

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF CULVER CITY,
CALIFORNIA

November 7, 2011
5:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting of the City Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Micheál O'Leary, Mayor
D. Scott Malsin, Vice Mayor
Christopher Armenta, Councilmember
Jeffrey Cooper, Councilmember
Andrew Weissman, Councilmember

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Closed Session

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council regarding Closed Session Item CS-1:

Joseph Miller recounted his family's business history in Culver City; and expressed his desire to be the developer for Parcel B.

Marla Koosed requested confirmation that the City Council had received an email she had sent.

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Closed Session
(continued)

At this time, the City Council adjourned to Closed Session to discuss the following items:

CS-1 Conference with Real Property Negotiators

Re: 9300 Culver Boulevard City/Agency Negotiators: John Nachbar, City Manager/Executive Director; Sol Blumenfeld, Assistant Executive Director/Community Development Director; Todd Tipton, Deputy Community Development

Director/Redevelopment Administrator

Other Parties Negotiators: Tolkin Group, Cardiff/N3, Runyon Group and Combined/Hudson Pacific

Under Negotiation: Price, terms of payment or both, including use restrictions, development obligations and other monetary related considerations

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

CS-2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Re: Significant Exposure to Litigation – (1 item)

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b)(1)

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Recess

The City Council recessed to Closed Session at 5:03 p.m.

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Reconvene

The City Council reconvened its meeting at 7:44 p.m. with all Council Members present.

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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 Robert Zirgulis.

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Closed Session Report

Councilmember Malsin indicated there nothing to report out from closed session except that an item would be coming forward regarding the selection of the developer for Parcel B at the December 5, 2011 meeting.

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Presentations

Item P-1

Presentations of Certificates of Appreciation to Participants in the Ballona Creek Clean-up.

Mayor O'Leary presented the certificates, and participants thanked the City Council.

Councilmember Malsin reported that the Ballona Creek Overland Project had received an American Public Works Award.

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Item P-2

Presentation to the City Council regarding the Multi-Family Recycling Program in the Fox Hills Neighborhood.

Namju Cho, representing S. Groner Associates, the consultants on the pilot multi-family recycling program, discussed successes of the program and secrets of their success.

Councilmember Malsin received clarification regarding the grant expiration and the pilot program with Cal Recycle, and he suggested that the City send a letter with statistics to the person at Cal Recycle who administered the grant.

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**Community Announcements by City Council Members/Information
Items from Staff.**

Mayor O'Leary announced the opening concert of the Culver City Symphony Orchestra at Veterans Auditorium on November 12, 2011; and a performance of Culver City Performing Arts Grant recipients Donna Sternberg and Dancers at the Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook on November 13, 2011.

Councilmember Armenta encouraged everyone to vote on November 8, 2011.

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Joint Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor O'Leary invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Barbara Honig, Culver City Sister City Committee, announced the upcoming arrival of a delegation from the Sister City of Iksan, Korea and she extended an invitation to the welcome reception at the Double Tree Hotel on November 12, 2011.

Cary Anderson expressed concern with traffic safety around Culver City schools and suggested implementing a traffic valet program.

Robert Zirgulis suggested that the City Council reconsider their red light camera policy and he asked the City Council to endorse an oil extraction tax initiative to raise money for Culver City schools.

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Receipt of Correspondence

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY MAYOR O'LEARY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE AND FILE CORRESPONDENCE.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Meeting Minutes

Mayor O'Leary expressed concern that a link to the Downtown Business Association restaurant map on the Culver City website was out of date. Staff agreed to investigate.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER, SECONDED BY MAYOR O'LEARY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF OCTOBER 3, 2011 AND THE MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED SPECIAL MEETING OF OCTOBER 4, 2011 AS SUBMITTED.

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Item C-2

Adoption of a Resolution Approving a Three (3) Year Memorandum of Understanding with the Culver City Police Officers Association for the Period of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014.

The City Council thanked the bargaining units for participating in an action that would help the future of the City.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R090 APPROVING A THREE (3) YEAR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE CULVER CITY POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2011 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2014.

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Item C-3

Approval of a Request for Proposal for Landscape Architecture Services for the West Washington Area Improvement Plan - Phase IV.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE SERVICES FOR WEST WASHINGTON AREA IMPROVEMENT PLAN - PHASE IV AND DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO DISTRIBUTE IT ACCORDINGLY.

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Item C-4

Adoption of a Resolution of Initiation for Establishment of a Benefit Assessment District for the West Washington Area Improvement Plan, Phase IV Project and Ordering the Preparation of an Assessment Engineer's Report.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION OF INITIATION NO. 2011-R091 FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A BENEFIT ASSESSMENT DISTRICT IN THE WEST WASHINGTON AREA IMPROVEMENT PLAN, PHASE IV PROJECT AND ORDER THE ASSESSMENT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

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Item C-5

Adoption of an Ordinance Authorizing a Contract Amendment between the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and the City of Culver City to Implement 2% at 60 and Three-Year Final Compensation for New Hires in the Local Miscellaneous Plan (Culver City Management Group (CCMG), Executive Compensation Plan (ECP), and Culver City Employees' Association (CCEA).

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2011-009 AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT BETWEEN THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS) AND THE CITY OF CULVER CITY TO IMPLEMENT 2% AT 60 AND THREE-YEAR FINAL COMPENSATION FOR NEW HIRES IN THE LOCAL MISCELLANEOUS PLAN (CULVER CITY MANAGEMENT GROUP (CCMG), EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION PLAN (ECP), AND CULVER CITY EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION (CCEA).

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Public Hearing

Item PH-1

Approval of Proposed Service Changes to Culver City Bus Lines Two and Four.

MOVED BY MAYOR O'LEARY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE AND FILE THE AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLISHING AND POSTING OF NOTICES AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO THE PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES.

Art Ida, Transportation Director, provided a summary of the material of record.

Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding the timing of the item; possible changes; clarification that option 2 would have to return to the City Council; and clarification that the item seeks to ratify what is already in place.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY MAYOR O'LEARY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE OPENED.

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Item PH-1
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Councilmember Malsin invited public participation.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Ken Ruben, Southern California Transit Advocates, provided an update on Expo; expressed support for any efforts to improve the service; and he urged the City to find the funding for Option 2.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY MAYOR O'LEARY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY MAYOR O'LEARY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS TO KEEP SERVICE ON CULVER CITYBUS LINES 2 AND 4 THE SAME UNTIL SUCH TIME THERE IS AN INCREASE IN PUBLIC DEMAND AND FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE TO MAKE SERVICE ADJUSTMENTS AS DETERMINED BY THE TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR.

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Joint Action Item

Item JA-1

Discussion Regarding Dynamic Message Signs for the Downtown Real Time Motorist Information System Project and Direction to the City Manager/Executive Director Related Thereto.

Christopher Evans, Project Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Councilmember Malsin invited public participation.

There was no response.

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Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding support for the project; preference for an elevated sign; effectiveness; maintenance costs; concern with potential tripping risks; clarification regarding the two different types of signs and different usages for them; aesthetics; hours of operation; message content; location of the signage; decision points; initial goals of the program; updated bid specifications; event related versus traffic related messages; grant funding; City Council perception of the goal of the program; focusing on parking issues in downtown; and a request for staff to return with additional information.

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Public Comment for Items Not On the Agenda (Continued).

Mayor O'Leary invited public participation.

There was no response.

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Items from the City Council

Items Presented by Councilmember Weissman:

- Received City Council consensus to agendize a discussion regarding film production fees and a request for refunds from two studios.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 9:04 p.m., the City Council adjourned its meeting to a meeting to be held on November 14, 2011.

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Ela Valladares

DEPUTY CITY CLERK of the City of Culver City, California
EX-OFFICIO CLERK of the City Council, City of Culver City,
California

APPROVED December 5, 2011



MICHEÁL O'LEARY
MAYOR of the City of Culver City, California