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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

November 27, 2018
12:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Small called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 12:13 p.m. in the Dan Patacchia Conference Room at City Hall.

Present: Thomas Small, Mayor
 Meghan Sahli-Wells, Vice Mayor
 Göran Eriksson, Council Member
 Alex Fisch, Council Member
 Daniel Lee, Council Member

Also Present: Senator Holly J. Mitchell

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Community Announcements by City Council Members/Information Items from Staff

Mayor Small announced the Fox Hills Community Conversation events happening on November 29, 2018 and December 1, and to the General Plan Update #4 Event titled Design Shapes the City.

Senator Mitchell indicated that she would not be available to attend but would send a staff member on her behalf.

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Joint Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Dr. Janet Hoult read a poem and presented a copy of *Culver City's Centennial Poetry Collection* to Senator Mitchell.

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Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

None.

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Action Items

Item A-1

CC - Discussion with Senator Holly J. Mitchell on Topics and Activities of Mutual Interest

Senator Mitchell introduced new District Director Hannah Cho; discussed Governor Elect Gavin Newsome and his transition to leadership; homelessness and early education; the handout on SB 1 projects in Culver City; public policy issues; and the budget.

Council Member Eriksson asked about unfunded pension liabilities and what the discussion is like in the state capitol.

Senator Mitchell discussed work on a modified bailout for Oakland and Inglewood; indicated that there would likely be assistance for other cities; noted work being done on a legislative strategy; discussed public entities facing similar issues; examination by the state of ways to modify the pension system if needed; and modifications to inflow and current recipients.

Discussion ensued between staff, Senator Mitchell and Council Members regarding California as a Housing First state;

following the model of Utah, which reduced homelessness by 90%; the need for community level conversations; Gross National Happiness in other countries; culture and the emphasis on taking care of the environment; and preparation by state legislators for the two-year legislative process to be presented during the second or third week of February.

Additional discussion ensued between the City Council and Senator Mitchell regarding the need for a lobbyist and Senator Mitchell suggested that the City look at surrounding cities and evaluate the need.

Further discussion ensued between Senator Mitchell, staff and Council Members regarding education; affordable housing; zoning; state incentives; the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG); lengthy commutes; cut-through traffic; achieving zero carbon emissions; redevelopment; congestion pricing; the General Plan Update; economic growth; private sector partnerships; Transit Oriented Development (TOD); redesigning Washington Boulevard; micro transit options; the Hayden Tract; Expo; focusing on equity; scooter safety; the Clean Power Alliance; the Inglewood Oil Field; online sales tax; Hinderliter de Llamas; low property taxes; and the National Conference for State Legislators.

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Small invited public comment.

No cards were received and no speakers came forward.

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Items from Council Members

None.

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Council Member Requests to Agendize Future Items

None.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 2:32 p.m., the City Council adjourned to December 10, 2018.

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

THOMAS SMALL
MAYOR of Culver City, California