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COLLEGE LIAISON COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CITY OF CULVER CITY/
WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE
LIAISON COMMITTEE
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

February 16, 2021
1:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Vice Mayor Lee called the special meeting of the City of Culver City/West Los Angeles College Liaison Committee to order at 1:00 p.m. via WebEx.

Present: Daniel Lee, Council Member, Culver City
Albert Vera, Council Member, Culver City
James Limbaugh, Ph.D., President, WLAC
Michelle Long-Coffee, Public Relations Director WLAC

Staff: John M. Nachbar, City Manager, Culver City
Allison Tom-Miura, Ph.D., Dean of Adult and
Continuing Education
Silvia Barajas, VP of Administrative Services, WLAC

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Items from Staff and Committee Members:

None.

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Public Comment for Items NOT on the Agenda

Vice Mayor Lee invited public input.

Mimi Ferrel, City Clerk Specialist, reported that no requests to speak were received.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Meeting Minutes

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR LEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY OF CULVER CITY/WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE LIAISON COMMITTEE APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 19, 2019.

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Action Items

The following item was considered out of sequence:

Item A-2

Update and Discussion of the 10100 Jefferson Project

Frank Padilla, Facilities, Planning and Development, provided an update on the 10100 Request for Proposals (RFP); discussed timing; the joint occupancy lease with a private partner; the lease term; partner responsibilities; parameters set up by the Board of Trustees; and he indicated that they would reach out to the City with another update before the RFP was published.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding other uses and clarification that housing is not being considered as a potential use.

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Item A-1

Update and Discussion of Building Construction and Demolition at WLAC

James Limbaugh, Ph.D., President, WLAC, introduced Sylvia Barajas, and David Bautista, noting the amount of construction going on for the next five years and the changing face of the campus.

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David Bautista, Campus Project Director for the Build LACCD Program, provided a presentation on completed, current and planned projects for WLAC; discussed project data and information; demolition involved in the processes; site work improvements; tenant improvements; and stormwater projects.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding clarification that the facilities will include the only fully functioning sound stage on an American college campus and will be important in local economic development efforts; communication with homeowner associations; the timeline for demolition; sound attenuation; the previous sound wall that had to be removed; plans to minimize noise in the early mornings; trees and landscaping that buffer activities; and dust abatement.

Vice Mayor Lee invited public comment.

The following member of the public addressed the Committee:

Art Nomura, Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Member, provided background on himself; expressed appreciation for the bike lanes; discussed secure bike parking; costs; the parking structure; he recommended converting at least three parking spaces to park bicycles for 30 students and staff as well as offering secure parking indoors at several locations; discussed demands placed on production students; personal safety; and use of student ID cards to gain access.

Discussion ensued between meeting attendees, staff and Committee Members regarding increased cycling; benefits to secure storage; decreased traffic; increased access; card control; renovation of parking spaces to provide secure parking; and integration of bike parking into the planning process.

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Item A-3

Discussion of Safe Parking Issues

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding establishing a safe parking site at a parking lot adjacent to Bill Botts Field; implementation; clarification that the City is no longer pursuing the previous location; access for WLAC students; and the likelihood that demand will exceed the supply.

Vice Mayor Lee invited public comment.

Mimi Ferrel, City Clerk Specialist, indicated that no requests to speak had been received.

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Item A-4

Discussion of Next Steps, Future Agenda Items, Next Meeting Date/Time

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding meeting frequency; discussions with Grid Alternatives; agendizing meeting items; the process to bring students back to school; virtual commencement; traffic returning to normal; agendizing a discussion on the progress on traffic impacts of the Jefferson project; clarification that the project is in the city of Los Angeles; food insecure students; food distribution through the WLAC Foundation; distribution of clothing and laptops; other opportunities for community engagement; potential partnership between the City and WLAC to enhance efforts to raise money and procure more food; discussions between Amazon and WLAC to enhance community partnerships; training for below-the-line workers; and relationships with trade unions.

Agreed upon items for discussion at the next meeting:

- Update on the opening of the City and WLAC
- WLAC construction - 10100 Jefferson update
- Update on Jefferson/La Cienega Building construction
- Discussion of food insecurity partnership

Vice Mayor Lee invited public comment.

The following member of the public addressed the Committee:

Art Nomura proposed an information item on the next agenda regarding the quick-build project underway on Washington and Culver with a possible extension on Jefferson and Sepulveda and the circulator bus.

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Items from Members

None.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 2:07 p.m., the City of Culver City/West Los Angeles College Liaison Committee adjourned.

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JEREMY GREEN
SECRETARY of the CITY OF CULVER CITY/WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE
LIAISON COMMITTEE

APPROVED _____

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.

Jeremy Green
CITY CLERK

Date