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REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD

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

May 24, 2021
7:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Fisch called the regular meeting of the City Council, Culver City Housing Authority Board, Culver City Parking Authority, and Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board to order at 5:32 p.m. in the Mike Balkman Chambers at City Hall via Virtual Webex.

Present: Alex Fisch, Mayor
Daniel Lee, Vice Mayor
Göran Eriksson, Council Member
Yasmine-Imani McMorris, Council Member
Albert Vera, Council Member

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Mayor Fisch invited public comment.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, indicated that no public comment had been received for Closed Session Items.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VERA AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, CULVER CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, CULVER CITY PARKING AUTHORITY BOARD, AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CULVER CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION.

Closed Session

At 5:33 p.m. the City Council, Culver City Housing Authority Board, Culver City Parking Authority Board, 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 - Anticipated Litigation
Re: Significant Exposure to Litigation - 2 Items
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54959.(d) (2)

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CS-2 CC - Conference with Labor Negotiators
City Designated Negotiators: City Manager John Nachbar;
Assistant to the City Manager 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; Executive Management Employees
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

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Regular Session

Mayor Fisch reconvened the regular meeting of the City Council, Culver City Housing Authority Board, Culver City Parking Authority Board and Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board to order at 7:23 p.m.

The following item was considered out of sequence:

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Closed Session Report

Mayor Fisch indicated nothing to report from Closed Session.

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Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Fisch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Community Announcements by City Council Members/Information Items from Staff

Council Member Vera discussed a resident who called to express gratitude for the actions of the Culver City Police Department (CCPD) to deescalate a situation with a person having a mental episode.

Council Member Eriksson reported that the Car Show would return at the end of August.

Vice Mayor Lee reported attending the Equity and Human Relations Advisory Committee (EHRAC) event on May 21 where he learned that the largest number of anti-Asian hate crimes have taken place in California.

Mayor Fisch announced that the Culver City Sister Committee would be celebrating its 56th anniversary of the friendship with Kaizuka, Japan on May 27.

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CC - COVID-19 Update

Ken Powell, Fire Chief, discussed alignment with plans by the state to ease many restrictions and adopt Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on June 15; vaccine eligibility and requirements; he encouraged everyone to keep each other safe; and he indicated that more information was available by visiting the Los Angeles County Public Health Department website or by calling (833) 540-0473.

Mayor Fisch indicated that Item A-4 would be deferred and considered on a future agenda.

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Joint Public Comment - Items NOT on the Agenda

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, discussed procedures for making public comment.

Mayor Fisch invited public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

Jeff Schwartz, Culver City Democratic Club, announced a special fundraising event on June 4 for a virtual performance of *We Live On* Produced by The Actors' Gang.

Jamie Wallace discussed a statement made by Vice Mayor Lee regarding a petition she had authored about the Solidarity Consulting recommendations; she sought to correct the record noting that the petition was not based upon a falsehood; she provided multiple examples of references to cuts up to 50% by Council Members, Culver City Action Network (CCAN), City Council candidates, and public speakers; and she requested an apology.

Rashelle Zelaznik provided background on herself; expressed support for rent control and affordable housing; discussed concern with a rush to end R1 zoning; giving away the City to developers and Wall Street; the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), violations of people's rights; lawsuits; she asked the City to hold Town Hall meetings and to listen to all ideas before making a decision; she referenced comments made by Mark Lipman regarding ways to meet the needs of residents and of the City; discussed nuances and gray areas that need to be worked out; and she asked the City to slow down and work with residents to get things right.

Bryan Sanders asked that the City Council join the City of Beverly Hills in a public statement condemning anti-Semitism; expressed support for comments made by Council Member Vera in support of the CCPD; discussed concern with problematic language in the Euclid vs. Ambler Supreme Court case; protecting the character of neighborhoods; acceptable zoning; he expressed support for Mark Lipman's idea for public debate; and he questioned how more units would be fitting with the character of the neighborhood.

Ron Bassilian was called to speak, but did not respond.

Michelle Weiner, Chair of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), reported distributing a letter to Council Members from the Committee regarding opening the Jackson Gate; discussed reasons for opening the gate; 24/7 access; and she expressed hope that the item would make it on a City Council agenda soon to allow access to the Ballona Creek Bike Path for summer.

Janee Lennox reminded the City Council of the anniversary of George Floyd's death on May 25; discussed demands of the Black

community after seeing the lynching of a community member; expressed frustration with Council Members who do not acknowledge concerns after a summer of protests during the pandemic; and she demanded that anyone who said Black Lives Matter prove they mean it by reflecting it in the budget.

Rebecca Rona-Tuttle, Chair of the EHRAC, provided an update on activities of the Committee; she discussed the recent EHRAC Hate Crimes Community Conversation; the upcoming the Juneteenth Celebration; invited the public to attend the upcoming EHRAC meeting to provide input into the selection of public programs through June 2022; and she encouraged anyone interested to sign up for email updates.

Keren Sookne reiterated her support for a decrease in the CCPD budget and reallocation of funds to other areas; clarified that she was not slighting individual members of CCPD, but she opposed a \$2.7 million increase in the CCPD budget, citing concern with a more policed Culver City; she noted promises made in the wake of George Floyd's passing to look at how funds were allocated to the CCPD budget; and she wanted the City Council to commit to making the City safe for everyone.

Suzanne DeBenedittis questioned how Redevelopment money was used; proposed that all residents be better informed as the City proceeds with a housing discussion; she discussed state requirements for the use of Redevelopment monies to increase the supply of housing for very low, low and moderate income housing; the oil and gas Environmental Impact Report (EIR); paradigm shifts; the "housing crisis"; she asked for neighborhood meetings throughout the City to discuss what happened to Community Development monies; and she questioned what the City was going to do to keep money from being spent foolishly and whether the City welcomed other ideas and voices to create a healthy and robust democratic discussion.

Mark Lipman discussed ethics, integrity and honesty as the foundations of his public service; personal accountability; the recent housing panel held by the Democratic Club; his experience being homeless; obstacles for re-housing; available resources; Project Room Key; efforts to dislocate him from Culver City; rental assistance; efforts to deny housing that he had located and secured; support from Holly Mitchell's office, the ACLU, the National Lawyers Guild, and threats of litigation; discrimination; effective redlining of the entire westside; and he indicated that he was the only person from Project Room Key to be successfully rehoused on the westside.

Colin Diaz, Culver City Chamber of Commerce, commended City staff for their efforts to continue meetings virtually; wanted to see meetings resume in Council Chambers in June; discussed benefits to virtual meetings; challenges with the digital divide; equity; meeting the community where they are; and he invited everyone to attend a presentation on Mental Well-Being and Social Connectedness in the Workplace on May 27 noting that more information was available at culvercitychamber.com.

Eden Miller advocated for reducing the CCPD budget before the budget decision is finalized; thanked Council Member Vera for sharing a positive story about CCPD helping someone, but noted that CCPD had killed a man during the last year under the same conditions; discussed the need for consistent adeptness at handling situations; more effective programs already in practice in other places; concern with being comfortable with violent mediocrity and an inefficient system; stated that the budget should reflect what has been proven to work and be more safe; clarified that the problem goes beyond sworn individuals and is systemic, not personal; discussed stewarding community funds and funding services that make everyone's lives more livable and pleasant; and she asked that a reduction of 50% to the CCPD budget be considered.

Vice Mayor Lee requested City Council consensus to agendize a discussion of the Jackson Gate and received clarification that City Council agendas were very full for the next few months, so the item would be going to the Transportation Subcommittee first and would come forward to the City Council on the first available agenda.

Council Member Vera asked for City Council consensus to agendize a discussion of returning to meetings in City Council Chambers citing issues of equity.

Mayor Fisch questioned whether the discussion was technical or political.

John Nachbar, City Manager, indicated that a specific date had not been identified, but that staff was awaiting direction from the county and would confer with the Mayor

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Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

Mayor Fisch reported 238 pages of timely received written correspondence.

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

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Order of the Agenda

Report on Closed Session was heard before the Pledge of Allegiance, Items C-13 and C-15 were considered at the end of the Consent Calendar, and Item A-4 was removed from the agenda for consideration at a later date.

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Consent Calendar

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR LEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MCMORRIN AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS C-1 THROUGH C-12, AND C-14.

Item C-1

CC:HA:SA - (1) Approval of Cash Disbursements for May 1, 2021 to May 14, 2021

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD: APPROVE CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR MAY 1, 2021 TO MAY 14, 2021.

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Item C-2

CC:HA:PA:SA - Approval of Minutes for the Regular Consolidated City Council Meeting of May 10, 2021

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, PARKING AUTHORITY BOARD, AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD: APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 10, 2021.

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Item C-3

CC - Adoption of a Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Annual Assessments for the Landscape Maintenance District Number 1 and Ordering the Preparation of the Engineer's Report Thereon for Fiscal Year 2021/2022

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NUMBER 1 AND ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF THE ENGINEER'S REPORT THEREON FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022.

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Item C-4

CC - Adoption of a Resolution (1) Approving the Engineer's Report for Higuera Street Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District; (2) Declaring the Intention to Order the Levy of Annual Assessments for Fiscal Year 2021/2022; and (3) Setting the Date, Time and Place of the Public Hearing

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION (1) APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR HIGUERA STREET LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT; (2) DECLARING THE CITY COUNCIL'S INTENTION TO ORDER THE LEVY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022; AND (3) SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR JUNE 28, 2021, VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE.

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Item C-5

CC - (1) Approval of a Fifth Amendment to the Existing Professional Services Agreement with NBS Government Finance Group for Enhanced Tax Roll Billing Services for the Safe/Clean Water Protection Measure (Measure CW) and Enhanced Tax Roll Billing for Refuse Collection Services in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$31,020

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NBS FOR FY 2021/22 ENHANCED TAX ROLL BILLING

SERVICES FOR THE SAFE/CLEAN WATER PROTECTION MEASURE (MEASURE CW) AND ENHANCED TAX ROLL BILLING FOR REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$31,020;

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

CC - (1) Approval of an Amendment to the Existing Agreement with HP Communications to Support Fiber Maintenance and Continued Lateral Build-out (Engineering and Construction Services) for Culver Connect (Municipal Fiber Network); and (2) Authorization to the City Manager to Amend the Contract Expenditure Amount Not-to-Exceed the Approved Budget for the Network (Fund 205)

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH HP COMMUNICATIONS TO SUPPORT FIBER INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE, FIBER LOCATES, ENGINEERING SERVICES AND LATERAL CONSTRUCTION FOR CULVER CONNECT (MUNICIPAL FIBER NETWORK); AND,

2. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO AMEND THE CONTRACT EXPENDITURE AMOUNT WITH HP COMMUNICATIONS NOT-TO-EXCEED THE APPROVED BUDGET FOR THE NETWORK (FUND 205); AND,

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

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

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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 2021/2022, 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 14, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M. VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE.

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Item C-8

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 2021/2022, 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 14, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M. VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE.

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Item C-9

CC - (1) Approval of a Purchase Order with New Flyer of America, Inc. in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$5,752,070 (\$5,153,882 Base, Plus \$598,188 Contingency) to Supply Six Battery Electric Buses; and (2) Approval of a Purchase Order with A-Z Bus Sales in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$242,978 (\$202,481 Base, Plus \$40,496 Contingency) to Supply One Shuttle Bus

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH NEW FLYER OF AMERICA, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$5,752,070 (\$5,153,882 BASE PLUS \$598,188 CONTINGENCY) TO SUPPLY SIX BATTERY ELECTRIC BUSES; AND,
2. APPROVE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH A-Z BUS SALES IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$242,978 (\$202,481 BASE PLUS \$40,496 CONTINGENCY) TO SUPPLY ONE SHUTTLE BUS; AND,

3. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING OFFICER TO EXECUTE SUCH PURCHASE ORDERS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

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Item C-10

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 2021/2022, 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 14, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M. VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE.

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Item C-11

CC - Approval of an Application for \$18,768.42 in Grant Funds through the Fiscal Year 2021 Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,768.42 THROUGH THE FY 2021 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE 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-12

CC - Adoption of a Resolution (1) Approving the Refuse Fund's Engineer's Report; (2) Declaring the Intention to Levy and Collect the Refuse, Recycling and Organics Collection Fees for FY 2021/2022 - FY 2030/2031; and (3) Setting the Date, Time and Place for the Public Hearing

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION (1) APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR THE REFUSE, RECYCLING AND ORGANICS USER'S SERVICE CHARGE FOR FY 2021/2022 - 2030/2031; (2) DECLARING THE INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT THE REFUSE, RECYCLING AND ORGANICS COLLECTION FEES FOR FISCAL YEARS 2021/2022 - 2030/2031; AND (3) SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR JULY 26, 2021 AT 7:00 PM IN THE MIKE BALKMAN COUNCIL CHAMBERS. DUE TO COVID-19 PROCEDURES, THIS MEETING MAY BE VIRTUAL AND CAN BE VIEWED AT WWW.CULVERCITY.ORG.

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Item C-14

(Out of Sequence)

CC - (1) Extension of Alexey Steele's Term as Artist Laureate to a Third Year Through December 31, 2022; (2) Authorization to Increase Artist Laureate Stipend for 2022; and (3) Direction to City Manager as Deemed Appropriate

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. EXTEND ALEXEY STEELE'S TERM AS ARTIST LAUREATE TO A THIRD YEAR THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022; AND,
2. INCREASE THE ARTIST LAUREATE STIPEND TO \$6,000.00 FOR 2022, WITH \$4,000 COMING FROM THE CULVER CITY ARTS FOUNDATION AND \$2,000 FROM THE CULTURAL TRUST FUND; 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
(Out of Sequence)

CC - (1) Update from the City Council Ad Hoc LAX Subcommittee; (2) Consideration of Renaming the Subcommittee; and (3) Direction to the City Manager as Deemed Appropriate

Council Member Eriksson discussed issues developing regarding the commercial use of drones; regulations; impacts cities can have on where drones can fly and take off; he indicated that he is serving on the National League of Cities Task Force to work with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on drone issues; and he proposed expanding the purview of the Subcommittee and renaming it the Ad Hoc LAX and FAA Subcommittee.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON, SECONDED BY MAYOR FISCH AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: APPROVE THE RENAMING OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE TO THE AD HOC LAX AND FAA SUBCOMMITTEE.

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Item C-15
(Out of Sequence)

CC - Adoption of a Resolution Approving and Confirming the Findings from the 2020 Housing Element Annual Progress Report

Michael Allen, Current Planning Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor Fisch invited public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

Khin Khin Gyi, speaking as a member of the Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness (ACHH), discussed the number of moderate income, proposed and approved housing units for the 2020 Annual Housing Element Progress Report; above moderate income permits and certificates of occupancy issued; the number of units that are required to be in the low to moderate income category; she recommended that the empty commercial buildings be utilized to provide needed housing; discussed AB2345; and incentives and state bonuses to provide low-income housing.

Nancy Barba observed that the City had exceeded the above moderate income requirement by over six-fold and did not do well with meeting affordable housing requirements; suggested that

the City prioritize introducing a measure in the next election on how to fund affordable housing units; and she suggested conducting an analysis on approved Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) to see how many became new housing vs. are being used as a spare room, or put in the short-term rental market.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding use of ADUs; the number of ADUs permitted in Culver City over the past 4 years; the ADU affordability program; the high cost of land; clarification that the City does not build housing or have control over affordability; enticing developers to build; being intentional about what is built and cognizant of infrastructure; state control over ADUs; support for meeting Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) goals; the annual report; Article 34; the inability of the City to build affordable housing without a referendum; discussions about public land within the City's parameters; collaboration with a non-profit developer; subsidized below market units; and AB387.

MOVED BY MAYOR FISCH, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR LEE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND CONFIRMING THE FINDINGS OF THE 2020 HOUSING ELEMENT ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT.

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Public Hearings

None.

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Action Items

Item A-1

CC - (1) Introduction of an Ordinance Establishing Premium Hazard Pay for On-Site Hospital Workers at Covered Hospitals

Shelly Wolfberg, Assistant to the City Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor Fisch invited public comment.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, reiterated that Item A-4 had been removed from the agenda and would be considered at a future meeting, and she explained procedures for making public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

Triana Siltan provided background on herself; thanked the City Council for consideration of the item; discussed her participation in the Economic Recovery Task Force (ERTF); hardship endured by hospital workers; the recent decision to provide hazard pay for grocery workers; the importance of leading the way to provide support for the true front line workers; and she asked the City Council to support providing the hazard pay hospital workers deserve.

Anna Vizscarra-Barton provided background on herself and expressed support for providing Hero Pay for hospital workers.

Jon Barton expressed support for Hero Pay for front line workers; discussed sacrifices made; those who believe that government should stay out of the business of businesses; labor laws; the unions; collective bargaining; unfettered corporate greed; the need to ensure that workers receive the respect they deserve; patient complaints and violations; lobbyists hired; and he discussed profits reaped during this time.

Jane Steinberg provided background on herself; expressed support for the ordinance; discussed hardships faced during this time; history of the City; and she asked the City to adopt the ordinance.

Jaime Garcia was called to speak, but did not respond.

Michelle Weiner discussed her experience witnessing difficulties faced during the pandemic, and she asked the City Council to adopt the ordinance.

Kathryn Scott, California Hospital Association, provided background on the organization; expressed support for the workers, but opposition to the ordinance citing significant financial strain and hardships faced; she discussed losses experienced by hospitals due to the pandemic; and measures taken to safeguard employees and patients.

Laura Gilbert, Southern California Hospital (SCH), reported that there were zero COVID patients at the hospital that day; agreed that frontline workers are heroes and continue to face health risks; discussed financial incentives previously voluntarily provided to workers; and she asked that healthcare providers be excluded from the ordinance.

Omar Ramirez felt that the proposed ordinance was arbitrary and inequitable; asked that SCH be exempted from the ordinance; discussed multiple other essential workers excluded from the ordinance; asserted that the ordinance was arbitrary; and he reported voluntary measures already taken by the hospital to address the issue.

Joe Rich opposed after the fact bonus pay; discussed financial losses and challenges for hospitals; and he asked that SCH be excluded from the ordinance as incentives have been already been provided to workers.

Colin Diaz expressed opposition to the proposed ordinance as it would set a bad precedent; discussed incentives voluntarily provided by SCH; the new collective bargaining agreement; the pending re-opening; and the decreased rate of infections.

Shana Crittendan, SCH, asserted that employees had been covered through collective bargaining agreements and previous, voluntary Hero Pay provisions enacted by the hospital; expressed appreciation for jobs well done; and she asked that Culver City Hospital and all other healthcare providers be excluded from the ordinance.

Michael McGinty discussed money spent to ensure staff and patient safety during the pandemic; the hardship of increased costs for Hero Pay on a healthcare system already struggling; voluntary incentives previously provided to employees; and service provided to the community.

Katherine Avendano, SCH, discussed pressures placed on the hospital by the pandemic and economic downturn; greater need for behavioral health and substance abuse services; deferred care; provider relief fund allocation; and she expressed concern with imposing additional costs on a financially burdened institution.

Mike Klepin, SCH, discussed history of the hospital; ensuring continued healthcare and employment for residents during the pandemic; and he asked that that SCH be excluded from the ordinance as they provide a valuable service to the community and already provided Hero Pay to their employees.

Janine Yosida, SCH, discussed difficulties faced by hospitals; losses; concern with placing an undue burden on the hospital; the recent collective bargaining agreement with Service

Employees International Union (SEIU); and she asked that SCH be excluded from the ordinance as they provide a valuable service to the community and already gave Hero Pay to their employees

Cass Gualvez provided background on herself; discussed sacrifices made by workers during the pandemic; and expressed support for adoption of the ordinance.

Lawrence Story was called to speak, but did not respond.

Sarah Bonner discussed sacrifices made by health care workers to support the community, and expressed support for adoption of the ordinance for Hero Pay for hospital workers.

Ben Delgado provided background on himself; discussed his experience having COVID; the small recognition by providing hazard pay; keeping people in the industry; trauma; and he wanted to see Culver City serve as an example for other cities by adopting the hazard pay ordinance.

Disa Lindgren asserted that everyone was in debt to all the hospital workers who cared for people at great personal cost; discussed her family's experiences with SCH; the importance of healthcare workers at all times; praise for frontline healthcare workers, that is not matched with anything tangible; the modest amount of money proposed to be awarded to workers who it will make a difference to; and she asked that the City Council adopt the proposed ordinance.

Gregory Maron provided background on himself; spoke in favor of adoption of the hazard pay ordinance; discussed sacrifices made by healthcare workers; and he wanted healthcare workers available to he and his family when he needs them.

Kurt Scott indicated that it was important that workers are well compensated and available to the community when needed; discussed the benefits of recognizing the contribution of front line workers; passage of the ordinance for grocery workers as reflecting the values of the City; equity and sense of community; and he hoped that passage of the ordinance would not be undermined by the lobbying arm of SCH and their administrators.

Sara Van Moorlehem provided background on herself; felt it important to support healthcare workers who have dealt with COVID on the frontlines; discussed the critical nature of healthcare workers to infrastructure and the health of the

community; noted the passage of incentive pay for grocery workers; and she asked the City Council to adopt the ordinance to recognize the significant burden placed on healthcare workers and their families.

Erik Dimitruk, SEIU United Healthcare Workers West, discussed healthcare workers serving on the frontline during the pandemic; direct exposure; he noted that the Hero Pay cited by hospital representatives was, in fact, participation in LA county programs; and he urged the City Council to adopt the ordinance as was done for the grocery workers.

Debbie Mackey was called to speak, but did not respond.

La Rhonda Smith discussed her experiences treating COVID patients at SCH; having to purchase her own Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) due to shortages at SCH; noted lack of testing for employees; and cross-contamination issues.

Freddy Puza provided background on himself; expressed support for premium hazard pay for hospital workers; discussed risks; and support for doing more than just praising frontline workers.

Valerie Rincon provided background on herself; discussed her experiences at SCH; trauma as a result of the pandemic; those speaking in opposition who did not work face to face with patients on a daily basis; working without proper PPE; lack of clarity as to whether the hospital was actually providing the services they said they were or enforcing policy; and she asked the City to support the ordinance.

Yolanda Yearby was called to speak, but did not respond.

Ana Alvarenga was called to speak, but did not respond.

Donetta Thomas Lancie was called to speak, but did not respond.

Felicia Clayton was called to speak, but did not respond.

Jerry Kringen provided background on himself; discussed missing PPE; trauma experienced by workers; food distribution; and he noted that most people did not get hazard pay or receive any extra benefits.

Jaime Garcia, Hospital Association of Southern California, provided background on the organization; expressed opposition to the ordinance; discussed statistics regarding progress to

date with the pandemic; vaccinated residents; reduced community transmission; actions of the hospital to keep the community safe; money spent to ensure staff and patient safety; and incentives already provided to alleviate burdens on employees.

Lawrence Story was called to speak, but did not respond.

Michael Kartt provided background on himself; discussed the historic nature of the hospital and the pandemic; classification as essential workers; experiences and challenges during the pandemic; workers that did not receive the promised benefits; and he expressed gratitude to be able to work in the historic building.

Meghan Loper, United Hospital Association, urged a no vote on the proposed ordinance; expressed concern with unfairly levying a significant expense on a single frontline healthcare provider just as they are beginning to recover from the toll of the pandemic; steps the hospital has taken to recognize the workforce; reductions to COVID cases; the number of vaccinated residents in the City; other first responders not receiving compensation; and concern with violating Equal Protection Clauses in the United States and California Constitutions.

Kelli Estes questioned why the county or the City of Los Angeles was not leading the way with this action; suggested that the action was a payback for campaign promises and that the union should deal with the issue; and she cautioned the Council to do what is best for the City.

Mark Lipman discussed giving Hero Pay to those who sacrificed to keep others alive; money interests opposing the action; he felt that it should not be a difficult decision; noted that he heard the community coming together to stand up for what is right; and felt that it was time for the people who do the work to get fair pay.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding campaign contributions; moral obligation; scare tactics; hospital administration; double speak; making it seem like something has been done when it has not been; the claim of SCH that childcare was provided; use of hotels and isolation of employees from their families; classification of requirements from the state or county as Hero Pay; actual amounts of additional compensation given; support for doctors and nurses; those who bought their own PPE as it was not provided by the hospital; the inability of hospital support that is not well-

paid to afford to buy protective equipment; improvements that were supposed to be made at SCH, but were not; contract negotiations between SCH and employees; the separate issue that takes into account trauma experienced by employees of SCH; a SCH employee who contracted COVID at the hospital and went home and died, along with their spouse; acknowledgement that money does not make up for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and trauma; expressing appreciation for dedicated work and acknowledgement of trauma experienced; compensation for dangers that City workers have faced over the last year due to COVID-19; the one-time bonus to communicate appreciation; needed upgrades in the hospital; moving beyond words, into action; and the efforts of frontline healthcare workers.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding concern that Culver City is the only city considering such an action; putting the City at-risk; potential litigation; moral obligations; the need to recognize every front line worker; respecting the labor union and collective bargaining board; statements regarding incentives provided to workers; difficulty getting PPE equipment; increased costs; providing a City commendation to frontline workers at the hospital; purview; financial issues for hospitals as a result of COVID; money to pay for the imposed costs; renovations; new facilities; inherent risks with working at a hospital; the extreme situation; and people who die from the flu.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding consideration of policy while thinking about those closest to the harm; power; access to resources; ongoing risks; concern for the lower paid workers; the need for clarity regarding distribution of aid; the finite amount of time for the bonus; pent up demand for services; support for hospital workers; job retention; and encouraging a more dedicated workforce.

MOVED BY MAYOR FISCH AND SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR LEE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL INTRODUCE AN ORDINANCE AS ATTACHED TO THE AGENDA ESTABLISHING PREMIUM HAZARD PAY FOR ON-SITE HOSPITAL WORKERS AT COVERED HOSPITALS.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: FISCH, LEE, MCMORRIN

NOES: ERIKSSON, VERA

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Item A-2

CC - (1) Discussion of Extending Emergency Temporary Use Permits Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and (2) Discussion of Extending Outdoor Dining and Valet Fee Waivers Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic; (3) Discussion and Approval of Staff's Recommendation on the Implementation of the MOVE Culver City Project Design on Westbound Culver Boulevard Relative to Expanded Outdoor Dining and Direction on the Timing of Implementation; and (4) Direction to the City Manager as Deemed Appropriate

Elaine Warner, Economic Development Project Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Diana Chang, Transportation Planning Manager, provided a presentation on MOVE Culver City.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the amount of input on who might use the bus lane; feedback from restaurants who benefitted from the expanded dining surface area; the design guidelines developed at the beginning of the process; examination from the perspective of mobility and Complete Streets; meetings with stakeholders; restaurants wanting public right of way space; the staff recommendation; additional costs; funds reserved in the budget; and the shared mobility lane vs. the dedicated bike lane.

Mayor Fisch invited public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

Darrel Menthe, Downtown Business Association (DBA), discussed the outdoor dining program; the goal to find a post-pandemic solution that works for everyone; support for Option 3; and he asked that if Option 1 is chosen, that implementation be postponed until the weather turns colder in October or November in order to help restaurants get back on their feet with a full season of outdoor dining and work done to reimagine Downtown to find a solution that works for Complete Streets and the outdoor dining program.

Bubba Fish provided background on himself; discussed lifting restrictions; the need for efficient routes; he asserted that the more space that is made for cars, the more people want to drive and the worse traffic gets; he expressed support for

Option 2; discussed restaurants fighting to stay afloat; opposition to Option 3; the focus on cars; keeping public space for public use; and he felt that reverting the space to car traffic would be an historic mistake.

David Coles, Bike Culver City, expressed support for Option 2; discussed making the City more livable; placemaking urbanism; the shared bus/bike lane; and he expressed support for the outdoor dining program.

Alan Schulman thanked the City for moving so quickly; discussed the necessity of expanding outdoor dining; daytime business that disappeared during the pandemic; accommodating the business community; allowing east and west access on Culver Boulevard; he expressed support for Option 3; noted the importance of compromise; and he discussed changes to operating hours.

Mark Marek, Citizen Public Market, discussed space given to restaurants to service their customers outdoors; the atmosphere that has been created; businesses coming into the City; and concern with safety.

Carolyn Allport provided background on herself; expressed support for Option 2; discussed providing for the neighborhood and creating a destination; creativity, time, money and energy invested; and the importance of preserving the space and the vision.

Colin Diaz, Culver City Chamber of Commerce, indicated serving as a member of the MOVE Culver City Advisory Committee; discussed the speed of the project and concern with leaving out stakeholders; the emergency use permit for outdoor dining; new employees coming into the City; cut-through traffic; he asked that the program be extended at least until Labor Day; noted the need to continue to work with stakeholders; and he expressed support for Option 3 to allow for continued outdoor dining.

Jim Suhr thanked staff for their work to expand mobility options and pursue mobility solutions that meet the goals of MOVE Culver City while still taking residents and Downtown restaurants into consideration; discussed inclusion of the general purpose vehicular lane; the importance of maintaining the outdoor dining program; the shared mobility lane; he expressed support for Option 3; and he asked that implementation not be delayed.

Sylvia Bianchi was called to speak, but was not present in the meeting.

Kevin Kearns, The Auld Fella restaurant, thanked the City for pivoting and allowing restaurants to survive by providing the outdoor space; discussed investments made in the program; creation of a vibrant Downtown scene; continuing al fresco dining by Los Angeles and concern that changes in Culver City could cause people to go to Los Angeles; and he expressed support for Option 2 until the end of the emergency with Option 3 being a longer term compromise.

Patrick Meighan was called to speak, but was not present in the meeting.

Bahar Parstabar was called to speak, but was not present in the meeting.

Freddy Puza was called to speak, but was not present in the meeting.

Disa Lindgren urged the City to keep the current configuration; she wanted to see another option that had been discussed in MOVE Culver City meetings that included maintaining the current outdoor dining with a protected bike lane, a dedicated bus lane and westbound Culver closed to traffic; she felt it would be wrong to remove space enjoyed by restaurant patrons for traffic; discussed use of public space more safely with fewer cars; she expressed support for Option 2; she felt that Main Street should not be considered until results were available; and she urged the City Council to consider the public good when making the decision.

Abby Wood expressed support for keeping the northside of Culver Boulevard car-free to maintain the vibrancy of the Downtown area; discussed studies indicating that car-free streets save restaurants; shortsightedness of not prioritizing cycling and other forms of transportation; and she expressed support for Option 2.

Nancy Barba urged the City Council to vote for Option 2; discussed the opportunity provided by the pandemic; supporting local business; incentivizing other modes of transportation beyond private cars; equitable access; and the responsibility to lead in the service of the community.

Sebastien Cormic, Meet in Paris, expressed support for Option 2; discussed struggles during the pandemic; the need to be able to rebuild; and he thanked the City for their support.

David Saeta discussed providing enhancement to the outdoor dining experience, bus and bike access and access to cars; discriminating against certain modes of transport; equity; and he expressed support for Option 3.

Mary Daval discussed the thriving Downtown area; improved signage; access for Hackman Capital employees; incentives to utilize transit; active transportation; the free circulator; ensuring an equitable plan for Downtown Culver City; reflecting the diversity of voices in Culver City; waiting until MOVE Culver City has been implemented and analyzed before making any changes; and she expressed support for Option 2.

Marie Ruiz was called to speak, but did not respond.

Art Nomura discussed pre-pandemic traffic; making things worse by allowing cars back in Downtown; the influx of new employees; and he read a comment from Peter, owner of WeHo Sausage Company and the Citizen Market Company on Culver Boulevard in support of making the street dining space permanent.

Steve Auer, Culver Studios, praised City staff for their work to create a multi-modal sustainable mobility plan for Culver City; discussed efficient vehicular access; City Council support for the modernization plan; restoration of the westbound travel on Culver Boulevard; ensuring reasonable access for workers into Culver Studios; support for the temporary measure; providing an equitable option for all stakeholders; safety; cut-through traffic; and he expressed support for Option 2.

Lindsay Hourigan was called to speak, but did not respond.

Annette Morales, Café Vida, discussed struggles during the pandemic; investment in outdoor dining; the need to be able to recover; outdoor dining as the new normal; concern with going backwards by discontinuing the successful unique dining experience; and she asked that cars not be allowed.

David Hoang was called to speak, but did not respond.

Eric Shabsis, Hackman Capital/Culver Studios, thanked City staff for their transparent and open process that provided everyone a voice; discussed support for the temporary closure during the pandemic; the promise that the closure would be a temporary measure; lifting of pandemic restrictions; the need for access;

support for the Downtown restaurants and a vibrant Downtown area; and he asked the City Council to support Option 3.

Eric Sims, Kirk Douglas Theater, provided background on himself; discussed partnership between government, business and residents; the older demographic served by the theater; support for restaurants; balancing interests; making a choice that works for everyone; and he asked the City Council to vote for Option 3.

Becca Peterson provided background on herself; urged the City Council to adopt Option 3; acknowledged the need to support outdoor dining during the pandemic; discussed using residential streets for access; impacts of the loss of access on employees and neighbors; support for the expanded outdoor dining; and increased Downtown traffic as the number of employees grows.

Melissa Lanni, Culver Steps, thanked City staff for their work in creating the mobility plan; expressed support for the temporary closure during the pandemic; discussed impacts to access to the property; concern with gridlock if access is not restored; cut-through traffic; the value of expanded outdoor dining; and she asked the City Council to support Option 3.

Sam Canter was called to speak, but did not respond.

Kathryn Lundeen, Lundeen's Gift Store, discussed her clientele; the need for vehicular access; confusion expressed by customers regarding access; the thriving restaurant business; and she expressed support for Option 3.

Kevin Lachoff discussed willingness to work together for mobility options; the need for different kinds of access; efforts for economic recovery; the need to restore local auto access on the westbound side of Culver Boulevard; support for creation of a mobility lane; and he asked the City Council to support Option 3;

Jacklyn Pratt was called to speak, but did not respond.

Kathy Johnson, Culver Hotel, spoke on behalf of herself and Maya Mallick; asked the City Council to support Option 3; asserted that the issue was not a resident vs. developer issue; discussed closure of the hotel; the importance of easy access to the hotel in recovery; and she expressed support for options to satisfy the mobility needs of many rather than for a select few.

Martin Tomasz expressed support for Option 2 and opposition to Option 3 as it would remove most of the outdoor dining space; noted the unique nature of Culver City as it is not car-centric like Los Angeles; discussed transforming Downtown into a unique place; the need for the mobility lane as a buffer; the need to adapt and accommodate the shift; and he felt it unnecessary to go back to a prior norm.

Dylan Gottlieb discussed the thriving Downtown area utilizing a pedestrian environment; bold steps to keep restaurants afloat during dire circumstances; and he asked the City to support Option 2.

Cary Anderson was called to speak, but did not respond.

Derrick Angus, Janga by Derrick, discussed business lost during the pandemic; noted that the pandemic was not over; and asked that Option 2 be supported.

Andrea Schainen indicated that she had signed up to speak on Item A-3.

Linda C expressed support for Option 2 and wanted to see cars adapt to the new reality of supporting restaurants and businesses.

Lisa Marie Desai expressed support for Option 2; discussed success of the changes; investment made by restaurants; enhanced bicycle safety and accessibility; new employees coming into the City; and she asked that City Council meetings remain accessible through Webex when in-person meetings resume.

Chris Blanchard, Chicas Tacos, discussed success of the outdoor dining program; losses during the pandemic; impacts of the street closure; and he encouraged adoption of Option 2.

Michelle Weiner indicated that she was speaking on behalf of herself; expressed hope that the expertise of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) would be put to use; expressed support for Option 2; discussed implementation of version 4 as planned; the shared mobility lane; collecting data before engaging in long-term visioning of the Downtown area; and the benefits of increased dining to the City.

Travis Morgan provided background on himself; discussed public input regarding MOVE Culver; public engagement; noted the need for a community discussion about next steps; pre-pandemic

criteria cited; other cities that have used the unique times to re-think access; and he suggested using the data from the Hackman Capital study of the area to continue the community discussion.

Ryan Smith discussed hardships faced by businesses that are described as thriving; businesses in the City that have been lost; protecting businesses; he asserted that the Downtown needed help; and he expressed support for Option 3.

Benjamin Williams expressed support for Option 2 and for providing support for restaurants.

Gabrielle Hackman, Hackman Capital Partners, express gratitude for the efforts of City staff; discussed finding the most equitable path; choosing the compromise position; support for local businesses; and she asked the City to implement Option 3 at the same time as MOVE Culver City.

Stephen Jones provided background on himself; did not want to see more car traffic introduced into the area; discussed pre-pandemic gridlock; creating a welcoming and accessible Downtown area; and he expressed support for Option 2 asserting that it was better for everyone.

Karen Hilsberg was called to speak, but did not respond.

Chuong Vu provided background on himself; discussed difficulties faced by restaurants during the pandemic; concern with closing the street to restaurants while opening the street to cars; discussed transit options; and he expressed support for Option 2.

Sarah Cha urged the City Council to approve Option 3 as the most equitable choice; discussed efficient employee access; concern with gridlock as employees return to work; and increased cut-through traffic in neighborhoods;

Kristin Cavanaugh, Sony Pictures, expressed support for the reopening of Culver Boulevard and Option 3; discussed challenges for everyone as things return to normal; incentives for the Ride Share program; encouragement to employees to use the first mile/last mile aspect of MOVE Culver City; and feasibility of alternate modes of transportation.

Jonathan Smith was called to speak, but did not respond.

Cary Anderson provided background on himself; evaluated comments made by previous speakers; and expressed concern with privileged individuals who can walk and bike.

Ken Kaufman, City Tavern and Rush Street, thanked the City for their support of restaurants; discussed the benefits of outdoor dining; the need for a westbound lane of vehicular traffic; confusion with street closures; the need for access and convenience for success; phase 2 of the mobility project; configuring Downtown to expand the roadways; creating a win for everyone; he felt that Option 3 was an important compromise; and he asked that if Option 1 is chosen, that implementation be postponed until the winter months to allow restaurants a chance to make up considerable deficits from the pandemic.

Karim Sahli expressed support for Option 2 and he presented diagrams for a different long-term option to bring back the westbound lane and expand outdoor dining.

Bronwyn Jamrok discussed the inability of children under 12 to be vaccinated; the need to provide safe outdoor dining options for families; lifting the mask mandate; new people coming into the City; support for seeing people be uninhibited by excess auto traffic; and she asked that the option proposed by Karim Sahli be explored.

Jonathan Smith provided background on himself; expressed support for Option 2 with a path toward Option 1; he opposed Option 3 as inequitable, noting the monied interests behind it; discussed fearmongering; threats of cut-through traffic; garage access; ample parking available; easy access to Downtown; the false choice being presented by self-serving interests; promotion of small businesses; the importance of hearing all stakeholders; the broad constituency served by the Downtown area; and he expressed support for continued community engagement.

Till Stegers was called to speak, but did not respond.

Caleb Miranda was called to speak, but did not respond.

Jennifer Caspar, Village Well Books and Coffee, expressed support for Option 2; provided background on herself; discussed the importance of prioritizing people over cars; and the ability to adapt to confusion with changes.

Michael Monagan was called to speak, but did not respond.

Ken Mand expressed support for the current configuration that has allowed the Downtown area to thrive; observed that the changes have reduced cut-through traffic; discussed reclaiming use of the space for local business and community activities; and consideration of other configurations such as use of Main Street to feed cars into the studios.

Mathew Panagiotis provided background on himself; asserted that Option 2 created many problems; discussed limited access for people to come to the City; the dedicated bike lane; the need for a study of the long term impacts of Option 2; whether Los Angeles could sue Culver City over increased traffic; and he asked the City Council to vote for Option 3.

Aaron Lieberman read a written comment from David Metzler in support of keeping Downtown as is for now and continued work to reinvigorate a clear and equitable process for a long-term reimagining of Downtown; expressed concern with derailing the MOVE Culver City circulator design process; discussed the quick build process; Parcel B; the importance of robust public outreach, connected pedestrian access, and a diner friendly Downtown; allowing restaurants to recover from the pandemic; and he urged the City Council to reflect all voices, not just a single business interest.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding increased issues with a lack of a westbound lane; alternative routes through residential streets; new issues to resolve; people violating the Bus Only Lane; enforcement; unintended consequences; the importance of compromise; support for Option 3; giving everyone a little bit of what they want; equity; the power analysis; environmental components; the importance of signage; interest in the option put forth by Karim Sahli; the successful conversion of the Santa Monica Promenade; support for fee waivers and Temporary Use Permits (TUPs); the closure of Washington Boulevard; the Main Street extension; removal of traffic lanes on Culver Boulevard rather than creating more space for cars; understanding the dynamic of Downtown; impacts of increased numbers of employees coming into the City in the next 4-6 months; actual feasibility of public transportation for everyone; acknowledgement that cars are still going to be the main mode of transportation; suspension of social distancing guidelines after June 15; whether restaurants are willing to pay for the use of public space; optimal use of public space; the need greater than the supply; the liquor license issue; extension of the TUP for another three months; costs to split the project in two; pattern setting; the difficulty of behavior

change; the potential for thousands of new employees to come into the City; providing infrastructure for people to be multi-modal in a safe way and helping businesses survive; using the ability to influence; the fact that the issue of Housing and Transportation cannot be separated; increased density; benefits for people who live and work in the City; shaping behavior by presenting mobility options; resident support for extending outdoor dining in its current form; mobility advocates; how what has been done during the pandemic translates to the real world; the need for data; waiving fees for TUPs; having a broader conversation on the Downtown of the future; unanimity with extending through Labor Day and waiving fees through then; support for leaving things as is for now; planning for MOVE Culver City in a vacuum; concern with traffic impacts; time for design and implementation; planning for the next phase of Downtown; support for Option 1; placing the focus on mobility and Complete Streets; future stakeholders; the need for additional conversation; long term solutions; the need to consider feedback from the businesses; an observation that the majority of restaurant patrons are not from Culver City; moving forward with MOVE Culver City; barriers and hurdles to access; the design process; timeline; theoretical slowing of traffic on June 15, 2021; understanding impacts; and available data.

Council Member Vera moved to select Option 3 with the extension of the public right of way TUP and fee waivers for three months.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding support for extending Option 2 for six months to allow time for design; support for Option 1 as the way to go eventually; ongoing debt that will take years to pay off; extending Option 2 until two weeks after Labor Day while moving forward with the design on Option 1; feedback that people want to keep outside dining; and support for the tactical mobility lane.

Council Member Eriksson seconded the motion from Council Member Vera.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding value of the bus lane; degrading the bike experience; making the dining experience less attractive; the importance of maintaining outdoor dining for the next three months; concern with too much compromise; and support for Option 1 with continued conversation.

Council Member Vera amended his original motion to extend TUPs and fee waivers through Labor Day, with direction to staff to work on Option 1 with continued conversation and revisiting what happens after Labor Day. Mayor Fisch seconded the motion.

Further discussion ensued between staff and Council Members, and Mayor Fisch rescinded his second of the motion as he misunderstood Council Member Vera's intent to open up a lane of traffic sooner rather than later.

Vice Mayor Lee proposed a motion to implement Option 2 with extension of the TUP and fee waivers until after Labor Day.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR LEE AND SECONDED BY MAYOR FISCH THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE OPTION 2 WITH AN EXTENSION OF THE TEMPORARY USE PERMIT AND FEE WAIVERS THROUGH LABOR DAY WHILE ALSO DIRECTING STAFF TO PREPARE OPTION 1 FOR A FUTURE MEETING.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOW VOTE:

AYES: FISCH, LEE, MCMORRIN
NOES: ERIKSSON, VERA

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Item A-3

CC - Adoption of a Resolution Establishing Various Fees Related to the City's Rent Control and Tenant Protections Program

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

Mayor Fisch invited public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

Linda C. expressed support for rent control and for the registry; she felt a model similar to what is used in the City of Inglewood would be appropriate; discussed fee calculation; her experience as a landlord; expenses; and the ability to make improvements.

Maria Ruiz was called to speak, but did not respond.

Andrea Schainen provided background on herself; expressed opposition to the fee; concern with rent control; discussed

rental unit fees; administration costs; and the ability to pass along expenses to the tenant.

Richard Glaser was called to speak, but did not respond.

Disa Lindgren provided background on herself; expressed support for the modest fee proposed; and felt rent control and the tenant protection program were vital and that landlords should bear the primary expense as part of the cost of doing business.

Robert Zirgulis questioned whether an Airbnb was considered a rental, noting the City was already collecting 14% on his Airbnb, plus tax as a registered business.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding clarification that short term rentals are taxed, but still not permitted through the City code, and Airbnbs are separate and not included in the proposed item.

Nathan Miller asserted that now was not the time to implement new fees; he proposed waivers for the first year as people recover; discussed severe financial distress; asked that implementation of the fee be delayed until such time housing providers can collect rent that's due; allowing pass through fees to be classified as rent; and he felt that all renters should contribute to payment of the associated fees.

Jeff Horn was called to speak, but did not respond.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding exemptions or lowered fees for five units or less; rental protections afforded to every unit in the City; the per unit fee; potential affluence with larger apartment complexes owned by corporations; concern with killing off "Mom and Pop" landlords; a suggestion to have the landlord and tenant split the fee; the amount of the fee in relation to other cities; support for consistency and not separating fees out depending on timeframe; and future consideration of a similar system to what Inglewood uses.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MCMORRIN AND SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR LEE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A RESIDENTIAL RENTAL UNIT FEE AND OTHER FEES TO RECOVER COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITY'S RENT CONTROL AND TENANT PROTECTIONS PROGRAM.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: FISCH, LEE, MCMORRIN
NOES: ERIKSSON, VERA

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Item A-4

CC - Adoption of an Ordinance Amending, Title 5, Public Works, of the Culver City Municipal Code (CCMC) to Add a New Chapter 5.07 Entitled "Waste Reduction Regulations" and Repealing CCMC Chapter 11.18, Polystyrene Regulations

This item was deferred to a further meeting.

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Item A-5

CC - (1) Appoint Manuel Cid as Police Chief; and (2) Approval of an Executive Employment Agreement Confirming such Appointment

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

Mayor Fisch invited public comment.

The following members of the public addressed the City Council:

Colin Diaz was called to speak, but did not respond.

Mayor Fisch noted that he had read comments submitted by Mr. Diaz in support of Manuel Cid.

Vice Mayor Lee expressed objection to the process, but support for Manual Cid.

Cary Anderson expressed support for the hiring of Manual Cid; noted the difficulty of the task ahead with efforts to defund; discussed staffing; traffic enforcement; concern that rules don't matter; and he indicated that he would pray for Manual Cid and the entire CCPD.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding support for Manuel Cid.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON AND SECONDED BY MAYOR FISCH THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPOINT MANUEL CID AS THE POLICE CHIEF; AND
2. APPROVE AN EXECUTIVE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT CONFIRMING MR. CID'S APPOINTMENT AS POLICE CHIEF; AND
3. AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,
4. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SUCH DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: ERIKSSON, FISCH, MCMORRIN, VERA
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: LEE

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Item A-6

CC - (1) Discussion and Consideration of a Support Position for AB 1401 (Friedman) - Residential and Commercial Development: Parking Requirements; and (2) Direction to the City Manager as Deemed Appropriate

Shelly Wolfberg, Assistant to the City Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor Fisch invited public comment.

The following member of the public addressed the City Council:

Disa Lindgren expressed support for the resolution to end parking requirements.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding concern with taking away control from the City; the importance keeping local control of land use, development and zoning rights; concern with too much interference from Sacramento; the systemic breakdown in Planning; reasons to eliminate minimums; state support to achieve local objectives; the connection between parking minimums and the ability to build affordable housing; climate change; and the experience of San Diego.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR LEE AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MCMORRIN
THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: DISCUSS AND CONSIDER A SUPPORT POSITION
FOR AB 1401.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: FISCH, LEE, MCMORRIN
NOES: ERIKSSON, VERA

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Fisch invited public comment.

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

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Items from Council Members

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Council Member Requests to Agendize Future Items

None.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 1:52 a.m., Tuesday, May 25, 2021, the City Council, Housing Authority Board, Parking Authority Board, and Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board adjourned to a regular meeting to be held on June 7, 2021.

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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, Parking Authority Board, and Culver City Housing
Authority Board
Culver City, California

ALEX FISCH
MAYOR of Culver City, California and CHAIR of the Successor
Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board, Parking
Authority Board, and Culver City Housing Authority Board

Date: _____