

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016
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 6:45 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Cathy Blaivas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmember D’Amico, Councilmember Duran, Councilmember Heilman, Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, and Mayor Horvath.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Arevalo, City Attorney Jenkins, City Clerk Quarker, and Assistant City Clerk Crowder.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:

City Attorney Jenkins reported that the Closed Session was called to order at 6:00 p.m. He stated that there were two (2) public comments. He further stated that one (1) Item of newly filed litigation was added to the Agenda under Government Code Section 54956.9(a) (Rex v. City of West Hollywood) and the Closed Session adjourned at 6:30 p.m. with 8325 Santa Monica Blvd. (Coast Playhouse) as a municipally-owned theater.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister and Mayor Horvath stated for the record that they should have abstained from the approval of the Housing Authority Minutes during the last City Council meeting, as the minutes were from 2012 and they were not on the Council then. The City Clerk will make the correction to those minutes.

Councilmember Heilman requested that Item 2.K. be moved to Excluded Consent for further discussion. He also requested that Items 5.A., 5.B., and 5.C. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Items 2.N., 2.O., and 2.P. respectively.

Councilmember Duran requested that Item 2.L. be moved to Excluded Consent for further discussion. He also requested that Item 6.A. be continued to a later date to allow for more outreach and dialogue with business owners. Council further directed staff to take the Item to both the Business License Commission and the Planning Commission prior to returning to City Council.

Mayor Horvath requested that Item 2.H. be moved to Excluded Consent for further discussion.

Motion by Councilmember Heilman to approve the April 4, 2016 Agenda as amended, seconded by Councilmember D'Amico and approved.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

Councilmember Duran and Mayor Pro Tempore requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Bill Rosendahl.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Miguel Murillo.

Councilmember Heilman requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Patty Duke and those that lost their lives in the attack in Brussels.

Mayor Horvath requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of the following soldier who died in Afghanistan since the last City Council meeting: Staff Sergeant Louis F. Cardin.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Horvath recognized MV Transit, American GTS, Keolis, JFS Comprehensive Services Center, JFS Nutrition, and the American Red Cross for their assistance with the residents of 838 West Knoll Drive.

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to Reveta Bowers in recognition of her 44 years of service as the head of the Center for Early Education.

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to Naum Reznik honoring his 100th birthday and the Russian Language Library.

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to Mason Sommers, Donate Live Ambassador, for Donate Life Month.

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to City Poet Steven Reigns in honor of National Poetry Month.

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to the Women's Advisory Board in honor of National Equal Pay Day.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

WILLIAM BRIDGE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of Global Green requesting to incorporate their green practices at the City's upcoming Pride event.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Bill Rosendahl and Item 2.M.

KIMBERLY HARVISH, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of Uber and in support of Item 2.I.

COURTNEY TORRES, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of Lyft and in support of Item 2.I.

MICHAEL MURRAY, PASADENA, spoke on behalf of AARP regarding Item 5.B.

MANNY RODRIGUEZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 5.B.

DAN MORIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Items 5.A. and 5.B.

DEVORAH SERVI, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding Item 5.B.

ELIZABETH ANDERSON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 5.B.

IVY BOTTINI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 5.B.

DANIEL RODRIGUEZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 5.B.

CLARA DENSON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 5.B.

YOLA DORE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 4.A.

The following individuals did not wish to speak, but submitted citizen position slips in support of various Consent Items: James Duke Mason (2.L.), John Allendorfer (2.M.), and Nadia Sutton (5.B.)

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Councilmember D'Amico spoke regarding Item 5.B. and asked that staff also review walk / don't walk signal times and adjust the timing accordingly to reflect the mobility of our seniors. He spoke regarding priority item 3H, and asked if the Senior Advisory Board look into the issue of seniors who lose the ability to drive and how they can learn to utilize new transportation options. He spoke regarding identifying sites for Assisted Living facilities within the City and also spoke about other issues, such as toilet heights, notifying tenants who are not in rent controlled housing of possible increases, and re-establishing some type of roommate referral program like Alternative Living for the Aging. He mentioned Item 5.A. indicating that more progress needs to be made in the area of renovation and seismic retrofitting of the buildings in the City. He provided his campaign disclosures.

Councilmember Heilman suggested that the representative from Global Green speak with Recreation Services Manager Olivia Walker to discuss greener City events. He spoke regarding the recent event at Tower Records and directed the City Manager to ensure that when future events occur on Sunset Blvd. that queuing occur in the commercial areas and not the residential areas. Finally, he mentioned the tenants at

838 W. Knoll Drive and issues with their personal effects that were damaged and asked the City Manager to work with County of Los Angeles to resolve these issues.

Councilmember Duran reported that the City of West Hollywood has once again been given an AAA Bond Rating. He expressed his excitement and support of the Coast Playhouse becoming a municipally-owned theater. He thanked Larissa Fooks for her work on the recent Women in Leadership event. He highlighted some of the facts and figures in the 2015 Housing Element Annual Progress Report. Finally, he spoke regarding the Ellis Act and stated how the City tries to help tenants stay in their apartments through the Rent Stabilization Ordinance, the Inclusionary Housing Program and Section 8 housing. He also spoke regarding the City continuing to look at incentives for property owners to help them keep their properties as affordable rental properties.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister thanked everyone who assisted with Women's History Month. She mentioned the planting of 12 trees on Elevado for Arbor Day. She commented on the Transgender Voter Empowerment event on Saturday. She talked about the Coffee with the Mayor and Sheriff's Captain event on Saturday. She spoke regarding Item 2.H. and asked staff to add compatibility as a study topic. She spoke in support of Item 2.I. and thanked the Mayor for the Item. She spoke regarding Item 2.J. and spoke in support of the event, but asked staff to work with the neighbors on impacts to the area. She spoke regarding Item 2.M. and stated that she appreciates the Resolution and asked that the City Manager include Mississippi to that list should they enact similar legislation. She spoke regarding the Housing Element and reported that the City has met its RHNA numbers and applauded the City for the great work on providing housing, especially compared to neighboring cities. She mentioned the Aging in Place Strategic Plan and asked that recreation and social activities also be reviewed; which help keep people young. She thanked staff for extending the signal time on Westbourne.

Mayor Horvath mentioned Item 2.H. and spoke regarding ensuring that staff educates the community on what is possible and to not set unreasonable expectations, but to bring practical solutions into the discussion. She stated that if her colleagues were in agreement with these suggestions, that she request that it be placed back onto the Consent Calendar for approval. The Council agreed by consensus and Item 2.H. was placed back onto the Consent Calendar.

Mayor Horvath recognized everyone who worked on the Aging in Place Strategic Plan, provided additional direction, and indicated that she supports the funding necessary for the Plan. She spoke regarding a positive letter received from the League of California Cities regarding our stand on North Carolina. She commented that she met with the Metropolitan Water District CFO to discuss water rates and impacts. She mentioned the City's advocacy efforts regarding the Metro expansion. She discussed homelessness in the region. She mentioned that April is Earthquake Preparedness Month. She spoke regarding a call she recently received from a security company and asked everyone to be aware of phone scams. Finally, she thanked the new Sheriff's Captain for participating in "Coffee with the Captain".

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Arevalo commented that all additional direction requested by the Council on Consent Calendar items will be included and handled by Staff. He mentioned that David Giugni along with Risk Management staff are working with the County regarding 838 West Knoll. Finally, he mentioned the seismic concerns expressed by Council and indicated that they are being addressed and that an Item will be brought to Council in the near future.

City Attorney Jenkins briefly discussed litigation matters and the extent to which those items can be discussed in a public meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Quarker stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar is \$874,498 in expenditures, \$2,500 in potential revenue, and (\$22,098) in waived fees.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, 2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H.,I.,J.,M.,N.,O.,P. Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Councilmember D'Amico, and approved.

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, April 4, 2016 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station, and at the West Hollywood Library on Thursday, March 31, 2016.

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 March 21, 2016. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.C. DEMAND REGISTER NO. 783, RESOLUTION NO. 16-4808:

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

ACTION: Approve Demand Register No. 783 and adopt Resolution No. 16-4808, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 783." Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.D. CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION [A. WARD]:

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 Jeffrey Calhoun & Craig Phillips, and refer them to the City's Claim Adjuster for Action. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.E. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD ACTION REPORTS:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive reports from various Commissions and Advisory Boards on actions taken at their recent meetings.

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

2.F. AWARD CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT - KINGS ROAD PARK COMMUNITY BUILDING TENANT IMPROVEMENTS, CIP 55-15/16-03 (1000 KINGS ROAD) [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider: the award of an Agreement with Monet Construction for Kings Road Park Community Building Tenant Improvements, CIP 55-15/16-03.

ACTIONS: 1) Accept the bid submitted by Monet Construction, Inc.; 2) Approve an Agreement for construction services with Monet Construction, Inc. in the base bid amount of \$257,980; 3) Approve, in addition to the base bid award amount, the award of bid alternate 01 for the Thermoplastic Polyolefin Roofing (roof replacement) in the amount of \$42,000 and bid alternate 02 for the repair of the Park Entry Wood Trellis in the amount of \$4,600 for a total agreement amount of \$304,580; 4) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the award of the Agreement; 5) Authorize the Facilities and Field Services Division to manage Change Orders to the agreement for services in an amount not to exceed 17% (\$51,778.60) of the total agreement amount; 6) Adopt Resolution No. 16-4809, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING THE DESIGN AND PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE KINGS ROAD COMMUNITY BUILDING TENANT IMPROVEMENTS, CIP 55-15/16-03, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 830.6 AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT PAYMENT ACCOUNT; and 7) Reject the remaining bid. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.G. SECOND AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH COMMERCIAL AQUATIC SERVICES, INC. [E. SAVAGE, O.WALKER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the Second Amendment to the Agreement for Services with Commercial Aquatics Services, Inc., to provide Pool Maintenance and Bulk Chemical Delivery for the West Hollywood Aquatic Center.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Services with Commercial Aquatic Services, Inc. in the amount of \$111,367 to provide Pool Maintenance, Bulk Chemical Delivery, and miscellaneous pool repairs for the West Hollywood Aquatic Center and extending the term of the Agreement for a period of three years resulting in a new expiration date of June 30, 2019; and 2) Authorize the City

manager or designee to execute all documents incident to the Amendment to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.H. AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH RAIMI & ASSOCIATES FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CITYWIDE MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPMENT STUDY [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, D. DEGRAZIA, J. ALKIRE, G. SRAPYAN, E. SAVAGE, P. NOONAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of an agreement for services with Raimi & Associates (R+A) to perform analysis, project management, and community outreach services for the Citywide Multifamily Development Study.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve an agreement for services with Raimi & Associates (R+A) in the amount of \$261,481 to conduct a Citywide Multifamily Development Study (Attachment A); and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.I. PILOT PROGRAM FOR DESIGNATED PASSENGER LOADING ZONES [O. DELGADO, J. ROCCO, S. DEWOLFE, B. SIEGL, W. DAVIS]:

SUBJECT: The Parking and Long Range and Mobility Planning Divisions are recommending a six month pilot program to convert designated commercial loading zones to Passenger Loading Zones from 6 PM to 3 AM Daily.

ACTIONS: 1) Recommend the City Council approve a six month pilot program to convert designated commercial loading zones to Passenger Loading Zones from 6 PM to 3 AM Daily; and 2) Report back to the City Council and Transportation Commission at the end of the six month trial with a final recommendation. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.J. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE JOHN VARVATOS STUART HOUSE BENEFIT EVENT [E. SAVAGE, C. SMITH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the co-sponsorship of the John Varvatos Stuart House Benefit event, approve a street closure on Melrose Avenue to accommodate the event and approve the event date of Sunday, April 17, 2016.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the co-sponsorship of the John Varvatos Stuart House Benefit Event, on April 17, 2016; 2) Approve the waiver of city fees (\$11,950) and the loss of parking revenue (\$2,373); 3) Approve the closure of Melrose Avenue between Robertson Boulevard and Almont Drive on Sunday, April 17, 2016 from 3:00 am to 10:00 pm; and 4) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to approve minor modifications to the special event permit provided that they do not result in a material alteration of the event or create a significant new impact. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.K. ESTABLISH A REQUIREMENT FOR A GREEN ROOF OR SOLAR PANELS ON NEW BUILDINGS IN COMMERCIAL ZONES [L. MEISTER, L. HORVATH, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing the Community Development Department to include requirements for green roofs or solar panels on new buildings in commercial zones as part of sustainability initiatives currently included in the CDD Work Plan.

ACTION: This Item was moved to Excluded Consent.

2.L. CREATE A YOUNG ADULT ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD [L. HORVATH, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider creating a nine-member Young Adult Advisory Board for the City of West Hollywood to advise the Council on issues impacting young adult members of the community.

ACTIONS: This Item was moved to Excluded Consent.

2.M. RESOLUTION DENOUNCING NORTH CAROLINA'S PUBLIC FACILITIES PRIVACY & SECURITY ACT (HOUSE BILL 2), AND SUSPENDING OFFICIAL TRAVEL TO NORTH CAROLINA AND ANY OTHER STATE WHICH ADOPTS SIMILAR LEGISLATION AND IMPOSING FINANCIAL SANCTIONS UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE LAW IS REVOKED [L. HORVATH, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution denouncing North Carolina's Public Facilities Privacy & Security Act, which established single-sex multiple occupancy bathroom facilities and preempted local nondiscrimination provisions. The City Council will also consider immediately suspending official travel to the State of North Carolina and any other state which adopts similarly discriminatory legislation and imposing financial sanctions until such time as the new law is revoked.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 16-4810 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DENOUNCING NORTH CAROLINA'S PUBLIC FACILITIES PRIVACY & SECURITY ACT AND IMMEDIATELY SUSPENDING OFFICIAL TRAVEL TO NORTH CAROLINA AND ANY OTHER STATE WHICH ADOPTS SIMILAR LEGISLATION AND IMPOSING FINANCIAL SANCTIONS UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE NEW LAW IS REVOKED OR AMENDED;" 2) Direct staff to send signed copies of the adopted resolution to North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory, North Carolina Representatives Dan Bishop, Julia Howard, Paul Stam, Bob Steinburg, California State Senator Ben Allen, California State Assemblymember Richard Bloom, and others as deemed appropriate by the City Manager; 3) Authorize the City Manager to suspend official travel to the State of North Carolina and any state identified by the Legal Services and Legislative Affairs Division as having adopted legislation substantially similar to North Carolina's House Bill 2 until such time as the discriminatory law is revoked or amended; 4) Direct the Legal Services and Legislative Affairs Division to maintain and update

the list of states to which the City Manager has suspended official travel due to discriminatory laws and make this list available on the City's website; and 5) Direct the City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk to review all current and likely future contracts with North Carolina-based businesses in order to examine the feasibility of procuring such products and services elsewhere until such time as North Carolina's discriminatory law is revoked or amended. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.N. (5.A.) HOUSING ELEMENT ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2015 [E. SAVAGE, P. NOONAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the 2015 Annual Progress Report on the status of the Housing Element of the General Plan and authorize staff to submit the report to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) in compliance with state requirements.

ACTION: Receive the 2015 Housing Element Annual Progress Report and authorize staff to submit the 2015 Housing Element Annual Progress Report to the California State Department of Housing and Community Development. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.O. (5.B.) APPROVE THE AGING IN PLACE / AGING IN COMMUNITY 5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN [E. SAVAGE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive and approve the final report on the Aging in Place, Aging in Community 5-year Strategic Plan.

ACTIONS: 1) Receive the final report on the City of West Hollywood's "Aging in Place, Aging in Community 5-year Strategic Plan (AIP);" 2) Approve the Plan, providing feedback or changes, and direct staff to prepare a Goals and Strategies cost plan for the two year 2016-2018 budget; 3) Direct staff to pursue funding sources such as foundations and grants for initiatives in the Plan; and 4) Approve Resolution No. 16-4812 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL WHICH APPROVES THE PARTICIPATION OF THE CITY IN THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION'S GLOBAL NETWORK OF AGE-FRIENDLY CITIES AND COMMUNITIES." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.P. (5.C.) RUSSIAN ARTS AND CULTURE WEEK AND COMMUNITY AWARDS PRESENTATION [K. COOK, B. SMITH, T. RODZINEK]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing staff to coordinate Russian Arts and Culture Week that will include the Community Awards Presentation, the Russian Arts and Culture Festival and various other Russian cultural events during the week of May 7 through May 15, 2016. The week will be launched with a Victory in Europe Day Celebration on Saturday, May 7, 2016, at Plummer Park and culminate with the Russian Arts and Culture Festival on Sunday, May 15, 2016 in Plummer Park.

RECOMMENDATIONS: 1) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$15,000 from unallocated General Fund reserves to account number 100-1-01-18-535012 for additional stage and

sound equipment and related costs; 2) Authorize staff to solicit and receive sponsorships and donations to support Russian Arts and Culture Week. Approve the booth and exhibitor fees that vendors are charged for the event, as referenced in the fiscal impact; 3) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to increase budgeted revenues in account 100-463007 and budgeted expenditures in account 100-1-01-18-535012 in the amount of sponsorships, donations and vendor fees received; 4) Waive all city fees, including building and safety permits (approximately \$750), special event permit fees (approximately \$2,740), and Plummer Park facility fees (approximately \$3,000) for the week of May 7 through May 15, 2016; 5) Waive permitted parking on Vista Street and Fuller Avenue from 7:00 a.m. until Midnight on Sunday, May 15, 2016; 6) Provide parking validation for approximately 250 people at the 5 story parking garage on the following dates: Sunday, May 8, 2016 and Saturday, May 14, 2016 for the events that will take place in the Council Chambers during the Russian Arts and Culture Week. Waive associated parking fees (\$1,500); 7) Approve use of West Hollywood City Council Chambers from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. on the following dates: Friday, May 13, 2016 and Saturday, May 14, 2016 for theatrical performances, and waive associated facility rental fees (\$570); and 8) Authorize staff to negotiate event sponsorship agreements in consultation with the City Attorney, and authorize the City Manager to execute event sponsorship agreements (Attachment 1 – Sponsorship Package). **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3.A. EXTENSION OF INTERIM ORDINANCE FOR MORATORIUM ON DEMOLITION AND ALTERATION TO EASTSIDE CRAFTSMAN STRUCTURES [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, D. DEGRAZIA, R. DIMOND]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider whether to extend a moratorium that would prevent demolition or exterior alterations of Craftsman homes within the survey area until October 20, 2016. This report shall also serve as the extension report required under Government Code Section 65858(d).

Senior Planner Rachel Dimond provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 4, 2016.

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

NICOLE SNELL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

MICKY MARS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

BRANDON MCBURNEY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to this item.

JEREMY GREENE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

MARTHA VALDEZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

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

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

The following individuals did not wish to speak, but submitted citizen position slips in support of the recommended item: Michael Renley, Joyce Renley, Steve Martin, and Dan Morin.

The following individuals did not wish to speak, but submitted citizen position slips in opposition to the recommended item: Jason Soudah, Michael Dolan, Yola Dore, Amarra Mchale, and Jesus Fuentes.

Councilmember Duran clarified that this item only applies to demolition or exterior changes. He thanked Justine Block and Micky Mars for bringing this item forward.

Councilmember D'Amico discussed the study by the City's consultant. He further inquired about alterations to the exterior of the properties after the moratorium. Ms. Dimond spoke regarding next steps after the study and working with property owners based on the study's findings.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister inquired about 7701 Lexington and asked staff to work with the developer in creating something that is compatible with the neighborhood.

Mayor Horvath also inquired about 7701 Lexington.

Mayor Horvath closed the public hearing.

ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council hold a public hearing, consider all pertinent testimony, and adopt the following ordinance: ORDINANCE NO. 16-980U, "AN INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD EXTENDING INTERIM ORDINANCE 16-979U, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65858 PROHIBITING THE ISSUANCE OF DEMOLITION PERMITS AND OTHER EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS FOR EXISTING CRAFTSMAN HOMES ON HAMPTON, LEXINGTON AND NORTON AVENUES BETWEEN GENESEE AVENUE AND GARDNER AVENUE AND DECLARING THE URGENCY

THEREOF.” **Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Duran, and approved.**

3.B. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF LEASE REVENUE BONDS IN CONNECTION WITH FINANCING CERTAIN PUBLIC CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE REFINANCING OF AN OUTSTANDING LEASE OBLIGATION [D. WILSON, J. LEONARD, C. SAFRIET]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting the attached resolution approving the issuance and sale of up to \$90 million of 2016 Lease Revenue Bonds (the “2016 Lease Revenue Bonds”) by the West Hollywood Public Financing Authority (the “Financing Authority”). The total bond issue of up to \$90 million will provide financing for (1) the acquisition and construction of public improvements related to the West Hollywood Park Master Plan Phase II - Implementation Project and related improvements; (2) the acquisition and construction of improvements to the Werle Building; and (3) the refinancing of the West Hollywood Public Financing Authority 2009 Taxable Lease Revenue Bonds, Series B (Capital Improvement Projects) on the first available optional redemption date to generate annual debt service savings.

Director of Finance and Technology Services David Wilson provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 4, 2016.

Senior Management Analyst Christine Safriet provided background on the projects that the bond proceeds will be used.

Revenue Management Manager John Leonard provided a review of the bond issuance process. He commented that there is an error on page A-19 that will be corrected on the Official Statement.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister had a number of questions regarding City and Councilmember liability, clarification on what a debt-service reserve fund is, and where the revenue would come from to offset the annual lease payments. Legal Counsel Chris Lynch of Jones Hall and Finance Director responded to each of Mayor Pro Tempore Meister’s questions and concerns.

Councilmember Heilman requested clarification regarding the premiums being paid and how the City can receive \$14 million more. Staff and the consultant provided information on the way the Bonds are being financed and how the City’s good financial standing has helped get such a great rate. Councilmember Heilman thanked everyone for their hard work on this item.

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

ACTION: Hold a public hearing on the proposed lease financing by the City and the Public Financing Authority and the substantial public benefits of the proposed financing; 2) Adopt Resolution No. 16-4811 “RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING, AUTHORIZING, AND DIRECTING EXECUTION OF CERTAIN FINANCING DOCUMENTS AND DIRECTING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FINANCING OF CERTAIN PUBLIC CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE REFINANCING OF AN OUTSTANDING LEASE OBLIGATION;” and 3) Authorize the City Manager and/or Director of Finance and Technology Services to execute any documents necessary to issue the 2016 Lease Revenue Bonds, provided the principal amount does not exceed \$90 million. **Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Councilmember Heilman, and approved.**

THE CITY COUNCIL RECESSED AND RECONVENED AS THE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY: 9:21 p.m.

The Public Financing Authority approved the minutes of the August 19, 2013 meeting, and adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of lease revenue bonds in connection with financing certain public capital improvements and the refinancing of an outstanding lease obligation.

The actions are more fully described in the minutes of the Public Financing Authority.

THE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY RECESSED AND RECONVENED AS THE CITY COUNCIL: 9:22 p.m.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

4.A. ETHICS REFORM TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS UPDATE [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER, P. AREVALO, J. JIMENEZ, M. JENKINS, C. HOGIN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive a proposed ordinance and update on the status of the Ethics Reform Task Force’s recommendations and provide additional direction to staff.

City Attorney Jenkins provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 4, 2016. He advised the Council of a few minor revisions needed for the proposed Ordinance which included revised language in Sections 2.88.020 and 2.76.020 as follows:

Section 2.88.020 – Prohibition on Gifts to City Officials and Employees

The first sentence will be revised to state; *“No person or entity with business before the City shall make, and no City official or City Employee shall accept a gift from any person or entity...”*

Section 2.76.020 – paragraph b

The word “buttons” shall be deleted from this section.

JOE GUARDARRAMA, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the proposed Ordinance and recommended revised language relating to recommendation C. He stated that the Ordinance should indicate that only Primarily Formed Committees be required to list their top 3 donors on campaign literature, and not Independent Committees.

DAN MORIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the Council for forming the Ethics Reform Task Force and commented that he appreciated the openness of the Task Force to hear resident’s concerns.

STEVEN MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding an Ethics Pledge, the solicitation of campaign funds, and reporting by lobbyists.

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various regulations that were not addressed in the Ordinance.

The following individuals did not wish to speak, but submitted citizen position slips in support of the recommended Item: Michael Dolan and Jesus Fuentes.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister stated that she was in support of the item and the proposed language changes to the Ordinance. She spoke in support of requiring Lobbyists to provide quarterly reporting, but stated that the amount should be lower than \$5,000. She spoke in support of banning city contractors from contributing to campaigns, and also spoke in support of not allowing someone to be both a lobbyist and a campaign manager. She also spoke in opposition to raising the campaign contribution limit above \$500.

Councilmember Heilman agrees with the recommended changes by the City Attorney and Mr. Guardarrama to the ordinance. He does not agree with the changes to the behested payments. He also clarified that this Item contains the first of many recommendations from the Ethics Reform Task Force that will be brought to Council for discussion.

City Clerk Quarker confirmed that other items would be brought to Council based on the Ethics Reform Task Force’s recommendations, including the software to allow for electronic filing of campaign statements, Conflict of

Interest Form 700's as well as an item regarding the changes to City elections and various voter education and outreach initiatives.

Councilmember Duran spoke in support of the Item, but stated that he did not support a change in the Behested Payments reporting, and agreed with what the State already requires. He spoke regarding an increase into the campaign contribution limit and stated that he would be in favor of either keeping it at \$500 or increasing it to \$1,000, but did not agree with small incremental increases.

Councilmember D'Amico spoke in support of the Item and suggested that the campaign contributions be increased to \$1,000 the first election after term limits begins. He spoke in support of revising the Beshested payments reporting requirement.

Mayor Horvath requested clarification for the City Attorney regarding including reporting requirements for lobbying expenditures in the Ordinance, and whether the City could prohibit contractors or those going through an RFP/BID process from making campaign donations. City Attorney Jenkins stated that language regarding lobbyist requirements was not included in the proposed Ordinance, but could be brought back separately for Council to discuss the issue. He also clarified that there are some 1st Amendment legalities surrounding prohibiting someone from making a campaign contribution and that the Task Force looked into this issue and did not make a recommendation to make any changes to the Municipal Code. Mayor Horvath requested that City Clerk staff look into the issues of enforcement and management of polling locations during elections, and also provide training for the City's Elected and Appointed members on their duties, roles, responsibilities, how to run an effective meeting, and ensuring that they are trained and aware on all issues where they must be in compliance; such as Conflict of Interest, Code of Conduct, and Ethical Behavior.

City Clerk Quarker stated that the City Clerk's Office is in the process of developing training for Commissioners and Advisory Board Members and will work with the City Attorney on this issue.

Mayor Horvath also inquired whether Staff is tracking how much of the employees' time is being spent in City Hall as it relates to provided information and resources to residents versus non-residents. She asked Staff to provide Council with this information if possible.

ACTIONS: 1) Introduce on first reading Ordinance 16-981, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE NEW REGULATIONS ON GOVERNMENT ETHICS 1) Directing the City Attorney to revise the proposed ordinance to include the revisions to

Sections 2.88.020, 2.76.065, and 2.76.020 as stated during the meeting; 2) Codifying the City's gift regulations; 3) Removing Section 2 of the proposed Ordinance in its entirety to keep the campaign contribution limit at \$500; 4) Direct the City Attorney to provide City Council with a memo regarding the definition of Behested Payments within 30 days; 5) Table the discussion regarding Lobbyist reporting requirements to a future meeting and 6) Direct the City Attorney to look at whether the City can prohibit contractors from making campaign donations while they are under contract with the City. **Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Councilmember D'Amico, and approved.**

4.B. SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESS IN WEST HOLLYWOOD'S NEW URBANISM [L. MEISTER, J. D'AMICO, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider an initiative directing staff to research policies and planning tools that will help attract independent, small businesses to West Hollywood and keep our existing small business community intact by making operating small business in our City more economically feasible.

Councilmember D'Amico and Mayor Pro Tempore Meister provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 4, 2016.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister reiterated that this Item would direct staff to research policies and planning tools that will help attract and retain small businesses and stated that the report included examples of what could be done.

DAN MORIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the small businesses that have left the City.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, MARINA DEL REY, spoke in support of this initiative.

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of this initiative.

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of this initiative.

The following individual did not wish to speak, but submitted a citizen position slip in support of the recommended Item: Cathy Blaivas

The following individuals did not wish to speak, but submitted citizen position slips in opposition to the recommended Item: Yola Dore, Amarra Mchael, Jesus Fuentes, Jason Soudah, and Michael Dolan

Councilmember Duran indicated that he agrees with the intent of the item and the creation of a Task Force. He commented that it is tough to legislate microeconomics.

Councilmember Heilman indicated that he agrees with the creation of a Task Force.

Councilmember D'Amico agreed with the creation of a Task Force and asked that they also review permit fees.

Mayor Horvath commented that community outreach should be conducted prior to the creation of the Task Force or in conjunction with the creation of the Task Force.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to conduct community outreach with commercial property owners, small business owners, commercial real estate agents and other stakeholders to establish a Task Force; 2) return to Council with a list of recommended appointees; and 3) direct the established Task Force to go through the proposed set of ideas as well as other ideas and return to Council within 6-9 months with recommendations of appropriate policies and planning tools (e.g. zone text amendments) that can be utilized in the City of West Hollywood. **Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Duran, and approved.**

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.A. HOUSING ELEMENT ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2015 [E. SAVAGE, P. NOONAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the 2015 Annual Progress Report on the status of the Housing Element of the General Plan and authorize staff to submit the report to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) in compliance with state requirements.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

5.B. APPROVE THE AGING IN PLACE / AGING IN COMMUNITY 5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN [E. SAVAGE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive and approve the final report on the Aging in Place, Aging in Community 5-year Strategic Plan.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

5.C. RUSSIAN ARTS AND CULTURE WEEK AND COMMUNITY AWARDS PRESENTATION [K. COOK, B. SMITH, T. RODZINEK]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing staff to coordinate Russian Arts and Culture Week that will include the Community Awards Presentation, the Russian Arts and Culture Festival and various other Russian cultural events during the week of May 7 through May 15, 2016.

The week will be launched with a Victory in Europe Day Celebration on Saturday, May 7, 2016, at Plummer Park and culminate with the Russian Arts and Culture Festival on Sunday, May 15, 2016 in Plummer Park.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.K. ESTABLISH A REQUIREMENT FOR A GREEN ROOF OR SOLAR PANELS ON NEW BUILDINGS IN COMMERCIAL ZONES [L. MEISTER, L. HORVATH, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing the Community Development Department to include requirements for green roofs or solar panels on new buildings in commercial zones as part of sustainability initiatives currently included in the CDD Work Plan.

Councilmember Heilman expressed his concerns with Council giving the directive that all new developments meet this requirement and spoke in support of the Community Development Department further studying this issue.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

FRANCESCA "INDIGO" JACOBS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

ACTION: Direct the Community Development Department to include this in the Green Building Study that was previously approved by Council.
Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, seconded by Mayor Horvath, and approved.

2.L. CREATE A YOUNG ADULT ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD [L. HORVATH, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider creating a nine-member Young Adult Advisory Board for the City of West Hollywood to advise the Council on issues impacting young adult members of the community.

Mayor Horvath spoke regarding the Item and stated that it is important to have input from young adults in the City's decision making processes.

ALEXANDER GURFINKEL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

TOMMYE LEE RAY, UNKNOWN, spoke in support of the item.

CHRIS BOWEN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

MICHAEL DOLAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

ACTIONS: 1) Authorize the creation of a Young Adult Advisory Board; and 2) Direct the City Manager to report back to City Council with recommendations for board structure, including staff support and a proposal for implementation, within 60 days. **Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Heilman, and approved noting the abstention of Councilmember Duran.**

6. LEGISLATIVE:

6.A. TOBACCO RETAILER BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE [O. DELGADO, D. MICK, N. KARPELES]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider: 1) An amendment to Article 2 Specific Businesses Regulated) of Title 5 (Business Licenses, Regulations and Permits) of the West Hollywood Municipal Code creating a new category of business license, Tobacco Retailers; regulating the sale of tobacco products; and consolidating existing Municipal Code sections in order to eliminate redundancy in the City's regulation of tobacco, 2) An amendment to Chapter 7.08 (Smoking in Public Places and Outdoor Dining Areas) of Title 7 (Health) of the West Hollywood Municipal Code defining "smoke/smoking" to include emissions from electronic smoking devices.

ACTION: This Item was Tabled.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues affecting the City and thanked the Mayor for her hard work during her term as Mayor.

CHRISTIAN LAWRENCE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, posed two questions to the Council regarding Sherriff's contracts and qualifications of City Staff.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 11:17 p.m. in memory of Bill Rosendahl, Miguel Murillo, Patty Duke, those that lost their lives in the Brussels terrorist attack, and Staff Sergeant Louis F. Cardin to the Mayoral Installation meeting, which will be held on Monday, April 18, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room - Council Chambers.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 18th day of April, 2016 by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmember:	D'Amico, Duran, Horvath, Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman, and Mayor Meister.
NOES:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSENT:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember:	None.

LAUREN MEISTER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

YVONNE QUARKER, CITY CLERK