

**MEETING DATE:**

10/12/15

**AGENDA ITEM:**

**Adoption of Resolution Extending Suspension of the Collection of Business Tax for Itinerant Motion Picture/Television Producers for an Additional Ten Years**

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Proposed Resolution

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1 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-R \_\_\_\_\_

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
4 CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA, SUSPENDING THE  
5 COLLECTION OF BUSINESS TAXES, AS SET FORTH IN  
6 CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 11.01.250,  
7 FOR ITINERANT MOTION PICTURE/TELEVISION  
8 PRODUCERS.

9 WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Culver City finds that the film and  
10 production industry is of significant importance to the City's local economy; and

11 WHEREAS, the City Council supports the City remaining competitive and  
12 attractive to film production companies and creating an atmosphere that continues to foster  
13 the film and production industry in the long-term; and

14 WHEREAS, in order to further this goal, the City Council has considered  
15 options for a business tax structure that would be more favorable to production companies  
16 and continue to encourage activity at local studios located within Culver City, thereby  
17 stimulating the City's local economy; and

18 WHEREAS, in light of the importance of the film industry in Culver City  
19 and the positive economic impact, job retention and job creation that occurs through  
20 increased filming in the City, on February 7, 2011 the City Council approved a five-year  
21 suspension of the collection of business taxes on itinerant motion picture/television  
22 producers as a means to stimulate the City's local economy; and

23 WHEREAS, the City Council, at its regular meeting of September 28, 2015,  
24 reached consensus to extend the suspension an additional 10 years.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Culver City, DOES  
26 HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

27 1. The suspension of the collection of business taxes on itinerant motion  
28 picture/television producers, pursuant to Culver City Municipal Code Section 11.01.250,  
shall be extended for an additional period of 10 years (the "Tax Suspension").

1           2.     For purposes of this Resolution, "itinerant motion picture/television  
2 producers" do not include motion picture/television producers that occupy property within  
3 Culver City which they own, or occupy through a lease or rental agreement in excess of  
4 365 days.

5           3.     The extended Tax Suspension shall become effective on February 8,  
6 2016 and shall automatically expire on February 8, 2026, unless earlier terminated or  
7 extended by another resolution of the City Council.

8           4.     During the 10-year Tax Suspension period, the Chief Financial Officer  
9 shall make best efforts to solicit impacts on local spending and employment as a result of  
10 filming activity from Culver City media production facilities.

11                   APPROVED and ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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14 MICHEAL O'LEARY, MAYOR  
15 City of Culver City, California

16 ATTEST:

17 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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19 MARTIN R. COLE, City Clerk

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22 CAROL A. SCHWAB, City Attorney

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