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REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

September 9, 2013
5:30 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Cooper called the meeting of the City Council to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

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Closed Session

At 5:30 p.m., the City Council recessed to Closed Session to discuss the following item:

CS-1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Title: City Manager
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

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Reconvene

Mayor Cooper reconvened the City Council meeting at 7:06 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

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Report on Action Taken in Closed Session

Mayor Cooper indicated there was nothing to report from 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 Nick Kimball.

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Presentation

Item P-1

Presentation of a Commendation to the Westside Baseball Westchester Babe Ruth 14U All-Star Team - 2013 Babe Ruth World Series Champions

Councilmember Clarke presented the commendation.

A representative from the Westside Baseball Westchester Babe Ruth 14U All-Star Team thanked staff and the City Council for the honor and noted their accomplishments.

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Community Announcements By City Council Members/Information Items From Staff

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells announced a Gun Safety Teach In sponsored by the Los Angeles League of Women Voters on September 18 at Helms Bakery, and the Annual Coastal Clean Up Day on September 21 at Ballona Creek.

Councilmember O'Leary clarified remarks from the previous meeting noting that his mother had given up smoking in January 2012.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that Time Warner Cable was experiencing technical difficulties and while the live broadcast would not function properly, the rebroadcast would be complete.

Dave White, Assistant Fire Chief, reported a 9/11 remembrance ceremony in the City Hall Courtyard on Wednesday at 6:59 a.m., and he reminded everyone that September is National Disaster Preparedness month.

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Joint Public Comment – Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Cooper invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Gary Robinson discussed rhetoric and the scientific measurement of sound on Freshman Drive; the suspension of bus service at West Los Angeles College; and he suggested that the City Council direct the Transportation Department to conduct their own sound studies to measure noise levels.

Linda Firth expressed concern with noise generated by the MTA early in the morning; issues with crows in her area; and traffic on Washington Boulevard.

Seth Horowitz, The Culver Hotel, discussed sponsorship, the use of banners, and Town Plaza; he requested that the City reevaluate the current system; and he discussed economic development, non-profits, and the need for clear direction from the City.

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Receipt of Correspondence

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, indicated that all correspondence received as of 4:00 p.m. had been distributed to Councilmembers.

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

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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 CLARKE, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR AUGUST 17, 2013 – AUGUST 30, 2013.

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Consent Calendar

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS C-1 AND C-4.

Item C-1

Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Motorola for Monitoring and Repair of the City's Two-way Radio System Infrastructure and Dispatch Systems in an Amount Not-to-Exceed $88,258.00

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MOTOROLA, THROUGH ITS COMMERCIAL, GOVERNMENT, AND INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS SECTOR, FOR MAINTENANCE, SUPPORT AND/OR OTHER SERVICES FOR THE CITY'S TWO-WAY RADIO AND POLICE/FIRE DISPATCH SYSTEMS, FOR THE TWO YEAR PERIOD AUGUST 1, 2013 – JULY 31, 2015, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $88,258.00 WITH AN ANNUAL PAYMENT OF $44,129.00; AND

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

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

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Item C-4
(Out of Sequence)

Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Mayer Hoffman McCann P.C. for Transient Occupancy Tax Audit Services for an Amount Not-to-Exceed $32,400

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MAYER HOFFMAN MCCANN P.C. TO PROVIDE TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX AUDIT SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $32,400; AND

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

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

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Item C-3
(Out of Sequence)

Approval of a Purchase Order with 3M for the Purchase of Automated License Plate Readers in an Amount Not-to-Exceed $38,669

Mayor Cooper invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Cary Anderson provided presentation on Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs); questioned their track record in the City, what vehicles they are on and what they were used for; discussed integration with parking enforcement solutions; and concern with costs.

Discussion ensued between Councilmembers regarding clarification on the operation of ALPRs; reports on their effectiveness; clarification regarding grant funding; the one-year warranty; maintenance costs; reliability of the first unit; provisions of the grant; and usage.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER O’LEARY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED THAT THE CITY:

1. APPROVE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH 3M TO PURCHASE TWO ALPR UNITS IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $38,669; AND,

2. AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,

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

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Item C-2
(Out of Sequence)

Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with NBS Government Finance Group, dba NBS to Prepare a User Fee Study and Cost Allocation Plan Update in an Amount Not-to-Exceed $53,675.00 Plus $10,255 for Each of the Subsequent Four Years for Updates to the Plan (for an Aggregate Total Not-to-Exceed $94,695.00)

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding a suggestion that consideration of variance fees be included with the overall cost allocation update; cost recovery levels; the fee study; the current structure; the timeline; a request to defer consideration of the item related to a variance fee until the user fee study is concluded; costs associated with the fees; evaluation of processes; improvements to efficiencies and decreases to costs; and departmental recommendations to the City Manager.

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

1. APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NBS GOVERNMENT FINANCE GROUP, DBA NBS TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE USER FEE STUDY AND PREPARE A COST ALLOCATION PLAN FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $53,675.00 PLUS $10,255 FOR EACH OF THE SUBSEQUENT FOUR YEARS FOR UPDATES TO THE PLAN (FOR AN AGGREGATE TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED $94,695.00); AND,

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

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

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Order of the Agenda

Mayor Cooper requested that item A-4 be moved forward on the agenda.

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Joint Action Item

Item JA-1

JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY BOARD AGENDA ITEM: Consideration of Sponsorship of the "Crush Cancer" Charitable Fundraising Event Produced by DogTown CrossFit in Partnership with Stand Up To Cancer

Joe Susca, Project Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor Cooper invited public participation.

There were no cards received and no speakers came forward.

Discussion ensued between Councilmembers and staff regarding concern with the multiple requests for City sponsorship and the piecemeal nature of the process; clarification regarding the request for the rental fee waiver; in-kind services; requirements for City sponsorship; the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency; the Successor Agency; risk to the General Fund; the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule; the need to review the banner sponsorship policy; clarification that the event would take place whether the waiver is granted or not; clarification that the organization would be responsible for fabrication and installation of the banners; Indiecade; streetlight banners in the downtown area; the desire of organizations to publicize their events; increasing participation by the general public; the EarthFest banners; clarification that in the past fees have not been waived for this organization; concern that organizations suffer because of a disagreement in City policy; a request for an agendized discussion of the policy; and the importance of being able to waive a fee and provide staff time to support events.

Mayor Cooper received clarification from a Dogtown Crossfit representative on the amount of money raised; the number of attendees in past years; and their work to drive traffic to downtown businesses.

Councilmember Clarke moved to approve the request for sponsorship without the waiver of the rental fee.

Additional discussion ensued between Councilmembers and staff regarding the amount of staff time already spent on the event; clarification on which fees would be paid by the event; procedures; and the in-kind fee waiver.

Councilmember Clarke moved to approve the staff proposal with the exclusion of waiving the $500 fee to rent Parcel B.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. DETERMINE TO PROVIDE IN-KIND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO DOGTOWN CROSSFIT FOR ITS CRUSH CANCER EVENT ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2013 AT THE 9300 CULVER BOULEVARD PROPERTY IN THE FORM OF IN-KIND STAFF TIME AND THAT SUCH IN-KIND STAFF TIME EXCEEDED $1,000; AND

2. DESIGNATINE THE CRUSH CANCER EVENT AS A CITY-SPONSORED EVENT.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: CLARKE, COOPER, SAHLI-WELLS, WEISSMAN
NOES: O'LEARY

Council Member Clarke inquired if there was City Council consensus to agendize a future discussion of the City's event sponsorship policy as requested by Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells. Such consensus did exist.

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Action Items

Item A-4

Discussion of Potential Changes to the Existing Planning Division Fee Structure for Variance Applications and Direction to City Staff

Mayor Cooper invited public input.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Dave Baker reported several misrepresentations in the agenda paperwork and expressed concern with the length of the process.

Mayor Cooper clarified that the fee structure itself was being examined, not just his specific case and he was encouraged to participate in the process.

Sol Blumenfeld, Community Development Director, noted the importance of not straying from the agenda item and indicated that he would speak to Mr. Baker about his property.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding clarification that the City Council had requested a discussion of Mr. Baker’s case; effects of the delay to the specific case; Mr. Baker’s request to examine the fees; the proper venue for considering the variance application; fees vs. the merits of the application; the City Council decision in 2010 to increase building permit valuation fees for large projects; balancing fees; changes to effect building permit fees; the overall fee schedule; variance applications; fees as a deterrent; the application of fees; and cost recovery.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER O’LEARY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECT STAFF TO INCORPORATE THE DISCUSSION OF VARIANCE FEES INTO THE FEE STUDY AUTHORIZED EARLIER THIS EVENING.

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Item A-1

Renaming Bush Way in Honor of Albert and Ursula Vera

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor Cooper invited public participation.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Stephen Hadland, Culver City Observer, read the editorial of May 9, 2013 entitled Honoring Albert and Ursula Vera.

Councilmember O’Leary read a comment submitted by Albert Vera, son of Albert and Ursula Vera.

Discussion ensued between Councilmembers regarding their experiences with the Veras; support for the naming; the fact that there are no street addresses on Bush Way; the proposal to name the Senior Center; and ensuring that the family is comfortable.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER O'LEARY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: APPROVE THE PROPOSAL TO RENAME BUSH WAY IN HONOR OF ALBERT AND URSULA VERA AND DIRECTED THE CITY MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH THE RENAMING.

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Item A-2

Introduction of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 9.04 of Title 9 of the Culver City Municipal Code, Entitled "Nuisances," to Modify Property Maintenance Standards and to Update the Procedures for Administrative Due Process Abatement of Public Nuisances; and, Amending Chapter 1.01 of Title 1 to Relocate the Definition of the Composition of the Municipal Code Appeals Committee from Chapter 9.04; and Adding Chapter 9.13 Establishing Regulations for the Maintenance and Security of Vacant and/or Undeveloped Properties

Sharon Guidry, Enforcement Service Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor Cooper invited public input.

No cards were received and no speakers came forward.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding a letter received from Freeport McMoRan; the old ordinance; previous controversy; water conservation; drought tolerant landscaping; the neutral hearing officer; vacant property; what constitutes a nuisance; clarification the City would not seek out problems; enforcement; criteria for when something becomes a nuisance; existing County regulations; storage of combustible materials; the health and fire codes; accessibility of information; resolution processes; concern with general language; addressing infestations and hives; including language to allow issues and concerns of the community to be addressed; the requirement for leaf blower permits; notification procedures for nuisances; service requirements; finding the responsible party; hours of construction; amendments; proof of receipt of notification; instances where the City is intending to cause the abatement themselves; the impetus for staff to do the abatements; concern with causing delays to abatement; the hearing officers; types of violations; ability to comply; the appeal component; voluntary compliance; seasonal issues; the time frame for compliance; due process; eminent hazards; degrading conditions; what conditions constitute nuisances; if the City has to address abatement procedures; due process; clarification that costs assessed are actual abatement costs; language regarding daily violations; administrative abatements; and standardizing hearing requests.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER O'LEARY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: INTRODUCE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 9.04 OF TITLE 9 OF THE CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE, ENTITLED "NUISANCES," TO MODIFY PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS AND TO UPDATE THE PROCEDURES FOR ADMINISTRATIVE DUE PROCESS ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCES; AND, AMENDING CHAPTER 1.01 OF TITLE 1 TO RELOCATE THE DEFINITION OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE APPEALS COMMITTEE FROM CHAPTER 9.04; AND ADDING CHAPTER 9.13 ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND SECURITY OF VACANT AND/OR UNDEVELOPED PROPERTIES.

Carol Schwab, City Attorney, received clarification that the motion included the amendments to number of days contained in the draft Ordinance as raised during the discussion.

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Item A-3

Discussion Regarding Upcoming Confluence of Major Construction Activity in the Washington-National TOD District and a Potential Culver City Municipal Code Amendment to Allow Extended Construction Hours under Certain Circumstances to Preserve the Public Health, Safety and General Welfare by Mitigating Related Impacts

Sol Blumenfeld, Community Development Director, provided a summary of the material of record.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding discretion; where the code amendment would apply; duration of the extension; and instances where there is extensive construction activity in one area.

Mayor Cooper invited public participation.

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

Linda Firth

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding public notification; impacts of the Metro project; traffic on East Washington; feedback from residents and businesses in that part of town; train noise; concern that the action was initiated by the property owners; staff determination of the hours rather than the developer's opinion; a suggestion to create a subcommittee to do outreach to the neighborhood; concern with the lack of response; revisions to the proposed amendment to address concerns raised; concrete pours; confluence of construction; granting the extension of construction hours for the public interest; granting a variance for the specific project vs. a blanket change to the ordinance; reserving decision making authority to the City Council on a case by case basis; appeal of the determination; requiring that certain conditions be met to qualify; the Tilden Terrace project; the time sensitive nature of the issues; mandatory findings; expediting the construction process; the amount of time gained by granting the variance; public and emergency access; addressing the immediate needs of the contractor; benefits to having a shorter construction period; impacts to the neighborhood of multiple construction projects; ensuring that the construction crews are respectful and responsive; utility shut offs; the importance of communication with the developer; responsibility for the costs of the public notice; minimization of noise during the extended hours; life/safety issues; improved efficiency; clarification that the change is for the concrete pour rather than for the duration of the project; traffic implications on Washington Boulevard; the need for the developer to do outreach along Wesley Avenue; availability of the on-site foreman; the right to close lanes of traffic; coordination with Public Works; tying the extension of hours with shortening the length of the project; the Municipal Code vs. the Building Code; clarification that the work is occurring on private property; jurisdiction; clarification that the decision would be to benefit the public rather than the developer; the importance of having the developer and contractor present for the discussion; the construction schedule; a request for direction as to outreach, timing, and authority; defining the benefit in concrete terms; showing that without the ability to do construction in the evening conditions would be created that would otherwise not be able to be mitigated; implementing time constraints for the extended hours; the 9900 Culver project; concern with effects to the adjacent neighbors; lessening the disruption of the right of way; the judgment of City staff; the ability to revoke the extended hours provision if the expected benefits are not delivered; the authority to grant the extension under specific parameters; allowing for the completion of a phase; inserting a 30 day administrative review period; allowing predictability for the developer and control for the City; the process; City Council review vs. staff review; addressing resident concerns; a request that the item return on September 23; a suggestion that authority lay with staff; the role of the City Council; and public outreach independent of the City Council.

It was determined that in the case this item needed to return to the City Council in the future, public notice would be provided.

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Public Comment – Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Cooper invited public comment.

There was no response.

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Items from the City Council

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, discussed the schedule of upcoming meetings.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 10:34 p.m., the City Council adjourned its meeting to a joint meeting with the Planning Commission on Monday, September 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

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Martin R. Cole
CITY CLERK of Culver City, California
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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

September 16, 2013
6:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Cooper called the meeting of the City Council to order at 6:04 p.m.

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

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Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

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

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Joint Public Comment – Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Cooper invited public comment.

No speakers came forward and no cards were received.

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Receipt of Correspondence

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

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Joint Action Item

Item JA-1

JOINT CITY COUNCIL/PLANNING COMMISSION ITEM – (1) Public Workshop and Study Session 2013-2021 Housing Element and (2) Potential Direction to Submit the Element to the State Department of Housing and Community Development

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER O'LEARY, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT WHEN THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED, THAT IT BE ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF EXPO BOARD SECRETARY JUANITA MURRY.

Sol Blumenfeld, Community Development Director, discussed the purpose of the workshop and study session and provided a brief overview of the material of record.

Jose Mendivil, Associate Planner, discussed the Housing Element Overview and presented the details of the draft document.

Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator, reviewed the current inventory of programs and functions as well as numbers served, and provided an overview of the policies and programs of the Housing Element.

Jose Mendivil, Associate Planner, clarified that the State Department of Housing and Community Development had asked cities to maintain housing programs, including those dependent on Housing Set Aside Funds so staff proposed to keep the programs until such time when funds become available.

Responding to inquiry, Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator, clarified that waiting lists for Section 8 and other rental assistance programs would continue to be maintained.

Jose Mendivil, Associate Planner, discussed the Land Inventory Analysis; the Housing Element Cycle from 2008-2013; City responsibilities; next steps; and the Housing Element timeline.

Mayor Cooper invited public input.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council/Planning Commission:

Christopher Patrick King questioned the number of renters vs. owners in the City.

Eleanor Osgood encouraged integration of affordable housing units into the community as she did not want to see a stratified structure of housing, and she discussed courtyard housing.

Rich Waters discussed infill housing; privacy; use of garages for storage; and he wanted to see additional affordable housing in the City.

Larry Kaufman discussed the need to address homeless issues in the City.

Discussion ensued between staff, Commissioners and Councilmembers regarding the allocation; the drop in units; the jobs/housing balance; utilizing the density bonus more efficiently; incorporating affordable housing into new developments instead of stand-alone housing; the difficulty of subsidizing affordable units; workforce housing; working with major companies that have a stake in providing affordable housing; direct subsidies; tax incentives; Culver City as the creative office center in the area; parking districts in the creative office zone; promoting creative office development; neighborhood preservation goals; neighborhood consistency vs. higher density development; neighborhood guidelines; prevailing conditions; mixed use development standards; density and community benefits; the density allowance; incorporating affordability in the mixed use ordinance; the allocation formula; Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) numbers; land capacity; building to maximum density; local input; different housing cycles; frustration with the defunding of successful programs; tools to encourage development of properties; helping the growing homeless population; clarification regarding the number of renters vs. owners in the City; the accessory dwelling unit ordinance; the Globe project; unit per lot restrictions; the Single Room Occupancy ordinance; mixed use projects; programs to enable more affordable housing; infrastructure complaints; storm water drainage; the informal live/work pool at home; group homes; cost constraints; the home occupation ordinance; the Upward Bound program; emergency shelters in the City; the state directive to keep former redevelopment agency funded programs in the document that are not funded; clarification that without tax increment there is no way to fund the programs; the Rental Assistance Program; work by the state to look at other ways to re-fund housing programs; the affordability density bonus; updating numbers; non-substantive technical edits; issues of race and ethnicity; income based determinations; ADA requirements; reasonable accommodation; disabilities and developmental disabilities; recent code amendments; the Fair Housing Council contract; response times; consistency of funding for the Rental Assistance Program; putting a human face on the loss of redevelopment funds; rent increases; clarification that rental assistance monies are leftover housing funds earmarked for 2013-2014; a suggestion to have the Finance Advisory Committee evaluate the impact of the Rental Assistance Program and make recommendations on ways to retain the program; covenants attached to buildings; affordability covenants; the Community Development Block Grant Program; the Senior Center Loan; the vetting process; multi-family guidelines; neighborhoods susceptible to change; Tilden Terrace; groups or organizations working to find funding solutions; support for ways for the City to take action and move things along; making the priorities of the City be known; the Assembly and the Senate; rehabilitation vs. funding new housing; “mansionization” vs. smaller units; courtyard apartments; the density debate; the Homelessness Count; the institutional count; the loan from the Affordable Housing Set Aside Funds to the Redevelopment Agency; Transit Oriented Development; the Exceptional Children’s Foundation Project; the density bonus program; development fees; the number of foreclosures in Culver City; the previous Housing Element in 2010; unrealistic RHNA numbers; comparisons with surrounding cities; development parameters; housing needs growth vs. employee growth; the Rental Assistance Program waiting list; the affordability gap; the mediation process; large rent increases; reductions to density and height; the workforce population; vacant land inventory in the City; the underdeveloped RMD parcels; multi-family guidelines; development along the boulevards vs. development in neighborhoods; the CEQA portion of the process; Culver City zoning vs. Los Angeles zoning; and next steps in the process.

Councilmember O'Leary received clarification that staff recommended having the City Council consider his suggestion regarding adoption of regulatory measures for rents in the City.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER VONCANNON, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR SMITH FROST AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT THE DRAFT HOUSING ELEMENT TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR REVIEW/COMMENT.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER O'LEARY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT THE DRAFT HOUSING ELEMENT TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR REVIEW/COMMENT.

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Public Comment – Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Cooper invited public comment.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk read a comment submitted by:

Christopher Patrick King

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Items from the City Council

Items from Councilmember Clarke

- Reminded everyone to vote on election day, September 17, 2013

Items from Vice Chair Sahli-Wells

- Announced Coastal Clean Up Day on September 21, 2013 along Ballona Creek

Items from Councilmember O'Leary

- Indicated that he would be paddle boarding in Marina Del Rey as Chair of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission on Coastal Clean Up Day

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 8:32 p.m., the City Council adjourned its meeting in memory of Juanita Murry to a meeting on Monday, September 23, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

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Martin R. Cole
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September 23, 2013
5:30 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Cooper called the meeting of the City Council to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

*Councilmember O'Leary joined the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

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Closed Session

At 5:30 p.m., the City Council recessed to Closed Session to discuss the following items:

CS-1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Re: Initiation of Litigation – (2 items)
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)

CS-2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Re: City of Culver City, et al. v. Ana Matosantos, et al.
Case No. 34-2013-80001446
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

CS-3 Conference with Labor Negotiators
City designated representatives: Human Resources Director Serena Wright
Employee Organization: City Manager
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

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

CS-5 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Re: City of Inglewood, City of Culver City, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, et al.
Case No. BS143328
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

CS-6 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

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Reconvene

Mayor Cooper reconvened the City Council meeting at 7:05 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

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Report on Action Taken in Closed Session

Mayor Cooper indicated there was nothing to report from 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 former Councilmember Alan Corlin.

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Presentation

Item P-1

A Proclamation designating October as "Walktober - Walk to School Month" and October 9, 2013 as "Walk to School Day"

Mayor Cooper presented the proclamation.

Jim Shanman thanked the City for the proclamation, encouraged everyone to participate, and announced meeting sites for ‘Walk to School Day’ on October 9.

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells announced that students from Linwood Howe would be meeting at City Hall at 8:00 a.m. on October 9 and she encouraged everyone to participate.

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Community Announcements By City Council Members/Information Items From Staff

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT WHEN THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED, THAT IT BE ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF BERNIE CORDICK.

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells announced the EarthFest Los Angeles at West Los Angeles College on September 28.

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Joint Public Comment – Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Cooper invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Gary Robinson discussed previous complaints about bus noise and pollution; his efforts to study noise levels; and he requested that the Transportation Director take noise measurements.

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells indicated that she would contact the Transportation Director and follow-up with Mr. Robinson.

Shireen Daytona discussed her appointment to the Landlord Tenant Mediation Board; scheduled training; her position as

Tenant Alternate; appointment guidelines; and she asked that the matter be investigated.

Jean Ballantine expressed concern with inadequate lighting on the Culver Boulevard Bike Path and suggested that proper lighting be installed.

Mayor Cooper indicated that he would have Public Works look into the matter.

Robert Zirgulis suggested placing bike racks in front of the high school to encourage more bicycling in the schools.

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Receipt of Correspondence

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that seven pieces of correspondence on Item A-2 would be made part of the official record as part of the motion.

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

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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 WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR AUGUST 31, 2013 – SEPTEMBER 13, 2013.

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Consent Calendar

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS C-1, C-2, C-3, C-5 AND C-6.

Item C-1

Meeting Minutes

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 26, 2013.

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Item C-2

Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 9.04 (“Nuisances”) of the Culver City Municipal Code to Enhance Property Maintenance Standards and to Update the Procedures for the Administrative Abatement of Public Nuisances and Collection of Costs; Amending Chapter 1.01 of Title 1 to Relocate the Definition of the Composition of the Municipal Code Appeals Committee from Chapter 9.04; and, Adding Chapter 9.13 Establishing Regulations for the Maintenance and Security of Vacant and/or Undeveloped Properties

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “AMENDING CHAPTER 9.04 (“NUISANCES”) OF THE CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE TO ENHANCE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS AND UPDATING THE PROCEDURES FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCES AND COLLECTION OF COSTS; AMENDING CHAPTER 1.01 OF TITLE 1 TO RELOCATE THE DEFINITION OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE APPEALS COMMITTEE FROM CHAPTER 9.04; AND, ADDING CHAPTER 9.13 ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND SECURITY OF VACANT AND/OR UNDEVELOPED PROPERTIES.”

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Item C-3

Approval of a Purchase Order with The Omega Group for the Purchase of a Regional Crime Mapping Program and Software in an Amount Not-to-Exceed $39,565

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH THE OMEGA GROUP TO PURCHASE A REGIONAL CRIME MAPPING PROGRAM AND SOFTWARE IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $39,565; AND,

2. AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,

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

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Item C-5
(Out of Sequence)

Award of a Contract to Houston and Harris PCS Inc., as the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder, for the Sewer Main CCTV and Condition Assessment (Phase II) Project, PZ-230 and Storm Drain Pipe Inspections, PZ-497 in an Amount Not-to-Exceed $218,400.56 (with Contingency Authority Not-to-Exceed $22,000

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1) AWARD A CONTRACT TO HOUSTON AND HARRIS PCS INC. AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, FOR THE SEWER MAIN CCTV AND CONDITION ASSESSMENT (PHASE II) PROJECT, PZ-230 AND STORM DRAIN PIPE INSPECTIONS, PZ-497, IN THE AMOUNT OF $218,400.56 (WITH CONTINGENCY AUTHORITY NOT-TO-EXCEED $22,000); AND,

2) AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS IN THE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $22,000, IF NECESSARY; AND,

3) AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,

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

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Item C-6

Adoption of a Resolution Approving an Encroachment Agreement with Time Warner Cable for Use of the Public Rights-of-Way on Slauson Avenue and Buckingham Parkway

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT WITH TIME WARNER CABLE; AND,

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

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

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Item C-4
(Out of Sequence)

Approval of a Purchase Order with 3M for the Purchase of Three Automated License Plate Readers in an Amount Not-to-Exceed $58,003.50

Mayor Cooper invited public participation.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Cary Anderson discussed his comments from the meeting of September 9; read the response he received to his questions from that meeting; and he noted that based on the information provided the system could not be used for parking enforcement as indicated.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers whether the system could be used for parking enforcement; the new permit parking program; scofflaw vehicles; and a request for additional information once data is available.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH 3M TO PURCHASE THREE ALPR UNITS IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $58,003.50; AND,

2. AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,

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

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Item C-7
(Out of Sequence)

Approval of a Contract with New Flyer of America Inc., for the Purchase of Six (6) Advanced Design, Heavy-Duty, Low Floor Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Powered Forty-Foot Transit Buses and Optional Equipment in an Amount Not-to-Exceed $3,630,000

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells clarified that Natural Gas is a fossil fuel.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH NEW FLYER OF AMERICA INCORPORATED, FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SIX (6) NEW AND UNUSED CNG POWERED FORTY-FOOT (40’) LOW FLOOR HEAVY DUTY ADVANCED DESIGN TRANSIT BUSES AND OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $3,630,000; AND,

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

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

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Item C-8

FOUR FIFTHS VOTE REQUIREMENT 1) Award of a Contract to Palp, Inc. dba Excel Paving Company for the Construction of Pedestrian Improvements at Intersections with Bus Stops, PZ-950, Federal Aid No. RPSTPLE 5240 (029) in an Amount Not-to-Exceed $826,280.00 (with Change Order Authority in an Amount Not-to-Exceed $82,628.00); and 2) Approval of a Related Budget Amendment

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells received clarification regarding the timing of the project, the overlap with other construction in the area, and coordination with the other contractors.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1) APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATE NEW FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF $634,000 FOR THE PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT AT INTERSECTION AT BUS STOPS, PZ-950, FEDERAL AID NO. RPSTPLE 5240 (029), TO THE RESPECTIVE PROJECT REVENUE

(42380000.341000.PZ950) AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT (42380000.730100.PZ950). THIS AMOUNT WILL BE REIMBURSED BY FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM **(A 4/5TH VOTE IS REQUIRED TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT.)**;

2) AWARD A CONTRACT TO PALP, INC. DBA EXCEL PAVING COMPANY FOR THE PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT AT INTERSECTION AT BUS STOPS, PZ-950, FEDERAL AID NO. RPSTPLE 5240 (029) IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $ 826,280.00, BASED ON ITS BID;

3) AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $82,628, IF NECESSARY;

4) AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,

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

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Action Items

Item A-1

Discussion and (If Desired) Direction Related to the Work Plan for the Finance Advisory Committee (FAC)

Jeff Muir, Chief Financial Officer, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor Cooper invited public input.

No speakers came forward and no cards were received.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding a suggestion to add consideration of Rental Assistance Program funds to the Work Plan; a request to provide information on the City of Walnut Creek to the Committee; transparency; citizen involvement; using the talents of the community to ensure best practices; exploring new economic tools in the post redevelopment world; the proposed Work Plan; and support for keeping the Work Plan as a living document.

Responding to inquiry, FAC Vice Chair Crystal Alexander discussed the plan to review and comment on suggested modifications to the budget process and the formation of ad hoc subcommittees.

Discussion between staff and Councilmembers ensued regarding the budget process; public input; Commission input; City Council priorities; website communications; transparency; long-term financial forecast; the storm water requirements; current financial policies; the main goal of analyzing Measure Y proceeds; the utilization of assessment districts to fund infrastructure costs; paramedic services; consideration of the Rental Assistance Program; the business tax ordinance; the budget process; and appreciation to the FAC.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT THE PROPOSED FAC WORK PLAN WITH THE ADDITION OF THE REVIEW OF THE RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

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Item A-2

Discussion and Direction to the City Manager Regarding Proposed Changes to the Residential Permit Parking Program (PPP), Including Procedures and Regulations for Residential Permit Parking Districts, Establishment of Preferential Parking Zones, and Related Fees

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

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding present enforcement capabilities, move to evade; 3-4 vehicle households; bundling permits; non-residential intrusion; restricted streets and the review process; clarification that adoption of the district map does not force the creation of districts; gated communities; and efficiencies and uniformity to create consistently available parking and enforcement.

Mayor Cooper invited public participation.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Larry Kaufman provided background on himself noting that he is currently homeless; he discussed homelessness in the City; the reputation of the City; the Culver City Police Department; the Municipal Code; the Homeless Count in Culver City; and a suggestion to create an id card for the homeless in Culver City.

John Heyl wanted to make sure that Farragut Drive would be grandfathered into the new program; he supported seven day restrictions on the block and implementing recommendations of the of the Safe Routes to School workshops; he felt the fees were excessive; and he wanted to see automated parking enforcement systems.

Michael Candland expressed concern regarding development in the City; ‘elegant density’; the ripple effect; affects to single-family homeowners; gridlock; he discussed the Culver City Charter; he felt the permit system was too complex; and he asked that the overbuilding be stopped.

Mayor Cooper noted that the allowable density and height requirements were lower in Culver City than in Los Angeles.

Steve Newton discussed parking issues in the neighborhood; excessive fees; hardship parking; and the number of permits issued.

Ilbert Phillips noted the challenge of parking in the area; difficulties faced by Grace Lutheran Church; he asked the City to go back to unrestricted parking after 6 p.m. on Farragut; he discussed community activities; he asserted that public streets should not become private parking lots; and he expressed support for more equitable parking and for sharing public sidewalks.

Mike Delgado expressed concern with parking issues created by new development; safety; ingress and egress and he asked for help from the City to address issues.

Paulette Greenberg discussed the variance granted to the church in 1957; her efforts to address issues before the Traffic Commission over 30 years ago; businesses, the church and the school on her street using the residential street as a private parking lot; incidences of crime on the block; and the institution of permit parking on her street.

Alan Corlin expressed support for the policy and kudos to staff for their work on the item.

Michael Stivers discussed parking issues in the area; permit parking; enforcement; and he thanked the City Council.

Pamela Pitti Turner thanked the City Council for their assistance with permit parking in the past; discussed signage; issues with a bar in the area; and she questioned the fees for additional permits.

Patricia Graf expressed support for the proposal, and she suggested that the Police Department visit the neighborhoods to assess typical parking and situations in each district.

Andrew Rifkin asserted that the City did not have the resources to properly enforce the current restrictions much less a district; he discussed complaint basis enforcement; and the practices of the City of Los Angeles.

Linda Messner expressed opposition to parking permits; discussed petitions; potential conflicting desires of the district and the neighborhood; requiring businesses to provide parking for their employees; the fee for additional cars; the annual review of fees; concern that renters got to sign petitions; exemptions for weekends and holidays; and concern that others are making the decision for the neighborhood.

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding fees and the hardship regulations.

Karlo Silbiger discussed the School District perspective; felt that there should be an ongoing conversation between the School District and the City; he expressed support for additional parking in front of the school for the District; he discussed hours needed; creating Board policy to coordinate with the City; having each school create individual parking plans; parking for major school events; and exemptions.

Tom Foley expressed support for not enforcing holidays; he discussed the Hayden Tract; enforcement; and street sweeping hours.

David Hauptman echoed the comments of Alan Corlin in his support for the item and appreciation to staff.

Dr. Jonathan Bailin expressed support for the item and he felt that enforcement would be profitable for the City.

Cary Anderson discussed enforcement; the petition; street sweeping; the length of time to drive the district; license plate readers; move to evade; he expressed support for the district; and discussed issues with School District parking.

Linda Smith-Frost expressed support for the Permit Parking Program; discussed issues on Wasatch Avenue; the process; defining what is a block; she suggested providing the address of each entity being included on the petition; instituting a time deadline on the Engineering Department; and she questioned the requirement of the 66% majority.

Stacie Neroni declined to speak.

James Province thanked Councilmembers serving on the School District Liaison Committee and Gabe Garcia; he discussed student safety; and proper traffic mitigation and parking regulation.

Linda Deitch discussed residential districts; specific needs for different areas; and the breakdown of some of the residential areas.

Mila Garcia discussed parking issues in her neighborhood; parking for businesses in the area; she expressed support for permit parking in her neighborhood; she expressed concern with permit fees; and noise generated by bar patrons.

Anthony Mollica expressed appreciation for staff efforts to bring organization to a chaotic situation, and he discussed the 40 parking spaces to be set-aside for teachers.

Jean Ballantine discussed the number of people between the ages of 18-34 living at home; the idea of a single-family home with two adult drivers; and car collectors.

Jeremy Green, Management Analyst, read written comments from:

Marta Zaragoza
Corinne Walden
Jason Al-Samarrie
Carol Pass
Gary Reissman
Julien Bozung

Discussion ensued between staff and Councilmembers regarding move to evade; license plate recognition; the chalking system; parking within the district; creating an effective enforcement system; bundling of permits; proposed fees; voluntary compliance; the target of the restrictions; gated communities; daytime restrictions; employee parking; streets adopted into the system; the proposed annual audit; streets with existing restrictions; signage; neighborhood representatives; renters; holiday and Saturday restrictions; the curb use plan for CCUSD; working collaboratively with CCUSD; the 66% requirement; clarification that areas without any restrictions would remain that way but gain the potential for change; clarification regarding the process to establish a parking district; streets with unique issues; tailoring restrictions to individual streets; fees for additional permits; the hardship fee; efforts to discourage fraud; implementing a screening process; addressing car collectors; the fee schedule; annual evaluation of fees; creating uniformity and simplifying administration of the program; issues on Commonwealth; School District parking; tension between multi-unit housing and single-family residences; encouraging people to park in the parking structure for their building; neighbors as intruders; competition between residents for available parking; size of the district; recognizing that a segment of the population is not being served and making changes; making parking more equitable; the addition of two parking enforcement officers; not relying on a complaints based program; the implementation process; reevaluating patrols; clarification that 6,900 permit related citations were written last fiscal year; 4043 Irving Place; new developments; conditions of approval; augmenting the exclusions chapter; Washington/ National; standard conditions of approval; differences in residential buildings; ways of establishing identity; making processes available online; processes of other municipalities; preventing the transfer of permits; the one to many relationship; four-hour street sweeping; coordinating street sweeping with surrounding streets; making modifications to the street sweeping route; automatic license plate readers; manually writing down license plates of every chalked car to monitor parking movement within the area; encouragement to work with neighborhood associations to get the word out; impacts to area businesses; employee parking; predictive enforcement; anticipating where problems are and concentrating response in those areas; taking inventory to identify hot spots; appreciation to the public for their participation in the process; a request that the Police Department implement a non-complaints based enforcement system; including existing parking restrictions into the districts; the opportunity to evaluate restrictions currently in place and make modifications; staff discretion; feedback from the community; clarification regarding zoning for the residential permit parking program; adjacency; original frontage; the original variance for Grace Lutheran Church; condominium parking; equitable fees; Saturdays in the Rancho Higuera District; holiday enforcement protocol; a suggestion to list exempted days in the resolution; adjusting restricted parking hours around schools; hours of parking enforcement; and the psychology of parking in front of your home.

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

1. DISCUSS PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING PROGRAM (“PPP”); INCLUDING CHANGES DISCUSSED REGARDING THE SLIDING SCALE FOR ADDITIONAL PERMITS FOR CARS AND HOURS AROUND SCHOOLS; AND,

2. DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO RETURN WITH A PROPOSED RESOLUTION TO FORMALLY ADOPT THE PROPOSED PPP CONSISTENT WITH THIS REPORT AND ANY ADDITIONAL DIRECTION FROM CITY COUNCIL.

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Public Comment – Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Cooper invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Cary Anderson discussed holiday parking enforcement; movie theatre parking; employee parking; and he encouraged holiday enforcement.

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Items from the City Council

None.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 10:46 p.m., the City Council adjourned its meeting in memory of Bernie Cordick to Monday, October 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

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

JEFFREY COOPER
MAYOR of Culver City, California