

ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF CULVER CITY,
CALIFORNIA

November 1, 2010
6:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting of the City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

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Closed Session

The City Council will adjourn to Closed Session to discuss the following item:

CS-1 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 6:03 p.m.

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Reconvene

The City Council reconvened its meeting at 7:20 p.m., with all Councilmembers 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 Kevin Lachoff.

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Presentations

Item P-1

A Presentation to the City Council from Golden State Water Company Related to Recent Water System Interruptions in Culver City.

Paul Reilly, representing Golden State Water Company, discussed water main breaks which occurred on October 22-23, 2010 and he thanked City staff and departments for their assistance.

Discussion ensued between the City Council and Mr. Reilly regarding the coincidence of the timing of the breaks; concern if additional breaks occur in the near future; age of the infrastructure in the City and expected life span; the replacement program; replacement materials; monitoring of the mains; causes of breakages; anticipating failures; and the response to the breakages.

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Councilmember O'Leary invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Keith Jeffreys, representing AmVets Post II and the United States Veterans Artists Alliance, extended an invitation to "Veteran's Vox 365" program on November 11, 2010.

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Public Comment
(continued)

Patricia McPherson, Grassroots Coalition, reported emailing several Councilmembers regarding a community meeting held by Assemblymember Karen Bass; expressed concerns regarding PXP drilling; explained how she is trying to obtain satellite imagery from Southern California Gas which reportedly shows disruption in the terrain in the Baldwin Hills area; she requested assistance from the City Council in getting information from the California Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources; and she discussed the recent water main breakages, which she feels may be caused by oil drilling.

Councilmember O'Leary inquired if the City could send a letter requesting the information.

John Nachbar, City Manager responded that he will discuss this with Charles Herbertson, Public Works Director/City Engineer.

Jeanette Vosburg discussed a possible correlation between movement of the earth and the water main breakages in Culver City and in areas of Los Angeles bordering Culver City; discussed a Wall Street Journal article regarding capping of wells; and the gas leakage at the Dog Park.

Ela Valladares, Deputy City Clerk, read written comments submitted by:

Greg Dynabursky

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Announcements

Councilmember Malsin clarified that the Culver City High School Booster Club Car Show would be taking place at Culver City High School on November 6, 2010.

Councilmember Weissman announced an all day work session between the City Council and Executive Management is scheduled for Saturday, November 6, 2010.

Councilmember O'Leary reported that Item J-4 [Discussion Regarding Potential Formation of Special Tax District for the Transit Oriented District at Washington/National and Authorization to Release a Request for Proposals for Professional Special Tax District Formation Services Related Thereto] was pulled from agenda and being brought back at a later date.

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Adjourn in Memory

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT WHEN THE MEETING IS ADJOURNED, IT BE ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF BENJAMIN LEE VEAL, FATHER OF YVONNE HORTON, CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD AND FATHER-IN-LAW OF JEROME HORTON, VICE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION; BOB BABKI, ALDERMAN ELECT TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE, CANADA; AND THEODORE SORENSON, SPECIAL COUNSEL AND CHIEF SPEECHWRITER FOR PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY AND FIRST COUSIN OF FORMER COUNCILMEMBER CAROL GROSS.

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Joint Item

Item J-1

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding Among the City, the Redevelopment Agency, and the Culver City Chamber of Commerce Renewing the Chamber's Organizational Relationship with the City and the Agency for an Additional Two-Year Period for Calendar Years 2011 and 2012; and Delineating the Functions, Duties and Responsibilities of the Parties with Respect to their Partnership in Community Events and the General Economic Development of the City.

Glenn Heald, Management Analyst, provided a summary of the material of record and noted a correction to the motion that a new Memorandum of Understanding is being brought forward.

Councilmember O'Leary invited public participation.

There was no response.

Councilmember Malsin expressed appreciation regarding the handling of the relationship between the Chamber of Commerce and the City.

Responding to an inquiry, Steven Rose, Culver City Chamber of Commerce, clarified that the Health Expo is held at Westfield Culver City and the City assists the Chamber of Commerce by hanging the banners and the Chamber of Commerce provides tables for the Police and Fire departments at the Expo.

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Item J-1
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Following discussion, the following motion was made:

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

1. APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE CITY OF CULVER CITY, THE CULVER CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND THE CULVER CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RENEWING THE CHAMBER'S ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITY AND THE AGENCY FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR PERIOD FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2011 AND 2012; AND DELINEATING THE FUNCTIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES WITH RESPECT TO THEIR PARTNERSHIP IN COMMUNITY EVENTS AND THE GENERAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY; 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 J-2

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding Among the City, Redevelopment Agency, and the Culver City Downtown Business Association (DBA) Renewing the DBA's Organizational Relationship with the City and the Agency for an Additional Two-Year Period for Calendar Years 2011 and 2012; and Delineating the Functions, Duties and Responsibilities of the Parties with Respect to their Partnership in Community Events and the General Economic Development of the City.

Glen Heald, Management Analyst, provided a summary of the material of record.

Councilmember O'Leary invited public participation.

There was no response.

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Item J-2
(continued)

The City Council expressed support for the program and received clarification regarding changes made.

Following discussion, the following motion was made:

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE CITY OF CULVER CITY, THE CULVER CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AND THE CULVER CITY DOWNTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION RENEWING THE DBA'S ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITY AND THE AGENCY FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR PERIOD FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2011 AND 2012; AND DELINEATING THE FUNCTIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES WITH RESPECT TO THEIR PARTNERSHIP IN COMMUNITY EVENTS AND THE GENERAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY; AND,
2. AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,
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Item J-3

Discuss and Provide Direction to the City Manager/Executive Director Regarding Issuance of a Proposed Tax Allocation Bond.

Glenn Heald, Management Analyst, provided a summary of the material of record.

Councilmember O'Leary invited public participation.

There was no response.

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Item J-3
(continued)

Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding improving the City's economic base and quality of life; maximizing the value of potential bonds; addressing infrastructure in need of repair and replacement; and clarification on where the bond can be used.

Following discussion, the following motion was made:

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURSUE A TAX ALLOCATION BOND ISSUANCE.

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Item J-4

Discussion Regarding Potential Formation of Special Tax District for the Transit Oriented District at Washington/National and Authorization to Release a Request for Proposals for Professional Special Tax District Formation Services Related Thereto

This item was pulled from the agenda.

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Action Items

Item A-1

(1) Approval of the Downtown Culver City Business Improvement District Advisory Committee's Annual Work Program and Budget, and (2) Adoption of a Resolution of Intention to Conduct a Public Hearing for Continuation of the Downtown Business Improvement District.

Councilmember Weissman recused himself from this item as he is a member of the Downtown Business Improvement District.
Councilmember Weissman left the Council Chambers at 8:03 p.m.

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Item A-1
(continued)

Glenn Heald, Management Analyst, provided a summary of the material of record.

Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding maintenance of tax exempt status; payment of the assessment to the City; concerns with unpaid assessments; the management agreement; and support for the program.

Councilmember O'Leary invited public participation.

There was no response.

Responding to City Council inquiries, Ken Kaufman, Downtown Business Association, indicated that they would be proactive with communication with the City; and Jessica Whaley, Downtown Business Association, discussed pressure washing and agreed to provide additional information to the City Council.

Further discussion ensued between the City Council, staff and Gerald Weiner, Downtown Business Association regarding maintenance; quantifying delinquencies; length of time in arrears; additional information on outstanding amounts; and defunct businesses.

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Item A-1
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Following discussion, the following motion was made:

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE THE 2011 BID ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S ANNUAL WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET AS FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK; AND,
2. ADOPT RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 2010-R077 SETTING NOVEMBER 22, 2010, AS THE DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE CONTINUATION OF THE DOWNTOWN CULVER CITY BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.

AYES: Councilmembers Cooper, Malsin, O'Leary, Armenta

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Councilmember Weissman

ABSENT: None

Councilmember Weissman returned to the Council Chambers at 8:14 p.m.

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Public Comment for Items Not On the Agenda - continued.

Councilmember O'Leary invited public participation.

There was no response.

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Receipt of Correspondence

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

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Items from Staff

Items Presented by Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk:

- Requested that the City Council adjourn this meeting to a meeting scheduled for Saturday, November 6, 2010 at 9 a.m.

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Items from the City Council

Items Presented by Mayor Armenta:

- Requested staff assistance in coordinating constituent inquiries in order to prevent each Councilmember from handling the same issue.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 8:19 p.m., the City Council adjourned its meeting in memory of Benjamin Lee Veal, father of Yvonne Horton, City Clerk for the City of Inglewood and father-in-law of Jerome Horton, Vice Chair of the Board of Equalization; Bob Babki, Alderman Elect to the City Council of Lethbridge, Canada; and Theodore Sorenson, Special Counsel and chief speechwriter for President John F. Kennedy and first cousin of Former Councilmember Carol Gross, to an Adjourned Regular Meeting to be held on November 6, 2010.

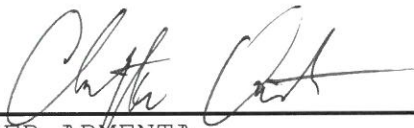
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Ela Valladares

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

APPROVED November 22, 2010



CHRISTOPHER ARMENTA
MAYOR of the City of Culver City, California