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

February 25, 2019 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

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

Present: Thomas Small, Mayor

Meghan Sahli-Wells, Vice Mayor Göran Eriksson, Council Member Alex Fisch, Council Member Daniel Lee, 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

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

CS-1 CC - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
Salwa Girgis v. City of Culver City
LASC Case No. BC674090

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

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Reconvene

Mayor Small reconvened the regular meeting of the City Council at 7:04~p.m. with all Council Members present.

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Recognition Presentations

Item R-1

CC: Presentation of a Commendation to the Mayme Clayton Library and Museum in Celebration of Black History Month 2019

Council Member Lee presented the Commendation to the Mayme Clayton Library and Museum in celebration of Black History Month 2019.

Lloyd Clayton thanked the City for the honor; discussed his mother's mission; and educating people about the African American experience.

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Item R-2

CC: Presentation Regarding the 25th Anniversary of the Performing Arts Grant (PAG) Program and Commendation to Sony Pictures Entertainment

Susan Obrow, Special Events Coordinator, discussed the launch of the 25th Anniversary of the Performing Arts Grant Program; the special logo developed for the anniversary; support from Sony; the Sony logo; performances in 2019 made possible by the grants; she indicated that additional information was available on the City website; encouraged everyone to sign up for e-blasts; and noted they were proud to present the Commendation to Sony Pictures Entertainment.

Jeannine Wisnosky Stehlin, Cultural Affairs Commission Chair, thanked Janice Pober and Sony Pictures Entertainment for their support of cultural programming in Culver City.

Mayor Small presented the Commendation to Sony Pictures Entertainment and provided an additional Commendation to Janice Pober on the occasion of her pending retirement.

Susan Obrow, Cultural Affairs Coordinator, introduced Vox Femina and discussed their upcoming performances.

Vox Femina provided a preview of season 22.

Janice Pober, Sony Pictures Entertainment, discussed the evolution of Culver City as a cultural destination and the

Performing Arts Grants Program.

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Regular Session

Mayor Small called the Culver City Housing Authority Board, and the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency Board to order at $7:29~\mathrm{p.m.}$ with all Members present.

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Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

John Nachbar, City Manager, led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Steven Fisher.

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Closed Session Report

Mayor Small indicated nothing to report out of Closed Session.

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Community Announcements by City Council Members/Information Items from Staff

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, reported that the City Clerk's Office is an acceptance service for passports by appointment; March 8 is a walk-in passport acceptance day; and additional information is available at www.culvercity.org or by calling the City Clerk's office at (310) 253-5851.

Council Member Fisch invited everyone to attend the Shoes for the Homeless fundraising gala on March 14 honoring Dr. James Limbaugh from West Los Angeles College.

Council Member Lee discussed the Black History event at the Mayme Clayton Library and Museum on February 23.

Council Member Eriksson announced the quarterly dinner of the Culver City Sister Cities Association at the Rio Bravo restaurant on February 26.

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells indicated that the Sister Cities Association dinner would be celebrating the $55^{\rm th}$ anniversary of

twinning with Uruapan, Mexico; she reported attending My Brother's Keeper Rising in Oakland; and she announced the ribbon cutting for the opening of the Bike Hub at The Metro on March 1 and CicLAvia on March 3.

Mayor Small reported addressing the National Board of Directors for National Public Radio; discussed the workshop for the City Hall Gardens project; the third annual Screenland 5K; The Heidi Duckler Dance Theatre Ebb and Flow Festival; and he reported on the passing of Jacsun Manson.

MOVED BY MAYOR SMALL, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT WHEN THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED, THAT IT BE ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF JACSUN MANSON.

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Joint Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Dr. Janet Hoult discussed recent events in the City; commented on the recognition of Spiderman: Into the Spider-Verse; invited everyone to the Poet Tea honoring the Senior Center and Debbie Cahill on February 27; she indicated there would be more poetry events throughout the year; discussed the Artist Laureate program; and she read a poem about Culver City.

Lisette Palley, Disability Advisory Committee, reported serving on a subcommittee to review the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance report; she commended the City for their work on the transition; discussed the importance of including the disabled in conversations about diversity, equity and human rights; universal access for all; and she noted the recent passing of disability activist Carrie Ann Lucas.

Mark Lipman provided an article from USA Today, which was distributed to Council Members; discussed addressing the issue of homelessness in Culver City; new homelessness driven by the technology boom; challenging the extremely wealthy to pay their fair share; the fact that ICE cannot do their job without the help of Amazon; he pointed out that the benefits from Amazon coming into the City are good for one economic group but hurt another; he discussed balance and democracy; taxes on major

corporations; situations in Seattle and San Francisco; taxing major corporations for their effect on creating homelessness; he noted that three minutes is an insufficient amount of time to discuss an issue that will affect the community for generations to come; and he asked that a Town Hall or Community Conversation be held to discuss the effects of the major companies moving into the City and to identify real solutions.

Glenn Clements discussed mansionization in his neighborhood in the past 18 months; construction on either side of him; the lowrise community; and he asked the City to come up with a plan to respect property rights of owners and moderate construction to protect quality of life for residents.

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells received clarification that Mr. Clements lives in an R2 zone.

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Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH 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 FISCH AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS C-1, C-2 AND C-4.

Item C-1

CC:HA:SA - Approval of Cash Disbursements

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD: APPROVE CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2, 2019 TO FEBRUARY 15, 2019.

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Item C-2

CC:HA:SA - Approval of Minutes for the Special City Council Meetings on February 4, 2019 and February 12, 2019, and the Regular City Council Meeting on February 11, 2019

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ON FEBRUARY 4, 2019 AND FEBRUARY 12, 2019, AND THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON FEBRUARY 11, 2019.

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Item C-4
(Out of Sequence)

CC - Approval of an Amendment to the Existing Professional Services Agreement with Advantec Consulting Engineers in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$70,295 for Traffic Engineering Support Services for the Adaptive Traffic Control System (ATCS) Project, PL-005

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ADVANTEC CONSULTING ENGINEERS IN AN AMOUNT OF \$70,295 FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES THE ADAPTIVE TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM (ATCS) PROJECT, PL-005; 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-3

CC - Receipt and Filing of Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Year-End Report and Audit Summary

Council Member Fisch pointed out demographic information indicating that the City's population has shrunk over the past ten years.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding possible reasons for a declining population; the need to study the causes; and a suggestion to compare housing costs with population loss.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: RECEIVE AND FILE THE ATTACHED FISCAL YEAR 2017/2018 YEAR-END REPORT AND AUDIT SUMMARY.

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Item C-5
(Out of Sequence)

CC - (1) Receipt and Filing of the Financial Statements from Culver City's Boulevard Music 2018 Summer Festival; (2) FOUR-FIFTHS VOTE REQUIREMENT: Approval of a Budget Amendment Appropriating \$43,167 from the General Fund; (3) Designation of Culver City's Boulevard Music 2019 Summer Festival Series as a City-Sponsored Event; (4) Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding and License Agreement with Boulevard Music in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$43,167 for Culver City's Boulevard Music 2019 Summer Festival; and (5) Approval of a Fee Waiver for the \$119 City Banner Permit Application Fee

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells suggested outreach to the community during the 2019 concert series to gain input as to whether people who attend the series feel it should be put out to bid, continue as it is, or move to the Culver Steps which will be completed by 2020, as she felt that meaningful outreach should be conducted before any changes are made.

Shelley Wolfberg, City Manager's Office, discussed potential cost differentials with the new custodial company's fees; a contingency of \$1,000 for those additional costs; the budget amendment; and the requirement of full documentation.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. RECEIVE AND FILE THE 2018 SUMMER CONCERT FINANCIALS PROVIDED BY BOULEVARD MUSIC; AND
- 2. (FOUR-FIFTHS VOTE REQUIRED) APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT APPROPRIATING \$43,167 FROM THE GENERAL FUND; AND,
- 3. DESIGNATE CULVER CITY'S BOULEVARD MUSIC 2019 SUMMER FESTIVAL

A CITY-SPONSORED EVENT; AND,

- 4. APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH BOULEVARD MUSIC IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$43,167 FOR THE 2019 CULVER CITY SUMMER CONCERT SERIES; AND,
- 5. WAIVE THE \$119 CITY BANNER PERMIT APPLICATION FEE; AND,
- 6. AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,
- 7. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SUCH DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

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Item C-6

CC - Authorization of Free Fare Days for Culver CityBus in Association with (1) CicLAvia and Culver CityBus 91st Anniversary (March 3, 2019); and (2) Bike to Work Day 2019 (May 16, 2019)

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells announced that March 3, 2019 is the $91^{\rm st}$ anniversary of the Culver City Bus and she discussed free fare days with a suggestion that free fares also be offered on election day.

Council Member Lee suggested additional free fare days as a means to increase ridership.

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. AUTHORIZE CULVER CITYBUS TO OFFER FREE FARES TO ALL RIDERS IN HONOR OF CICLAVIA AND CULVER CITYBUS'S 91ST ANNIVERSARY ON SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2019; AND,
- 2. AUTHORIZE CULVER CITYBUS TO OFFER FREE FARES TO RIDERS WITH A BICYCLE AND/OR BIKE HELMET ON BIKE TO WORK DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2019.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE ITEMS A-3, A-5 AS AMENDED, AND A-6.

Public Hearings

Item PH-1

CC - PUBLIC HEARING: Adoption of a Resolution Approving an Exception to Culver City Municipal Code Subdivision Design Standard Requiring Lot Frontage along a Dedicated Public Street as Part of a Planning Commission approved Tentative Parcel Map that Allows the Development of a 2-Unit Townhome Style Subdivision at 4116 Higuera Street in the Two-Family Residential (R2) Zone

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE AND FILE THE POSTING OF THE PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE.

William Kavadas, Assistant Planner, provided a summary of the material of record.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding similar projects in the pipeline; streamlining the process; clarification that exceptions are required to come before the City Council; the need to approve the Tentative Parcel Map; building out the R2 zoning to R2 density; the need to amend the code to eliminate the exceptions; holding each lot to private ownership rather than common ownership; housing prices and the desire for homeownership; and establishing basic standards that incorporate concerns raised by residents.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING AND RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

David Hauptman expressed opposition to granting exceptions in a piece-meal fashion; he felt that the issue should be considered as part of the General Plan process; noted that this is a different definition of R2 than he had bought into in the Rancho Higuera neighborhood; discussed splitting ownership; the affects of changing the parameters on property values; noted that two years had been spent studying permit parking and he felt this to be much more important; discussed substandard lots;

unanswered questions; input from the Fire and Police departments; neighbor input; the reputation of the City as being difficult to build in; concern with catering to the developer; and he asked that lot divisions be stopped until further study has been done.

Holly Connors, Rancho Higuera Neighborhood Association, discussed insufficient time to have a meeting about the subject; providing the time and opportunity for people to feel heard; concern with setting a precedent; changes to the character of the neighborhood and property values; and she asked that the matter be addressed as part of the General Plan.

MOVED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Sol Blumenfeld, Community Development Director, discussed concerns raised including the General Plan Update; the review process; densities and zoning; simplification of the process; additional development restrictions; halting construction; project density and aesthetics; conformance to multi-family design guidelines; ownership issues vs. design issues; effects on property values; creation of a more attainable ownership opportunity; Police and Fire department review of discretionary permits; clarification that the density does not change; standard review; difficulty of development in Culver City; maintaining neighborhood character; state mandates; and the process.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the exception required for the stem lot condition; different ownership conditions; by-right building vs. building that requires exceptions; differences in ownership; condominium development; creating more comprehensive standards; the General Plan process; mansionization in R2 neighborhoods; proximity to public transit; SB50; creating ownership opportunities; engaging in a thorough review and allowing for public input; changing ownership structure of the lots; spot zoning; putting a process in place before making such large changes; elimination of single family zoning in Minneapolis; increasing housing diversity without changing the footprint; providing choices; negative characterization of developers; direction commitment to put R2 in mansionization regulations; massing; encroachment; building footprint vs. the number of families in a neighborhood; 1920s bungalows that would not be allowed to be built under current regulations; the need for thoughtful,

inclusive neighborhood discussion; the affordability problem; who benefits; and agreement to add a study of mansionization in R2 lots to the work study program for the next year.

François Bar, owner, provided background on the lot and the project; discussed concern with providing housing for their family; intent of the division; the proposed LEED Gold, Net Zero project; allowing for flexibility; the need to secure the subdivision before building; proximity to the neighbors; efforts to minimize the impact on the neighbors; and the original plans to build a larger house.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding requiring LEED Gold and Net Zero for subdivided lots; concern that a large number of subdivisions will come before the Council while the issue is being studied; a suggestion to put the item in the work plan and hold off on subdivision exceptions until it is clear how to move forward; weighing all aspects of the change to the principles; mansionization vs. subdivision; interim measures for R2; clarifying the definition neighborhood character; the small lot subdivision ordinance in Los Angeles; creating density without changing the character of the neighborhood; the missing middle: housing at the high end and the lower end; providing a choice of ownership for middleincome families; proximity to the train station; parcels subject to redevelopment; guiding management of subdivision in the future; acknowledgement that the project could have been built without the same level of review if the ownership change had not been included; providing ownership at a lower price point; Planning Commission consideration; and concern with changing the ownership structure.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXCEPTION TO A SUBDIVISION DESIGN STANDARD (CCMC SECTION 15.10.700.C) REQUIRING LOT FRONTAGE ALONG A DEDICATED PUBLIC STREET OR ACCESS TO A DEDICATED PUBLIC STREET WITH THE "STEM" OF A "FLAG LOT" IN ORDER TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION OF A 2-UNIT TOWNHOME STYLE SUBDIVISION.

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Action Items

- (1) Receive Presentation on Mid-Year Budget Monitoring Report,
- (2) Receipt and Filing of the Fiscal Year 2018/2019 Mid-Year Budget Monitoring Report, (3) Provide Notification to Public Inviting Comment and Input for the Upcoming Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020, (4) Approval of Proposed Blanket Purchase Order Amendments and (5) FOUR-FIFTHS VOTE REQUIREMENT: Approval of Proposed Budget Amendments

Onyx Jones, Chief Financial Officer, provided a summary of the material of record.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the operating surplus/deficit; the structural deficit projected future; General Fund contributions to the Improvements; the economic slowdown on the horizon; forecasting; investments and security of the principal; tracking revenue received from short term rentals; funding for affordable residuals; redevelopment funds; obligations; the Successor Agency; the long term forecast for Transient Occupancy Taxes (TOT); new hotels; growth estimates; additional operating revenue from development; changes to rates of TOT vs. property taxes; business taxes; Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) consideration of impacts of new businesses coming into the City vs. revenue received; increased funding for the Police and Community Development departments; vacancies; projected amounts vs. actuals; Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs); refrigerated truck; economic development the strategies; potential revenue sources to address projected deficits; market demand for hotels; other revenue sources; corporate housing; long-term, inclusive thinking; updating the Creative Economy Report; valuing opportunities inherent in the and ensuring collection community; of CCUSD fees developers.

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Mark Lipman thanked the Vice Mayor for acknowledging the need for large corporations to pay for their impacts to the community; he discussed additional monies in the General Plan; restrictive funding; developer incentives; the need for additional staff in the Housing Department to implement programs; concern with large increases in the amount of money dedicated to Other Contractual Services in the Police Department budget; the need for transparency; and concern with the budget

line item for the monitoring of cannabis businesses for illegal activity.

Council Member Eriksson clarified that the large increase to the Police Department budget included outsourcing of 911 services.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. RECEIVE A PRESENTATION ON THE MID-YEAR BUDGET MONITORING REPORT; AND
- 2. RECEIVE AND FILE THE FISCAL 2018/2019 MID-YEAR REPORT AS PROVIDED IN ATTACHMENT 1; AND
- 3. PROVIDE NOTIFICATION TO THE PUBLIC INVITING COMMENT AND INPUT FOR THE UPCOMING PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020; AND
- 4. APPROVE THE BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER SUMMARY AMENDMENTS AS PROPOSED IN ATTACHMENT 3; AND
- 5. APPROVE THE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AS PROPOSED IN ATTACHMENT 2 (BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRES A 4/5THS VOTE).

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Item A-2

(1) Discussion Pertaining to Updating Culver City's Historic Preservation Program, as Set Forth in Chapter 15.05 of the Culver City Municipal Code, Including Authorization to Release Request for Proposals for Related Consultant Services, and Authorization to Incorporate a Community Advisory Panel into the Process; and, (2) Direction to City Manager as Deemed Appropriate

Christine Byers, Cultural Affairs Coordinator, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Marcello Vavala, Los Angeles Conservancy, provided background on the organization; offered technical assistance; discussed the Historic Preservation Ordinance; financial incentives; the Mills Act; and he asked that the City Council adopt the proposed motion.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, read comments submitted by:

Denice Renteria Hope Parrish Julie Lugo Cerra

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding adding the Arts District Association as part of the Committee; the intent to increase outreach; adding an at-large seat; the downtown neighborhood; committee selection; City Council ratification and approval of the Committee; public stakeholder meetings; the ability of the public to participate; proposed size of the Community Advisory Panel; the application process; and input from business groups.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES IN CONJUNCTION WITH UPDATING THE CCMC AS PERTAINS TO THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM; AND
- 2. AUTHORIZE THE CONSULTANT'S SCOPE OF WORK TO INCLUDE DEVELOPMENT OF A MILLS ACT PROGRAM AND ADDRESS CRITERIA FOR CULVER CITY QUALIFYING AS A CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT; AND
- 3. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO INCORPORATE A COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE INTO THE PROCESS WHICH SHALL COMPRISE THE FOLLOWING: CULVER CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (2 REPRESENTATIVES), CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (2 REPRESENTATIVES), DOWNTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (1-2 REPRESENTATIVES), AND ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH OF THE FIVE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS (BLAIR HILLS ASSOCIATION, CULVER CREST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, FOX HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, RANCHO HIGUERA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, AND SUNKIST PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION); AND
- 4. INCLUDE REPRESENTATION FROM THE ARTS DISTRICT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AND THE DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION.

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells thanked staff and the LA Conservancy for their work on the item.

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Item A-3

1) Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Dyson & Womack for Services in Conjunction with the Development and Implementation of Art for the Washington/National TOD Gateway in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$50,000; and, 2) Direction on Art Concept Development with Regard to the Ficus Tree Located in Landscaped City-Owned Property

Christine Byers, Cultural Affairs Coordinator, provided a summary of the material of record.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding artwork location; private property; City property; and the possibility of a light projection off the Metro Rail overpasses.

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Ken Mand expressed support for art in the area; he wanted to see the tree retained; noted opportunity around the tree; and he discussed and the iconic nature of the tree for the intersection.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding other instances where projects are designed around a tree; the five-year lease held by Joseph Miller on a portion of land from Metro; the tree as an existing piece of art; the arborist study on the health of the tree; support for retaining the tree; conversations with Mr. Miller on the long-term plan for the parcel; the mini-park; consultant facilitation of the process; landscaping; public space beyond the art piece; bringing together the separate corners through public art; community input; private activities happening on the site; increasing the open space; preserving the urban forest and shade; adding more trees; the bias of the arborist toward the trees; support for removal of the palm trees that are in poor condition; the amount

of money allocated to the project; and interest from sculptors who are landscape architects.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DYSON & WOMACK FOR SERVICES IN CONJUNCTION WITH DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ART FOR THE WASHINGTON/NATIONAL TOD GATEWAY IN AN AMOUNT NOTTO-EXCEED \$50,000; 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; AND
- 4. APPROVE ART CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT TO RETAIN THE EXISTING FICUS TREE IN THE TRIANGULAR LANDSCAPED CITY-OWNED PROPERTY.

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Item A-4

(1) Discussion of the City Council Ad-Hoc Subcommittee's Recommendations Relating to the Issuance of Alcohol Use Permits for City-Produced and City-Sponsored Special Events; (2) Introduction of an Ordinance Amending Culver City Municipal Code (CCMC) § 13.03.025, Regarding the Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages on Streets and Public Parks; and (3) Adoption of a Resolution Adopting a City Council Policy Establishing Conditions and Procedures for the Issuance of Alcohol Use Permits

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

Heather Baker, Assistant City Attorney, noted that standard conditions could be placed on any alcohol use permit with the ability of the City Manager to place additional conditions.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the Tito's Tacos event; placing acceptable limits on alcohol; activating parks for events; approving one-time events in other parks; restrictions and jurisdiction; public vs. private property; reasons for events at Veterans Park; ingress and egress; sightlines for the Police Department; hilly conditions; security; programming; weddings; challenges with smaller parks; parking; tents; turf damage; other jurisdictions; City organized vs. City sponsored events; and cultural beverages.

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

John Cohn discussed his experience applying for Alcohol and Beverage Control (ABC) permits; alcoholic content; and private property.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding adding clarification to indicate, "...as required by ABC"; the Tito's Tacos event; private property; liability; the need to amend the code if other parks are considered; Town Plaza; the goal of Zero Waste events; Media Park; serving alcohol in reusable or biodegradable containers; Los Angeles County Public Health; and the stated sustainability goals of the Board of Supervisors.

John Cohn reported that recyclable and compostable cups were used for the Beer and Wine Garden last year; he discussed issues related to the use of reusable containers; plans for the next event; and he indicated that the Exchange Club would welcome quidance from the City.

Additional discussion ensued between Mr. Cohn, staff and Council Members regarding commemorative cups; bartending rules; sanitation; controlling portions; cups going into the public space; energy net savers; revenue potential; education; placing biodegradable items in green bins; support for eliminating recyclable containers from the list of acceptable items; compostable vs. biodegradable; manufacturer loopholes; and moving away from single use items.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. DISCUSS THE CITY COUNCIL AD-HOC SUBCOMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF ALCOHOL USE PERMITS FOR CITY-PRODUCED AND CITY-SPONSORED SPECIAL EVENTS; AND
- 2. INTRODUCE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CCMC § 13.03.025 REGARDING THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON STREETS AND PUBLIC PARKS; AND

3. ADOPT A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CITY COUNCIL POLICY AS MODIFIED, ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ALCOHOL USE PERMITS.

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Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Small invited public comment.

No cards were received and no speakers came forward.

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Items from Council Members

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Council Member Requests to Agendize Future Items

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 10:51 p.m., the City Council, Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board, and Culver City Housing Authority Board adjourned in memory of Jacsun Manson to March 4, 2019.

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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

THOMAS SMALL

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