### CITY COUNCIL CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD MINUTES

### **MONDAY, MAY 4, 2015**

### WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS 625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD

### 6:30 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Horvath called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Yawar Charlie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: Councilmember D'Amico, Councilmember Duran, Mayor

**Pro Tempore Meister, and Mayor Horvath** 

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Arevalo, Assistant City Attorney Hogin, City

Clerk Quarker, and Assistant City Clerk Crowder

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister requested that Item 6.A. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Item 2.U.

Councilmember Duran indicated that the Applicant for Item 3.C. requested that the Public Hearing be continued. He also indicated that the Chamber of Commerce requested that Item 5.A. be tabled; however Council decided to hear both Items.

Councilmember D'Amico requested that Item 5.B. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Item 2.T.

Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, to approve the May 4, 2015 agenda as amended and approved.

#### **ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:**

Mayor Horvath requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of all of those who perished in the Nepal earthquake. She also requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Wallace Albertson.

### PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to the Historic Preservation Commission in honor of Historic Preservation Month.

### 1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

SARAH TAMOR, SANTA MONICA, spoke on behalf of Senator Fran Pavley regarding Item 2.S.

LYN ETCETERA, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues.

COLE ETTMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Special Election.

CHRIS MORRIS, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of the National Trust for Historic Preservation thanking the Council for their recognition of Historic Preservation Month.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Special Election.

NIR ZILBERMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding his appreciation for the City and the City Council.

NORM HARTSTEIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 3.C.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.H.

VIRGINIA GILLICK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the fire which occurred last Friday in the City.

DAN MORIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 3.C.

LAURA BOCCALETTI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the drought.

### COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Councilmember Duran mentioned the Gay Men's Health Summit Community Forum on PrEP (Pre-exposure Prophylaxis). He thanked his fellow Councilmembers for their support and approval of the Lesbian Speaker Series. He spoke about the Special Meeting of the Human Services Commission to discuss Aging in Place this Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. He also spoke regarding the upcoming Victory in Europe Day event at Plummer Park on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. He provided statistics on the City's population since 1984 as it pertains to density.

Councilmember D'Amico indicated that he will not be in attendance for the May 18<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. He spoke about the Gay Men's Health Summit Community Forum on PrEP at Fiesta Hall. He spoke briefly about the Russian Festival and thanked staff for their hard work. He read a letter from the Writer's Guild of America regarding the City's resolution in opposition to the merger between Comcast and Time Warner.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister commented that she attended the Women's Leadership Conference and the Russian Festival, as well as a screening in Hollywood of the film

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Gen Silent and requested that staff inquire on how to have a screening of this film in West Hollywood. She mentioned that the PickUp will have special hours for Cinco de Mayo. She spoke regarding the upcoming Russian Community Awards scheduled for May 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. She also reported on the upcoming Bike to Work Day events on May 13, 2015. She also reminded everyone that while attending City-sponsored events no campaign materials may be placed on tables. She expressed concern with comments made surrounding social services in connection with the upcoming Election and stated that the City is committed to providing Social Services. She encouraged anyone who has questions or concerns regarding this, should call her Office.

Mayor Horvath thanked her Deputy Kiran Hashmi, Larissa Fooks, John Erickson and City staff for their hard work on the recent Mayoral Installation Meeting and reception. She mentioned the victims of the Nepal earthquake and the local firefighters who are assisting there. She spoke regarding her attendance at the recent Russian Arts & Cultural Festival. She mentioned that an audible crosswalk was installed at Fairfax and Norton. She spoke regarding National Small Business Week (May 4 - May 8) and reported that the City is home to 2,900 businesses, with a high percentage of those being small businesses. She encouraged everyone to "Shop Small, Shop WeHo". She also spoke about the Special Meeting of the Human Services Commission to discuss Aging in Place. She spoke regarding the upcoming Victory in Europe Day Event. She also reported that she will be traveling to Sacramento to discuss SB 493, which provides a new tool for cities to track Air B&B and like businesses. She mentioned that a veterinarian can report you to the SPCA if they feel that your pet is not being cared for appropriately. She spoke regarding her monthly meetings with the Beverly Hills Mayor Julian Gold to discuss various issues affecting both cities. She further commented that the City of Beverly Hills is discussing the drought at its Formal City Council meeting scheduled for May 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. She spoke regarding recent mail theft and also reporting on the upcoming Volunteen Awards, Senior Month, and the Senior Heath Fair.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

City Manager Arevalo spoke regarding construction site safety and the recent fire. He indicated that the Fire Department Chief Errett, Public Safety Director Kristin Cook, and Building Manager Steve Bailey are working on job safety guidelines. He mentioned the mid-year budget update for the 2015/2016 Budget and indicated that a number of social media tools will be utilized to get the information to the public. He stated that staff will be bringing the item to appoint Councilmembers to various committees to the June 1 meeting.

### FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Quarker stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar is \$156,970.00 in expenditures, \$0 in additional revenue, and (\$3,981.00) in waived fees.

### 2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Assistant City Attorney Hogin read into the record the Ordinance related to Item 6.A.; which was moved to the Consent Calendar for approval.

ACTION: Approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, 2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H.,I.,J.,K.,L.,M.,N.,O.,P.,Q.,R.,S.,T.,U. Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, and approved.

### 2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, May 4, 2015 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station and at the West Hollywood Library on Thursday, April 30, 2015.

**ACTION:** Receive and file. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 2.B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

SUBJECT: The City Council is requested to approve the minutes of the prior Council meeting.

**ACTION**: Approve the minutes of April 20, 2015. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 2.C. DEMAND REGISTER NO. 764, RESOLUTION NO. 15-4678:

SUBJECT: The City Council is requested to approve payment of bills due as presented by the Director of Finance.

**ACTION**: Approve Demand Register No. 764 and adopt Resolution No. 15-4678, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 764". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 2.D. CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION:

SUBJECT: The City Council is asked to deny claims filed against the City as an administrative step in claims processing.

**ACTION**: Deny the claims of Doris Eng, Care West Insurance; Pegasus, RM; Universal Courier, Darrin Zimmet, and David Rubin and refer to the City's claims adjuster. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 2.E. COMMISSION ACTION REPORTS:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive reports from the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission and the Public Safety Commission on actions taken at their recent meetings.

**ACTION**: Receive and file. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.F. ATTENDANCE REPORTS FOR CITY COMMISSIONS AND ADVISORY BOARDS DS [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the attendance reports for City Commission, and Advisory Board meetings convened between February 2014 and February 2015.

**ACTION**: Receive and file the attendance reports. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar**.

## 2.G. STREET MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 [D. WILSON, B. ROSEN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution determining and imposing a street maintenance assessment within the 1996 Street Maintenance Assessment District for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. The assessment rate is unchanged from 2014-2015.

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 15-4679, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DETERMINING THE COST OF STREET MAINTENANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 AND DETERMINING AND IMPOSING A STREET MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT WITHIN 1996 STREET MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT ACT OF1982, CHAPTER 6.4 OF PART 1 OF DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 5 OF THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE". Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

# 2.H. NET ZERO SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES POLICY AND UPDATE OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CLIMATE ACTION PLAN [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update regarding next steps and projected costs in the development of a West Hollywood Net Zero Climate Neutrality and Sustainable Practices Policy and related update of the West Hollywood Climate Action Plan (CAP), as well as for the creation of a new Senior Planner position to oversee this and related efforts.

**ACTION**: Direct staff to evaluate the creation of a new Senior Planner position in the Long Range and Mobility Planning Division, to oversee development and implementation of a Net Zero Climate Neutrality and Sustainable Practices Policy and related ongoing environmental sustainability programs, as part of the 2015-16 Budget Update. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

2.I. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH CARTEGRAPH SYSTEMS, INC. TO PROVIDE ENHANCEMENTS TO THE CITY'S WORK ORDER AND ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM [D. WILSON, E. TSIPIS, R. FOZOONMEHR, O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, M. BELL]: SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an Agreement for Services with Cartegraph Systems, Inc. to upgrade the City's work order and asset management software.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve an Agreement for Services with Cartegraph Systems, Inc. for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$358,920 (as detailed in this report), for a six year period ending on May 4, 2022; including a contingency of \$20,000 for other professional services related to the application which may arise on an as-needed basis during the contract term; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement for Services with Cartegraph Systems, Inc. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

# 2.J. APPROVE CONTRACT WITH CRW SYSTEMS, INC. FOR REPORT WRITING, TRAINING AND CONSULTING SERVICES [D. WILSON, E. TSIPIS, R. FOZOONMEHR]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an agreement with CRW Systems to provide various consulting services and training for various divisions that are related to CRW TRAKIT Permitting System.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve a 3 year agreement with CRW Systems for report, writing, training and other consulting services related to CRW TRAKIT Permitting System for an amount not to exceed \$50,000; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute said agreement with CRW Systems. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

# 2.K. WEST HOLLYWOOD WEST TRAFFIC CALMING STUDY AND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES TO COMPLETE THE TRI-WEST TRAFFIC CALMING STUDY [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, W. DAVIS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive and file the West Hollywood West Traffic Calming Study regarding proposed traffic calming improvements for the neighborhood. The City Council will also consider the approval of a contract amendment for Fehr and Peers, transportation consultants, to complete the Tri-West neighborhood traffic calming evaluation.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Receive and file the West Hollywood West Traffic Calming Study. (Exhibit A); 2) Approve an amendment to the Agreement for Services with Fehr and Peers in the amount of \$14,500 to complete the Tri-West neighborhood traffic calming evaluation, for a total not to exceed amount of \$64,490. (Exhibit B); and 3) Authorize the City Manager to sign and execute all necessary documents related to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 2.L. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ABBA TERMITE AND PEST CONTROL, INC. [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement with ABBA Termite and Pest Control, Inc., for Citywide Pest and Termite Control Services to extend the term of the agreement by one-year at the rates provided as part of the original bid process.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Services with ABBA Termite and Pest Control, Inc., for Citywide Pest and Termite

Control Services by exercising the first option to renew the Agreement by one-year under the terms provided in the original bid dated June 27, 2013; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Amendment to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.M. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH IDS GROUP [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement with IDS-Group for Architectural and Design Services for the Werle Building (626 N. Robertson Boulevard) by extending the term of the agreement for a period of two-years.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with IDS-Group for Architectural and Design Services for the Werle Building (626 N. Robertson Boulevard) by extending the term of the Agreement for a period of two-years; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Amendment to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.N. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH INFRASTRUCTURE FACTOR CONSULTING, INC. [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement with Infrastructure Factor Consulting, Inc. for on-call engineering and design services by extending the term of the agreement for a period of one-year.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with Infrastructure Factor Consulting, Inc. for on-call engineering and design services by extending the term of the Agreement for a period of one-year; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Amendment to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

# 2.O. IMPLEMENTATION OF DISTRICT 8 PREFERENTIAL PARKING REGULATIONS ON SPAULDING AVENUE BETWEEN SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD AND LEXINGTON AVENUE [O. DELGADO, J. ROCCO, D. NORTE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a petition for preferential parking filed by residents representing a majority of the residential dwelling units on the 1100 block of Spaulding Avenue, between Lexington Avenue and Santa Monica Boulevard.

**ACTION**: Introduce for first reading Ordinance No. 15-953, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 10.08.230 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE IMPLEMENTING DISTRICT 8 PREFERENTIAL PARKING REGULATIONS ON SPAULDING AVENUE BETWEEN SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD AND LEXINGTON AVENUE AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.P. SUPPORT OF WOMEN'S REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH BILLS [E. SAVAGE. C. SMITH, L. FOOKS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider recommendations from the Women's Advisory Board in support of two reproductive health bills.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 15-4680 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM. ACCOUNTABILITY. THE COMPREHENSIVE CARE AND TRANSPARENCY (FACT) ACT, AB 775 (CHIU, D-SAN FRANCISCO AND BURKE, D-LOS ANGELES)"; 2) Adopt Resolution No. 15-4681 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF THE WOMEN'S HEALTH PROTECTION ACT OF 2015, (S. 217 (BLUMENTHAL, D-CT) /H.R. 448 (CHU, D-CA)"; 3) Direct staff to send copies of the signed resolutions to the appropriate government representatives; and 4) Approve the listing of the Women's Advisory Board as a supporting group of the Reproductive FACT Act and as a participant in NARAL Pro Choice America's campaign to pass the Reproductive FACT Act. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

## 2.Q. 2015 ONE CITY ONE PRIDE (PRIDE MONTH) [P. AREVALO, M. LOUIE, A. CAMPBELL, M. CHE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive and review the 2015 One City One Pride calendar of programming, authorize the use of the City logo for promotional purposes, the use of City public facilities and waiver of City fees for One City One Pride events.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Receive and file the 2015 One City One Pride schedule of events as outlined in Exhibit A; 2) Approve use of the West Hollywood Council Chambers, West Hollywood Library and West Hollywood Park for the arts and cultural events outlined in Exhibit A; 3) Allow the consumption of food and alcohol beverages on City-owned property and buildings on June 5, 2015 for the "Art, AIDS, WeHo" art exhibit opening reception; 4) Authorize an additional one hour of validated parking for event participants at the 5-story West Hollywood Public/Park garage, for the events on June 5, June 6, June 7 and June 30, 2015; 5) Waive facility use and special event fees for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,581; and 6) Authorize use of the City name and logo on promotional and collateral materials and the promotion of the event through the City's website, calendar and social media networks. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 2.R. "GET OUT THE VOTE" MONTH [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will proclaim May 2015 as "GET OUT THE VOTE" Month.

**ACTION**: The City Council of the City of West Hollywood will proclaim May 2015 "GET OUT THE VOTE" Month. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

# 2.S. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 32 (PAVLEY) CLIMATE POLLUTION REDUCTION BEYOND 2020 HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES AND A STRONGER ECONOMY [L. HORVATH, K. HASHMI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution in support of Senate Bill 32 (Pavley), a measure that sets an overarching climate pollution reduction target of 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 15-4682, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 32 (PAVLEY) CLIMATE POLLUTION REDUCTION BEYOND 2020 HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES AND A STRONGER ECONOMY"; and 2) Send copies of the signed resolution to California Governor Jerry Brown, US Senators Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer, Representative Adam Schiff, Assemblymember Richard Bloom and Senators Ben Allen and Fran Pavley. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

### 2.T. (5.B.) LESBIAN SPEAKER SERIES [J. DURAN, I. OWENS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing Social Services Staff to create and host a quarterly Lesbian Speaker Series.

**ACTIONS:** 1) Approve the Lesbian Speaker Series and authorize the use of the City name and logo on invitations, programs, and other collateral materials; 2) Approve the use of City Council Chambers and/or Community Room for such events and waive event permits and associated fees; 3) Waive parking fees for attendees of the events; 4) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$15,000 from unallocated General Fund reserves to the Special Council Programs Account: 100-1-01-00-531001, and increase the budget for Special Council Programs by the same amount, to cover the cost of the Lesbian Speaker Series; 5) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$15,000 from the allocated funds in the City Council budget for Special Council Programs: 100-1-01-00-531001 for the Lesbian Speaker Series; 6) Direct the Public Information Office to utilize all appropriate communication tools to promote the event including, but not limited to, the City's website and social media tools; and 7) Authorize the City Manager to sign all required documents relating to this item. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.U. (6.A.) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING CHAPTER 15.52 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF IRRIGATION PRACTICES AND ADDING A SECTION TO MISCELLANEOUS USES REQUIRING HOTELS PROVIDE GUESTS WITH THE OPTION NOT TO HAVE LINENS OR TOWELS LAUNDERED DAILY [O. DELGADO, J. AUBEL]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending Section 15.52.010 (a), and adding subsection e to 15.52.040 of Chapter 15.52 of Title 15, Article 3 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code.

**ACTION:** Staff recommends that the City Council introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 15-\_\_\_\_\_, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING CHAPTER 15.52 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF IRRIGATION PRACTICES AND ADDING A SECTION TO MISCELLANEOUS USES REQUIRING HOTELS PROVIDE GUESTS WITH THE OPTION NOT TO HAVE LINENS OR TOWELS LAUNDERED DAILY". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

## 3.A. REVIEW OF THE CITY SEWER SERVICE CHARGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 [O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving the City Sewer Service Charge rates for the FY 2015-2016 program.

This Item was noticed as required by law.

City Engineer Sharon Perlstein provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 4, 2015.

Mayor Horvath opened the public hearing and no speakers came forward.

Mayor Horvath closed the public hearing.

ACTIONS: 1) Make a finding that there is no majority protest by property owners within the assessment area; and 2) Approve Resolution No. 15—— "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD CONFIRMING THE LEVYING OF AN ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR SEWER SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 15.12 OF ARTICLE 1 OF TITLE 15 OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE." Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Councilmember D'Amico and approved.

# 3.B. ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2014 [E. SAVAGE, P. NOONAN, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will hold a public hearing to consider the 2014 Annual Progress Report on the status of the Housing Element of the General Plan and direct staff to submit the report to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

This Item was noticed as required by law.

Rent Stabilization Manager Peter Noonan provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 4, 2015.

Councilmember Duran inquired about the number of rent stabilized units that the State requires of the City and if they were met. Mr. Noonan reported on the numbers of very-low, low, moderate, and above—moderate income units and stated that the City had not met the requirement for very-low income units.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister asked what happens if the City does not meet the affordable housing numbers and staff stated that the State believes the City's certified Housing Element programs and goals are adequate to meet the required numbers in the future.

Councilmember D'Amico inquired if the City of West Hollywood has considered working with the City of Beverly Hills to jointly build affordable housing. Ms. Savage responded that the Westside Cities Council of Governments looked at the issue approximately eight years ago.

Councilmember Duran asked that in the future staff include information on the numbers for the City of Los Angeles, specifically Hollywood.

Mayor Horvath opened the public hearing and the following speakers came forward:

CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the need for community engagement.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the hazards of soft story structures.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding deficiencies in community engagement and the West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation.

Councilmember Duran inquired about the public outreach conducted for the Housing Element. He also inquired about the survey of the number of soft story structures. Staff reported on the various meetings and community outreach involved in the development of the Housing Element.

Councilmember D'Amico directed staff to bring a pilot program forward for Council consideration regarding rehabilitation of apartments that have the potential for severe damage during an earthquake.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister thanked Staff for their hard work and asked that Staff look into whether or not rehabilitation could be tied to vouchers.

She also mentioned the need to work with our lobbyist to review the Affordable Housing Law.

Mayor Horvath asked staff to briefly discuss upgrades versus code violation issues. She also indicated that there is proposed legislation coming soon to consider replacement funding for lost redevelopment funds.

City Manager Arevalo commented on the seismic challenges with rentstabilized units in the City. He indicated that a Working Group would be useful to identify solutions for this issue.

Mayor Horvath closed the public hearing.

**ACTIONS:** 1) Hold a public hearing to receive and consider any public comments on the housing report; and 2) Direct staff to submit the 2014 Housing Element Annual Progress Report to the California State Department of Housing and Community Development. **Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, seconded by Councilmember D'Amico, and approved.** 

3.C. APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF A REQUEST TO DEMOLISH AN EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE AND CONSTRUCT A NEW FIVE-STORY, THIRTY-FOUR-UNIT, MULTI-FAMILY APARTMENT BUILDING LOCATED AT 826 N. KINGS ROAD [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, D. DEGRAZIA, L. YELTON]: SUBJECT: This item is regarding an appeal of the Planning Commission's approval Resolution No. PC 14-1104 conditionally approving of Demolition Permit 014-004, Development Permit 014-004, and Modifications 014-002, -003, -004, and -016 to demolish a single family residence and construct a new, five-story, thirty-four (34) unit apartment building located at 826 N. Kings Road.

This Item was noticed as required by law.

Associate Planner Laurie Yelton provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 4, 2015.

Councilmember D'Amico provided his campaign disclosures. He inquired if the use of SB 1818 was the developer's choice and Ms. Yelton confirmed that it was.

Councilmember Duran provided his campaign disclosures. He further indicated that he met with the appellant, the applicant, and a representative of The Charley.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister provided her campaign disclosures. She also indicated that she met with both the appellant and the applicant, and a representative of The Charley.

Mayor Horvath provided her campaign disclosures. She also indicated that she met with both the appellant and the applicant, and a representative of The Charley.

Mayor Horvath opened the public hearing and the following speakers came forward:

DOUGLAS CARSTENS, HERMOSA BEACH, representing the APPELLANT argued in favor of the appeal.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister inquired about the historic resource designation request. City Attorney Hogin agreed with Mr. Carstens that the property does not have to be on the state's historic property register to be considered a historic property.

RJ CROMER, MARK LEHMAN, AND RIC ABRAMSON representing the APPLICANT spoke on behalf of the project.

Mayor Horvath inquired as to what constitutes an unusual circumstance as it relates to the requirements for this project. Mr. Cromer defined unusual circumstance and provided examples.

City Clerk Quarker read the names of those individuals who did not wish to speak but submitted Citizen Position Slips in support of staff's recommendation and in opposition to the Appeal: Khaled Ammari, Andoni Anastasse, Sam Borelli, Rivka Dayan, Kamyar Kamran, and Katrin B. Pugh.

City Clerk Quarker read the names of those individuals who did not wish to speak but submitted Citizen Position Slips in opposition to staff's recommendation and in support of the Appeal: Tina Alva, Koelen Andrews, Steven Andrews, David Angsten, Joanna Angsten, Richard Ayoub, Lisa Beach, Rob Beckon, Karen Bennett, Raymme Billadeau, Bob Bishop, Cynthia Blatt, Marvin Bluth, Laura Boccaletti, Robert Brand, Christian Burke, Edward Carstens, Elaine Carstens, Darlene Chan, Larry Cosand, George V. Criedle III, Charles Andrew Davis, Kevin Davis, D.F. De La Pava, Nancy Devine, Ted Dietlin, Susan Droughton, Gregory E., Kate Eggert, Linda J. Ehrlich, Ron Emmons, Andrea Ferretti, Lyndsy Fonseca, David Galligan, Virginia Gillick, N. David Glover, Krisy Goshey, Harold Gottlieb, Barry Greenfield, Elaine Gross, Richard Gross, Arkady Gurovich, Michael Haddad, David Hart, Arie H., Heald Imile, Lucan Junkin, Gretchen Kanne, Jan Keizer, Carrie Kelley, Jack Kelley, Guy Kinberg, Lana Kinberg, Gary M., Fran Madson, Stan Madson, Mary

Maguire, Richard Martin, Denis McCarles, Dixie McKie, Perry Meer, Michelle Mindlin, Patrick M., David Moger, Lynn Moger, James Noll, Michael D. Petty, Mark Reina, Edgard Romero, Gary S., Lisa Santasiero, Laurie Scher, Milena Simonova, Bruce Smith, Sandy Stewart, Jennifer Stoelt, Cary Sudler, Ana C. Talancoir, Jonathan Tang, Larry Tracy, Dylan Treivush, Nicholas Urbom, Kartin Vasku, Frances Vizier, Cheyenne Webster, Samara Whitesides, Britnee Youngblood, and Mike Zaloudik.

SUSAN PINKUS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

IVY BOTTINI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

COLE ETTMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

ERICK HEIKKILA, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

BARBARA KELLEY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

CLAUDIO MOHTAHARI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

LINDI WEINSTEIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

STEVE SYLVESTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

ROBERT GURVAL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

YANCY BERRY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

HEATHER HARRISON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

TAMARA HODGSON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

ROBERT SWITZER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

RALPH JARMON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

CHARLES ANTEBY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

KEVIN STALTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

MANON LOCAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

ANTHONY NEWMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

FATIMA BURNEY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

MARC STEPHENS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

LYNN DUKE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

HEIDI SHINK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

DENNIS GLEASON, LOS ANGELES, spoke in support of the project.

PAM KOMAC, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding in support of the appeal.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, REPRESENTING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, spoke in support of the project.

KEITH KAPLAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

AARON ALAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

LEONA ALVIOR, LOS ANGELES, spoke in support of the appeal.

EDWARD LEVIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to the appeal.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

LYNN RUSSELL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

KIM DAEHLER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the project.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

LYNN ETCETERA, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

RESIDENT, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

DOUGLAS CARSTENS, HERMOSA BEACH, representing the APPELLANT provided his rebuttal.

RJ CROMER and MARK LEHMAN representing the APPLICANT provided their rebuttal.

Councilmember D'Amico commended Cynthia Blatt for the support she has garnered for her appeal of the project. He spoke regarding the project and stated that some of the issues could be resolved if the building were 25% smaller.

Councilmember Duran discussed the density of the City. He spoke about traffic and congestion. He mentioned Governor Brown's Executive Order regarding the State's drought. He spoke regarding the approvals received from both the Historic Preservation Commission and Planning Commission for this project. He spoke in support of guest parking and agreed that the project size should be reduced and suggested that it be a four-story building instead of five. He commented that allowing the developer to explore paying an in-lieu fee instead of providing affordable housing on-site is worth exploring. He commented that the project could be remanded back to the Planning Commission so that they can work with the developer to address the issues discussed during the public hearing. He recommended remanding the project to the Planning Commission with direction from the Council.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister indicated that she agrees with Councilmembers Duran and D'Amico. She spoke in support of remanding the item to the Planning Commission, but she also wants the Historic Preservation Commission to review the project again with the inclusion of the possible impacts on the Charley. She also asked that a parking study be conducted for Kings Road.

Mayor Horvath asked staff to define a categorical exemption. City Attorney Hogin defined a categorical exemption under CEQA, however, she indicated that the City's General Plan and Zoning Ordinance assist the City with governing projects and their impacts on quality of life.

Mayor Horvath closed the public hearing.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Remand the project back to the Planning Commission and the Historic Preservation Commission to review the Applicants re-design; 2) Direct Staff to re-evaluate the CEQA review; 3) Direct Staff to work with the Applicant and provide the option of paying an in-lieu/ impact fee rather than provide affordable units on-site; and 4) Hold a community meeting on Kings Road. **Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, seconded by Councilmember D'Amico, and approved.** 

### 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

### 5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.A. PARKING REFORM [L. MEISTER, S. SCHMIDT, J. D'AMICO, M. REX]: SUBJECT: Council will consider a comprehensive parking reform package addressing parking related issues, including parking meter hours of enforcement, parking citation fees, parking credits, easier to read signage and a parking smartphone application.

Councilmember Duran requested that this item be tabled due to the time (11:11 p.m.). Council agreed to table the Item to June 1, 2015.

Mayor Horvath allowed public comment on the Item and the following individuals came forward:

MANNY RODRIGUEZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to the reform.

COE HOLBROOK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Item.

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Item and addressed several issues in the recommendations including the temperature in cars for animals.

HEIDI SHINK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the recommendations.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, REPRESENTING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, spoke in opposition to the Item and stated that more public engagement is needed.

KEITH KAPLAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, REPRESENTING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, spoke regarding more time and community engagement needed for this Item.

CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

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BEN COLEMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various aspects of the recommendations.

MARTA KNITTEL & SHOSHANA JOSEPH (OWNERS OF YOGURT STOP), WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the impacts of parking on their profits.

RICHARD GIESBRET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the West Hollywood West's HOA regarding various aspects of the recommendations.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various aspects of the recommendations.

COLE ETTMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various parking issues.

LYN ETCETERA, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding parking meters.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various parking issues and fees.

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding remanding the Item to the Transportation Commission.

The following individual did not wish to speak, but wanted to express their support for staff's recommendation: Virginia Gillick

**ACTIONS: This Item was Tabled.** 

### 5.B. LESBIAN SPEAKER SERIES [J. DURAN, I. OWENS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing Social Services Staff to create and host a quarterly Lesbian Speaker Series.

ACTIONS: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

**EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: None.** 

#### 6. LEGISLATIVE:

6.A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING CHAPTER 15.52 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF IRRIGATION PRACTICES AND ADDING A SECTION TO MISCELLANEOUS USES REQUIRING HOTELS PROVIDE GUESTS WITH THE OPTION NOT TO HAVE LINENS OR TOWELS LAUNDERED DAILY [O. DELGADO, J. AUBEL]: SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending Section 15.52.010 (a), and adding subsection e to 15.52.040 of Chapter 15.52 of Title 15, Article 3 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the lack of debates for the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Special Municipal Election.

LUCAS JUNKIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding HIV.

MICHAEL KING, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various parking items.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLWYOOD, spoke regarding various issues in the City.

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding development in the City and community involvement.

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS: None.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** The City Council adjourned at 12:01 a.m. in memory Wallace Albertson as well as all those who perished in the Nepal earthquake. The City Council adjourned to its next regular meeting which will be on Monday, May 18, 2015 at 6:30 P.M. at West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room - Council Chambers.

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PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015 by the following vote:

| AYES:               | Councilmember:                   | Duran, Mayor Pro Tempore Meister and Mayor Horvath. |
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| NOES:               | Councilmember:                   | None.   |
| ABSENT:<br>ABSTAIN: | Councilmember:<br>Councilmember: | D'Amico.<br>None.                                   |
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