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REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

April 8, 2013
5:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Weissman called the meeting of the City Council to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Andrew Weissman, Mayor
Jeffrey Cooper, Vice Mayor
Jim B. Clarke, Councilmember
Micheál O'Leary, Councilmember
Meghan Sahli-Wells, Councilmember

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Closed Session

At 5:00 p.m., the City Council recessed to Closed Session to discuss the following items:

CS-1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Title: Chief of Police
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

CS-2 Conference with Real Property Negotiators
Re: Various Underground Pipelines Throughout the City
City Negotiators: City Manager John Nachbar; Assistant City Manager Martin R. Cole
Other Parties Negotiators: Chevron, Conoco-Phillips, Exxon/Mobil, Plains Exploration and Production Company, Shell
Under Negotiation: Both Terms and Price
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

CS-3 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Re: Marco Campobasso v. City of Culver City
Case No. BC497015
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

CS-4 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Re: Significant Exposure to Litigation – (1 item)
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)

CS-5 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Alhambra and 46 Other Cities v. County of Los Angeles,
Case No. BS 116375
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c)

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Reconvene

The City Council reconvened its meeting at 7:16 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

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Report on Action Taken in Closed Session

Mayor Weissman indicated there was nothing to report from closed session.

{Note from the City Clerk: The City Council did not discuss Item CS-2 during Closed Session}

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Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was given by John Nachbar, City Manager, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Fred Yglesias.

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Community Announcements by City Council Members/Information Items From Staff

Mayor Weissman reported that the City was working on revising the outdated oil drilling ordinance.

Sherry Jordan, Project Manager, announced a new website accessible from the City website with information related to the Inglewood Oil Field; the release of the Discussion Draft Regulations relating to oil drilling operations in the Culver City portion of the Inglewood Oil Field; a community meeting to comment on the Discussion Draft to be held in 30 days; she discussed noticing procedures and the formal adoption process; she indicated that written comments should be submitted to her by June 3, 2013; she provided her contact information; and she encouraged anyone interested in receiving information to sign up on the notification list.

Mayor Weissman discussed the process so far and thanked staff for their hard work.

Councilmember Sahli-Wells reported attending the South Coast Air Quality Management meeting with Sherry Jordan and the City Attorney where she spoke on behalf of the City in support of a requirement for notification of what chemicals are used and what kind of air emissions happen in the region during production, and she reported that the rule was subsequently adopted.

Councilmember Clarke announced events on April 21 including CicLAvia; Earth Day at the Star Eco Station; and a Culver City PTA fundraiser event.

Councilmember O'Leary announced events on April 20 honoring Albert and Ursula Vera and in memory of Father Richard Gleason at Saint Augustine's Parish Hall to benefit S.A.V.E.S., and the Artworks fundraiser at Fresh Paint Art Gallery to benefit Farragut School.

Mayor Weissman reported that items A-2 and A-3 would not be acted upon but would come back for consideration at a future date.

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This item was taken out of order.

Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE AND FILE CORRESPONDENCE.

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Joint Public Comment – Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Weissman invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Ken Ruben discussed an article he distributed to Councilmembers regarding the unsuccessful Expo robbery on April 7; the original trains in the City; and he thanked Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Martin Cole for his efforts.

Beverly Powell and Sophia Holman, Star Eco Station, invited everyone to attend their 13th Annual Children’s Earth Day event on April 21 noting that it would be partially run by solar power.

Councilmember O’Leary encouraged everyone to attend the very popular event.

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Joint Consent Calendar

Item JC-1

JOINT CITY COUNCIL, HOUSING AUTHORITY AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY AGENDA ITEM: Cash Disbursements

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER SAHLI-WELLS, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER O’LEARY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR MARCH 16, 2013 – MARCH 29, 2013.

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Consent Calendar

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that Councilmember Clarke had transmitted some non-substantive corrections to the minutes that staff verified and made.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER SAHLI-WELLS, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER O’LEARY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS C-1 THROUGH C-7.

Item C-1

Meeting Minutes

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 26, 2013 AS AMENDED.

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Item C-2

Authorization to Solicit Proposals for a Safe Routes to School Coordinator for the City's Federal Non-Infrastructure Safe Routes to School Grant Program

Councilmember Sahli-Wells thanked staff for their hard work.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE RELEASE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR A SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL COORDINATOR TO BE HIRED AS PART OF THE CITY'S FEDERAL NON-INFRASTRUCTURE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL GRANT PROGRAM.

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Item C-3

1) Acceptance of Work Performed by Griffith Company 2) Authorization to File the Notice of Completion; and (3) Authorization to Release the Retention Payment after Expiration of the 35-day Lien Period for the Construction of the Jefferson Boulevard Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Improvements Project at Hetzler Road, P-956

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. ACCEPT THE WORK PERFORMED BY THE CONTRACTOR, GRIFFITH COMPANY, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE JEFFERSON BOULEVARD PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AT HETZLER ROAD, P-956; AND,

2. AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER TO EXECUTE THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND SUBMIT IT TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S OFFICE FOR RECORDATION; AND,

3. AUTHORIZE THE RELEASE OF $28,840 IN RETENTION FUNDS TO GRIFFITH COMPANY FOLLOWING THE EXPIRATION OF THE 35-DAY LIEN PERIOD.

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Item C-4

Adoption of a Resolution Approving an Encroachment Agreement with AboveNet, Inc. for Use of the Public Right of Way along Washington Boulevard and National Boulevard

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT WITH ABOVENET; AND,

2. AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,

3. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

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Item C-5

Adoption of a Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Annual Assessments for the Sewer User's Service Charge and Ordering the Preparation of the Engineer's Report Thereon for Fiscal Year 2013/2014

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT A RESOLUTION INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SEWER USER'S SERVICE CHARGE AND ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF THE ENGINEER'S REPORT THEREON FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014.

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Item C-6

Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing Direct Billing for the Collection of the Sewer User's Service Charges for the Purpose of Properly Assessing Each Parcel of Real Property in the City its Proportionate Share of Said Costs Pursuant to Culver City Municipal Code Section 5.02.035.E

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECT BILLING FOR THE COLLECTION OF THE SEWER USER'S SERVICE CHARGES FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPERLY ASSESSING EACH PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY ITS PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF SAID COSTS PURSUANT TO CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 5.02.035.E.

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Item C-7

(1) Approval of Side Letters of Agreement with the Culver City Employees Association, the Culver City Management Group, the Culver City Police Management Group, the Culver City Police Officers’ Association, the Culver City Fire Management Group, and the Culver City Firefighters’ Association; (2) Adoption of Resolutions Approving Related Amendments to the Respective Memorandums of Understanding Consistent with the Side Letters of Agreement; and (3) Adoption of Resolutions Approving Respective Classification and Salary Plans for Safety Employees and Miscellaneous Employees

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE THE SIDE LETTERS OF AGREEMENT WITH THE CULVER CITY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, THE CULVER CITY MANAGEMENT GROUP, THE CULVER CITY POLICE MANAGEMENT GROUP, THE CULVER CITY POLICE OFFICERS’ ASSOCIATION, THE CULVER CITY FIRE MANAGEMENT GROUP AND THE CULVER CITY FIREFIGHTERS’ ASSOCIATION; AND,

2. ADOPT RESOLUTIONS APPROVING RELATED AMENDMENTS TO THE RESPECTIVE MOUS OF THE CULVER CITY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, THE CULVER CITY MANAGEMENT GROUP, THE CULVER CITY POLICE MANAGEMENT GROUP, THE CULVER CITY POLICE OFFICERS’ ASSOCIATION, THE CULVER CITY FIRE MANAGEMENT GROUP AND THE CULVER CITY FIREFIGHTERS’ ASSOCIATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE SIDE LETTERS OF AGREEMENT; AND,

3. ADOPT RESOLUTIONS APPROVING RESPECTIVE CLASSIFICATION AND SALARY PLANS FOR SAFETY EMPLOYEES (CULVER CITY POLICE OFFICERS’ ASSOCIATION, CULVER CITY POLICE MANAGEMENT GROUP, CULVER CITY FIRE MANAGEMENT GROUP AND THE CULVER CITY FIREFIGHTERS’ ASSOCIATION) AND MISCELLANEOUS EMPLOYEES (CULVER CITY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION AND THE CULVER CITY MANAGEMENT GROUP).

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Public Hearings

Item PH-1

PUBLIC HEARING – (1) Discussion of Linwood E. Howe Safe Routes to School Project, and (2) (If Desired) Direction to the City Manager Related Thereto

Councilmember Sahli-Wells reported that since she lives in the area she had spoken to the City Attorney who determined that there would not be a conflict of interest, but she indicated that in order to be overly cautious she would refrain from voting on those intersections that were within 500 feet of her home.

Gabe Garcia, Traffic Engineering Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER O'LEARY, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Mayor Weissman invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Jim Shanman, Walk 'n Rollers, expressed support for the plan outlined by Mr. Garcia.

Yvonne McLauchlan, Hiking Vikings, discussed the Safe Routes to School Committee; community involvement; she expressed support for the proposed improvements; and she presented a petition in support of the changes.

Gayle Haberman, Linwood Howe parent, expressed support for the plan and thanked the City for working with the community; discussed speeding on Braddock; traffic calming measures; and curb extensions.

Katherine Wolf, Linwood Howe parent, provided background on herself; discussed her dream of taking her son to school; and she expressed support for the proposed plan.

Karim Sahli, his sons, and their friend Sam, all expressed support for the proposed changes.

Leah Nico, Linwood Howe parent, expressed support for the proposal.

Cary Anderson provided video of cars regularly running the stop sign at Farragut and Irving; he discussed the narrowing; the comfort of drivers executing turns at project intersections; concern that drivers are already comfortable going through the stop signs; the grant money; enforcement; exceptions made for the Exchange Club; and he asked that it be stipulated that the grant money would not be taken up by overtime but used for parking enforcement instead.

Chelsea Schneider, Culver City Unified School District, felt the Safe Routes to School plan would keep students safe; she discussed the Hiking Vikings; and she reported issues at Ince and Lucerne.

Jeremy Green, Management Analyst, read a written comment submitted by:

Disa Lindgren

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER O'LEARY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding when the project would begin and conclude; Fire Department support; negative comments; changing opposition to support; visualizing the changes; enforcement; the non-infrastructure grant; public input; area traffic; timing of the grant; reductions to pollution; promoting exercise; the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Grant; and appreciation to staff for being responsive to community needs.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER O'LEARY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:

1) A REDUCTION OF NEARLY ALL CURB-EXTENSIONS FROM SIX FEET, DOWN TO FOUR FEET; AND

2) WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF BRADDOCK

DRIVE/DUQUESNE AVENUE (THE RIGHT TURN FROM SOUTHBOUND DUQUESNE AVENUE ONTO WESTBOUND BRADDOCK DRIVE), THE PROPOSED PHYSICAL IMPROVEMENTS AT THE OTHER THREE CORNERS OF THIS INTERSECTION REMAIN PART OF THE PROJECT, AND THE CURB-EXTENSIONS ARE PROPOSED TO BE REDUCED FROM SIX FEET DOWN TO FOUR FEET, ONE EXCEPTION BEING THAT THE CURB-EXTENSION AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER WILL BE LONGER SO THAT ITS CURB ALIGNS WITH THE CURB EXTENSION AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER; AND

3) AT INTERSECTIONS WITH ONE-WAY STREETS (SUCH AS AT A STREET/VAN BUREN PLACE, BRADDOCK DRIVE/IRVING PLACE, FARRAGUT DRIVE/IRVING PLACE, AND FARRAGUT DRIVE/VAN BUREN PLACE), THE CURB-EXTENSIONS ARE PROPOSED TO BE OF A LONGER LENGTH DUE TO THE LACK OF SOME OF THE TURNING MOVEMENTS.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER O’LEARY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:

1) NEW PERPENDICULAR CURB RAMPS FOR THE INTERSECTION OF BRADDOCK DRIVE/LINCOLN AVENUE BUT NO CURB EXTENSIONS ARE PROPOSED; AND

2) NEW HIGH-VISIBILITY CROSSWALKS AND ADVANCED STOP BARS ARE PROPOSED FOR THE INTERSECTION OF HIGUERA STREET/LUCERNE AVENUE. THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:	CLARKE, COOPER, O’LEARY, WEISSMAN
NOES:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	SAHLI-WELLS

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Action Items

Item A-1

Appointment of Members to the Finance Advisory Committee

Mayor Weissman invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Alejandro Lara provided background on himself and thanked the City Council for their consideration.

Steve Reitzfeld discussed his previous experience serving on the Landlord Tenant Mediation Committees.

Michel Chaghouri thanked the City Council for their consideration.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that Marcus Tiggs had indicated that in the event he were to be appointed to the Finance Advisory Committee, he would immediately resign from the Fiesta La Ballona Committee.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding appointment protocol; the Brown Act; business applicants vs. resident applicants; appreciation to the applicants and to the City for agreeing to create the committee; applicant experience; the committee as a whole; not always using the same people; the process; and support for individual candidates.

After significant discussion, the City Council considered the following motion:

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER O'LEARY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPOINT CRYSTAL ALEXANDER TO FILL (RESIDENT) OFFICE #1 FOR A TERM, EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2016;

2. APPOINT ALEJANDRO LARA TO FILL (RESIDENT) OFFICE #2 FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2016;

3. APPOINT STEVE REITZFELD TO FILL (RESIDENT) OFFICE #3 FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2014;

4. APPOINT GORAN ERIKSSON TO FILL (BUSINESS COMMUNITY) OFFICE #4 FOR A TERM, EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2016;

5. APPOINT RICHARD HIBBS TO FILL (BUSINESS COMMUNITY) OFFICE #5 FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2016;

6. APPOINT DAVID TROVATO TO FILL (BUSINESS COMMUNITY) OFFICE #6 FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2014;

7. APPOINT DESMOND BURNS TO FILL (STAFF LEVEL BARGAINING GROUP) OFFICE #7 FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2014;

8. APPOINT ALLAN AZRAN TO FILL (MANAGEMENT LEVEL BARGAINING GROUP) OFFICE #8 FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2014; AND

9. APPOINT SEAN KEARNEY TO FILL (CCUSD) OFFICE #9 FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2014.

Councilmember Sahli-Wells discussed the upcoming budget process and she indicated that she was open to listening to any ideas from Committee members.

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Item A-2

Consideration of a Recommendation from the Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) Commission to Establish a PRCS Commission Fundraising Subcommittee

This item was not considered.

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Item A-3

Discussion of Policy Considerations Related to Locating Bicycle Sharing Stations, Including the Example of Such a Station on Washington Boulevard, and Direction to the City Manager Related Thereto

This item was not considered.

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Item A-4

(1) Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Boulevard Music to Produce a Minimum of Four Concerts During the 2013 Summer Months for the Culver City Boulevard Music Festival, and (2) Discussion of Options for Additional Concerts

Mayor Weissman invited public comment.

There was no response.

Mayor Weissman read an email he received from Ken Kaufman, former president of the Downtown Business Association, and owner of City Tavern and Rush Street.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding the possibility of additional concerts; reluctance to use additional City funds; fundraising efforts; the importance of building momentum and energy; the difficulty of measuring the success of the concerts; the Culver City brand; cost savings by not having the fireworks show; additional money potentially available from the Cultural Trust Fund; and costs per concert.

Discussion ensued between staff, Councilmembers and Gary Mandell regarding cost break down for each concert; sponsorships; the producer’s fee; artist fees; bridging the gap between the previous version of the concert series and the current version; national acts vs. local acts; double booking; publicity for Boulevard Music; the amount of money to be raised by Mr. Mandell; the total amount of money necessary to do six concerts; and other events requesting support from the City.

Councilmember Clarke moved to support 1A, B, C and D in the staff report. Councilmember O’Leary seconded the motion.

Vice Mayor Cooper asserted that the concert festival was a proven entity and he expressed support for adding two additional concerts.

Councilmember Sahli-Wells expressed support for the concert series and requested a second motion for six concerts.

Vice Mayor Cooper proposed a substitute motion that there be six concerts in the series at a total cost of $17,143. Councilmember Sahli-Wells seconded the motion.

Further discussion continued regarding clarification that $7,866 has already been budgeted and there is a potential of $5,000 additional from the Cultural Trust Fund; the production fee; the price per additional concert; and seeking additional sponsorships.

Councilmember Clarke suggested an amendment to the substitute motion to add the words ‘in an amount not to exceed’.

Gary Mandell suggested that any additional fundraising efforts could be put toward talent.

Vice Mayor Cooper accepted the amendment to the motion so long as any additional monies raised by Mr. Mandell would be put toward the performers. Councilmember Sahli-Wells accepted the amendment as seconder of the motion.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR COOPER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1A. DETERMINE THAT THE CRITERIA FOR CITY SPONSORSHIP HAVE BEEN MET AND DESIGNATE THE 2013 CULVER CITY BOULEVARD MUSIC FESTIVAL AS A CITY SPONSORED EVENT; AND,

1B. APPROVE AN MOU WITH GARY MANDELL FOR THE PRODUCTION OF THE FESTIVAL; AND,

1C. AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,

1D. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SUCH DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, AND

2. AUTHORIZE THE ADDITION OF TWO CONCERTS TO BE ADDED AT A COST OF $4,822/CONCERT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED $17,143 WITH ANY ADDITIONAL MONIES RAISED THROUGH FUNDRAISING TO BE PUT TOWARD THE PERFORMERS. THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: CLARKE, COOPER, SAHLI-WELLS
NOES: O'LEARY, WEISSMAN
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

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Item A-5

Consideration of Advocacy Positions to Convey the City Council's Position on Guns, Including: S. 150 (Proposal by Senator Feinstein to Ban Assault Rifles); Mayors Against Illegal Guns; Americans for Responsible Solutions; and President Obama's Gun Violence Reduction Executive Orders- Now is the Time

Mayor Weissman invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Margot Bennett, Women Against Gun Violence, provided background on the organization; discussed gun regulation laws of other states; the need for a national plan; and she expressed support for Senator Feinstein's ban on assault rifles.

Jeremy Green, Management Analyst, read a written comment submitted by:

Margaret and Disa Lindgren

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that two comments for the item had been received as part of the motion for receipt of correspondence.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding changes to the legislation; developing principles that have City Council support; the letter prepared by the U.S. Conference of Mayors in January 2013; the position of the City Council; support for specific measures in the staff report; amendments; SB 150; Senator Reed's Bill; Culver City statistics regarding violence involving guns for the past five years; surrounding jurisdictions; the importance of effective nationwide legislation; concern with specific policy provisions; tracing guns; picking specific statements to agree with; and legal vs. illegal guns.

Margot Bennett discussed illegal guns; Mayors Against Illegal Guns; and she suggested that the City Council could not pick and choose which statements to agree with.

Mayor Weissman suggested striking the word 'all' in the statement 'support all local, state and legislative efforts that target illegal guns~~.~~'

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE, SECONDED BY MAYOR WEISSMAN~~ AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED~~, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT, AS ITS POLICY ON PREVENTION OF GUN VIOLENCE, THE U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS' OPEN LETTER OF JANUARY 28, 2013.

Council Member Sahli-Wells voiced her support for the other measures in addition to the U.S. Conference of Mayors' open letter and inquired if there would be an opportunity for additional motions after this motion was addressed. Mayor Weissman responded that Council Member Sahli-Wells could propose any additional motions she desired.

THE ABOVE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SAHLI-WELLS TO SUPPORT SENATOR FEINSTEIN'S ASSAULT WEAPONS BAN OF 2013.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding support for specific bills; what is covered under the principles that the City Council has expressed support for; direction to staff; concern with joining a coalition; what the motion encompasses; Mayors Against Illegal Guns; the proposal by President Obama; jurisdiction; making a statement regarding the position of the City on gun violence; concern with taking a stand on executive actions; and the process.

Council Member Sahli-Wells inquired if the action taken by the City Council would encompass the other proposals. Assistant to the City Manager Shelly Wolfberg responded that the Council's action would allow the staff to draft a letter for the Mayor's signature in support of the Giffords' proposal and the Reid Bill. It would also provide guidance on certain State legislation.

City Manager Nachbar clarified that the action taken by the City Council would not include sufficient guidance to sign-on to the Mayor's Against Illegal Guns Statement of Principles.

Council Member Sahli-Wells inquired if the Council's action would allow the City to support the President's Proposal – Now is the Time Executive Actions.

Council Member Clarke indicated the principles adopted by the City Council would be consistent with some of the elements of the President's proposal.

Council Member Sahli-Wells asked for her colleagues' support to specifically support the President's 23 executive actions to reduce gun violence.

THE MOTION ABOVE DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

Discussion ensued amongst the Council Members regarding the President's proposals; support of the President's proposals; need to support the other proposals contained in the agenda item; the unclear significance of each one of the 23 proposals, the possibility of returning the item to staff for further research, confusion of the need to sign on to the various groups' specific proposals; letting the public know where the City Council stands on this issue and providing principles for the staff to use in evaluating legislation related to gun violence.

Councilmember Clarke moved to table the item. There was no second. Councilmember Clarke withdrew his motion.

Councilmember Sahli-Wells moved that the City Council support President Obama's Gun Violence Reduction ~~Law~~ Executive Orders entitled Now Is ~~The~~ the Time. The motion died for lack of a second.

Councilmember Clarke suggested that the City Council move to congratulate President Obama for forcefully articulating a set of issues that deal with gun violence without actually saying the Council ~~y~~ supports every particular item.

There was no support for the suggestion.

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Item A-6

(1) Consideration of the Amount of In-Kind Assistance for and Possible City Sponsorship of the Event; (2) (If Desired) Approval of Street Closures Related to the Train 4 Autism Culver City 5K/10K Run Walk Event; (3) (If Desired) Approval of a Related License Agreement; and (4) Provide General Direction Related to the Number of Annual Large Scale Events Requiring Street Closures

Jeremy Green, Management Analyst, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor Weissman received clarification that hard costs on the day of the event would be paid for by the organizers, including costs for police officers.

Mayor Weissman invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Tim Bomba clarified the exact route of the race and that the event was formerly sponsored by Sporteve, and he noted that The Education Foundation would be a beneficiary of the event.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding frequency of these types of events; feedback from area residents and businesses; and impacts to streets.

Councilmember Sahli-Wells moved that the City Council not consider all events but support the proposed event.

Councilmember O'Leary indicated that the event would negatively affect his business but he would support it anyway.

Additional discussion ensued between staff, Councilmembers and Mr. Bomba regarding the Downtown Business Association; the process; notification to businesses along the route; time and length of the race; and clarification that the streets were open before 11 a.m. last time and access was available via side streets.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER SAHLI-WELLS, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. DETERMINE THE LEVEL OF IN-KIND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PROVIDE TO TRAIN 4 AUTISM RELATED TO THE 2013 TRAIN 4 AUTISM CULVER CITY 5K/10K RUNNING RACE EVENT TO BE $2,679; AND,

2. APPROVE THE STREET CLOSURES ON CULVER BOULEVARD AND WASHINGTON BOULEVARD FROM VENICE BOULEVARD TO CENTER STREET AND STREET CLOSURES FOR ALL NORTH/SOUTH RUNNING STREETS AT CULVER AND WASHINGTON BOULEVARDS; AND,

3. DESIGNATE THE 2013 TRAIN 4 AUTISM CULVER CITY 5K/10K RUNNING RACE EVENT AS A CITY SPONSORED EVENT; AND,

4. APPROVE A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND TRAIN 4 AUTISM FOR THE USE OF MEDIA PARK AND CITY PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY; AND,

5. AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND

6. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SUCH DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

Further discussion ensued regarding direction on frequency of events; costs; including the discussion in the budget process; creating a policy to provide better information to entities interested in holding an event; and frequency of events.

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Joint Public Comment – Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Weissman invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Cary Anderson discussed Safe Routes to School; northbound cut through traffic on Irving; width of the street; the route taken by the Fire Department; he suggested slowing down traffic on Irving; he expressed concern with drivers that do not stop at the stop sign at Farragut; and he proposed adding a stop sign to slow down traffic and potentially prevent accidents.

Mayor Weissman verified that Lieutenant Iizuka had noted the information.

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Items from the City Council

Items from Councilmember Clarke

- Wished the Mayor and his wife a Happy Birthday and wished the Mayor good luck at the State of the City address

Items from Mayor Weissman

- Indicated that this was his last meeting as Mayor and he had enjoyed serving the City

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 10:26 p.m., the City Council adjourned its meeting to a meeting on Monday, April 22 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

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Martin R. Cole
CITY CLERK of the City of Culver City, California
EX-OFFICIO CLERK of the City Council
Culver City, California

ANDREW WEISSMAN
MAYOR of the City of Culver City, California