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

April 24, 2017
6:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Clarke called the meeting of the City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Mike Balkman Chambers at City Hall.

Present: Jim B. Clarke, Mayor
Jeffrey Cooper, Vice Mayor
Göran Eriksson, Council Member*
Meghan Sahli-Wells, Council Member
Thomas Small, Council Member

*Council Member Eriksson participated via telephone from Färjevägen 39 SE-471 90 Kyrkesund in Sweden.

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

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Mayor Clarke announced for the record that at least a portion of the Consolidated City Council Meeting is being conducted pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953, in that Council Member Eriksson is in Sweden and participating by speaker phone noting that in accordance with the Brown Act, his teleconference location has been identified in the notice and the agenda for this meeting.

Closed Session

The City Council recessed to Closed Session to consider the following item:

CS-1 Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
Emery Eccles v. City of Culver City et. al.
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

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Reconvene

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

Mayor Clarke clarified that an announcement for the record had been made prior to the start of Closed Session that at least a portion of the Consolidated City Council Meeting is being conducted pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953, in that Council Member Eriksson is in Sweden and participating by speaker phone.

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Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

John Nachbar, City Manager, led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rafia Cooper.

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Report on Action Taken in Closed Session

Mayor Clarke reported that no action had been taken in Closed Session.

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Community Announcements by City Council Members/ Information Items from Staff

Dan Hernandez, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director, invited everyone to the upcoming Community Conversation: "Growing Up Intercultural in Culver City", a student-based conversation on race and culture, with a panel discussion moderated by Carlos Valverde on May 2 in the Mike Balkman Chambers at City Hall.

Council Member Small announced his participation in Earth Day events on March 22 including the Ballona Creek Cleanup and the Bike and Walk Shops for the Transit Oriented

Development Visioning Process, and he reported attending the 1988 Heidi Duckler dance event at Access Culver City.

Council Member Sahli-Wells announced the Fourth Annual Walk and Roll Festival at the Middle School and the Annual Culver City PTA Award show at the Senior Center, both on April 30.

Mayor Clarke spoke of the AYSO Centennial Soccer Tournament that had been held the previous weekend and asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of longtime resident Aziza Eid, the mother of Sonya Karroum.

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Joint Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Clarke invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Jay Garacochea, City Representative of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles County West Vector and Vector-Borne Disease Control District, reminded residents to watch for standing water around their property as it provides a breeding ground for mosquitos; provided tips on removing standing water; provided contact information for the West Vector Control District; and he discussed delays to the construction project on Centinela Avenue due to the recent rains.

Council Member Small received clarification on the status of the drainage ditch at the entrance to Kenneth Hahn Park.

Dr. Janet Hoult spoke in support of the City's stance on immigration enforcement that had been stated at the City Council meeting of April 15, and she introduced and provided background on a local poet, Joanne Wolff.

Joanne Wolff read a poem about the Culver City Police Department.

Vice Mayor Cooper discussed an article in the Los Angeles Times and a recent policy change of the Culver City Police Department.

June Lehrman, Culver City for Quiet Skies, distributed fliers; discussed increased noise due to overflights; the recent lawsuit between the City and the Federal Aviation Administration; she reviewed recent activities including expanding outreach to communities east of the City; increasing frustration of residents with overflight noise; and she encouraged everyone to attend an upcoming Town Hall meeting on April 30, at Sixth Avenue Elementary.

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Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SAHLI-WELLS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE AND FILE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE BEFORE 4:00 P.M. ON APRIL 24, 2017.

Jeremy Green, Deputy City Clerk, reported that correspondence was received regarding Consent Calendar Item CS-1.

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

CC - Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Title 17, Zoning, of the Culver City Municipal Code (CCMC), Section 17.210.015 - Residential Zoning District Land Uses and Permit Requirements, and Zoning Code Section 17.400.095 - Residential Uses - Accessory Dwelling Units (Zoning Code Amendment P2017-0052-ZCA)

Paul Asai expressed concern with the ordinance including lack of further study; the amount of time the codes have gone without update; he expressed concern with a piece-meal approach; and he asked that staff be advised to study the components of the ordinance in further detail and present their findings at a future City Council meeting,

consider a more unified approach to revising the building and zoning codes taking into consideration there are multiple overlapping concerns in many different areas, and requested that the consultant on the hillside ordinance examine ADUs at the same time.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding compliance with state law; recent amendments; written response to the speaker from staff regarding his concerns; the survey of minimum lot size; and additional information on details of the ordinance.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SMALL, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ZONING CODE AMENDMENT P-2017-0052-ZCA, AMENDING TITLE 17, ZONING, OF THE CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE (CCMC), SECTION 17.210.015 - RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT LAND USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS, AND ZONING CODE SECTION 17.400.095 - RESIDENTIAL USES - ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS.

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Action Items

Item A-1

CC:FA:HA:PA:SA - (1) Election of Mayor and Vice Mayor and (2) Confirmation by the Boards of the Financing Authority/ Housing Authority/Parking Authority/Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency that the Mayor and Vice Mayor of the City Shall Serve as Chair and Vice Chair of these Bodies, Respectively

Mayor Clarke reviewed the procedures for the item and delivered a statement as outgoing Mayor.

Mayor Clarke nominated Vice Mayor Cooper to serve as Mayor of Culver City, Vice Mayor Cooper accepted the nomination and Council Member Eriksson seconded the nomination.

MOVED BY MAYOR CLARKE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ELECT VICE MAYOR COOPER TO SERVE AS MAYOR OF CULVER CITY.

Mayor Cooper thanked the outgoing Mayor for his efforts and asked for a motion on the nomination of a Vice Mayor.

Council Member Sahli-Wells nominated Council Member Small to serve as Vice Mayor and Council Member Clarke seconded the nomination.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SAHLI-WELLS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CLARKE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ELECT COUNCIL MEMBER SMALL TO SERVE AS VICE MAYOR.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, announced the ceremonial pinnings including friends and family members of the incoming Mayor and Vice Mayor.

Mayor Cooper invited comments from the Council.

Council Member Eriksson thanked the outgoing Mayor for his leadership and efforts, and stated he was looking forward to working with Mayor Cooper.

Council Member Sahli-Wells offered congratulations to the new Mayor and Vice Mayor and thanked the outgoing Mayor for his efforts.

Council Member Clarke congratulated the incoming Mayor and Vice Mayor, citing the combination of experience and new ideas they both bring to their positions.

Vice Mayor Small stated the bar was high due to the previous efforts of his colleagues; thanked the outgoing Mayor for his guidance and example; and he thanked his family and members of the community who have supported him.

Mayor Cooper thanked his wife and daughters for their support; thanked his colleagues; detailed upcoming tasks facing the City Council; reviewed the diversity of the City Council and its ability to work together constructively; and stated he looked forward to the coming years.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CLARKE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED:

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ELECT A MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR.

THAT THE FINANCING AUTHORITY BOARD, HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, PARKING AUTHORITY BOARD, AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY BOARD:

ADOPT RESPECTIVE MOTIONS CONFIRMING THAT THE MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR SHALL SERVE AS CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR OF THESE BODIES, RESPECTIVELY.

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Cooper invited public comment.

Paul Jacobs, former Mayor, voiced support for the efforts of former Mayor Clarke; spoke on the importance of the diversity of the Council; and expressed gratitude for the efforts of the City Council on the Centennial.

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Items from Council Members

None.

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Adjournment

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CLARKE, SECONDED BY MAYOR COOPER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF AZIZA EID.

There being no further business, at 8:04 p.m., the City Council, Housing Authority Board, Parking Authority Board, and Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board adjourned in memory of Aziza Eid to May 8, 2017.

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

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