

OFFICIAL MINUTES

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

April 27, 2020  
5:30 p.m.

**Call to Order & Roll Call**

Mayor Sahli-Wells called the regular meeting of the City Council, Culver City Housing Authority Board, Culver City Parking Authority, Redevelopment Financing Authority, and the Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board to order at 5:39 p.m. in the Mike Balkman Chambers at City Hall via teleconference.

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

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

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**Closed Session**

At 5:41 p.m. the City Council, Culver City Housing Authority Board, Culver City Parking Authority, Redevelopment Financing Authority, and the Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board recessed to Closed Session to consider the following items:

**CS-1** HA - Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation  
Re: Initiation of Litigation - 1 Matter  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)

**CS-2** CC - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation  
Pinhas, Meital v. City of Culver City et al.  
LASC case no. 19STCV29965  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

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**Reconvene**

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

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**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Sahli-Wells.

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**Closed Session Report**

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

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**Community Announcements by City Council Members/Information Items from Staff**

Vice Mayor Eriksson provided an update on Feed Culver and he thanked those who have worked on and contributed to the project.

Council Member Lee thanked the Fire Department for taking him to the Emergency Room on April 18; he expressed best wishes to the Chief of Police; and he expressed appreciation to the fast response and care of the first responders.

Mayor Sahli-Wells wished Council Member Lee a speedy recovery.

Council Member Fisch reminded everyone to self-report for the 2020 Census at [my2020census.gov](https://my2020census.gov); announced regular budget meetings on May 18-19; encouraged anyone worried about maintaining local services to contact state senators and Representative Karen Bass to urge that future relief bills from the federal government include direct financing for cities; and he expressed gratitude to those working to protect public health.

Mayor Sahli-Wells noted that this would be her last meeting serving as mayor; acknowledged that a normal State of the City was not possible this year; and she presented a film to reflect on the state of the community.

John Nachbar, City Manager, thanked City employees for their courage in handling the pandemic; discussed the impact of COVID-19 on City finances and plans to handle it; he indicated major expenditure reductions but no elimination of programs or service reductions and no plans to lay off current City employees; and he acknowledged the need to adapt the organization and operations.

Onyx Jones, Chief Financial Officer, provided a presentation on the revised ten year forecast; discussed the changing situation; revenue estimates; the mid-year report; current and anticipated revenue; sales tax; business license tax revenue; decreases to Utility Users Tax (UUT) revenue and Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT); decreases to Charge for Services and Fines and Forfeitures; estimated revenue; total current projected revenue impact; adjustments to expenditures; CalPERS; changes in the stock market; increases to the unfunded liability; potential scenarios to balance the budget; the need for vigilance; monthly monitoring of the budget; the financial impact of changes happening day-to-day; and strategies in place to help keep the City on track.

John Nachbar, City Manager, noted that the information was available to everyone on the City website but had not been agendized, so a discussion of the matter was not appropriate.

Mayor Sahli-Wells received clarification that an updated version of the ten year forecast would return in the budget presentation to the City Council and that the Finance Advisory Committee would be involved.

Council Member Lee expressed appreciation for the work done and asked to see regular updates outside of budget meetings as things change to keep the public up to date on the City's dynamic financial situation.

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### **Joint Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda**

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public comment.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, reported that eComment, a new system for making public comment on specific agenda items, was available on the City website and she read public comment submitted by:

Dr. Janet Hoult: thanked the City for their guidance and hard word during the crisis; provided a poem she had written about her dog; and a limerick by Frances Talbot White about the pandemic.

Marlys West: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her work.

David Coles, Bike Culver City: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her leadership and work to change the streetscape in Culver City.

Paul Ehrlich: proposed a regular presentation on the City's financial picture at every City Council meeting; asked that the practice of having the Financial Officer sign off on the financial impact of each agenda item be reinstated; and he suggested that capital spending be reduced, eliminated or deferred to the fourth quarter of the 2021-2022 budget, staffing reductions, cancellation of the Fourth of July and musical events, reduced street sweeping and tree trimming, and contracts for studies should be cancelled.

Freddy Puza, Protect Culver City Renters (PCCR): thanked the City Council for implementing the interim rent control ordinance and studying a possible permanent program; he expressed hope that the City would enact fair protection for renters; discussed the mission of PCCR: the upcoming deadline; the affordable

housing crisis; projected job growth in the City; the mandate for new housing; and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Michael Winn: suggested that Culver City use the state of California rent control program; asserted that the Culver City program robs owners of their right to make a fair profit and discourages proper maintenance; questioned the duplication of efforts between the City and the state; and he asserted there would be litigation.

Jeff Schwartz: expressed appreciation for the outgoing mayor and hoped that future leaders would continue her good work.

Annette Morasch: felt it would be a better use of tax payer monies to allocate them towards a City-wide free wifi service to ensure that Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD) students have access to the internet rather than to a military tank for the Culver City Police Department (CCPD).

Yasmin-Imani McMorris thanked the Mayor Sahli-Wells for her work over the past year and staff for their efforts during this difficult time.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, indicated that some comments had been allocated to Item A-4 and she confirmed that no additional comments for Items Not on the Agenda had been received.

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#### **Receipt and Filing of Correspondence**

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SMALL 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**

Mayor Sahli-Wells received clarification that no public comment had been received for any Consent Calendar Items, and she noted a minor correction to the spelling of KidScoop Media on page 4 of the April 13, 2020 Special City Council meeting minutes in Item C-2.

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

Item C-1

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

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

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Item C-2

**CC:HA:SA - Approval of Minutes for the Regular Consolidated City Council Meetings on April 13, 2020 and the Special City Council Meeting on April 16, 2020**

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD: APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CONSOLIDATED CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ON APRIL 13, 2020 AND THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON APRIL 16, 2020.

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Item C-3

**CC - Adoption of the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Form 130 Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies**

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. ADOPT THE DESIGNATION OF APPLICANT'S AGENT RESOLUTION FOR NON-STATE AGENCIES (CAL OES FORM 130), WHICH AUTHORIZES THE CITY MANAGER, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND FIRE CHIEF TO PROVIDE REQUIRED ASSURANCES AND TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CULVER CITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING CERTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM FEMA AND CAL OES; AND

2. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO FILE THE CAL OES FORM 130, INCLUDING ALL RELATED DOCUMENTATION, WITH CAL OES.

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### **Public Hearings**

None.

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### **Action Items**

Item A-1

**CC - Adoption of a Resolution Confirming the April 11, 2020 Seventh Supplement to Public Order Issued by the City Manager, as Director of Emergency Services, Under City of Culver City Emergency Authority, Ordering Additional Precautionary Measures and Extending Other Public Orders, During the Coronavirus Respiratory Disease (COVID-19) Pandemic**

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public comment.

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

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SMALL AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APRIL 11, 2020 SEVENTH SUPPLEMENT TO PUBLIC ORDER ISSUED BY THE CITY MANAGER, AS DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES, UNDER CITY OF CULVER CITY EMERGENCY AUTHORITY, ORDERING ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AND EXTENDING OTHER PUBLIC ORDERS DURING THE CORONAVIRUS RESPIRATORY DISEASE ("COVID-19") PANDEMIC.

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Item A-2

**CC - (1) Discussion of Eviction Moratoria Requirements for the Repayment of Unpaid Rent; and (2) Direction to the City Manager as Deemed Appropriate**

Heather Baker, Assistant City Attorney, provided a summary of the material of record.

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public comment.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, read written comments submitted by:

Dennis Page: felt that that landlords and tenants should be able to agree to a different term for rent payback; back rent should be paid before the expiration of the lease; the public order should extend the lease until back rent is paid; and he expressed concern with amending the landlord tenant contract without due process.

Danielle Leidner-Peretz: submitted a letter for consideration from the Apartment Association of Greater Los Angeles (AAGLA) regarding taking a balanced approach; considering the effects of the pandemic on renters and housing providers; the period of time allowed for renters to pay back rent; the unknown duration of the emergency; maintaining the current repayment period; the repayment period as a government interest free loan; concern that rents would never be re-paid; and challenges for housing providers.

Mayor Sahli-Wells indicated even if time does not allow for a comment to be read in full, all comments have been received by Council Members.

Darryl Menthe: asked that the City Council adopt a 12-month repayment period for commercial as well as residential tenants; discussed extra rent payments after the emergency period is over; the untenable nature of requiring repayment during 2020; the inability of Culver City to require that banks grant the same forbearance; the lack of replacement tenants available in the current economy; and concern with a plan that only leads to evictions.

Nelda S. Robinson: expressed support for Protect Culver City (PCC); discussed duplication of laws being handled at a county level; liability; and she felt that evictions should be kept at the county level noting that she supported taking legal action if the City persists.



Ron Bassilian: felt that the current moratorium should remain unchanged; discussed new laws and emergency measures; proposed action by the City Council to extend the eviction moratorium by re-visiting the requirements for unpaid rent; the need for documentation to keep the process honest; he felt that without enforcement via eviction, there is no law; indicated that PCC was in communication with attorneys; and he cautioned the City noting liability with interfering in landlord/tenant contracts.

Richard Glaser: questioned why affordable housing providers would be punished by having their income taken away; discussed liability of cities for damages; and he suggested dealing with issues at the county level.

Culver Vista Studios: forwarded a message from NJS Meats regarding tenants who had ghosted landlords for April rents; a website article from commercialobserver.com regarding tenants who have not paid rents; communication; working with tenants; offering deferrals; damage to relationships due to lack of communication; and large companies who are not paying rent and have failed to provide notice about not paying.

Kelli Estes: asserted that the staff report provided as part of the agenda was missing key information and analysis; she requested information on how many comments were received from landlords, outside groups and actual Culver City renters, and if commercial or residential; she congratulated staff on resolution of a commercial landlord/tenant issue; wanted to see issues considered on a case by case basis; discussed financial impacts of decisions and actions to the City; cautioned against blanket assumptions and making political statements; and she supported focusing on lessening the legal liability of the City.

Debi Lee: did not want to see a moratorium on evictions; stated that issues should be considered on a case by case basis between tenant and landlord; discussed tenants who had not paid rent since before the crisis; and she asked that the item not be passed.

Mark Lipman: expressed support for a rent freeze, eviction moratorium and debt forgiveness; wanted to see protection for homeowners with frozen mortgage payments; discussed impacts of the crisis on everyone; people excluded from stimulus money or unable to qualify for unemployment benefits; insurmountable debt; handouts to banks as public taxpayer bailouts; and the right and the responsibility of the City to look after its citizens.

Kyle Williams: reported taking a mortgage forbearance for three months, after which time total repayment would come due; noted that owners were continuing to pay bills and provide safe places to live; questioned how owners would be able to pay their mortgages with tenants unable to pay their rent; and he expressed concern with implementing a law without a plan to offset the consequences.

Jerry Chabola: urged the City Council not to modify the current moratorium.

Meg Sullivan: reported that their tenants were healthy and paying rent; stated that relief was available to everyone but housing providers; expressed concern with damage to credit ratings; and asked that the City offer assistance to housing providers.

Brian Pogue: thanked the City Council for enacting the moratorium on evictions during the COVID-19 period; asked that the repayment period be extended to six months and that evictions following this period be limited to for-cause to eliminate retaliation from landlords against those who utilized assistance during the pandemic; and he thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her service.

Disa Lindgren: asked that the City Council protect residential renters in Culver City; noted that Culver City allows six months for repayment of rents, while the city and county of Los Angeles allow 12 months; she asked for rent forgiveness for anyone unable to pay their rent during this time as they may never be able to accrue sufficient funds to pay the rent back; and she expressed hope that federal and state governments would step in to provide rent and mortgage forgiveness.

Sebastian Hernandez: wanted to see Culver City match or improve on the policy of Los Angeles with a 12-month period to pay back rents and he felt that banks should also provide relief to small landlords.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the assertion that the City would be interfering with contracts if the repayment period were extended; price gouging; constitutionality of the action; landlords as being in the business of sheltering people; allowing renters and small businesses time to get back on their feet; encouragement to landlords and tenants to work together; adjusting leverage between parties; those with less power and less wealth; help for small landlords; support for matching the county of Los

Angeles for both commercial and residential; advocacy for relief and accommodation all the way up the chain; clarification that there is nothing to preclude a landlord and tenant from coming up with their own payment schedule; concern with smaller landlords ending up in financial hardship; balloon payments; changing the for-cause eviction for failure to pay rent; clarification that a landlord would not be able to serve a three-day notice until the expiration of the grace period; adding language to require the parties to negotiate a payment plan over the course of the grace period; allowing people and businesses time to get back on their feet; consistency with neighboring cities; support for following the county 12-month extension for commercial and residential; concern with legislating a payment plan; precedent; the City's need for time to make up losses; acknowledgement of different situations for everyone; recognizing the depth of difficulties that everyone is going through and allowing an adequate amount of time; the inability of the City to require banks to allow additional time for repayment of mortgages; caution regarding the balance of power; protecting tenants; financial incentives; recognizing that landlords and tenants are not on equal footing; ensuring fairness; concern with taking a patronizing view of renters; working for a better recovery, better cashflow for landlords and preventing evictions; research into the actions of other cities; the intent to find a legal way to not leave things up to landlords; and ensuring due compensation in a reasonable and equitable way.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL EXTEND THE PAYBACK PERIOD FROM SIX MONTHS TO TWELVE MONTHS FOR COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL.

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding staff direction to research various options and what other cities have done; requiring repayment plans for back rent; timing; length of the moratorium; and Council Member Fisch offered to help staff.

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Item A-3

**CC - (1) Discussion Regarding a Safe Park Program for Unsheltered Individuals Living in their Vehicles During the COVID-19 Pandemic; and (2) Direction to the City Manager as Deemed Appropriate**

Helen Chin, Assistant to the City Manager on Homelessness, provided a summary of the material of record.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding funding; the California Community Foundation; length of time until a site can be operational; establishment of guidelines; best practices of other programs; case management; and additional consideration by the City Council.

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public comment.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, read written comments submitted by:

Disa Lindgren: indicated that Culver Palms United Methodist Church would be honored to host the Culver City Safe Parking Program and she urged the City Council to move forward.

Jamie Wallace: suggested ranking participation by demonstrated need; expressed support for all the proposed program sites except for the one by Syd Kronenthal Park; suggested not allowing parking in the back of the Culver Palms United Methodist Church parking lot due to the proximity to homes; and thanked the City Council for their consideration of the item.

Mark Lipman: expressed support for moving forward with a long overdue program; recommended that the Veterans Memorial Building be activated as an emergency shelter; suggested the use of hotels that are receiving federal bailout money; providing necessary public services; and he felt that higher standards should be set, over and above the bare minimum.

Jerry Chabola: noted the importance of identifying specific parameters for the program.

Jeff Schwartz: expressed support for the proposed safe parking program, but suggested that the Salvation Army not be included due to their persistent reports of discrimination against LGBTQ clients and employees.

Mayor Sahli-Wells suggested that a comment received from Fred Sutton on the proposed changes to the emergency eviction moratorium from the California Apartment Association be read at the end of the meeting under additional comments received.

Sebastian Hernandez: stated that the program is a necessary step in addressing the housing crisis that has been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Yasmine-Imani McMorris: expressed support for the proposed program; discussed the importance of not criminalizing people who are displaced into their cars; the importance of providing resources and support; and she expressed appreciation for help provided to community members further impacted by the COVID-19 crisis.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding appreciation to staff for their work on the item and to Culver Palms United Methodist Church for their willingness to help; potential issues with each site; clarification that use of the Culver Palms and YMCA sites would only be for the duration of the local emergency, with participants transitioned to another location or a longer term housing solution after that; the condition to discontinue the program with a week's notice once the YMCA is allowed to re-open; the existing agreement the Virginia lot has to provide parking to businesses in the area; proximity to senior living facilities; the need for outreach to utilize Bill Botts; benefits to participation; a suggestion to start at the United Methodist site and then move to the Virginia site while letting people know that relocation might be happening; allowing time to renegotiate the contract; finding a long-term site; existence of the crisis long before and after the pandemic; costs to the City; money available from the California Community Foundation; concern with staff time and money spent on transitioning; the amount of money lost by using the Virginia site for Safe Parking; support for use of a long-term site right now; the feeling that Bill Botts would be the easiest site to get up and running due to the availability of power and restrooms and separation from residential areas; use of the Virginia lot for permanent supportive housing; the need to move forward quickly; money from the Westside Cities Council of Governments through Los Angeles Housing Services Authority for washing stations; availability of funding; finding an operator for the long-term; a suggestion to start the program quickly with St. Josephs Center and build surrounding services later with the California Community Foundation; concern with converting a park use without public outreach; operating hours; program duration; organized sports; the specific parking lot being considered at Bill Botts; proximity to the restrooms; the need for additional detail; open ended questions; outreach required for long-term implementation; an observation that since everything is closed, things can be acted upon for the short-term; support for instituting a safe parking program at Bill Botts with staff to return with information on an operator and a conversation started for permanent supportive housing on the



Virginia lot; addressing replacement parking for people currently leasing the parking spots; concern with over burdening staff by having two sites investigated; allowing staff discretion; consensus to direct staff to investigate Bill Botts, with agreement to consider Culver Palms if Bill Botts does not work out and explore options with the state for the Virginia lot; and staff acknowledgement of the need to remove constraints associated with the Virginia lot.

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Item A-4

**CC:FA:HA:PA:SA - (1) Election of Mayor and Vice Mayor for Terms Commencing on April 27, 2020 and Continuing Until the Meeting at which the Results of the November 3, 2020 Election are Declared by the City Council (After Certification by Los Angeles County); 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**

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, noted that normally the process is done in a public forum with many people present to congratulate the mayor on the job done, but due to COVID-19 that is not possible.

Mayor Sahli-Wells invited public comment.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, read written comments submitted by:

Patricia Bijvoet: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her wise and thoughtful leadership.

Linda Boverman: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her work.

Karen Kurokawa thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for the integrity and intelligence that she brought to her work on the City Council, and, in particular, for her leadership during the pandemic.

Prisca Gloor: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her service to the City and especially for her leadership during the pandemic.

Carolyn DeVinny: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her leadership.

Bronwyn Jamrok: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her service.

Ralph Guthrie: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her inspirational video.

Erik Mar: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her sensible politics; attention to important issues; and for exemplifying policies she espouses through her own lifestyle choices.

Disa Lindgren: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her service to the City and discussed hallmarks of her tenure.

Rachel Burke: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her support of CicLAvia over the years.

David Coles, Bike Culver City: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her leadership in making the City a safer place for cyclists and other vulnerable road users and for changes made to the streetscape; he expressed support for her modeling of the cycling lifestyle; and he noted much work still to be accomplished.

Martin and Alejandra Hernandez: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her work.

Mary Daval: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her compassionate leadership; her welcoming of input; her inspiration to others to become involved; and for her embodiment of values of equity and inclusivity.

Ken Mand: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells and welcomed incoming Mayor Eriksson.

Bonnie and Matt Seeberger: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her smart and thoughtful leadership.

Erik Paesel: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her enlightened, progressive leadership.

Leah Pressman: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her dedication to the community and for being true to the values that she ran on.

Kelly Kent, Culver City Board of Education: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her leadership; protection of renters and low-income residents; advocacy of affordable housing; safer streets for pedestrians and cyclists; climate friendly policies; for standing up to strong opposition; for being an inspiration to

women; for representing what it looks like to make policy when people are the bottom line; and for her mentorship.

Jeff Schwartz: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her articulate, well-informed, compassionate and accessible leadership; discussed her contributions to the future; her response to climate change; and he hoped future leaders would continue her path.

Bubba Fish: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for approving Metro Bike, Complete Streets guidelines, and the Safe Routes to School program; advocating for pedestrian infrastructure; setting a positive example; supporting the homelessness and affordable housing; and for making him feel welcome and comfortable when speaking at his first City Council meeting.

Lisette and Norm Palley: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her leadership and encouragement of sustainability.

Freddy Puza: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her leadership, especially during the pandemic; discussed her vision; and he welcomed the incoming Mayor.

Rebecca Rona: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her dedicated service to the City.

Donna Kent: thanked Mayor Sahli-Wells for her leadership and all that she has done for Culver City.

Mayor Sahli-Wells thanked everyone for their kind words and her colleagues for their support and teamwork; discussed the short film that she had made; she expressed appreciation for the dedication and creativity that City staff bring to their work; and she noted the additional months she would be serving on the City Council.

Jamie Wallace: expressed support for the confirmation of Vice Mayor Eriksson as Mayor.

Jerry Chabola: expressed support for the confirmation of Vice Mayor Eriksson as Mayor.

Kelli Estes: expressed support for the confirmation of Vice Mayor Eriksson as Mayor as of April 27, 2020.

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



April 27, 2020

ERIKSSON AS MAYOR TO SERVE A TERM COMMENCING ON APRIL 27, 2020 AND CONTINUING UNTIL THE MEETING AT WHICH THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 ELECTION ARE DECLARED BY THE CITY COUNCIL (AFTER BEING CERTIFIED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY).

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding congratulations to Mayor Eriksson; the pinning ceremony and community celebration; Council consensus to waive the 30-day requirement for the pinning ceremony and formal swearing in of the Mayor; and the full celebration with the community.

Mayor Eriksson thanked his colleagues; expressed appreciation to his wife for her patience; discussed the work involved with being a City Council Member; thanked residents for community support of one another during the pandemic noting the need for continued vigilance; and he acknowledged challenges ahead and the need for creativity and intelligence to plan for the future.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SMALL, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ELECT COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH TO SERVE AS VICE MAYOR, SERVING A TERM COMMENCING ON APRIL 27, 2020 AND CONTINUING UNTIL THE MEETING AT WHICH THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 ELECTION ARE DECLARED BY THE CITY COUNCIL (AFTER BEING CERTIFIED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY).

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR FISCH AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, 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, EACH SERVING TERMS COMMENSURATE WITH THE TERMS OF THE MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the official pinning ceremony, and Council Members thanked outgoing Mayor Sahli-Wells for her service and Mayor Eriksson for his passion to make the City better.

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#### **Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda**

Mayor Eriksson invited public comment.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, read a written comment from:

Fred Sutton, California Apartment Association: requested that the current framework in the emergency eviction moratorium be maintained; discussed emergency actions; concern with creating confusion by making changes; state guidelines; the need for clarity; and efforts to comply with regulations already passed by the City Council.

Mayor Eriksson clarified that all Council Members had previously received the public comment email from Mr. Sutton.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, reported that George Montgomery had emailed two comments after the start of the meeting.

George Montgomery: thanked the City Council for their efforts during the pandemic noting that the City Council serves as volunteers; pointed out that the City was not in a position to fund finance recovery programs; discussed financial challenges faced by the City; emergency orders and conscientious actions; continued efforts to help residents; concern with resident and business insolvency; the need to strategize ways to help people and businesses survive; and he provided suggestions of concepts to address issues.

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#### **Items from Council Members**

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#### **Council Member Requests to Agendize Future Items**

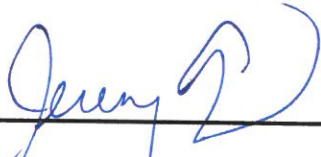
Vice Mayor Fisch received City Council consensus to discuss utilization of the public right of way and reopening restaurants.

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**Adjournment**

There being no further business, at 10:55 p.m., the City Council, Housing Authority Board, Parking Authority Board, Redevelopment Financing Authority Board, and Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board adjourned.

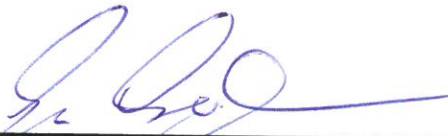
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Jeremy Green

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,  
Redevelopment Financing Authority and  
Culver City Housing Authority Board  
Culver City, California



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GÖRAN ERIKSSON

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

Date: 12 May 2020