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REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD

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

January 27, 2020
5:30 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Sahli-Wells called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Mike Balkman Chambers at City Hall.

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

Note: The City Council also sits as Members of the Governing Board(s) convened as part of the meeting.

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Closed Session

At 5:30 p.m. the City Council recessed to Closed Session to consider the following items:

CS-1 CC - Conference with Real Property Negotiators

Re: 10858 Culver Boulevard

City Negotiators: John Nachbar, City Manager; Sol Blumenfeld,

Community Development Director; Todd Tipton, Economic Development Manager

Other Parties Negotiators: Wende Museum

Under Negotiation: Price, terms of payment or both, including use restrictions, development obligations and other monetary related considerations

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

CS-2 CC - Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
Re: Initiation of Litigation - 1 Matter

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (4)

CS-3 CC - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
Juan Lopez et. al. v. City of Culver City et. al.

LASC Case No. 19STCV09836

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (1)

CS-4 CC - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
Re: Bowden, Michael vs. City of Culver City

Case No. WCAB ADJ11601317

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (1)

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Reconvene

Mayor Sahli-Wells reconvened the meeting of the City Council, and convened the Culver City Housing Authority Board and the Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board at 7:03 p.m. with all Members present.

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Closed Session Report

Mayor Sahli-Wells indicated nothing to report out of Closed Session.

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Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Freddy Puza.

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Community Announcements by City Council Members/Information

Items from Staff

Vice Mayor Eriksson reported handing out four Commendations for Eagle Scouts from Troop 108 on January 26 and he highlighted International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Council Member Fisch announced upcoming events in the General Plan Speaker series.

Council Member Lee reported that Culver City had been chosen to be the subject of a comprehensive project by the UCLA School of Urban Planning; discussed length of the study; subject matter areas; reported that he and City staff had met with Los Angeles City Council Members to examine ways to collaborate on addressing the homelessness issue; discussed collaborative enforcement and service providing; working with the Metropolitan Water District; and improving the area under the 405.

Council Member Small discussed International Holocaust Remembrance Day; the General Plan Speaker Series event regarding improving mobility and creating transportation alternatives at Envoy on January 30; and the General Plan Visioning Festival on February 8 at Sony.

Mayor Sahli-Wells shared briefing books from the Mayor's Innovation Project meeting that she recently attended in Washington D.C.; discussed eliminating fines and fees at libraries; the network of women mayors; she thanked everyone who worked on or participated in the Annual Homelessness Count; she reported that she would be receiving the Impact Makers to Watch award on January 29 at Los Angeles City Hall; and she discussed the helicopter crash that took the lives of Kobe Bryant and 8 others.

MOVED BY MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT WHEN THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED, THAT IT BE ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF KOBE BRYANT AND THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE HELICOPTER CRASH.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, reported that sound issues experienced by those watching the meeting on cable were being addressed; she announced that vote centers selected for the March 3 election had been added the City webpage noting that they are open between February 22 and March 3; and she indicated that a live video stream of the meeting was available on the City website.

Mayor Sahli-Wells reported that a special City Council meeting would be held on February 3 to discuss bike related issues.

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Presentations to City Council

Item P-1

Presentation by Van Scoyoc Associates to the City Council of an Update Regarding the City's Federal Legislative Advocacy Efforts Related to the Noise and Environmental Issues Surrounding the Southern California Metroplex Project

Shelly Wolfberg, City Manager's Office, introduced the item.

Steve Palmer, Van Scoyoc Associates, provided a presentation regarding legislative advocacy efforts related to noise and environmental issues surrounding the Southern California Metroplex project.

Discussion ensued between Mr. Palmer, staff and Council Members regarding Stage 3 aircraft; National League of Cities; aircraft overflight noise; the reappointment of Vice Mayor Eriksson as Co-Chair of the Aviation Subcommittee; pursuit of every channel available to the City to address issues; leadership on a national level; alliances with other cities experiencing similar issues; direction to staff to pursue data that the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) refuses to provide; other area cities pursuing litigation; payment to airlines who reduce noise levels by Los Angeles International Airport (LAX); Culver City as a co-petitioner with Los Angeles in a lawsuit to establish a waypoint near the West Adams neighborhood; communities around the country trying to file; the cumulative effect of the lawsuits; the LAX Roundtable; activism of the Raintree Neighborhood Association; tracking of flight altitude and flight plans; monthly data; flights between midnight and 5 a.m.; issues throughout the region; appreciation to June Lehrman for her many years of work on the Roundtable; communication with Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG); Brown Act issues; additional work to be done; and information available on the City website.

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Joint Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Dr. Janet Hoult read a poem for the Year of the Rat.

Anthony Rizzo, Protect Culver City (PCC), discussed public safety and quality of life; meetings with staff; the officer involved shooting at the Venice/405 encampment; expansion; long-term homeless individuals at the location; protecting the quality of life for residents; new encampments; equal representation; concern with the reorganization of government in Items A-1 and A-2; loyalty to the Civil Service Commission and the Police Department; concern with a conflict of interest and unequal representation; the intent of PCC to put rent control on the ballot; and he indicated that PCC would continue to be active in the City.

Christian Woodward spoke on behalf of residents on Watseka Avenue; discussed parking issues and solutions; illegal use of handicapped placards; lack of wifi in the area; and he proposed the use of drones to help with homeless counts.

Mark Lipman discussed the celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; the Culver City Peace Pledge; the inability to have peace without justice; large businesses coming into the City; the homeless population; people being squeezed out; the need for fundamental change; and he proposed including \$7 million in the budget to directly house all those experiencing homelessness in Culver City.

Reverend Dr. Mello R. Desire reported working for a housing engagement organization that uses performing arts as a mechanism for mental wealth; she discussed being stopped by the Culver City Police after leaving an advocacy meeting on December 27; and she expressed concern with racial profiling by the Culver City Police Department.

Steven Fisher, Mayme A. Clayton Museum, invited everyone to the celebration for African History month at the Gallery on January 30.

Jacob Ingram, The Skate Lobby, provided background on the organization; discussed improving the Skatepark; and he indicated that he would be contacting the Director of Parks,

Recreation and Community Services and attending a Commission meeting to work together

Palvi D. Mohammed provided an update on activities of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PCRS) Commission; provided a copy of the Turf Report; discussed improving maintenance levels in the parks; the budget for the upcoming fiscal year; proposed changes to the City Charter regarding types of representation on Commissions; student representatives; the requirement for joint meetings; and he invited the City Council to meet with the PRCS Commission.

Mayor Sahli-Wells requested that the City Manager work to schedule a joint meeting with the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission.

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Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, reported receipt of seven emails regarding Item A-1 and five emails regarding A-2.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SMALL, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE AND FILE CORRESPONDENCE.

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Consent Calendar

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SMALL AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS C-1, C-2, C-3 AND C-6.

Item C-1

CC:HA:SA - (1) Approval of Cash Disbursements for January 4, 2020 to January 17, 2020

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD: APPROVE CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR JANUARY 4, 2020 TO JANUARY 17, 2020.

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Item C-2

CC:HA:SA - Approval of Minutes for the Regular Consolidated City Council Meetings on January 13, 2020

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD: APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CONSOLIDATED CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ON JANUARY 13, 2020.

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Item C-3

CC - Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Title 17, Zoning, of the Culver City Municipal Code, Sections 17.230.015, Table 2-8 - Industrial District Land Uses and Permit Requirements and 17.400.035 - Child Day Care Facilities, to Allow Child Day Care Centers as a Primary Use

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE, APPROVING ZONING CODE AMENDMENT P2019-0264-ZCA, AMENDING CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 17 - ZONING (ZONING CODE), SECTIONS 17.230.015, TABLE 2-8 - INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT LAND USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS, AND 17.400.035 - CHILD DAY CARE FACILITIES, TO ALLOW CHILD DAY CARE CENTERS AS A PRIMARY USE IN THE INDUSTRIAL ZONES.

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Item C-6

(Out of Sequence)

CC - Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with JLee

Engineering for (1) Building Inspection Services in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$80,000; and (2) Approval of an Amendment to the Existing Professional Services Agreement with JLee Engineering for Plan Check Services for an Additional Amount Not-to-Exceed \$80,000 (Aggregate Amount Not-to-Exceed \$130,000)

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH JLEE ENGINEERING FOR BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$80,000; AND
2. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH JLEE ENGINEERING FOR PLAN CHECK SERVICES IN AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$80,000 (FOR AN AGGREGATE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$130,000); 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-4

(Out of Sequence)

CC - Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Culver City Municipal Code (CCMC), Title 17 - Zoning, Sections 17.210.020, 17.320.020, and 17.400.065 Establishing Standards and Requirements for Residential Studio Micro-Units

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public input.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Mark Lipman noted the absence of a minimum requirement for micro-units; proposed that a minimum requirement be placed on mixed use development; he discussed affordable housing; the definition of mixed use development; costs for average retail; and community benefits.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ZONING CODE AMENDMENT P2019-0266-ZCA, AMENDING CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE (CCMC) TITLE 17 - ZONING (ZONING CODE), SECTIONS 17.210.020 - RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, 17.320.020 - NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES REQUIRED, AND 17.400.065 - MIXED USE

DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, ESTABLISHING STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS
FOR RESIDENTIAL STUDIO MICRO-UNITS.

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Item C-5

CC - (1) Consideration of a Request by the Culver City High School Human Rights Watch Student Task Force to Adopt a Resolution in Support of the U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Children; and (2) Adoption of a Proposed Resolution if Desired

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public input.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Evalie Rehor, Human Rights Watch Student Task Force, discussed The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) to protect the rights of children all over the world.

Millie Reed expressed concern with the failure to protect the rights of children and noted that the United States has not ratified the CRC.

Cooper Komatsu discussed programs to promote the sense of community in Culver City; asked that Culver City adopt the CRC on a local level; read excerpts from the articles; and he noted other area cities that have adopted the CRC.

Callie Kimura expressed gratitude to Mayor Sahli-Wells for her support and was eager to work with the City on aligning City policies with the CRC.

Discussion ensued between Council Members regarding appreciation to the students from the Task Force; the fact that the item sits in the United States Senate; the need to persuade senators; willingness to work with the students; City Council responsibilities; participation of the United States in the process; the failure of the Senate to act; the need for education; and the need to think globally and act locally.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE U.N. CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILDREN.

MOVED BY MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT ITEMS C-4 AND C-5.

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Public Hearings

None.

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Action Items

Item A-1

CC - (1) Adoption of a Resolution Establishing an Equity and Human Relations Advisory Committee; and (2) Direction to the City Manager as Deemed Appropriate

Serena Wright-Black, Assistant City Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Lisa Vidra, Senior Deputy City Attorney, corrected a minor typographical error in the online version, on page 3 of the resolution in item B, where protected categories and characteristics are listed, the words "regard to" were inadvertently omitted where it says "...without regard to race religion, gender, gender identity".

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Candace Carnicelli, Common Peace Center for the Advancement of Non-Violence, provided background on the organization; discussed Race Relay; race relations and supporting minorities; history of race relations in Culver City; she asked that Culver City be helped to improve; and she expressed support for the formation of a Human Relations Committee.

Rebecca Rona-Tuttle expressed support for the formation of an Equity and Human Relations Advisory Committee (EHRAC); discussed the existence of stereotyping, prejudice and discrimination in Culver City; people who feel discriminated against but are uncomfortable pursuing resolution; helping residents and visitors feel seen and appreciated; she proposed establishing a

holiday for Cesar Chavez; and she suggested ways to establish dialog.

Leah Pressman provided background on Vicky Talmush and read a letter from Ms. Talmush.

Haifaa Moammar continued reading the letter submitted by Ms. Talmush, noting that anyone should be allowed to drive in Culver City, and she felt that the Committee would be a means to resolve conflict.

Jeff Schwartz discussed different approaches to addressing equity issues; the actions of other counties and cities; guidelines for effective human relations commissions; the General Plan Update; facilitating equal access to services; and he expressed hope for establishing the Committee.

Kimberly Ferguson asked the City to move forward quickly to educate and provide access to everyone who needs help by establishing the EHRAC.

Mark Lipman expressed support for direct democracy; discussed community engagement and participation; expressed support for the item; noted the need for bridge building in the community; and the importance of a foundation of justice to build a city of peace.

Lucas Plotnik, Culver City High School teacher, provided background on himself; expressed support for the Youth Representative position on the Committee; and he discussed work at the High School to prepare students to be active citizens.

Carlos Valverde, Culver City High School teacher, spoke in support of the resolution; noted the importance of providing the avenue of communication for the City; discussed social media; active and engaged students; appointment of a Youth Representative; he noted that the High School is a California Democracy School; and he discussed providing the ability for students to practice civic engagement and participate in democracy.

Steven Fisher, Human Relations Work Group, expressed support for the resolution; discussed consistency with being a City of Kindness; reticence in going through the normal channels to discuss concerns; and the importance of creating a welcoming place to address issues.

Khin Khin Gyi expressed support for establishing the EHRAC and she discussed goals of the Committee.

Karlo Silbiger discussed previous opposition to formation of the Committee; previous instances of discrimination in the City; and he expressed support for creation of the Committee.

Freddy Puza provided background on himself; noted the importance of awareness and training on bias issues; discussed responsibility for mitigating bias; potential dangers of implicit bias; he noted benefits of the Committee; discussed community engagement; providing a safe venue to air concerns; the rise in hate crimes against the trans community; the commitment to ongoing training; and he expressed support for creation of the Committee.

Reverend Janet Gollery McKeithen provided background on herself; discussed awareness and recognition; different groups discriminated against in every community; increasing discrimination; the need for people to know that support and help is available; the need to support a thriving and diverse community; addressing issues before they become worse; and systemic racism.

Sylvia Moore expressed support for the Committee; noted the importance of hearing about different experiences and providing a safe space to be heard; and she suggested involving historians and social scientists in any programming developed.

Disa Lindgren expressed support for the formation of a Committee; discussed polarization of the community; the importance of addressing inequities and harm that is done and of creating solutions; and she expressed support for including youth.

Terry Silberman read a statement by Rabbi Zachary Shapiro from Temple Akiba in support of the resolution.

Shahana Malik provided background on herself; reported incidents where she has felt uncomfortable and unsafe; she expressed hope that the EHRAC would help bring positive change in the community; and she asked that the City Council support the resolution.

Samio Bano discussed affects to Culver City residents of the mosque shooting in New Zealand last year and she thanked those Council Members who visited the mosque after the incident;

incidents of Islamophobia and anti-immigrant sentiments in Culver City; and the need for consistent and systematic education to address discrimination and create compassion and kindness.

Tasneem Noor, New Ground, provided background on the organization and discussed providing an intentional space for the community.

Michael Hudson provided background on himself; noted that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure"; and he expressed support for the formation of the Committee which he felt would strengthen the City.

Carlene Brown, Human Relations Workgroup, expressed support for the formation of the EHRAC; discussed Race Relay; the ongoing need to address bias; she expressed support for the goals of the Committee; discussed the California Conference on Equality and Justice; and stereotype, prejudice and discrimination.

Donna Kent expressed support for establishing the EHRAC; discussed statistics for people reporting issues; recourse; and she wanted to work to make Culver City a welcoming place that deals with issues in a humane way.

Robin Toma, Los Angeles County Human Relations Commission, provided background on the Commission; discussed the need for Human Relations infrastructure; offered to help; and he expressed support of the resolution.

Yasmine-Imani McMorris provided background on herself; discussed the opportunity to intentionally live values; the Culver City Community of Color Collective; and collaboration.

Tom Camarella thanked those who worked on the resolution; Karlo Silbiger who provided the historical context; those who worked for many years to establish the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration; and he suggested that the Committee could eventually turn into a Commission.

Rick Tuttle thanked those involved in bringing the item forward; discussed process; transgender awareness; and he hoped that Culver City would become a City of Inclusion which would benefit everyone.

Michelle Weiner expressed support for creation of the Committee.

Gabby Monzon, City Clerk Specialist, read a written comment submitted by:

Amir Malik

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the process; due diligence; reorganization; eliminating redundancy; support from Reverend James Lawson; appreciation for help from the Los Angeles County Human Relations Commission; reducing conflict before it grows; tracking complaints; statistics; establishing a baseline; measuring success; training; composition of the Committee; number of participants; achieving a quorum; bylaws; subcommittees; Robert's Rules; member nominations; concern with becoming isolated from issues; Council Member involvement; support for the Police Department; appreciation for those who came out to speak on the item; length of the Youth Representative term; flexibility; the Labor Representative; acknowledgement of issues in the City; ensuring that all meetings are more accessible and all Commissions, Boards and Committees are more equitable; other actions the City can take to improve; and the focus on equity in the General Plan.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN EQUITY AND HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

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Item A-2

CC - (1) Introduction of an Ordinance Amending Culver City Municipal Code Chapter 3.03 Pertaining to City Commissions, to Add Equity Policy Language, and to Allow Appointment of Non-Registered Voters and Minors Age 16 and Older; (2) Adoption of a Resolution Approving Changes to the City Policy on Commissions, Committees and Boards Pertaining to Eligibility, Equity, Childcare and Training of Appointed Officials; and (3) Direction to the City Manager as Deemed Appropriate

Serena Wright-Black, Assistant City Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Vice Mayor Eriksson received clarification that most meetings are held at City Hall and child care would be provided onsite.

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Karlo Silbiger provided background on himself; discussed amplifying youth involvement; expressed concern with competition for seats; and he suggested putting aside one seat for a youth member.

David Voncannon discussed the need for training, education and experience.

Disa Lindgren read remarks submitted by Yasmine-Imani McMorris.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding on-demand child care; the example of the General Plan Advisory Committee; the need for outreach; providing opportunities to empower youth; interest; whether a position is required for each Commission; those who have been shut out of the process; increasing youth engagement; creation of a Youth Advisory Committee; providing transportation options; state trends; registered voters; independence from the state; the process to verify residency; the current application process; encouraging people to register to vote; the ability to vote; maturity level of youth representatives; risks; participation in the decision making process; concern that youth representatives will just follow a mentor; finding other ways to engage youth; symbolic appointments; the process of appointing the best applicants; safeguards; checks and balances; the importance of diverse representation and viewpoints; increased youth engagement; reserving a seat for a youth representative vs. lowering the age for Committees, Commissions and Boards; constraining vs. allowing; other cities impressed by the fact that Culver City is offering childcare; appreciation to staff for their efforts; providing translation with adequate notice; the diversity, equity and inclusion statement on applications; repetition about gender in the second paragraph of the ordinance; ensuring that all public meetings are accessible by public transit; and procedures for moving forward.

Vice Mayor Eriksson proposed a motion to adopt the ordinance with language stricken from paragraph 3.03005 indicating that "... minors age 16 and older are eligible to apply with parental or legal guardian consent." The motion died for lack of a second.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SMALL AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: INTRODUCE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE (CCMC) CHAPTER 3.03 PERTAINING TO CITY COMMISSIONS, TO ADD EQUITY POLICY LANGUAGE, AND TO ALLOW APPOINTMENT OF NON-REGISTERED VOTERS AND MINORS AGE 16 AND OVER TO CITY COMMISSIONS.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: FISCH, LEE, SAHLI-WELLS, SMALL
NOES: ERIKSSON

Lisa Vidra, Senior Deputy City Attorney, noted that the motion included the correction provided by Mayor Sahli-Wells to eliminate the repetition of "gender identity" in the second recital on page 1.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SMALL AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CITY POLICY ON COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND BOARDS PERTAINING TO ELIGIBILITY, CHILDCARE AND TRAINING OF APPOINTED OFFICIALS.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: FISCH, LEE, SAHLI-WELLS, SMALL
NOES: ERIKSSON

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Item A-3

CC - Adoption of Resolution Approving the Local Action Plan Related to the My Brother's Keeper Community Challenge

Serena Wright-Black, Assistant City Manager, introduced the item.

Mily Huntley, Human Resources and Equity Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the stakeholders; coordination with the Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD); the Whole Child Concept; social determinants; work with non-profits to influence the success of students beyond academics; requests for mental health assistance; the Culver City Compact; the Collective Impact model; collaboration between groups to make sure that students are successful; providing stability; funding; the challenge of ensuring employment; engaging business communities; partnerships with entertainment businesses; collaboration with West Los Angeles College; discussions with the Chamber of Commerce and the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce; clarifying that increasing the number of rooms for youth at Upward Bound House would include their families; helping families at risk of homelessness; the Culver Needs Committee; outside sources of funding; concern that the goals are lofty; and public outreach and comment.

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Dr. Kelly Kent discussed the Culver City Compact; prioritization; partnerships; participation by the Chamber of Commerce and other business representatives; she read some of the points in the CCUSD resolution; noted the importance of third grade as a marker for achievement; discussed chronic absenteeism; suspensions; working to diversify the representatives; sustainability; taking the long view while meeting current needs; the growing partnership; and she stated that accepting the challenge in alignment with CCUSD values is a joint commitment to finding the resources.

Additional discussion ensued between Ms. Kent, staff and Council Members regarding language used in the document; data that illustrates the serious issues; disparities; societal issues; families that regularly utilize City services; providing an opportunity to see what more the City can be doing; addressing housing insecurity; Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) grants; prioritizing CCUSD families coming out of Upward Bound House; lack of support by state and federal housing programs; using a multi-pronged approach to address issues; opportunities to improve the Teen Center; the importance of focusing on K-5 after school programs; the unmet need for afterschool programming; prioritizing identification of opportunities for community space; a proposed launch event for youth and their families on March 14 to promote the local action plan and highlight programs

and services in place; socio-economic issues; appreciation for the work done on the item over a long period of time; and clarification that the program would be open to all genders and ethnicities.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SMALL AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LOCAL ACTION PLAN RELATED TO THE MY BROTHER'S KEEPER COMMUNITY CHALLENGE.

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public comment.

No cards were received and no speakers came forward.

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Items from Council Members

Council Member Lee received City Council consensus to agendize consideration of honoring a request from Paul Koretz that Culver City write a letter in support of a Los Angeles City Council resolution to mandate that 80% of the rental cars at LAX be electrical to motivate the regional charging structure and help meet climate goals, and he asked about examining election laws around contributions due to changes in the complexion of elections resulting from consolidation.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding examination of election laws after the passage of Citizens United; consolidation; current law; the tenth anniversary of Citizens United; assumptions about municipal elections and fundraising; data comparisons; discomfort with addressing the item before the next election; examination by the Policy Subcommittee; City Council consideration of rank choice voting; capturing political minorities; public funding; keeping the focus on homelessness, housing and traffic; and consideration of election reform after November.

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Council Member Requests to Agendize Future Items

None.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 11:37 p.m., the City Council adjourned in memory of Kobe Bryant, his daughter and those who lost their lives in the helicopter crash on January 26, 2020, to a regular meeting to be held on February 3, 2020.

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Jeremy Green
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, and Culver City Housing Authority Board
Culver City, California

MEGHAN SAHLI-WELLS
MAYOR of Culver City, California and CHAIR of the Successor
Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board, and
Culver City Housing Authority Board

Date: _____