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REDEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY,
AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CULVER CITY
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL, CULVER CITY
HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD,
CULVER CITY PARKING AUTHORITY,
REDEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY, AND
SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CULVER CITY
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

May 28, 2024
7:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor McMorris called the regular meeting of the City Council, Culver City Housing Authority Board, Culver City Parking Authority Board, Redevelopment Financing Authority, and Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Mike Balkman Chambers at City Hall and via Webex.

Present: Yasmine-Imani McMorris, Mayor
Dan O'Brien, Vice Mayor
Göran Eriksson, Council Member
Freddy Puza, Council Member
Albert Vera, Council Member

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Closed Session

Mayor McMorris invited public comment.

Jeremy Bocchino, City Clerk, indicated that no requests to speak on Closed Session Items had been received.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, CULVER CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, CULVER CITY PARKING AUTHORITY BOARD, REDEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY, AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CULVER CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION.

At 6:03 p.m. the City Council, Culver City Housing Authority Board, Culver City Parking Authority Board, Redevelopment Financing Authority, and Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board adjourned to Closed Session to consider the following Closed Session Items:

CS-1 CC - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
Re: Friends and Families for MOVE Culver City v. City of Culver City, et al.
Case No. 23STCP03833
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (1)

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CS-2 CC - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
Re: Ida Rabiner v. City of Culver City, et al.
Case No. 23SMCV00531
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (1)

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Reconvene

Mayor McMorrin reconvened the City Council at 6:36 p.m. with all Council Members present for recognition presentations.

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Recognition Presentations

Item R-1

Presentation of Certificate Awards to Culver City Youth in Recognition of Their Leadership

Mayor McMorrin welcomed the students; discussed inspirational youth involvement in government; the importance of youth leaders; appreciation to CCUSD (Culver City Unified School District) administrators for their work to make the Culver City

Youth Recognition Award possible; and she thanked the students for their leadership and commitment to making the schools better for everyone.

Students from Linwood E. Howe Elementary School, El Rincon Elementary School, Farragut Elementary School, El Marino Elementary School, La Ballona Elementary School, Culver City Middle School, and Culver City High School received certificate awards in recognition of their leadership.

Jeremy Bocchino, City Clerk, urged those turning 18 to register to vote.

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Item R-2

Presentation of a Commendation to David Voncannon as 2024 Senior of the Year

Council Member Vera presented a Commendation to David Voncannon as 2024 Senior of the Year.

David Voncannon thanked the City for the honor; read a quote from Isaac Newton; acknowledged the support he had received; and he thanked his wife Elizabeth Voncannon for her patience and support.

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Item R-3

Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring May is Mental Health Awareness Month 2024

Council Member Puza presented a Proclamation declaring May is Mental Health Awareness Month May 2024.

Dr. Dan Richardson, Crisis Intervention and Human Services Manager, noted that mental health affected everyone; discussed impacts across families; expressed appreciation for the support of the City to set up the Mobile Crisis Team; and he introduced Case Manager Robert Varga.

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Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing May 2024 as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Awareness Month

Vice Mayor O'Brien presented a Proclamation recognizing May 2024 as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Awareness Month; discussed the percentage of people affected by it; his experience with it; and he encouraged anyone who knows someone with ALS, or family members of someone with ALS, to offer their support.

Justin Weiging, ALS Network, provided background on the organization; discussed services offered; number of people served; research; advocacy; finding additional resources; access to treatment; and he indicated that they were working to find a cure.

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Regular Session

Mayor McMorris convened the regular meeting of the City Council, Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board, Redevelopment Financing Authority, Culver City Housing Authority Board, and Culver City Parking Authority Board at 7:07 p.m. with all Council Members present.

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Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor McMorris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Report on Action Taken in Closed Session

Mayor McMorris indicated nothing to report out of Closed Session.

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Community Announcements by Members/Updates from Commissions, Boards and/or Committees/Information Items from Staff

Council Member Vera reported attending the Smart City Expo and

indicated he would share information with staff for possible consideration by the City Council; expressed appreciation to the Mayor for touring the Safe Sleep site with Los Angeles Council Member Hernandez; he repeated comments he made at the opening of the site indicating the importance of the site as a step in the critical direction of getting people the support they need; he discussed politics; the need to act for the greater good of the community; and what one wants vs. what the community needs.

Council Member Puza discussed the recent Olympics Committee meeting with the community and CBCs (Committees, Boards and Commissions); items considered; he announced that the Senior Prom on June 1 at the Senior Center was sold out; discussed equity issues; older adults and people with disabilities; the aging population of the City; Safe Routes for Seniors; coordination with AARP reps to ensure that Culver City is an Age-Friendly City; appreciation for the work of staff; the upcoming Culver City Pride and Ride on June 29; continued commitment to having an inclusive Culver City; being welcoming to everyone; and he reported that the event was in its fourth year noting that the event time had been shifted to the evening.

Vice Mayor O'Brien discussed the Olympics Committee meeting; attendance by community stakeholders and members of CBCs; ideas shared across different communities; feedback from people who may think differently from one another; and the closing ceremony event planned for August 11.

Mayor McMorris acknowledged the service of her late father, Albert McMorris; discussed Memorial Day and honoring all those who serve; National Women's Menstrual Health Day and the importance of providing equal access to products and education; fundamental rights; she reported attending the event for the Transforming Prison Life Through Art exhibit at the Wende Museum; indicated speaking at the ten year celebration for Jazz Hands for Autism; noted the importance of uplifting the commitment to inclusion; discussed an event at Mount Saint Mary's on May 31st to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the introduction of the ERA in Congress in December 1923; the ERA Coalition; explicitly expressing sex equality in the Constitution; her attendance of events; she noted that she has a day job and is a single mother; indicated that she does her very best to show up for the community; and she encouraged anyone with questions about her attendance or wanting her to attend an event to contact her via email.

Jason Sims, Culver City Police Department (CCPD) Chief, introduced the eight newest CCPD officers and provided background on their experience; discussed recruitment; commitment to the core values of CCPD; and he welcomed the new officers to the City.

Dorothy Sadd, Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC); discussed the grant proposal for the Better Overland & Safer Fox Hills Project in Item A-3; the opportunity to access grant funding; alignment with strategic objectives; the neglected north/south corridor; providing a key route to schools, the library, and other Culver City facilities; residents in Fox Hills who feel neglected; the obesity crisis; work done by Transportation and Public Works; and she asked for support of the item on behalf of the BPAC.

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Joint Public Comment - Items NOT On the Agenda

Mayor McMorris invited public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

Dorien Davies with one minute ceded by Kenny Stevenson, discussed the importance of crossing guards to keep school children and their families safe; incentivization to walk and bike to school; reducing carbon emissions, traffic, and parking issues; the financial deficit for Culver City and the Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD); the high yield of influence for the cost to fund a crossing guard; benefits; public safety actions with a wide impact; cuts made by CCUSD: carrying the burden for the unsafe streets in the City; the City's obligation to create and maintain safe streets and walkable routes to school; cities that pay for and run crossing guards through their police departments; the decision to outsource crossing guards; prioritization of the CCPD budget; City Council consideration of spending \$143,000 for high speed chase technology; annual safe passages provided by crossing guards to the community; deflection of the issue by the City Council/CCUSD Liaison Subcommittee for discussion at a City Council meeting; the need to include the item on the June 4, 2024 agenda to allow for inclusion in the budget; adding another crossing guard at Overland and Virginia; the influence of crossing guards; efficient use of resources; and she asked the City Council to support the item.

Council Member Vera received clarification that the item had been moved to the City Council/CCUSD Liaison Subcommittee and would be on the agenda for the upcoming meeting on June 4, 2024.

Dorothy Sadd was called to speak and declined.

Daniel Behrendt, Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness (ACOHH), speaking on behalf of himself, expressed gratitude to the City Council for his appointment and for allowing him to serve; he thanked those also serving on the ACOHH as well as staff; discussed benefits to serving; he indicated that he would not be reapplying; he encouraged anyone considering serving to apply to the ACOHH; and he suggested that the City Council continue to engage with the ACOHH.

Jeremy Bocchino, City Clerk, noted that the deadline to submit applications to serve on CBCs had just passed, with interviews scheduled for June 3, 2024 and appointments made on June 10, 2024.

Ron Bassilian was called to speak but did not respond.

Steve Siegel expressed concern with lane closures; discussed minimal use of bicycle lanes; concern with grants influencing decisions on whether something is a good idea or not; using obesity as a reason to take a lane out; he encouraged residents to evaluate candidate platforms in November when voting; discussed quality of life; forcing people to make change; candidates put into office to deal with the downtown area; and the percentage of residents that want lanes re-opened.

Melissa Sanders was called to speak but did not respond.

Jeremy Bocchino, City Clerk, read the City Council statement on hate speech.

James Richardson discussed being homeless and seeing how Culver City handles issues; indicated living at the Culver City facility at 3990 Sepulveda Boulevard; being unable to open bank accounts as he is a non-resident of Culver City; denial of his Medicare after a recent heart attack; community health; and he asked for assistance from Culver City.

Mayor McMorris asked that staff reach out to Mr. Richardson.

Janeé Lennox expressed concern with the way comments she made at the last meeting were dismissed by Council Member Eriksson

as stupid; she offered to spend time explaining any comments that Council Member Eriksson might be struggling with; discussed behavior on the City Council; holding everyone accountable; concern with talking down or belittling anyone; body language; rudeness; serving as role models for Culver City; and the importance of moral behavior at all times.

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Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PUZA, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE AND FILE CORRESPONDENCE.

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Order of the Agenda

Items C-8, C-9, C-10, C-11 and C-14 were considered separately.

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Consent Calendar

Mayor McMorris invited public comment.

Alicia Ide, Management Analyst, indicated that John Garcia had signed up but was not available to speak.

Item C-1

CC:HA:SA - Approval of Cash Disbursements for May 4, 2024 to May 17, 2024

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD: APPROVE CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR MAY 4, 2024 TO MAY 17, 2024.

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Item C-2

CC:HA:SA:PA - Approval of Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting Held on May 13, 2024

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MAY 13, 2024.

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Item C-3

CC - Approval of the Specifications and Authorization to Publish a Notice Inviting Bids for the 2024 Sewer Main CCTV and Condition Assessment Project, PZ230

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: APPROVE THE SPECIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZE THE PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR THE 2024 SEWER MAIN CCTV AND CONDITION ASSESSMENT PROJECT, PZ230.

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Item C-4

CC - 1) Approval of a Five-Year Professional Services Agreement with Utility Systems, Science & Software (US3), for Maintenance of the Sanitary Sewer and Storm Pump Stations Emergency Notification System (ENS) and the Sewer Flow Monitoring System (SFMS) in an Amount Not-to-Exceed of \$2,667,081; and 2) Authorization to the Public Works Director/City Engineer to Approve Change Orders, if Necessary, for a Not-to-Exceed Annual Amount of \$47,000 (Approximately 10% of the Annual Contract Amount) Over Each of Five Years

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A FIVE-YEAR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH UTILITY SYSTEMS, SCIENCE AND SOFTWARE (US3), FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE SANITARY SEWER AND STORM PUMP STATIONS' EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (ENS) AND THE SEWER FLOW MONITORING SYSTEM (SFMS) FOR A NOT-TO-EXCEED ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$689,081 IN YEAR 1 (FY 24/25); \$556,300 IN YEAR 2; \$473,900 IN YEAR 3; \$473,900 IN YEAR 4; AND \$473,900 IN YEAR 5, FOR A TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$2,667,081; AND,

2. AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS, IF NECESSARY, FOR A NOT-TO-EXCEED ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$47,000 (APPROXIMATELY 10% OF THE ANNUAL CONTRACT AMOUNT), OVER EACH OF FIVE YEARS; 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-5

CC - Adoption of a Resolution (1) Approving the Engineer's Report, (2) Declaring the City Council's Intention to Order the Levy of Annual Assessments for Fiscal Year 2024/2025, and (3) Setting the Date, Time, and Place for a Public Hearing for the West Washington Boulevard Benefit Assessment District No. 1

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION (1) APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT; (2) DECLARING THE CITY COUNCIL'S INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS FOR THE WEST WASHINGTON BOULEVARD ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1; AND (3) SETTING THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 10, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M.

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Item C-6

CC - Adoption of a Resolution (1) Approving the Engineer's Report, (2) Declaring the City Council's Intention to Order the Levy of Annual Assessments for Fiscal Year 2024/2025, and (3) Setting the Date, Time, and Place for a Public Hearing for the West Washington Boulevard Benefit Assessment District No. 2

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION (1) APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT; (2) DECLARING THE CITY COUNCIL'S INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS FOR THE WEST WASHINGTON BOULEVARD ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2; AND (3) SETTING THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 10, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M.

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Item C-7

CC - Adoption of a Resolution (1) Approving the Engineer's Report, (2) Declaring the City Council's Intention to Order the Levy of Annual Assessments for Fiscal Year 2024/2025, and (3) Setting the Date, Time, and Place for a Public Hearing for the West Washington Boulevard Benefit Assessment District No. 3

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION (1) APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT; (2) DECLARING THE CITY COUNCIL'S INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS FOR THE WEST WASHINGTON

BOULEVARD ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 3; AND (3) SETTING THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 10, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M.

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Item C-8

CC - Approval of an Amendment to an Existing Professional Services Agreement with Walk 'n Rollers for the Safe Routes to School Education Program for an Additional Three Years in an Additional Amount Not-to-Exceed \$210,000 (Aggregate Contract Amount Not-to-Exceed \$362,000)

Council Member Eriksson received clarification that a misunderstanding in how the proposal was presented resulted in a two year contract rather than five years as is standard, and that the current staff recommendation was to extend for three years.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WALK 'N ROLLERS FOR THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR AN ADDITIONAL THREE YEARS, IN AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$210,000, FOR A TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$362,000; 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-9

CC - Approval of an Application for \$16,190.28 in Grant Funds through the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Fiscal Year 2024 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership

Council Member Vera discussed the importance of the item and requested unanimous City Council support for the item.

Council Member Puza noted that he had supported the funding when it last came before the City Council.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,190.28 THROUGH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, FISCAL YEAR 2024 PATRICK LEAHY BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP; 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-10

CC - Approval of a One-Year Professional Services Agreement with Good Guard Security, Inc. to Develop, Manage, and Operate a Transit Ambassador Pilot Program in an Amount Not-To-Exceed \$995,000, with the Option to Extend the Agreement an Additional Two Years

Council Member Puza received clarification that the Transit Ambassador pilot program was being instituted for public safety reasons; discussed allowing for more presence and the perception of safety throughout the network; volatile situations; de-escalation training; coordination with CCPD; and use of unarmed security to address situations that can be potentially violent and report them to the police.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A ONE-YEAR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GOOD GUARD SECURITY, INC. FOR TRANSIT AMBASSADOR SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$995,000 ANNUALLY, WITH AN OPTION TO EXTEND FOR TWO ADDITIONAL YEARS; 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-11

CC - Approval of a One-Year Agreement with SCA of CA LLC for Citywide Street Sweeping Services in an Amount Not-To-Exceed \$900,000 Annually with the Option to Extend the Agreement an Additional One Year

Yanni Demitri, Public Works Director, provided a summary of the material of record; discussed increased costs; and the new requirement to pay prevailing wages.

Council Member Eriksson noted that Assembly Bill (AB) 1886 had been passed in committee but did not actually become law; discussed the work of the League of California Cities to block passage due to concern with burdening cities with an unfunded mandate; lack of state money to support the item; the letter issued by the Department of Industrial Relationships (DIR); amending the Assembly Bill; putting in language to ensure that street sweeping is not included; commercial construction sites vs. street sweepers; the environmental issue; contractor expectations; extending the agreement for one year; large cost increases; and cities that are not following the letter from the DIR.

Yanni Demitri, Public Works Director, discussed plans to bring the service in-house.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the one bid received, and clarification that if the item did not pass, there would be no more cleaning until a new contract is executed, or the services are brought in-house.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A ONE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH SCA OF CA LLC FOR CITYWIDE STREET SWEEPING SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$900,000 ANNUALLY WITH AN OPTION TO EXTEND AN ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR; 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-12

CC - (1) Approval of a Software Support Maintenance Agreement with South Bay Regional Public Communications Authority for Public Safety Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management Software (RMS) Systems in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$160,000 per year; and (2) Authorization to the City Manager to Approve Ongoing Annual Recurring Maintenance Expenditures until the Service is Substantially Changed or Terminated

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A SOFTWARE SUPPORT MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH BAY REGIONAL PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH (CAD) AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE (RMS) SYSTEMS IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$160,000 PER YEAR; AND,
2. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE ONGOING RECURRING MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES UNTIL THE SERVICE IS SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGED OR TERMINATED; 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-13

CC - (1) Approval of a Maintenance Agreement with Konica Minolta for Citywide Multifunction Device Managed Print Services in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$75,000; and Authorization to the City Manager to Approve Five One-Year Renewals for Amounts Not-to-Exceed the Prior Year's Cost by More than 15%, Subject to Subsequent Year Budget Approvals

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH KONICA MINOLTA FOR CITYWIDE MULTIFUNCTION DEVICE MANAGED PRINT SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$75,000 FOR THE FIRST YEAR; AND,

2. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE FIVE ONE-YEAR RENEWALS FOR AMOUNTS NOT-TO-EXCEED THE PRIOR YEAR'S COST BY MORE THAN 15%, SUBJECT TO SUBSEQUENT YEAR BUDGET APPROVALS; 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-14

CC - (1) Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with S. Groner Associates (SGA Marketing) for Educational Outreach Services for Proposed "4B" Plastics Prohibitions for \$85,000; and (2) FOUR-FIFTHS VOTE REQUIREMENT: Approval of a Related Budget Amendment Appropriating \$85,000 from the General Fund Unassigned Balance

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding whether the item should be delayed since California lawmakers had approved a bill prohibiting grocers from offering plastic bags; clarification that pay is based on the number of hours spent on public outreach therefore less hours would be required with the removal of one item; legislation that ties into other issues; budget deficits; use of reserve money to fund items; putting money toward crossing guards instead; priorities; concern with spending money on a study that is not needed; state issues; claims made without data; the importance of having information on record; clarification that the money does not have to be spent if it does not get used; the value of getting information from the community; deference given to police requests but questioning for other requests; and clarification that the item is an important safety issue.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH S. GRONER ASSOCIATES (SGA MARKETING) FOR THE 4B EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH SERVICES NOT-TO-EXCEED \$85,000; AND,
2. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT APPROPRIATING \$85,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND UNASSIGNED BALANCE TO ACCOUNT NO. 10160460.619800 (REQUIRES FOUR-FIFTHS VOTE); 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-15

CC - (1) Ratification of an Amendment to Existing Professional Services Agreement with Occu-Med for Medical Services Increasing the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Amount by an Additional \$60,000 and Increasing the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Amount Not-to-Exceed \$100,000

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: RATIFY AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH OCCU-MED FOR MEDICAL SERVICES INCREASING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 AMOUNT BY AN ADDITIONAL \$60,000 AND INCREASING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$100,000.

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Item C-16

CC:HA:SA - CONSENT ITEM: Adoption of Respective Resolutions by the City Council, Board of the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency and Culver City Housing Authority to Approve the City of Culver City Investment Policy

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF CULVER CITY INVESTMENT POLICY.

THAT THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY BOARD: ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CITY OF CULVER CITY INVESTMENT POLICY, WHICH SHALL SERVE AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY'S INVESTMENT POLICY.

THAT THE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD: ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE CITY OF CULVER CITY INVESTMENT POLICY, WHICH SHALL SERVE AS THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S INVESTMENT POLICY.

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Item C-17

CC:HA:SA - CONSENT ITEM: Adoption of Respective Resolutions Authorizing Designated Representatives to Initiate the Housing Authority Investment Account, Deposit and Withdraw Funds as Well as Make Account Changes with the State Local Agency Investment Fund on Behalf of Culver City, the Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency and the Culver City Housing Authority

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY BOARD AND HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD: ADOPT RESPECTIVE RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES TO INITIATE THE HOUSING AUTHORITY INVESTMENT ACCOUNT, DEPOSIT AND WITHDRAW FUNDS, AS WELL AS MAKE ACCOUNT CHANGES, WITH THE STATE LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND.

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Item C-18

CC - Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Good Guard Security, Inc. for Security Guard Services in the Amount Not-to-Exceed \$1,830,000 for Three Years with Two, One-Year Optional Renewals

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GOOD GUARD SECURITY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$1,830,000 FOR THREE YEARS, WITH TWO, ONE-YEAR OPTIONAL RENEWALS; AND,
2. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO AMEND THE SCOPE OF SERVICES TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL CITY LOCATIONS AND EVENTS AS NEEDED; 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-19

CC - (1) Authorization to Support a Multi-Jurisdictional Application to the Active Transportation Grant Program for the Ballona Creek Multi-Use Path Extension and Connections Project

with a Proportional 20% Local Match Commitment in the Amount of \$240,000; and (2) Approval of a Letter in Support of the Application for the Active Transportation Grant to be Signed by the Mayor

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. AUTHORIZE SUPPORT FOR A MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL APPLICATION TO THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE BALLONA CREEK MULTI-USE PATH EXTENSION AND CONNECTIONS PROJECT WITH A PROPORTIONAL 20% LOCAL MATCH COMMITMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$240,000; AND,
2. APPROVE A LETTER IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION FOR THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS, TO BE SIGNED BY THE MAYOR; 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-20

CC - Approval of an Ordinance Amending Culver City Municipal Code Chapter 15.02 (Land Usage, Buildings, Structures, and Equipment) by Adding Subchapter 15.02.400 Gender Neutral Public Restroom Facilities in New Construction

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15.02 OF THE CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING SUBCHAPTER 15.02.400 GENDER NEUTRAL PUBLIC RESTROOM FACILITIES IN NEW CONSTRUCTION, TO CHAPTER 15.02 (LAND USAGE, BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES, AND EQUIPMENT).

MOVED BY MAYOR MCMORRIN AND SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: APPROVE ITEM C-14.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: MCMORRIN, O'BRIEN, PUZA, VERA
NOES: ERIKSSON

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: APPROVE ITEM C-9.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: ERIKSSON, O'BRIEN, PUZA, VERA
NOES: MCMORRIN

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PUZA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: APPROVE ITEMS C-1 THROUGH C-8, C-10 THROUGH C-13, AND C-15 THROUGH C-20.

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Public Hearing Items

Item PH-1

CC - (1) Conduct a Public Hearing Pursuant to the Requirements of Tax and Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as Amended; (2) Adoption of a Resolution to Approve the Issuance of Revenue Bonds by the California Municipal Finance Authority to Assist in the Financing or Refinancing of the Turning Point School located in Culver City, California; and (3) Approval the Deposit of Approximately \$7,500 in Issuance Fees to the General Fund

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE AND FILE THE AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION AND POSTING OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE.

Lisa Soghor, Chief Financial Officer, provided a summary of the material of record.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Mayor McMorris invited public comment.

Jeremy Bocchino, City Clerk, indicated that no public comment had been received.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE BONDS BY THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY (CMFA) FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TURNING POINT SCHOOL, A CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT CORPORATION AND AN ORGANIZATION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 501(C) (3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED, TO PROVIDE FOR TAX-EXEMPT FINANCING IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$15,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING AND REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT, RENOVATION, FURNISHING AND/OR EQUIPPING OF CERTAIN EDUCATIONAL AND RELATED FACILITIES. SUCH ADOPTION IS SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSES OF SATISFYING THE REQUIREMENTS OF TEFRA, THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 6500; AND,

2. APPROVE THE DEPOSIT OF APPROXIMATELY \$7,500 IN ISSUANCE FEES TO THE CULVER CITY GENERAL FUND.

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Item PH-2

CC - Appeal of the Administrative Approval of Wireless Encroachment Permit to Crown Castle for 4604 Sepulveda Boulevard, Culver City Permit Number U23-0390

Sammy Romo, Senior Civil Engineer, provided a summary of the material of record.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PUZA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Mayor McMorris invited public comment.

Alicia Ide, Management Analyst, reported that no requests to speak had been received.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding FCC (Federal Communications Commission) requirements, and the small amount of influence of the City Council.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PUZA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. DENY THE APPEAL AND APPROVE CROWN CASTLE'S WIRELESS ENCROACHMENT PERMIT APPLICATION FOR 4604 SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD, CULVER CITY PERMIT NUMBER U23-0390, BASED ON THE FINDINGS SET FORTH IN THE FEBRUARY 26, 2024, NOTICE OF APPLICATION APPROVAL (ATTACHMENT 1) AND SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL SET FORTH IN ATTACHMENTS 5 AND 6 OF THE REPORT; AND ADOPT A FINDING THAT THE APPROVAL IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM CEQA PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES §15303; AND,

2. DIRECT PUBLIC WORKS STAFF TO PREPARE AND ISSUE, PURSUANT TO CCMC SECTION 11.20.065.G.2, A WRITTEN NOTICE OF DECISION, SIGNED BY THE CITY MANAGER, CONSISTENT WITH THE CITY COUNCIL'S FINDINGS AND DECISION SET FORTH IN THE MAY 28, 2024 RECORD. THE NOTICE OF DECISION SHALL BE ISSUED NO LATER THAN MAY 30, 2024.

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Item PH-3

CC - Appeal of the Administrative Approval of Wireless Encroachment Permit to Crown Castle for 11622 Port Road, Culver City Permit Number U23-0386

Sammy Romo, Senior Civil Engineer, provided a summary of the material of record.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PUZA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Mayor McMorris invited public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

Donald Maia, with one minute ceded by Cynthia Maia, provided background on himself; asked that the City Council not allow Crown Castle to place cell towers in Sunkist Park, a residential area established for over 70 years; he discussed radio frequency continuously emitted toward homes; studies by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); new technologies or change of use; length of time it takes to collect data to make a determination regarding cancer risks; an FDA (Food and Drug Administration) study from 2023 regarding radiation exposure;

neighbors asking that Crown Castle move the tower location toward the freeway; use of the pre-existing pole; neighbors in the area who have pacemakers and oppose the installation; he asked that the site be moved 150-200 feet away from pre-existing homes; and he provided the petition of neighbors in opposition to the project to the City Clerk.

Brad Ladua, Crown Castle, discussed the location evaluation process; the intent to replace the existing pole with a higher pole; alternate candidates considered; clearance issues; California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order 95; clearance issues; worker access; utility poles vs. light poles; meeting service objectives; public right of way vs. private property; the RF (Radio Frequency) report; maximum permissible exposure levels; power disconnect; ground level exposure as being within safe levels; the ability to shut off the power when pole workers do maintenance to protect them from exposure; testing that has shown the proposed project to be within FCC limits for exposure; pre- and post-RF tests conducted at other sites; and agreement to test the proposed site as well.

Discussion ensued between Mr. Ladua, staff, and Council Members regarding studies on the effects of prolonged exposure to RF; a suggestion to move the installation to a freeway sign; the inability of the current network to support increased demands; small cell sites intended to support the macro sites; customer driven demand; solving issues; Caltrans; jurisdiction; the request from Verizon; neighbor concerns; and examination of a site along the freeway outside of the neighborhood.

Donald Maia expressed appreciation for information received; proposed using the commercial area where the self-storage facility is; discussed other options that could be more costly; neighbors reporting no issues with cell service; taking the human factor into account; lack of research on long term affects; and he asked the City Council to take it slow.

Brad Ladua, Crown Castle, stated that the FCC is the sole regulatory agency that establishes the nationwide RF guidelines to limit public exposure to emissions; discussed the City requirement to submit an RF report; the inability of Culver City to deny a wireless facility that is compliant within FCC guidelines solely on health and safety concerns; acknowledgement of concerns; willingness to do the pre- and post-test; and ground level exposure.

Discussion ensued between Mr. Ladua, staff, and Council Members regarding range of the small cell tower; interference; impacts of foliage and surrounding infrastructure; collaboration with Caltrans; and appreciation to Crown Castle for going above and beyond in considering other alternatives.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding neighbor concerns; regular site testing; extra effort made to look at alternate locations; the inability of the City Council to deny the application; staff efforts to keep the community safe; lack of a finding to allow denial of the application; encouragement for concerned individuals to speak to Congressional representatives to make a change; acknowledgement of concerns; and appreciation for the pre- and post-readings.

Council Member Puza exited the dais.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding due diligence and extra effort made by Crown Castle; appreciation to staff, Crown Castle, and the appellant; difficult conversations; and the fact that the City Council is bound by FCC rules.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. DENY THE APPEAL AND APPROVE CROWN CASTLE'S WIRELESS ENCROACHMENT PERMIT APPLICATION FOR 11622 PORT ROAD, CULVER CITY PERMIT NUMBER U23-0386, BASED ON THE FINDINGS SET FORTH IN THE FEBRUARY 15, 2024, NOTICE OF APPLICATION APPROVAL (ATTACHMENT 1) AND SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL SET FORTH IN ATTACHMENTS 5 AND 6 OF THE REPORT; AND ADOPT A FINDING THAT THE APPROVAL IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM CEQA PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES §15303.

2. DIRECT PUBLIC WORKS STAFF TO PREPARE AND ISSUE, PURSUANT TO CCMC SECTION 11.20.065.G.2, A WRITTEN NOTICE OF DECISION, SIGNED BY THE CITY MANAGER, CONSISTENT WITH THE CITY COUNCIL'S FINDINGS AND DECISION SET FORTH IN THE MAY 28, 2024 RECORD. THE NOTICE SHALL BE ISSUED NO LATER THAN MAY 30, 2024.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: ERIKSSON, MCMORRIN, O'BRIEN, VERA
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: PUZA

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Action Items

Item A-1

CC - (1) Approval of a Three-Year Contract with StarChase to Provide Pursuit Mitigation Technology in an Amount Not-To-Exceed \$143,689; and (2) Discussion of the Police Department's Draft StarChase Pursuit Management System Policy

Council Member Puza returned to the dais.

Jason Sims, CCPD Chief, introduced the item.

Mayor McMorris invited public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

Ron Bassilian was called to speak but did not respond.

Melissa Sanders felt the equipment was non-violent and would help public safety; hoped the item would move forward; and she expressed support for technology that helps to improve safety.

Janeé Lennox discussed other ways that the money could be used; the mental health crisis; the homelessness crisis; supporting people; concern with unintended consequences; lawsuits; data indicating targeting of the poor as well as Black and Brown people in the community; innocent until proven guilty; who determines who criminals are; putting money toward resources and helping people struggling to pay their bills; and she asked the City Council to rethink spending money on technology that is not going to solve a problem.

Bubba Fish noted that other cities were moving toward preventative care and he encouraged Culver City to do the same; he discussed traffic violence; high speed police chases; concern that the policy approves use of technology on those suspected of a felony or a misdemeanor even before a stop has been made; the proposed cost as being equal to the cost of almost five crossing guards; reframing consideration of technology; the growing powers and arsenal of CCPD; and support for using money in ways that keep people safe preventatively.

Ron Bassilian was called to speak but did not respond.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the number of times the technology could have been used since the last City Council meeting; use of technology to recover stolen catalytic converters; addressing concerns of targeting individuals; tracking vehicles that flee from a traffic stop; changes to language to indicate when technology can be deployed for misdemeanor violations that pose a risk to public safety; attempted abductions; weapons violations; domestic violence; ongoing threat to victims; approval of deployments by a supervisor; department policy; ideal deployment under safe driving conditions prior to initiating the traffic stop; removal of the tag from the vehicle once the situation has been resolved; expected success rate for the dart hitting the car; law enforcement agencies across the nation using the technology; apprehension rate; the track record of improving public safety; sticking rate; increases to vehicle pursuits; Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPRs); FLOCK; crimes committed in Culver City vs. committed by people passing through Culver City; the likelihood that another crime will be committed in Culver City; de-escalation; clarification that the suspect initiates a vehicle pursuit by not stopping; trends regarding the impacts of body-worn cameras on use of force; investigation of all use of force incidents; body-worn cameras as an important tool in the investigation process to provide accountability and transparency; staff agreement to do their best to provide data regarding trends on body-worn cameras; a request for a copy of the four-page draft policy for the management system with tracked changes; the previous version attached to the current agenda; failure to incorporate changes requested by the City Council at the previous meeting; changes to the misdemeanor clarification policy; misdemeanors that pose a threat to public safety; clarification that the technology is not designed to be a long-term method of surveillance; the policy listed in the staff report; and providing new language reflecting what is agreed upon for the public to review.

Responding to inquiry Cary Goldberg, StarChase, discussed length of training required to use the system and certified trainers.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding CCPD formulation of a StarChase training program for all sworn officers who work in a patrol capacity; frequency of training; recertification; number of officers to be trained; training costs over time; efforts to mitigate overtime costs

associated with training; the source of recent pursuits; sharing data regarding pursuits that originated from FLOCK; items that are funded easily and items that go without funding; the chilling effect that makes asking questions difficult; the fact that safety is comprised of many things not just CCPD; CCPD as one of the many tools available; concern with investing in CCPD at the exclusion of everything else; patterns in morning and nightly reports; FLOCK hits that StarChase technology is designed to address as originating outside of Culver City; becoming a Los Angeles county police force; clarification that no one supports crime; lack of data to support the need for StarChase technology; taking time away from responding to community concerns in Culver City to address crime in other communities because they happen to pass through Culver City; the TOD (Transit Oriented Development) study; CCPD as the arbiter of safety; opening the door to liability issues; who is being served; things other cities are doing to address violence and crime; the pilot program in Boston; data showing that incomes of people who are jailed are very low; repeat offenders; supporting people instead of incarcerating them; the success of UBI (Universal Basic Income) programs; spending money on a program to address people who may be going to commit a crime in Culver City; understanding how uncomfortable it is to ask questions or raise concerns about spending; and the importance of asking questions about what is possible.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON AND SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH STARCHASE TO PROVIDE PURSUIT MITIGATION TECHNOLOGY IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$143,689; AND,
2. DISCUSS THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S DRAFT STARCHASE PURSUIT MANAGEMENT POLICY; 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.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: ERIKSSON, O'BRIEN, VERA
NOES: MCMORRIN, PUZA

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Item A-2

CC - Discussion and Direction on Determining the Future Use of the City-owned Property at 11029 Washington Boulevard

Jesse Mays, Assistant City Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor McMorris invited public comment and explained the reasoning behind the amount of time allotted to speak.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

John Garcia was called to speak but was not present.

Jeannine Wisnosky Stehlin, Cultural Affairs Commissioner speaking on behalf of herself, discussed demand for more community-centric centers and green spaces to meet the needs of the growing population; Performing Arts Grants awarded to non-profit performance groups without space available to host them; creative ideas for use of the property; the importance of being intentional about the opportunity provided by the space; Culver City standards for maximum community involvement; whether staff has the bandwidth to conduct the process; hiring a consultant; scope of the RFP (Request for Proposals) process; timeline to make decisions; and she expressed support for intense community involvement.

Andrew Flores was called to speak but was not present.

Jane Lee provided background on herself; proposed creating a Culver City Community Thrift Store where proceeds went to either Culver City or CCUSD; and discussed educational benefits for students provided by volunteering at the store.

Mayor McMorris clarified that the focus of the discussion was on procedures for outreach.

Megan Oddsen Goodwin expressed gratitude for the open discussion of the item and for the purchase of the land parcel; discussed her wish that the property does the most good for the most people possible; she reported that CCUSD had just adopted a resolution on the awareness of gun violence restraining orders; proposed a City Council discussion of a City-wide initiative; noted the importance of creating local awareness around

lifesaving gun prohibiting orders; and announced Gun Violence Awareness Month in June.

Melissa Sanders felt that Town Halls were a great idea and should be held in different places at different times, online, and in-person; she discussed inevitable controversy; finding a way to generate some of the money that was spent on the property back to the City; and she emphasized the importance of public input.

Judi Sherman discussed length of time for the process; the history of missed opportunities for housing; the staff request for detailed direction on community engagement; finding funding for affordable housing; the detailed process for such a small parcel; lack of courtesy to the Fox Hills community in considering land usage; property location near single family houses; priorities; and the need to address over-development plans for Fox Hills before the October 15, 2024 deadline to submit the General Plan.

James Richardson felt the issue should be acted upon quickly; he wanted to see what the community proposed; echoed comments made by Melissa Sanders that outreach be done in many locations and in a hybrid fashion; noted that though he lives in permanent housing Culver City, he is not considered a resident; and he expressed concern that all voices be heard for the opportunity.

Katy Krantz discussed her meetings with residents and stakeholders; lack of affordable art workshops in Culver City; people hungry to experience the benefits of art; lack of an Arts Center in Culver City; making a return on the investment; creating a mixed use building with housing on top and a Community Arts Center on the bottom; the vibrant, walkable, diverse community; public interest; and she expressed hope that Culver City would engage in a rigorous process and include as many people as possible to provide input into future usage of the site.

Gary Zeiss reiterated previous comments in support of a rigorous process that involves the community; noted community pressure to buy the building; and the importance of engaging in a thorough process that includes the nearby school and neighborhood.

Karim Sahli was called to speak but could not be heard.

Jim Clarke, Culver Arts Foundation, discussed the Foundation's support of the project; engaging in a quick community process

that ensures buy-in; the process engaged in by the Wende Museum; and he proposed a mixed use development for artist housing with the ground floor level used for an art complex.

Jack Galanty discussed the Town Halls held for the parks projects; proposed that a survey be sent to everyone in Culver City after options have been considered and priced out; discussed equity; ensuring voices are heard; and artist in residence housing.

Karim Sahli wanted to see community meetings held similar to those held for the Better Overland & Safer Fox Hills Project; discussed the need for thorough engagement and feedback, in-person and through hybrid meetings; pursuit of grants to ensure the highest quality project; and he felt the project should include housing, retail, and City services to ensure a viable project to meet diverse needs.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding support for conducting an extensive City-wide survey; neighborhood engagement; support for in-person and hybrid meetings; acting in a way that is consistent with the needs and desires of the community in the area; streamlining the entitlement process; timing; ensuring community buy-in; understanding what the community thinks is the best use for that land; holding World Cafés; appreciation to staff for their efforts, to the community for their input, to the Artist Laureate for her work, and to the Arts Foundation for their support; the importance of robust outreach; success of outreach for the Better Overland & Safer Fox Hills Project; efforts to reach everyone in Culver City; pop-up events; narrowing down to the top 5-10 ideas; cost details; associated revenue; keeping goals broad and open; benefits of painting over the Retting signage; gathering public input before sending out RFPs to fulfill community goals; and clarification that multi-family homes mostly surround the area.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding appreciation for community advocates that provided these possibilities and for City Council support of the community process; standards for successful community outreach; examples of other successful outreach efforts; examples of scaled down engagement; measuring representative demographics of those engaged; best practices; the feeling that the General Plan was not a good example of cross-sectional representation of the community; format; timing; goals; accounting for people in the process; ensuring full and complete demographic capture

by scientific polling; continued polling until results match the demographics of the community; information at mrsc.org that empowers local government on equitable community engagement; ways to support equitable community engagement; examples from other cities; overrepresentation of white people over the age of 50 in the General Plan process; City Council consensus received for the scaled up version of outreach with surveys, in-person meetings, hybrid meetings, and community Town Hall meetings; potential pop-up events; timing; development of a standard for community processes; additional City Council consideration after robust outreach; continued responsiveness to the neighbors; ongoing outreach; the MOVE website; tracking trends around specific suggestions; tallying what demographics and neighborhoods are requesting; difficulty achieving consensus; the World Café format; timing for a rollout with various stages of community engagement; support for conducting a scientific survey; and the need for rigorous outreach with additional City Council consideration of a specific plan with cost estimations.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding concern with overdoing the process with extensive consideration of a building that needs to be torn down; a suggestion to move through the process more quickly; starting with a World Café to generate a lot of input; striking a balance; ensuring thorough community representation as it matches demographics; response to putting fliers all around the neighborhood; people with different priorities; people who care and have something to contribute that do not have a half a day available to participate in a World Café; being specific about different standards for community engagement; and staff agreement to bring back a more specific plan of action at a later date in July or August.

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Item A-3

CC - (1) Approval of the Conceptual Plans for the Better Overland & Safer Fox Hills Project (Project); (2) Authorization to Apply to the Active Transportation Program for the Project with a 20% Local Match Commitment; (3) Authorization to Apply to Other Grant Programs; (4) Adoption of a Resolution Certifying a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Exemption for the Project; and (5) Direction Regarding Community Outreach & Stakeholder Engagement As Appropriate

Thomas Check, Senior Traffic Engineer, provided a summary of the material of record.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding clarification on the motion; the staff request for comments and feedback; email regarding protected or Dutch style intersections; elimination of merging conflicts; four corner islands with a dedicated refuge; moderating right turn speeds for vehicles; increasing yielding compliance to pedestrians; protecting vulnerable users at intersections; estimated costs; the funding request from ATP (Active Transportation Program); the 20% local match; application of an escalation factor and contingency to the budget; participation and support from Los Angeles; the Los Angeles letter of intent for the permit process and funding of their share; reconciliation of height issues with ramps raised by the Disability Advisory Committee (DAC); proposed breaks in the concrete islands to allow for the passage of wheelchairs; the public awareness campaign; and appreciation for staff efforts and receptiveness to input.

Mayor McMorris invited public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

John Garcia was called to speak but was not present online or in Council Chambers.

David Metzler expressed appreciation to staff for their work, receptiveness to input, and public outreach; he felt the transformative project would improve Culver City and reduce injuries due to traffic violence; discussed the two Bicycle and Pedestrian Action Plans produced by Culver City; length of time for action to be taken; and benefits of the changes to everyone.

David Coles expressed hope that the City Council would support the projects; noted that Fox Hills had been overlooked for too long; discussed the need to reduce car dependence and provide alternatives; public and environmental health; lack of a north/south connection; Fox Hills as being bike and pedestrian unfriendly; and he expressed appreciation for the impressive work done by staff.

Robert Savinelli expressed support for the application for the project and gratitude for the work done so far; discussed lower scores achieved by schools; concern with reduced property values; adding confidence that Culver City is up and coming with the project; he wanted to ensure that trees are not disturbed;

and he proposed two right turns at the corner of Overland and Jefferson.

Adrian Killigrew expressed appreciation to staff for their efforts; hoped the City Council would support the request to apply for the grant; noted that Fox Hills was an island surrounded by city streets and overdue for a major overhaul; discussed the once in a lifetime opportunity for residents; absence of a north/south bike lane on the west side; the need to look to the future; the impact of Ballona Creek; heat maps available from his work in the bicycle industry indicating lack of customers from Fox Hills; and people who want to bike but do not.

John Schneider provided background on himself; asked Culver City not to move forward with the project; acknowledged the desire to make improvements; discussed the Class 4 bike lane for the majority of Overland; adding a crosswalk near the library; the Bicycle and Pedestrian Action Plan; safety concerns with Class 4 bike lanes; reduced visibility; and increased risks.

Dorothy Sadd was called to speak but did not respond.

Jeannine Wisnosky Stehlin expressed hope that there was still time to receive feedback from neighbors; discussed the need to ensure that adjacent business owners and neighbors are included in the visioning process; the importance of including pedestrians in the process; raised intersections; and Jefferson and Overland.

Sara Tyndall reported being a resident at Windsor Foundations between Braddock and Ballona Creek; discussed lack of guest parking; reliance on street parking; the importance providing a buffer with the center lane; safety concerns getting in and out of driveways; traffic backups; paramedics; the Fire Department; her experience with the transportation system in Montreal; and she felt the existing bike lanes and parking on Overland should be left as they are.

Mary Daval congratulated staff on the extraordinary project; discussed staff responsiveness to City Council requests and feedback from extensive public outreach; lessons learned; inclusion of every stakeholder in the community into the project; give and take required of everyone in the community; the competitive grant; the granting agency; making a positive regional impact; providing connectivity and the highest safety standard for all users; status quo vs. transformative change;

and retaining aspects of the current configuration so people can be comfortable.

Bubba Fish with one minute ceded by Aaron Lieberman, expressed appreciation for the presentation and work by staff to get people engaged in the project; discussed Jackie Moser who was hit and killed at Doverwood and Green Valley Circle; predictable and preventable traffic violence; standing up for tools to save lives; blind curves in Fox Hills with no lanes; ensuring safe north/safe travel across Culver City; and the project as improving safety infrastructure for everyone.

Stephen Schaller expressed support for the Better Overland & Safer Fox Hills Project; discussed his family's use of protected bike lanes on Washington Boulevard; lack of a network or safe route to travel north/south; the need for a protected bike lane to connect to east/west routes; and the importance of providing options for getting around that do not involve driving.

Ron Bassilian apologized for not being available earlier when being called to speak; discussed lane closures; promises made; the CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) lawsuit to get lanes back; concern with exacerbating traffic; the need to provide viable alternatives in a car city; and he asked that lane closures associated with the project be discussed.

Chad Nelson was called to speak but did not respond.

Frida Dilonell, Windsor Fountains Homeowners Association with one minute ceded by Jon Alan Webber, asserted that the proposed Better Overland project would have a negative effect on the community; discussed safety concerns associated with the elimination of the center turn lane, the elimination of parking spaces, and the inability to turn left when exiting their driveway; the high density area with schools and the library; she proposed Plan C which included following the Bicycle and Pedestrian Action Plan by keeping Class 2 bike lanes on Overland between Culver Boulevard and Jefferson or Venice and Jefferson; discussed number of cars vs. bicycles reflected in the June 2020 traffic flow study; improving Class 2 bike lanes with paint and reflective markings; installing the crosswalk by the Ballona Creek entry gate; allowing the two way center turn lane to be maintained beyond the Windsor Foundations exit gate; signatures submitted; and she asked that the City Council heed concerns of residents and businesses and explore alternative solutions such as Plan C that prioritizes the needs and well-being of the

community while preserving essential resources such as street parking and the center turn lane.

Edwin Conway suggested splitting the project into two separate proposals to address concerns of Windsor Fountains and Fox Hills.

Kouros Khaligh attempted to cede their time and declined to speak.

Sina Adani attempted to cede their time and declined to speak.

Bakhtavar Mistry attempted to cede their time and declined to speak.

Chris Michel was called to speak but did not respond.

Alex Hedbany discussed various transportation options to travel to the Westfield Mall and other commercial areas; reported attending the Better Overland & Safer Fox Hills Project Open House; noted that there were several parking spaces removed and only a few areas where lanes were condensed; discussed positive elements of the project for everyone; the grant to support the project; and he expressed support for the investment in the community.

Melissa Sanders noted the many improvements needed; concern with eliminating any parking; discussed issues created for residents and small businesses; festivals at Vets; concern for driver safety; reflective paint; and support for focusing on making the Class 2 lanes safer and more noticeable.

Judi Sherman reported that a letter to support grant funding had been supported by the Fox Hills Neighborhood Association; expressed appreciation to staff for their efforts; discussed plans to decrease cut-through traffic and speeding; timing of the plans; efforts over many years to get improvements made; developer-driven plans to place the bulk of state required units on the south side of Slauson; increased traffic on residential streets; increased pollutants; the threshold SB 1000 priority neighborhood; proposed overdevelopment; parking spaces; the need to address the 100 units per acre density designation as a priority issue; and the potential for cancelled plans.

Marcia Jacobs expressed opposition to doing anything on Overland north of Ballona Creek; she stated that not many people rode bicycles; discussed the existing bike lane on the Creek; safety

issues associated with removal of the central lane; and she asked that no changes be made.

Jim Shanman, Safe Routes to School Coordinator, indicated speaking as a resident; expressed support for the proposal and gratitude to staff for their efforts; discussed the need for additional outreach if the grant is awarded; much improved and needed mobility; connectivity to existing infrastructure; traffic calming measures designed to slow and manage speeds throughout the corridor; climate change; the need for Culver City to provide options for residents; average length of the majority of car trips; leading cause of death for those 55 and younger; projected reductions to crashes on local roads with bike lanes; the fact that the more protected the bike lanes are the more people bike; reduced speed in the presence of marked bike lanes; benefits to all users; and the opportunity for the City.

Robert Mohme discussed support for the stretch on Overland between Ballona Creek and Culver; Class 4 bike lanes; visibility concerns; and the importance of keeping the lanes clean.

Gary Zeiss observed that those who forget the past are destined to repeat it; discussed the MOVE lawsuit; Dutch intersections; he asked that the City not move forward without certainty in how things will go, or insulation ensuring that things can be changed; discussed talk of diversity and diverse opinions; the demographic of those supporting the projects; and he expressed concern with exposure to another lawsuit.

Marcia Jacobs proposed the installation of signs asking people to Stop, Look and Listen at schools and everywhere else because people do not look to see if a car is coming.

Karim Sahli expressed support for the project; asserted that cars were the issue; felt the project was worth every penny; discussed the excellent job of staff to develop well-designed plans and conduct outreach; the importance of the grant to reach Vision Zero goals; enhancing Culver City; the choice between the safety of all residents and the comfort of a few drivers; mitigating the climate crisis; and, regardless of outcome, he encouraged staff to develop other project and grant applications to benefit Culver City noting that he hoped talent would not go to another town due to lack of support.

Jack Galanty expressed gratitude to staff for their efforts to finalize a plan that addresses community issues with the project

and provides multiple options; discussed creation of the first and only north/south bike lane in Los Angeles county outside of beach protected bike lanes; discussed providing expanded access to the library, schools, the Senior Center, the La Ballona Bike Path, Veterans Memorial Building, and Veterans Park; active use of similar projects in Santa Monica; reductions to injury collisions compared to regular painted bike lanes; and he noted that elderly and disabled individuals felt safer in protected bike lanes.

Angela Soriaga was called to speak but was not present online or in Council Chambers.

Spencer Pogorzelski, Culver City High School student, expressed support for the grant application; discussed outreach; participation in the event where City engineers walked along the route; the opportunity for residents to point out areas that felt unsafe; staff responsiveness to comments in the plan presented; confidence that the plan will work for cars and bicycles; issues with his current commute that will be alleviated with the proposed plan; and he urged the City Council to act before the deadline on the plan developed by staff that will win the grant money.

Palvi Mohammed, Emerald Estates Homeowner Association, expressed appreciation for the opportunity to speak; discussed the importance of maintaining the central lane for homeowners to enter and exit their community; support for removal of parking that currently causes visibility issues for him; further review of the bridge crossing Overland; support for moving forward with the grant; and further outreach to the community to formulate an excellent plan moving forward.

Eric Shabsis indicated speaking on his own behalf; discussed his participation in the thorough community outreach; commended staff for their excellent project design and community engagement; and he felt that the outcome of MOVE Culver City would have been different had similar outreach and responsiveness been accomplished.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding addressing concerns from Windsor Fountain residents; the importance of the center lane; deliveries; ingress and egress; the value of public comment; lack of a recommendation in the staff report; the need for feedback; balancing needs; compromise; the evolving process; finding what fits; taking a hybrid approach; further outreach; additional consideration by

Committees and the City Council; timing to apply for the grant; adherence to the underlying core principles of the concept in order to get and retain the grant; the non-negotiable Class 4 bike lane; factoring in planned development; lane reductions proposed; making a lane swap; cut-through traffic; the desire expressed by residents for traffic calming; unintended consequences; concern for residents; alternate ideas to address resident concerns; core improvements; the failed application for the grant with Class 2 bike lanes; community engagement on the vehicular lanes; exploration of all possibilities; continuation of the process of engagement and consideration; lack of bias except to find a plan that works for each particular segment; senior drivers; cost to Culver City; the need to be concerned with all voices and address needs; the importance of addressing middle lanes; comments by Eric Shabsis expressing appreciation for the excellent public outreach; and gratitude to staff for the outreach to individual Council Members.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding outreach; the short length of the process; allowing residents time to become involved; factors used when scoring the application; the Overland segment to El Rincon; students that would take the fastest and safest way to Kinston; addressing the Kinston and Jefferson intersection; transformation to a non-motorized environment; supporting existing and planned housing; the petition in opposition to the project; concern with making housing less attractive; the failed application to improve Overland with Class 2 bike lanes; the need for studies; whether Culver City is ready for the grant; unintended consequences; being rushed into a grant because of a deadline; concern with bi-directional lanes for a portion of the project; problematic crossovers; making changes for the next 50 years; the concrete barrier; addressing ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) issues; lack of consideration of ADA issues with the MOVE project; items that seem like an afterthought; appreciation for staff responsiveness; the fact that achieving a 100% increase is still a small amount of change; public transportation as the answer; waiting for the next cycle to present a better project; and studies in Europe about road diets indicating that working with the community was key to success.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding appreciation to staff and to those who considered the project; gratitude for attention paid to Fox Hills which usually feels disenfranchised; increasing connectivity in Culver City; health benefits; hitting sustainability goals and providing other opportunities for transportation; the negligible loss of

parking spaces; sidewalk ADA bus ramps; and support for moving forward with the grant application with continued community engagement to address details.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding making adjustments to the MOVE project; the feeling that the current project being proposed is different than the MOVE Culver City Project; the need to work out the center lane issue; the ability to turn left coming out of Windsor onto Overland; accurately understanding challenges; safety; data regarding Class 4 bike lanes; safe active transportation design; Caltrans Complete Streets Guidance; clarification that Options A and B do not remove any lanes; reducing the turning lanes from two to one, but extending the one lane that is there; a chart indicating that travel time down Overland becomes faster; cost estimate for the project vs. maximum dollar amount; costs to widen the bridge; appreciation for communicating with Sony; parking concerns; pedestrian improvements on the Overland curve heading toward Hannum; clarification that money would not be spent until July 2025; the timeline; the quad campus; traffic flow implications; differences between the proposed project and MOVE Culver City; examination of impacts to schools; and the need to work with adjacent residents.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding appreciation to staff and the community; impacts of traffic violence and the passing of Jackie Moser; support for improvements to keep the community safe; comfort level in travelling using other modes than cars; kids that do not feel safe; the risk of status quo; the main investment in cars and car infrastructure; climate change; visioning and leadership required for policy making; taking everyone's needs into consideration; continued community outreach; support for a continued robust process incorporating the needs of the community; and additional investment in advancement allowing for alternatives in mobility for the community.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding final City Council consideration; the ability of the City Council to reject the award; unintended consequences; concern with being locked into something; and execution of the grant agreement.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PUZA THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE THE CONCEPTUAL PLANS WITH CONTINUED OUTREACH FOR THE BETTER OVERLAND AND SAFER FOX HILLS PROJECT; AND,
2. AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO APPLY TO THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM WITH A 20% LOCAL MATCH COMMITMENT FOR THE PROJECT; AND,
3. AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR OTHER GRANT PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT THE PROJECT; AND,
4. ADOPT A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) EXEMPTION FOR THE PROJECT; AND,
5. PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING ADDITIONAL OUTREACH AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: MCMORRIN, O'BRIEN, PUZA, VERA
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: ERIKSSON

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Item A-4

CC - ((1) Introduction of a Proposed Ordinance Amending Certain Sections of Subchapter 3.01.100, et seq. of the Culver City Municipal Code Relating to Decorum, Meeting Procedures and Public Participation; (2) Discussion of Use of Personal Electronic Devices During Meetings; (3) Discussion of "Campaigning" in Council Chambers; and (4) Direction to the City Manager as Deemed Appropriate

Heather Baker, City Attorney, provided a summary of the material of record noting that the main provisions were old and due for an update.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding agreement that no speaker should be allowed to speak after the item is called; use of devices vs. use of devices to discuss items being considered; attentiveness to the public; quasi-judicial matters; receiving independent information outside of the public meeting; ensuring that the record reflects what the City Council is making their decision on; examples from other cities; Brown Act training; propriety; engaging in discussion that is not shared with the public; enforcement; penalties;

blocking software; and alternate means of communication for emergencies.

Mayor McMorris invited public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

John Garcia was called to speak but was not present.

Darrell Menthe discussed outrage that would be caused if he walked up to a Council Member and gave them a piece of paper during the public meeting instead of providing public comment; conducting the business of the public in public; democratic norms; using Culver City laptops; use of cell phones in the back room; transparency; coming up with a policy that does not simply rely on the good graces of Council Members; and ensuring that Council Members do not have to spy on one another.

Jeannine Wisnosky Stehlin felt there should be a rule that is fairly applied to everyone and people should not be allowed to submit comments after the item has started; she discussed best practices and policy regarding use of personal electronic devices during meetings; googling items; communicating with others; discontinuing use of internet-connected devices at meetings; support for use of a City-provided laptop to search for information; transparency; sunshine laws; elimination of private interactions during meetings; potential harm by breaking public trust; whether communication on personal devices while on the dais, could be subject to a Public Records Act Request; safeguarding democracy; and she felt the use of personal internet-connected devices should be discontinued on the dais.

Andrew Flores was called to speak but was not present.

Ron Bassilian was called to speak but was not present.

Melissa Sanders did not want to see political speech from anyone; expressed concern with people on the dais using their personal devices to communicate with outside organizations; proposed that City staff also participate in the cellphone ban; noted the need to get out of the habit of being on cellphones all the time; and the importance of getting back to the spirit of the democratic process and doing things properly.

James Richardson was called to speak but was not present.

Janeé Lennox discussed the importance of phones to help with notetaking and other things; thinking about people who could be using devices and why; the feeling that people should not have to disclose their disability; blunt statements; accusing people of improper usage; support for being able to Google information; keeping a single mom from having access to their child; assuming that people are abiding by the Brown Act; use of technology to understand what is being said by community members; future usage; and she expressed opposition to banning the use of personal electronic devices.

Jack Galanty received clarification that the proposed changes would apply to CBCs; noted that he served on a Committee; discussed use of his personal device to help with his learning disability; invisible disabilities; he asserted that it was wrong to deny access to tools that help people; agreed that people should not be communicating with each other; discussed note taking and researching specific elements; not being scared of technology; information gathering related to the topic at hand; consideration of the Overland project; and the helpfulness of looking up an intersection being discussed.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding agreement on the need to update out of date language in the code; acknowledgement of different perspectives; the need to communicate with family; usefulness of personal devices; language used in other cities; emergencies that come up; receipt of clarification from staff; looking up information relating to the item being discussed; imposing rules; policing uses; concrete policy vs. creating a list of dos and don'ts; placing trust in colleagues; issuing a Culver City computer and using phones only for emergencies; campaigning; the importance of consistency; banning cellphone use for texting and email to discuss any item on the City Council agenda during a meeting; enforcement; the ability to censure a Council Member who breaks the rules; support for the policy of prohibiting campaign speech during public comment; origin of the item; the fact that issues are covered during Brown Act training; the prohibition of campaigning for candidates or measures; specificity in the rules vs. being too broad; adjudication of what constitutes campaign speech by the City Clerk or the City Attorney; comments made during public comment earlier in the meeting; and concern with application of the rule.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding appreciation to the City Attorney, colleagues on the subcommittee, and members of the community who spoke; updating

the 1965 municipal code; forms of note taking; the importance of acknowledging how the issue of electronic use was agendized; a negative experience at the March 13, 2023 meeting; support for transparency and accountability; timing of raising of the issue; the importance of questioning the intentions and goals of policy; how punishment and harm are exercised; examples of leadership in the community; costs associated with making City laptops or cellphones available to Council Members; capacity of staff to monitor Council Member activity; addressing items on a complaint basis; length of time per meeting to put together binders for Council Members; Public Records Act Requests for emails pertaining to City business; clarification that those in Congress are not subject to Brown Act Rules and have much more freedom; support for updating rules of order; concern with the normalization of monitoring peers; whether there have been any breaches; the origin of the agenda item; the need to be careful of the impacts of changes; those with disabilities; outing a person for having special needs because of rules in place; supporting learning needs; being clear with expectations; and making statements pertaining to community interest but stopping short of advocating a vote for or against anyone.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding consensus to update the rules and for creation of a dos and don'ts overview; ensuring that Brown Act training is in place; the request from Council Eriksson to agendize use of electronic devices at the March 13, 2023 meeting; the importance of trust; not monitoring, or taking away the ability to take notes or reference things on the internet; borrowing from the Yorba Linda policy that bans the use of electronic devices to discuss any item on the City Council meeting agenda; instances when staff communicates with Council Members about procedural issues; staff communication with the Mayor; email sent to the Assistant City Manager by the Mayor with the sources for equitable community engagement; clarification that communication with staff is exempted; whether one can respond to an item that has passed; the ability of an item to be called back during the meeting; concern with creating control; policies of other bodies in Los Angeles county; deep concerns with setting a precedent about control that is not necessary in other cities; cities that do not allow electronic communication; whether there have been any verified or unverified complaints; Public Records Act Requests for text messages during City Council meetings; offhand comments from the public; the text message with SEIU; complaints within the past four years; perception vs. knowledge; and updating the agenda to reflect

that the cut off time for speakers is once the item has started, not before the vote has been taken.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: INTRODUCE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF SUBCHAPTER 3.01.100, ET SEQ. OF THE CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE (CCMC) RELATING TO DECORUM, MEETING PROCEDURES AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION; AND CHANGING THE CUT OFF TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT TO WHEN THE AGENDA ITEM HAS BEEN CALLED.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the need to direct staff to prepare a policy and clarification that Council Members would not be prohibited from having access to their families or addressing emergencies.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE A CITY COUNCIL POLICY TO BE ADDED TO THE POLICY BOOK UTILIZING YORBA LINDA'S PLAN THAT DURING A PUBLIC MEETING THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL BE BANNED FROM THE USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES TO DISCUSS ANY ITEM ON THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COMMUNICATION WITH STAFF.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: ERIKSSON, O'BRIEN, PUZA, VERA
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: MCMORRIN

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding consensus that campaigning for local or national candidates and measures was prohibited and the need to bring back the item for final review and approval.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PUZA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE A POLICY CONCERNING "CAMPAIGNING" IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND BRING IT BACK TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL.

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda (Continued)

Mayor McMorris invited public comment.

Jeremy Bocchino, City Clerk, reported no further requests to speak.

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Items from Council Members

Council Member Eriksson discussed issues with plastic bags and bottles; Astro turf as a major pollutant; the prohibition on Astro turf in the European Union; and he suggested that the Sustainability Committee look at the matter.

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Council Member Requests to Agendize Future Items

Mayor McMorris received City Council consensus from Vice Mayor O'Brien and Council Members Puza and Vera to agendize consideration of incorporating something like Gun Violence Retraining Orders that were approved by the state in 2016 to support and promote gun safety in Culver City.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR O'BRIEN, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PUZA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF DR. JENNIFER ROLLIS.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 1:52 a.m. on Tuesday, May 29, 2024, the City Council, Culver City Housing Authority Board, Culver City Parking Authority, Redevelopment Financing Authority, and Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board adjourned in memory of Dr. Jennifer Rollis to a regular meeting to be held on June 3, 2024.

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Jeremy Bocchino
CITY CLERK of Culver City, California
EX-OFFICIO CLERK of the City Council and SECRETARY of the
Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency
Board, Redevelopment Financing Authority, Culver City Housing
Authority Board, and Culver City Parking Authority, Culver
City, California

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Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board,
Redevelopment Financing Authority, Culver City Housing
Authority Board, and Culver City Parking Authority

Date: _____