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CITY COUNCIL

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

June 27, 2011
5:30 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting of the City Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

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Closed Session

The City Council adjourned to Closed Session to discuss the following items:

CS-1 Conference with Real Property Negotiators
Re: Metro Right-of-Way (adjacent to Exposition Boulevard)
Agency Negotiator: John Nachbar, City Manager/Executive Director Sol Blumenfeld, Community Development Director/Assistant Executive Director, Todd Tipton, Deputy Community Development Director/ Redevelopment Administrator and Murray Kane, Agency General Counsel
Other Parties Negotiators: Rick Thorpe, Chief Executive Officer, Exposition Light Rail Construction Authority
Under Negotiation: Both Price and Terms of Payment or Both, including use restrictions, development obligations and other monetary considerations.
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

CS-2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Re: Community Health Councils, Inc., City of Culver City, et al., v. County of Los Angeles
Case No. BS118018 (Re County Community Standards District for Oil Drilling Operations)
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

CS-3 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Re: Significant Exposure to Litigation – (1 item)
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b)(1)

CS-4 Conference with Labor Negotiators
City designated representatives: City Manager John Nachbar; Director of Human Resources Serena Wright
Employee Organization: Culver City Employees Association; Culver City Management Group; Culver City Police Officers Association; Culver City Fire Fighters Association; Culver City Police Management Group; Culver City Fire Management Association
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

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Recess

The City Council recessed to Closed Session at 5:30 p.m.

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Reconvene

The City Council reconvened its meeting at 7:13 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

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Closed Session Report

Mayor O'Leary indicated there was nothing to report out of closed session.

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Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

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

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Presentations

Item P-1

Presentation to the City Council from the Toro Company for the City's Water Conservation.

Jeff Earhardt, representing the Toro Company, presented a brief history of their review of the water conservation efforts made by Culver City and presented the 2010 Water Smart Partner Award to the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department.

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Item P-2

Presentation of a Proclamation in Honor of Parks and Recreation Month.

Mayor O'Leary read the proclamation in its entirety.

Daniel Hernandez, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services, thanked the City Council for the proclamation.

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Public Comment – Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor O'Leary invited public comment.

At this time, John Nachbar, City Manager, announced that a community meeting was held on June 25, 2011 in Vets Park regarding traffic circulation around the middle school and the high school. As a result of community input at the meeting, staff has decided to slow the process down and not bring the item before the City Council on July 11, 2011 as was originally planned. This was in order to make the deadline of July 15, 2011 for a grant application. Additional community meetings will be held before bringing the item before the City Council. He indicated that this would result in missing the deadline for the current grant application period but that staff would pursue the item during another grant period.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Paul Condran, Equipment Maintenance Manager, introduced several staff members and reported on their participation in a voluntary Fleet Certification Recognition Program.

Chekesha Palmer requested that Code Enforcement Section 1109.215 written in 1965 be revisited in order to change the requirement that ice cream trucks remain 300 feet from public schools and parks to 50 feet.

Matthew Hetz, Culver City Symphony Orchestra, provided a run down on their recent season and he thanked the City for their support.

Nancy Goldberg requested that a discussion be agendized regarding establishing a Motion Picture and Television Museum in Culver City.

Karlo Silbiger reported that the Culver City Democratic Club had voted to form an ad hoc committee to investigate the feasibility of establishing a Motion Picture and Television Museum in Downtown Culver City; and he discussed the Summer Concert Series.

Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding the responsibility and funding for festival marketing.

Mollie “Lee” Welinsky requested that the City Council agendize a discussion regarding creating a committee to investigate the feasibility of establishing a Motion Picture and Television Museum in the City.

Steven Gourley thanked the City for allowing the use of the Council Chambers for the middle school mock trial; and he echoed previous requests to create an ad hoc committee to explore the museum idea.

Ross Hawkins provided background on himself and expressed support for the establishment of an ad hoc committee to explore the feasibility of a Motion Picture and Television Museum on Parcel B.

Darryl Cherness urged the City Council to agendize a discussion regarding creating an ad hoc committee to explore the feasibility of establishing a Motion Picture and Television Museum on Parcel B.

Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding agendizing a discussion of an ad hoc committee to consider the museum concept; location of the museum; existing entitlements; economics and feasibility; noticing interested parties; other local museums; and consensus to agendize the discussion.

Gary Silbiger spoke in support of establishing a Motion Picture and Television Museum to raise the profile of the City.

Meghan Sahli-Wells discussed establishing a Motion Picture and Television Museum in the City on Parcel B.

Pam Pitti-Turner spoke in support of establishing a Motion Picture and Television Museum in Culver City.

At this time, Mayor O’Leary reported receiving calls in support of the museum concept noting that the City would take the idea seriously and carefully consider the idea.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, read written comments submitted by:

Amy Cherness
Bill Wynn

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Public Comment – Items on the Agenda

Mayor O’Leary invited public participation.

There was no response.

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Announcements

Mayor O’Leary announced the 17th Annual Culver City Music Festival in the City Hall Courtyard on Thursday evenings from July 7, 2011 to August 25, 2011; and a free performance by We Tell Stories on June 29, 2011 at the Julian Dixon Library.

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Public Hearing

Item PH-1

Adoption of a Resolution Confirming the Assessment and Ordering the Levy for West Washington Benefit Assessment District No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2011/2012.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE OPENED.

Mayor O’Leary invited public comment.

There was no response.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that a majority protest did not exist.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R057 CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT AND ORDERING THE LEVY FOR THE WEST WASHINGTON BENEFIT ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012.

Item PH-2

Adoption of a Resolution Confirming the Assessment and Ordering the Levy for West Washington Benefit Assessment District No. 2 for Fiscal Year 2011/2012.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE OPENED.

Mayor O'Leary invited public comment.

There was no response.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that a majority protest did not exist.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R058 CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT AND ORDERING THE LEVY FOR WEST WASHINGTON BENEFIT ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012.

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Item PH-3

Adoption of a Resolution Confirming the Assessment and Ordering the Levy for the Albright Avenue Street Lighting Assessment District - Fiscal Year 2011/2012.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE OPENED.

Mayor O'Leary invited public comment.

There was no response.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that a majority protest did not exist.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R059 CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT AND ORDERING THE LEVY FOR THE ALBRIGHT AVENUE STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT - FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012.

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Item PH-4

Adoption of a Resolution Confirming the Assessment and Ordering the Levy for the for the Landscaping Maintenance District No. 1 - Fiscal Year 2011/2012.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Mayor O’Leary invited public comment.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, read written comments submitted by:

Nancy Wileman

Councilmember Cooper reported living in the assessment district and recused himself from the item. Councilmember Cooper then left the dais.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED.

AYES:	Councilmembers Armenta, Malsin, Weissman, O’Leary
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember Cooper
ABSENT:	None

Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding a previous request for staff to ascertain whether there was a majority of residents who supported the removal of the pine trees so that a public process would be involved; the current process for tree removal; support for the residents finding support for removing trees themselves rather than having staff take on the task; and a suggestion to have residents circulate a petition to indicate majority support.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R060 CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT AND ORDERING THE LEVY FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT #1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012.

AYES:	Councilmembers Armenta, Malsin, Weissman, O'Leary
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember Cooper
ABSENT:	None

Councilmember Cooper returned to Council Chambers.

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Item PH-5

Adoption of a Resolution Confirming the Assessment and Ordering the Levy for the Sewer User's Service Charge for Fiscal Year 2011/2012.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE OPENED.

Mayor O'Leary invited public comment.

There was no response.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED.

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Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that a majority protest did not exist.

Councilmember Armenta received clarification that no rate change was proposed.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R061 CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT AND ORDERING THE LEVY FOR THE SEWER USER'S SERVICE CHARGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012.

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Item PH-6

Adoption of a Resolution Confirming the Assessment and Ordering the Levy for the Higuera Street Landscape and Lighting Assessment District - Fiscal Year 2011/2012.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE OPENED.

Mayor O'Leary invited public comment.

There was no response.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED.

Councilmember Armenta received clarification that no increase was proposed.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that a majority protest did not exist.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R062 CONFIRMING THE ASSESSMENT AND ORDERING THE LEVY FOR THE HIGUERA STREET LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT - FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012.

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Joint Consent Calendar and Consent Calendar

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE JOINT CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM JC-1, AND CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS C-1, C-2, AND C-4 THROUGH C-10.

Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator clarified that the contract in Joint Consent Calendar Item JC-1 should be for one year rather than two as originally stated.

Joint Consent Calendar

Item JC-1

Approval of an Amendment to the Existing Professional Services Agreement with St. Joseph Center for the Provision of Homeless Outreach, Supportive Service and Data Collection for the Period of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2013.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AND AGENCY BOARD:

1. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ST. JOSEPH CENTER FOR THE PROVISION OF HOMELESS OUTREACH, SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AND DATA COLLECTION IN THE AMOUNT OF $123,440(INCLUDING REIMBURSABLE COSTS) ANNUALLY FOR THE ONE YEAR PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2011 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2012 AND,

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

3. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE SUCH DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY AND AGENCY, RESPECTIVELY.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Meeting Minutes

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 9, 2011 AND MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 23, 2011 AS SUBMITTED.

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Item C-2

Cash Disbursements

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CASH DISBURSEMENTS FROM JUNE 4, 2011 - JUNE 17, 2011.

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Item C-4

Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Motorola for Monitor and Repair of the City's Two-way Radio System Infrastructure and Dispatch Systems.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MOTOROLA, THROUGH ITS COMMERCIAL, GOVERNMENT, AND INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS SECTOR, FOR MAINTENANCE, SUPPORT AND/OR OTHER SERVICES FOR THE CITY'S TWO-WAY RADIO AND POLICE/FIRE DISPATCH SYSTEMS, FOR THE ONE YEAR PERIOD JULY 1, 2011 – JUNE 30, 2012, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $43,053.00; AND,

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

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

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Item C-5

Approve a Blanket Purchase Order with Ewing in an Amount Not-To-Exceed $75,000, for the Purchase of Irrigation Equipment and Parts.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER WITH EWING, IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $75,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF IRRIGATION EQUIPMENT AND PARTS; 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-6

(1) Approval of the Final Plans and Specifications for P-684 and P-853, and (2) Authorization to Publish the Notice Inviting Bids for the Streetlight Improvement Projects, P-684 and P-853, and Streetlight Energy Efficient Conversion Project Funded by Southern California Edison On-Bill Financing Program.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR STREETLIGHT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, P-684 & P-853,AND AUTHORIZE COMBINING THESE PROJECTS WITH THE STREETLIGHT ENERGY EFFICIENT CONVERSION PROJECT FOR BIDDING PURPOSES; AND,

2. AUTHORIZE PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR THE COMBINED PROJECTS.

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Item C-7

Approval of an Amendment to the Existing Professional Services Agreement with St. Joseph’s Center to Perform Case Management, Needs Assessment, Job Development Services and Supportive Service Referrals for the Family Self Sufficiency Program.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE AND AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ST. JOSEPH’S CENTER TO SERVE AS THE FSS PROGRAM COORDINATOR TO PERFORM CASE MANAGEMENT, NEEDS ASSESSMENT, JOB DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICE REFERRALS FOR THE FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PARTICIPANTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $65,558 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012 AND EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT TO JUNE 30, 2012; AND,

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

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

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Item C-8

Award of a Construction Contract to Atlas Allied, Inc., as the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder, for the Construction of the Bristol Sewer Pump Station Improvements and Jasmine, Mesmer, and Overland Sewer Pump Stations Emergency Bypass Improvements Project P-521.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. REJECT THE BID SUBMITTED BY ADVANCED BUILDING & ELECTRICAL CONTROL SYSTEMS, INC. (ABECS, INC.) AS BEING NON-RESPONSIVE; AND,

2. AWARD A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO ATLAS ALLIED, INC., AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, IN THE AMOUNT OF $290,694.00 FOR THE BRISTOL SEWER PUMP STATION IMPROVEMENTS AND JASMINE, MESMER AND OVERLAND SEWER PUMP STATION EMERGENCY BYPASS IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, P-521; AND,

3. AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS, IF NECESSARY, FOR A TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF $72,674.00; AND,

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

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

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Item C-9

Approve a Blanket Purchase Order with Kompan, in an Amount Not-To-Exceed $50,000, for the Purchase of Playground Equipment and Parts.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER WITH KOMPAN, IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED $50,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND PARTS; 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

Approval of an Amendment to the Existing Professional Services Agreement with Trueline for the Installation of Windscreens at Fox Hills Park.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING PROFESSIONAL SERVCIES AGREEMENT WITH TRUELINE TO INCLUDE THE INSTALLATION OF WINDSCREENS AT FOX HILLS PARK AND INCREASE THE NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT TO AN AGGREGATE TOTAL OF $32,184; AND

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

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

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The following Joint Consent Calendar Item was discussed and voted on separately:

Item JC-2

Approval of a Request from Oliver McMillan to Purchase Digital Projection Systems and Related Equipment for the Pacific Theatres.

Councilmember Armenta received clarification that the projectors at the theater are City property and he wanted to see any value possible derived from the sale of the old projectors.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AND AGENCY BOARD APPROVE A REQUEST FROM OLIVER MCMILLAN TO PURCHASE A DIGITAL PROJECTION SYSTEM FOR PACIFIC THEATRES AT A COST OF $428,000 FROM THE THEATER’S CAPITAL RESERVE FUND.

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The following Consent Calendar Items were discussed and voted on separately:

Item C-3

1) Discussion of the Roles of City Commissions under the New City Charter; 2) Introduction of an Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Chapter 3.03 of the Culver City Municipal Code (CCMC) Relating to City Commissions and Agencies; 3) Adoption of a Resolution Amending City Council Policy 2007-01 Entitled "City Commissions," and Rescinding Resolution No. 2007-R029; 4) Adoption of a Resolution Amending City Council Policy 3304 and Rescinding Former City Council Policy 3304; 5) Adoption of a Resolution Amending City Council Policy 3303 and Rescinding Former City Council Policy 3303; 6) Introduction of an Ordinance Amending CCMC Section 9.10.040 to Designate the Public Works Director as the Person Responsible for Street and Parkway Trees Including the Removal of Trees with an Appeal to the PRCS Commission; 7) Introduction of an Ordinance Amending CCMC Section 7.01.230.B.2 Clarifying those Individuals Eligible to Receive Parking Decals Which Exempt their Vehicles from Parking or Standing Provisions; and 8) Adoption of a Resolution Amending City Council Policy Statement Number 3003 Entitled "Issuance of City Parking Decals" and Rescinding Former City Council Policy 3003; and 9) Directing the City Manager to Present a Report at a Future City Council Meeting which Discusses the Application of Similar Rules and Regulations to the City's Committees and Boards, as Appropriate.

Councilmember Armenta stated he did not feel that this item should have been categorized as a consent calendar item due to the number of issues connected to Commissions, nor did he feel the item was routine in nature; he noted the amount of reading involved; and he requested consensus to pull the item as an action item. The City Council did not concur with this request.

Councilmember Armenta further discussed the two year “sit out” period for Commissioners who have served two consecutive terms on one Commission before they can serve on a different Commission and opening up the Commissions to newcomers; City Council approval of class specifications; and he asked that the motion be bifurcated to separate out Commissioner terms and Civil Service Commission final jurisdiction over class specifications. Councilmember Armenta mentioned he did not support these two changes and requested the City Council take a separate vote on the ordinance which included these proposed changes.

Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding most qualified applicants; the Board of Zoning Adjustments; the Civil Service Commission and City Council approval of class specifications; and the City Manager form of government.

At this time, the following motions were made:

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

1. DISCUSS THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE RELATING TO THE ROLES OF COMMISSIONS; AND,

2. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R063 AMENDING CITY COUNCIL POLICY 2007-01 ENTITLED “CITY COMMISSIONS,” AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2007-R029; AND

3. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R064 AMENDING CITY COUNCIL POLICY 3303 AND RESCINDING FORMER CITY COUNCIL POLICY 3303; AND,

4. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R065 AMENDING CITY COUNCIL POLICY 3304 AND RESCINDING FORMER CITY COUNCIL POLICY 3304; AND,

5. INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2011-006 AMENDING CCMC SECTION 9.10.040 TO DESIGNATE THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR AS THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR STREET AND PARKWAY TREES WITH AN APPEAL TO THE PRCS COMMISSION; AND,

Item C-3
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6. INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2011-007 AMENDING CCMC SECTION 7.01.230.B.2 CLARIFYING THOSE INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE PARKING DECALS WHICH EXEMPT THEIR VEHICLES FROM PARKING OR STANDING PROVISIONS; AND,

7. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R066 AMENDING CITY COUNCIL POLICY 3003 ENTITLED "ISSUANCE OF CITY PARKING DECALS" AND RESCINDING FORMER CITY COUNCIL POLICY 3003; AND,

8. DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO PRESENT A REPORT AT A FUTURE CITY COUNCIL MEETING WHICH DISCUSSES THE APPLICATION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS SIMILAR TO THOSE ADOPTED THIS EVENING TO THE CITY'S COMMITTEES AND BOARDS, AS APPROPRIATE.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2011-005 REPEALING AND REPLACING CCMC CHAPTER 3.03 OF THE CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO CITY COMMISSIONS AND AGENCIES.

AYES:	Councilmembers Cooper, Malsin, Weissman, O'Leary
NOES:	Councilmember Armenta
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

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Joint Item

Item J-1

Approval of the 1) Issuance of a Request for Qualifications to Solicit Developer Interest in the Development of a Specialty Retail "Market Hall" on the City-Owned Property Located at the Northeast and Northwest Corners of Washington Boulevard at Centinela Avenue and 2) Release of a Request for Proposals to Construct a Public Parking Structure.

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

Mayor O'Leary invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Robert Pine discussed the history of the property; he felt that the current proposal was the opposite of the original visioning statement discussed by a previous City Council; noted the pedestrian friendly emphasis of the original plan; discussed existing traffic conditions in the area; and he suggested that if the vision had changed that the statement be changed to match it so the neighbors have realistic expectations.

Jean Ballantine discussed noticing for the item; expressed concern with the proposed parking garage; traffic conditions in the neighborhood; restaurants in the neighborhood; security and liability issues; and gang activity and graffiti in the area.

Edward Atkatz expressed concern with the proposed parking structure; access to Colonial Avenue; and maintaining some of the current tranquility.

David Mora discussed public notice; public input; the process; and he requested that there be no access to the parking structure from Colonial Avenue.

Larry Green, representing Herbert Street, discussed the current proposal versus the original proposal; and expressed concern with the proposed parking structure.

Stacey Peyer reported previous involvement in discussions regarding the property; expressed concern with the proposed parking structure; wanted to see consideration given to traffic issues; questioned how the plan came to put parking on the Colonial Avenue side instead of the other side of the street; and she wanted to see the neighborhood become more pedestrian friendly.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk read written comments submitted by:

Annelise Spira
Corinne Lightweaver
Judy Scott
Evan Caplicki
Dianne Black

Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding public noticing for the item; potential development proposals; pedestrian activity and the market hall concept; the intent to create a local serving area and an outside attraction; access issues; screening the parking structure from view; project design; next steps in the process; minimizing cut-through traffic; origin of the conceptual plan and history of the property; public vetting of the current idea; current economic conditions; neighborhood support of businesses; parking and traffic issues; subterranean parking; keeping traffic off of Colonial Avenue; including more parking than is necessary for the project; permit parking; the transformation of the downtown area; and area restaurants.

Further discussion ensued regarding the outreach process; interest from the development community; opportunities to protect adjacent neighborhoods and those nearest the project from impacts of the development; the RFQ and RFP stages; public parking; concern with putting an RFP out for parking before understanding the nature of the development interest; cost considerations and above grade parking; design studies; calculating parking spaces; timing of the project; a suggestion that interested developers watch this meeting and heed public input; opportunity for public input; proper traffic mitigation; support for entrance and exits to be on Washington Boulevard/Centinela Avenue rather than on the smaller streets; feasibility of a cul de sac; a public notice board at the site; information on the website; keeping email addresses updated for homeowner association representatives; making the area more pedestrian friendly; clarification on how long the lot has been vacant; and a belief that improving the lot will remove a trouble spot in the area.

Following discussion, the following motion was made:

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AND AGENCY BOARD:

1. APPROVE THE CONTENT AND ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS TO DEVELOPERS IN ORDER TO DEVELOP A MARKET HALL CONCEPT ON THE SITE; AND

2. APPROVE THE CONTENT AND ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO SECURE A CONSULTING FIRM TO DESIGN AND OVERSEE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC PARKING STRUCTURE.

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Action Items

Item A-1

Approval of a Neighborhood Traffic Management Program in the Blair Hills Neighborhood on Portions of Lenawee Avenue and a Segment of Wrightcrest Drive.

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

Mayor O’Leary invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Jonathan Melvin thanked staff for their support and discussed cut-through traffic in Blair Hills; speed; and the NTMP process.

Terry Keelan, Blair Hills Residents Association Traffic Committee, thanked staff and expressed support for the plan.

Mason Frazier expressed support for the plan.

Item A-1
(continued)

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk read written comments submitted by:

Julia Lauren
Rosie McCann

Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding Phase 3; appreciation to residents and staff for their hard work; and traffic fines.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE A NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IN THE BLAIR HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ON PORTIONS OF LENAWEE AVENUE AND A SEGMENT OF WRIGHTCREST DRIVE.

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Item A-2

Approval of an Amendment to the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program in the Residential Neighborhood South of Downtown to Comply with Condition of Approval 1B, in Resolution No. 2009-R006, to Remove an Existing Semi-Diverter on Irving Place at A Street, and to Install a New Semi-Cul-de-sac at the Prolongation of the Southerly Property Line at 4043 Irving Place.

Councilmember Weissman recused himself from this item and left the dais.

Gabe Garcia, Traffic Engineering Manager, presented a summary of the material of record.

Mayor O’Leary invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Meghan Sahli-Wells, Downtown Neighborhood Association, noted that development was large for the neighborhood; traffic generated from the development would be routed to Culver Boulevard, not through the neighborhood; and the commitment of the developer to finance the project.

Martin Cole, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, reported that George Mitsonis and Sal Gonzalez, the developers, were present to answer any questions.

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER COOPER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MALSIN , THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IN THE RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD SOUTH OF DOWNTOWN, TO COMPLY WITH CONDITION OF APPROVAL 1B, IN RESOLUTION NO. 2009-R006, TO AUTHORIZE REMOVAL OF THE EXISTING SEMI-DIVERTER ON SOUTHBOUND IRVING PLACE AT A STREET, AND AUTHORIZE THE INSTALLATION OF A SEMI-CUL-DE-SAC ON IRVING PLACE AT THE PROLONGATION OF THE SOUTHERLY PROPERTY LINE AT 4043 IRVING PLACE.

AYES:	Councilmembers Armenta, Cooper, Malsin, O'Leary
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember Weissman
ABSENT:	None

Councilmember Weissman returned to Council Chambers.

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Item A-3

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Santa Monica's Big Blue Bus to Provide Bus Advertising Services.

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

Mayor O'Leary invited public comment.

There was no response.

Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding legal aspects of the MOU; whether Santa Monica has contacts with any other cities; the length of the contract; clarification that Culver City would be added to the geographical area for Santa Monica bus advertising; projected net revenue to the City; types of advertising; concern with compromising the identity of Culver City buses; the reputation and image of the buses; relocation of the logo; importance of the branding; restrictions on what ads will be accepted; value; costs of doing the program in-house; the termination clause; different advertisers; and benefits to both communities.

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

1. APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA TO PROVIDE BUS ADVERTISING SERVICES;

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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Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda – continued.

Mayor O'Leary invited public participation.

There was no response.

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Receipt of Correspondence

MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WEISSMAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARMENTA 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:

- Indicated that the next Council Meeting would be held on July 11, 2011 and that the new agenda format and speaker cards would be used.

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Items from the City Council

Items Presented by Councilmember Malsin:

- Requested a discussion be agendized regarding hosting a Small Business Seminar in Council Chambers.

  Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding existing City policy regarding use of the room; sponsorship; the Board of Equalization and Franchise Tax Board; and room capacity.

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Items Presented by Councilmember Weissman:

- Reported receipt of correspondence from Mobile Home Park Owners in the City regarding a “No Closure Covenant” and requested that a discussion on this matter be agendized.

  Discussion ensued between the City Council and staff regarding when the item would come forward; Council direction regarding the Mobile Home Park ordinance; contents of the staff report; covenant related options; comments received from the public; a request for consensus to consider options with regard to a covenant; staff time involved; protection to the residents; the necessity of an ordinance; covenants versus ordinances; including the Housing Department in the discussion; staff agreement to provide additional information to the City Council; and a request for background information on the item.

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Items Presented by Councilmember Cooper:

- Extended congratulations to the Culver City Little League All Stars.

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Items Presented by Mayor O’Leary:

- Reported attending the opening of the Bike Path and discussing redevelopment funds with Assembly member Holly Mitchell.

- Reported attending the 100th Anniversary of Venice High School.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 10:28 p.m., the City Council adjourned its meeting to a meeting to be held on July 11, 2011.

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

APPROVED ____________________________________

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