COMMUNITY EVENTS [Y. QUARKER, J. DEL TORO, J. DUCKWORTH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider co-sponsoring the C.I.T.Y. x1 Youth Group's 2023 "Big Feast" pre-Thanksgiving dinner and community events throughout the month of November.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the co-sponsorship of the C.I.T.Y. x1 Youth Group's "2023 "Big Feast" pre-Thanksgiving dinner and community events beginning on Sunday, November 19, 2023, and lasting through Wednesday, November 22, 2023, in the amount of \$1,000; 2) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on invitations, programs, and other collateral materials; 3) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communication tolls to promote the event, such as the City's website and social media tools; 4) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the co-sponsorship agreement; and 5) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$1,000 from Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budgeted funds in the Lesbian and Gay Programs account number 100-3-50-15-533022 for costs associated with the event. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.Q. (6.B.) CO-SPONSORSHIP OF WINTER SOUNDS [J. HEILMAN, L. BIERY, R. EHEMANN, J. TRIBBLE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving a Co-Sponsorship of the City's Winter Sounds, a free indoor concert series, to take place at The Sun Rose performance venue, located inside of the Pendry Hotel at 8430 Sunset Boulevard on January 27, 2024, February 10, 2024, and February 24, 2024 from 7:00pm – 8:30pm.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the Co-Sponsorship of Winter Sounds, a free indoor concert series, to take place at The Sun Rose performance venue, located inside of the Pendry Hotel at 8430 Sunset Boulevard, on January 27, 2024, February 10, 2024, and February 24, 2024 from 7:00pm – 8:30pm.; 2) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on invitations,

programs, and other collateral materials for the event; 3) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communication tools to promote the events including, but not limited to, the City's website, a press release, and social media tools; and 4) Authorize the City Manager to sign any necessary documents for the co-sponsorship. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.R. (6.C.) CO-SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT FOR ACT UP LA'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT [L. MEISTER, Y. QUARKER, H. MOLINA, J. DEL TORO, M. WATSON]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving a Co-Sponsorship Agreement with ACT UP LA for the 30th Anniversary event on December 2, 2023, at Plummer Park's Great Hall/Long Hall.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve a Co-Sponsorship Agreement with ACT UP LA for the 30th anniversary event on December 2, 2023, taking place at Plummer Park's Great Hall/Long Hall; 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the Co-Sponsorship Agreement and any other ancillary City permits that may be required for this event; 3) Authorize the use of the City's name and logo on invitations, programs, and other collateral materials; 4) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communication tools to promote the event via the City's website and social media tools; 5) Approve the use of Great Hall, Long Hall, and Great Lawn at Plummer Park, waive any Facility Use Fees, Encroachment Permit Fees, and the 3-hour parking limit at the Plummer Park parking lot for event participants, and any other ancillary City permits that may be required for the event (estimated \$1,074); and 6) Authorize the Director of Finance & Technology Services to allocate up to \$5,000 from budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs account number 100-1-01-00-531001 for costs associated with the event. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.S. (6.E.) CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE 2023 TRANSLATIN@ COALITION GARRAS FASHION SHOW EVENT [J. ERICKSON, S. SHYNE, Y. QUARKER, H. MOLINA, J. DEL TORO, M. WATSON]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will approve a Co-Sponsorship Agreement with TransLatin@ Coalition for the GARRAS Fashion Show event on Sunday, November 19, 2023 at the Pacific Design Center.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve a Co-sponsorship Agreement with TransLatin@ Coalition for the GARRAS fashion show event which will be held at the Pacific Design Center on Sunday, November 19, 2023, this request includes \$10,000 in financial support; 2) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute documents incident to the Co-Sponsorship Agreement between the City and the TransLatin@ Coalition; and 3) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$10,000 from Fiscal Year 2023-24 budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs account number 100-1-01-00-531001 for costs associated with the event. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.T. (6.F.) CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE UNIQUE WOMAN’S COALITION’S ANNUAL ‘TRANSIVING DINNER’ EVENT [J. ERICKSON, S. SHYNE, Y. QUARKER, J. DEL TORO, J. DUCKWORTH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving a co-sponsorship of the Unique Woman’s Coalition’s ‘Transgiving Dinner’, an annual holiday dinner that provides a safe space, resources, and community for the Transgender community.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the co-sponsorship of the Unique Woman’s Coalition’s ‘Transgiving Dinner’, an annual Thanksgiving holiday inspired dinner and community event on Sunday, November 19, 2023; 2) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on invitations, programs, and other collateral materials; 3) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communication tools to promote the event, such as the City’s website and social media tools; 4) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the co-sponsorship agreement; and 5) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$5,000 from Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs account number 100-1-01-00-531001 for costs associated with the event. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.U. (6.G.) TOURS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING BUILDINGS FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS [J. HEILMAN, Y. QUARKER, H. MOLINA, J. DEL TORO, M. WATSON]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing the use of offline CityLine or PickUp vehicles to transport City Commissioners, Advisory Board Members, and other civic leaders to take tours of affordable housing buildings in West Hollywood built and/or managed by the West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the use of offline CityLine or PickUp vehicles to transport City Commissioners, Advisory Board Members, and other civic leaders to tour affordable housing buildings built/managed by the West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation; and 2) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate up to \$500 from budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs account number 100-3-50-15-531001 for associated costs. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 3. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None.
- 4. **LEGISLATIVE:** None.
- 5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.
- 6. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 6.A. CO-SPONSORSHIP WITH C.I.T.Y. X1 YOUTH GROUP'S 2023 PRE-THANKSGIVING DINNER AND COMMUNITY EVENTS [Y. QUARKER, J. DEL TORO, J. DUCKWORTH]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will consider co-sponsoring the C.I.T.Y. x1 Youth Group's 2023 "Big Feast" pre-Thanksgiving dinner and community events throughout the month of November.
ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.
- 6.B. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF WINTER SOUNDS [J. HEILMAN, L. BIERY, R. EHEMANN, J. TRIBBLE]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving a Co-Sponsorship of the City's Winter Sounds, a free indoor concert series, to take place at The Sun Rose performance venue, located inside of the Pendry Hotel at 8430 Sunset Boulevard on January 27, 2024, February 10, 2024, and February 24, 2024 from 7:00pm – 8:30pm.
ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.
- 6.C. CO-SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT FOR ACT UP LA'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT [L. MEISTER, Y. QUARKER, H. MOLINA, J. DEL TORO, M. WATSON]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving a Co-Sponsorship Agreement with ACT UP LA for the 30th Anniversary event on December 2, 2023, at Plummer Park's Great Hall/Long Hall.
ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.
- 6.D. CO-SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT WITH HOLLYWOOD NOW FOR THE TRANSVAGINA DIARIES [J. ERICKSON, Y. QUARKER, J. DEL TORO, M. MÁRQUEZ]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving a Co-Sponsorship Agreement with Hollywood NOW for the production of the Transvagina Diaries at the West Hollywood City Council Chambers on November 11 and 12, 2023.

Councilmember Meister shared the reasons that she wanted to discuss this item, mainly the cost of the co-sponsorship, and that the City is paying the performers. She noted that she did not want to set a precedence. She asked that the City Attorney confirm if this is allowed under the City's Co-Sponsorship Policy.

Councilmember Heilman expressed the same concerns as Councilmember Meister.

Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson indicated that the City co-sponsored the event last year under the same terms and cost. He also noted that this is the final co-sponsorship for this event given that the organization can apply for grants with the City, County, and State.

City Attorney Langer read from various sections of the Co-Sponsorship Policy confirming that the cost and paying of performers is allowed under the policy; however, she noted that the reporting requirements for co-sponsorships of \$10,000 including how the funds were used.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve a Co-Sponsorship Agreement with Hollywood NOW for the production of the TransVagina Diaries on November 11 and 12, 2023; 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute documents incident to the co-sponsorship Agreement; 3) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on invitations, programs, and other collateral materials for the event; 4) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communications tools to promote the event, including, but not limited to, the City's website and social media tools; 5) Waive the Facility Use Fee for the City Council Chambers for the two production days, as well as other three rehearsal days in the Council Chambers, and other Facility Use Fees for four rehearsal days in Plummer Park Community Rooms, and any other ancillary permits that may be required for the event (estimated \$1,320 in waived fees); 6) Waive parking fees at the 5-story parking lot for attendees of the event on both production days, and during the dress rehearsal days (estimated \$1,560 in waived fees); and 7) Authorize the Director of Finance & Technology Services to allocate \$10,000 from budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs account number 100-1-01-00-531001 for costs associated with the event. **Motion by Councilmember Byers, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson, and approved.**

6.E. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE 2023 TRANSLATIN@ COALITION GARRAS FASHION SHOW EVENT [J. ERICKSON, S. SHYNE, Y. QUARKER, H. MOLINA, J. DEL TORO, M. WATSON]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will approve a Co-Sponsorship Agreement with TransLatin@ Coalition for the GARRAS Fashion Show event on Sunday, November 19, 2023 at the Pacific Design Center.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

6.F. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE UNIQUE WOMAN'S COALITION'S ANNUAL 'TRANSGIVING DINNER' EVENT [J. ERICKSON, S. SHYNE, Y. QUARKER, J. DEL TORO, J. DUCKWORTH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving a co-sponsorship of the Unique Woman's Coalition's 'Transgiving Dinner', an annual holiday dinner that provides a safe space, resources, and community for the Transgender community.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

6.G. TOURS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING BUILDINGS FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS [J. HEILMAN, Y. QUARKER, H. MOLINA, J. DEL TORO, M. WATSON]:

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SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing the use of offline CityLine or PickUp vehicles to transport City Commissioners, Advisory Board Members, and other civic leaders to take tours of affordable housing buildings in West Hollywood built and/or managed by the West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

RAMESSES # SETEPENRE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding their challenges with finding housing as an exiled LGBTQ+ refugee.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Councilmember Heilman spoke regarding comments made by Ms. Gumbiner regarding unhoused community members urinating on her building as well as sleeping around the property and said that he plans to bring an item forward for City Council consideration. He also noted his attendance at several community meetings.

Councilmember Meister shared that she attended the Metro community meetings. She attended the community meeting introducing the City's executive team. She mentioned that it is Disabilities Awareness Month. She requested that Item 2.I. return on the October 16th City Council agenda as an Unfinished Business item. She mentioned several upcoming events in the City. She shared information on the West Basin Municipal Water District's Rain Barrel program and Water Harvest event and gave a special thanks to Scott Houston, Board of Directors for West Basin Municipal Water District.

Councilmember Byers reported her attendance at the League of California Cities Annual Conference and the 2023 Mobility 21 Southern California Transportation Summit. She attended a press conference with Supervisor Horvath honoring Banned Book Week. She thanked Commissioner Palmieri for speaking about services provided by the City on behalf of the Human Services Commission. She thanked her colleagues for supporting Item 2.O. She commented that October 4th is Clean Air Day. She mentioned several upcoming events in the City. She concluded her comments by sharing that the City released a Request for Qualifications for the design of banners for the City Hall Community Plaza.

Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson noted his attendance at various community events. He shared that he was interviewed by the Dallas Texas News about the City's drink-spiking test strips. He reported his attendance at the League of California Cities Annual Conference and congratulated Mayor Shyne on being elected President of the LGBTQ+ Caucus. He also reported his attendance at a Special Meeting of the Liability Trust Fund and Oversight Board. He shared that he will host the next Saturdays at the Park with John on October 21st. He mentioned various Consent Calendar items. He asked staff to look into the wood burning stove at Norah since he received complaints. He also asked

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staff to report back on the survey of the Sierra Bonita apartments regarding outstanding violations. He wished everyone a happy Disabilities Awareness Month. Finally, he spoke about going home to Rippon, Wisconsin and speaking to an LGBTQ+ group.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 7:50 p.m. in memory of Senator Dianne Feinstein and Randy Matthews to a Special Closed Session meeting, which will be on Monday, October 9, 2023, at City Hall, First Floor Community Meeting Room.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 16th day of October 2023 by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmember:	Byers, Heilman, Meister, Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson, and Mayor Shyne
NOES:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSENT:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember:	None.

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