

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2017
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

6:30 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Meister called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Captain Perez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

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

ABSENT: None.

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

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:

Mayor Meister reported that the Closed Session was cancelled due to a lack of agenda items.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Meister indicated that staff requested that Item 5.A. be tabled until March 20, 2017.

Motion by Councilmember Duran to approve the March 6, 2017 Agenda, seconded by Councilmember Horvath and approved.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Senior Advisory Board Member Richard Blons, West Hollywood resident Jeff Gold, and Congressman Anthony Beilenson.

Councilmember Horvath requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Irina Krasnov and Private First Class Brian P. Odiorne (21).

Councilmember D’Amico requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory Greg Henderson, Nancy Fawcett, and architect Jeffrey B. Averill.

Mayor Meister requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Sergio Larin, the father of City employee Sergio Larin, and Florence Templer, the grandmother of City employee Michelle Nemetz.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Meister presented a Proclamation to the Women's Advisory Board honoring Women's History Month.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

TOM DEMILLE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the March 7th election.

AMANDA HYDE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.O. and the March 7th election.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.M. and the March 7th election.

AMANDA GOODWIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.O. and the March 7th election.

JACK LORENZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the Alliance for Housing and Healing regarding Item 2.L.

DAVID REID, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.G. and the March 7th election.

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the March 7th election.

IVY BOTTINI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various items on the Consent Calendar as well as the March 7th election.

DAN MORIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Items 2.O. and 2.L.

CRAIG PULSIPHER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.N.

LYN ETCETERA, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues in the City and the March 7th election.

DINAH THOMAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues in the City and the March 7th election.

MICHAEL CAUTILLO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the March 7th election.

VIRGINIA GILLICK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the March 7th election.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the March 7th election.

DUFF BENNETT, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the tenants of Palm Avenue regarding a development on their street.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues of the City and resigned from the Disabilities Advisory Board.

The following individuals did not wish to speak, but submitted citizen position slips in support of Item 2.O.: *Richard Kraft and Mary Ann Collins*

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Councilmember Duran thanked Mr. Pulsipher who spoke regarding Item 2.N. He commented that he is travelling to Austin, Texas to attend the SXSW Conference as a panelist discussing LGBT Health issues. He spoke regarding Item 2.M. and requested that staff follow the City's current policy regarding plaques and signs when analyzing this request, but to also send the item to the Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board to review, and the Mayor agreed.

Councilmember D'Amico provided his campaign disclosures. He asked staff to contact Mr. Bennett who spoke regarding Palm Avenue. He indicated that he was pleased to co-sponsor Item 2.O. and provided the details of the upcoming event on Thursday to discuss the proposed legislation. Finally, he mentioned Item 2.L.

Councilmember Horvath thanked everyone who came out for the unveiling of the Women's History Month banners this evening. She asked the City Manager for an update on the pedestrian safety infrastructure. She commented on various items on the Consent Calendar. Finally, she mentioned the March 7th election and encouraged residents to vote.

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman commented that in two weeks is the Iranian New Year and wished the Iranian community a Happy New Year. He commented on Ms. Thomas' comments regarding the City's Library. He thanked her for her support of the subway and indicated his frustration as well. He further commented on the City's success with Measure M and expediting the subway alignment (Crenshaw North) which would traverse through West Hollywood.

Mayor Meister spoke regarding the upcoming election, and stated that election results will be updated on the County Registrar-Recorder's website at lavote.net, as well as the City's website at weho.org/elections. She stated that she was sad to receive the resignation of Disabilities Advisory Board Member Michael Wojtkielewicz, and spoke regarding his contributions to the Board and the City. She further spoke regarding the space limitations for the upcoming L.A. Pride events, and stated that although the City is looking at additional locations, the City should prepare to be able to work within this smaller footprint. She spoke regarding Item 2.M., and requested that when the Item goes before the LGAB, the Board should suggest alternative locations if they feel that

the Matthew Shephard memorial location is not appropriate. She spoke regarding Item 2.H. and reiterated the previous direction given to staff by Council to “review residential, commercial, and mixed—use project applications and project in the pipeline, as well as all future development projects, with specific attention to design standards to ensure solar access for residential and lower scale commercial properties adjacent to proposed development projects, so that new construction will not impede on adjacent property owners’ ability to comply with the State’s Zero Net Energy Law and Title 24 Energy Standards by integrating solar power and solar power domestic water heating systems.” She also requested that an architect review the projects to ensure that this direction is followed, and spoke regarding the need for an Office of a City Architect.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

City Manager provided an update on the Crosswalk Project along Santa Monica Boulevard. He also commented on the upcoming LA Marathon on Sunday, March 19th and indicated that a mailer was sent to residents with street closures for the event.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Quarker stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar is \$201,970 in expenditures, \$65,904 in potential revenue, and (\$0) in waived fees.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, March 6, 2017 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff’s Station, and at the West Hollywood Library on Wednesday, March 1, 2017.

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 February 21, 2017. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.C. APPROVAL OF DEMAND REGISTER NO. 798 [D. WILSON, L. QUIJANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council shall approve or reject the Demand Register for period ending February 24, 2017 pursuant to Sections 37201 to 37210 of the Government Code of the State of California.

ACTION: Approve Demand Register NO. 798 and adopt Resolution No.17-4915, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY

OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING PAYMENT OF DEMANDS PRESENTED ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 798.” **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.D. CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION [D. WILSON, 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 Roberto Hernandez, Arash Shamoeil, and Nicole Andolina. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.E. ORDINANCE NO. 17-1000 (2ND READING) “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 1.40 TO AND AMENDING SECTIONS 17.44.010 AND 17.44.020 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SUBPOENAS” [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 17-1000 adding a new chapter 1.40 to and amending sections 17.44.010 and 17.44.020 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code relating to the issuance of subpoenas.

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 17-1000, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 1.40 TO AND AMENDING SECTIONS 17.44.010 AND 17.44.020 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SUBPOENAS”. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.F. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD ACTION REPORTS [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive reports from the Human Services Commission, Public Safety Commission, Transportation Commission, Disabilities Advisory Board, Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board, Russian Advisory Board, Senior Advisory Board, Transgender Advisory Board, and Women’s Advisory Board on actions taken at their recent meetings.

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

2.G. ATTENDANCE REPORTS FOR CITY COMMISSIONS, ADVISORY BOARDS AND THE EASTSIDE WORKING GROUP [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the attendance reports for City Commission, Advisory Board, and Eastside Working Group meetings convened between November 2015 and November 2016.

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

2.H. UPDATE ON STRATEGIES ADDRESSING THE STATE’S ZERO NET ENERGY GOALS AND CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDINGS STANDARDS CODE, AN OVERVIEW OF THE LONG RANGE AND MOBILITY

PLANNING SUSTAINABILITY WORK PROGRAM, AND APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH THE ROBERT GROUP [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, R. EASON]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on strategies to address the 2016 California Green Building Standards Code and the State's 2020 Residential Zero Net Energy goals. This report also contains an overview of the Long Range and Mobility Planning Division's Sustainability Work Program and requests that City Council consider the approval of an agreement for services with The Robert Group to provide temporary staffing services to support Sustainability Work Program.

ACTIONS: 1) Receive an update on strategies to address the 2016 California Green Building Standards Code and the State's 2020 Residential Zero Net Energy goals; 2) Receive the Long Range and Mobility Planning Division's Sustainability Work Program and provide feedback on priorities as needed; 3) Approve an agreement for services with The Robert Group in the amount of \$175,000 for temporary planning staff services; and 4) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.I. AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH JFL ELECTRIC, INC. [O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the Agreement for Services with JFL Electric, Inc. to increase the not-to-exceed amount of the Agreement for CIP 1604, Traffic Signal Improvements for La Cienega Blvd. at Fountain Ave.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1, to the Agreement for Services with JFL Electric, Inc., to increase the amount of the agreement by \$12,970 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$155,640 for the construction of CIP 1604, Traffic Signal Improvements for La Cienega Blvd. at Fountain Ave.; 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement; and 3) Authorize the City Engineer to manage change orders to the agreement for services in an amount not to exceed 20% (\$25,940) of the total agreement amount. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.J. APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 69202 FOR THE CONDOMINIUM PROJECT LOCATED AT 1345 N. HAVENHURST DRIVE [O. DELGADO, S. PERLSTEIN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of Final Tract Map No. 69202, subdivision for a 16 unit condominium development, located at 1345 N. Havenhurst Drive.

ACTIONS: 1) Make findings for the Final Tract Map as follows: a. That this project will not violate any of the provisions of Sections 66474, 66474.1, and 66474.6 of the Subdivision Map Act, b. That the proposed subdivision, together with the provisions for its design and improvement, is consistent with the General Plan required by Article 5 (commencing with

Section 65300) of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of the Government Code or any specific plan adopted pursuant to Article 8 (commencing with Section 65450) of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of the Government Code, c. That the development of the property in the manner set forth on the subject division of land will not unreasonably interfere with the free and complete exercise of any public entity and/or public utility rights of way and/or easements within the subject division of land, pursuant to Section 66436(a)3A(i-viii) of the Subdivision Map Act; 2) Approve Final Tract Map No. 69202; and 3) Instruct the City Clerk to endorse on the face of the map of Final Tract Map No. 69202 the certificate that embodies the approval or said map. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.K. MICRO-PARK PILOT PROGRAM UPDATE [J. D'AMICO, S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, G. SRAPYAN, M. LOUIE, A. CAMPBELL]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on the micro-park Pilot Program and consider directing the Community Development Department to proceed with three additional micro-parks located in the Eastside, Sunset Boulevard and Mid-City neighborhoods.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to proceed with three Micro-Park installations by (1) Moore+Friesl, (2) June Street Architecture and (3) Taalman Architecture; and 2) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$5,500 from the FY 16-17 Budget in the Special Council Programs account number 100-1-01-00-531001 for costs associated with constructing Micro-Parks on Sunset Boulevard, Eastside and Mid-City neighborhoods. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.L. INCREASE AWARENESS OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MEMORIAL WALK THROUGH STREET SIGNS AND WEBSITE CONTENT [J. D'AMICO, L. HORVATH, A. LOVANO]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider creating street signage and increasing website content to raise the community's awareness for the West Hollywood Memorial Walk, which is a series of memorial plaques that line the sidewalks bearing the names of those we have lost from HIV/AIDS.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct the Communications Department to work with the Alliance for Housing and Healing to develop a design for the West Hollywood Memorial Walk street signage; 2) Direct the Facilities & Field Services Division to install six signs – three on each side of the street – on Santa Monica Boulevard between Robertson Boulevard and Crescent Heights Boulevard; 3) Authorize the Director of Finance & Technology Services to allocate \$2,500 from budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs account number 100-1-01-00-531001 for costs associated with the design, purchase, and installation of the signage; and 4) Direct the Communications Department to update the City's website with information about the West Hollywood Memorial Walk, including links to the Alliance for Housing and Healing's website, and evaluate other options for raising

the community's awareness for the Memorial Walk. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.M. REQUEST TO INSTALL A PLAQUE IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE VICTIMS OF THE PULSE NIGHTCLUB SHOOTING [L. MEISTER, A. LOVANO, S. BERGER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to follow the City's Memorials, Tribute Trees and Plaques Policy Guideline to review the request to install a plaque in remembrance of the victims of the shooting at Pulse, a gay nightclub in Orlando, Florida.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to follow the procedure as outlined in the City's Memorials, Tribute Trees and Plaques Policy Guideline to approve and install a plaque in memory of the victims of the shooting at Pulse nightclub. 2) Have the Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board review and recommend appropriate location; and 3) Authorize the Director of Finance & Technology Services to allocate \$6,000 from budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs account number 100-1-01-00-531001 for costs associated with purchase and installation. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.N. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SB 239 (WIENER) INFECTIOUS AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASES: HIV AND AIDS: CRIMINAL PENALTIES [J. DURAN, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution in support of SB 239 (Wiener), which will amend section 120290 of the Health and Safety Code (H&SC), among other things. This section of state law makes the exposure to HIV a criminal felony punishable by imprisonment. SB 239 will instead make the intentional transmission of HIV, a misdemeanor, under certain conditions.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 17 - 4916 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF SB 239 (WIENER) INFECTIOUS AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASES: HIV AND AIDS: CRIMINAL PENALTIES;" and 2) Direct staff to send copies of the adopted resolution to Governor Jerry Brown, Senators Ben Allen and Scott Wiener, Assemblymembers Richard Bloom and Todd Gloria, and other officials and statewide partners as appropriate. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.O. RESOLUTIONS IN SUPPORT OF AB 982 TO AMEND THE ELLIS ACT TO REQUIRE A ONE YEAR NOTICE PERIOD FOR ALL TENANCIES TERMINATED UNDER THE ACT AND IN SUPPORT OF AB 1506 TO REPEAL THE COSTA-HAWKINS RENTAL HOUSING ACT [L. HORVATH, J. D'AMICO, A. LOVANO, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting resolutions in support of AB 982 (Bloom), which will amend the State's Ellis Act to require a one year notice period for all tenancies terminated under the Act and in support of AB 1506 (Bloom), which will repeal the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 17- 4917 “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF AB 982 (BLOOM) RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY: RENT CONTROL: WITHDRAWAL OF ACCOMMODATIONS;” 2) Adopt Resolution No. 17-4918 “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF AB 1506 (BLOOM) RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY: COSTA-HAWKINS RENTAL HOUSING ACT;” and 3) Direct staff to send copies of the adopted resolutions to Governor Jerry Brown, Senator Ben Allen, Assemblymembers Richard Bloom, David Chiu, and Rob Bonta, and other legislators and statewide partners as appropriate. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 3.A. AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING BY REFERENCE TITLE 32 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE, INCORPORATING THE 2016 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE, 2016 EDITION [S. DEWOLFE, C. ZABALA, B. GALAN]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an Ordinance amending Chapters 14.04 (Fire Code Adoption) and 14.08 (High-Rise Building Requirements) of Title 14 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code.

This item was noticed as required by law.

Mayor Meister opened the Public Hearing and no speakers came forward.

Senior Plan Check Engineer Ben Galan provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated March 6, 2017.

Mayor Meister closed the Public Hearing.

ACTION: Introduce for first reading, Ordinance No. 17-1001 , “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ADOPTING BY REFERENCE TITLE 32 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE, INCORPORATING THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE, 2016 EDITION; MAKING AMENDMENTS TO SAID CODE; AMENDING CHAPTERS 14.04 AND 14.08 OF TITLE 14 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE.” **Motion by Councilmember D’Amico, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman, and approved.**

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.A. EVENT PRODUCTION SERVICES FOR THE CITY'S ANNUAL WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE [S. DEWOLFE, C. SMITH, L. FOOKS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of event production services for the City's annual Women's Leadership Conference.

ACTION: This item was tabled.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: None.

6. LEGISLATIVE: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman commented that Women's Advisory Board Member Anne Toole is working out of the country and has had to resign from her position on the Board. He directed the City Clerk to post a Notice of Vacancy for this appointment.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 7:55 p.m. in memory of Irina Krasnov, Anthony Beilenson, Richard Blons, Private First Class Brian P. Odiorne, Jeffrey B. Averill, Jeff Gold, Sergio Larin, Florence Templer, Greg Henderson, and Nancy Fawcett, to its next regular meeting, which will be on Monday, March 20, 2017 at 6:30 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 20th day of March, 2017 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