## CITY COUNCIL CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD MINUTES

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2017 WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS 625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD

#### 6:30 P.M. -REGULAR MEETING

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Heilman called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Tom Demille led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: Councilmember D'Amico, Councilmember Horvath,

Councilmember Meister, Mayor Pro Tempore Duran, and

Mayor Heilman.

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 cancelled.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councilmember Meister requested that Item 2.K. be Tabled. **Motion by Councilmember Meister, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Duran, motion failed.** Item 2.K. was moved to Excluded Consent for further discussion.

Councilmember D'Amico requested that Items 2.J. and 2.W. be moved to Excluded Consent for further discussion.

Council approved by consensus to move the approval of the Ordinance related to Item 6.A. to consent as Item 2.LL., and to keep the appointment of the Director and Alternate Director under Legislative Items for further discussion.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Duran, seconded by Councilmember Horvath to approve the September 18, 2017 agenda as amended, and unanimously approved.

### **ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:**

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Councilmember Horvath requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Florence Ella McMullin Schmidt, Mila Graca, Soo (Sean) Hong, Yefim Stolyarskly, Edie Windsor, and Kate Millett.

Councilmember Meister requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Edie Bernstein.

Councilmember D'Amico requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Louise Hay.

Mayor Pro Tempore Duran requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of J.D. Disalvatore.

#### PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Heilman presented certificates of recognition to the organizers of National Night Out.

Mayor Heilman presented a proclamation to Robert Ozn for "Celebrate Bisexuality Day".

Mayor Heilman presented a plaque to outgoing Disabilities Advisory Board Member Tom Demille.

Mayor Heilman presented a proclamation to Ruth Golden in recognition of National Suicide Prevention Week.

Mayor Heilman presented a certificate of recognition to Todd Eller and Mike Ciriaco on behalf of the SoCal Wrestling Club.

Councilmember Horvath presented a certificate to Voda Spa commemorating their 10year anniversary.

### 1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

TOM DEMILLE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues in the City.

ANNA SWETT, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.L. and 2.FF.

ESTHER SCHILLER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.F.

ROB BERGSTEIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.F.

DAVID NASH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.L. STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.HH. She also thanked Councilmember D'Amico for organizing the community meeting.

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CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.DD.

MARY JO GODGES AND RENEE SOTILE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.EE.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.F.

SEYMOUR AMSTER, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of Ed Buck regarding comments made by Councilmember Horvath.

LYN ETCETERA, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding traffic along Fountain. He also spoke regarding issues with the Jon Stewart Co.

J.P. PECHT, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.K.

SEBASTIAN GIEFER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding 9200 Sunset and the fluorescent lighting from the building.

ROBERT ELLSWORTH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding public safety.

BEN CREED, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Item 2.J.

The following individual did not wish to speak, but submitted a citizen position slip in support of Item 2Y: Kevin Burton

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:**

Councilmember Meister spoke regarding Item 2.H. and requested that the PickUp hours be extended on Sunday night to midnight. She spoke regarding Item 2.Y. and requested that the subcommittee reach out to Beverly Hills regarding promoting the bike lanes going west. She provided background on Item 2.DD., an item to build on existing codes with common sense design features that allow people to age in place. She spoke about Item 2HH regarding donating to disaster relief efforts. Finally, she commented that September is National Preparedness Month.

Councilmember Horvath reported that she attended the Contract Cities Association. She also reported that she represented the City at the recent League of California Cities conference and business meeting, and that she received the Silver Beacon award on behalf of the City. She also stated that she spoke with Assemblymember Bloom regarding changes to the Ellis Act and Costa Hawkins, and encouraged residents to engage with Assemblymember Bloom's office, as more advocacy work is needed on these issues. She also reported that she represented the City at the California Endowment and Dignity Health discussion spearheaded by Supervisor Ridley-Thomas. She reported that she also represented the City at the recent COG Forum. She spoke regarding a recent tour she took of the renovated Werle Building and stated that the building will be open to the public very soon. She thanked everyone who attended the screening of the documentary, "13". She congratulated Stephanie

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DeWolfe on her new position as City Manager with the City of South Pasadena. She congratulated Mayor Heilman for receiving the Democrat of the Year Award and Mayor Pro Tempore Duran, was recognized by NALEO. She indicated her "no" vote on 2.E. She also mentioned the National League of Cities and the City's position not to attend; which sparked a discussion regarding LGBT rights within the League. She commented on development occurring in the City, and clarified that the City cannot preclude a property owner from starting construction because there is other construction occurring in the same area. She did however state that the City has been working on a coordinated construction mitigation plan to help with this issue. Finally, she spoke regarding Gemmel Moore and again expressed her condolences to his family.

Councilmember D'Amico commented on the public speaker's comments regarding Fountain Avenue being a heavy haul route, and asked the City Manager to look into this issue. He provided his campaign disclosures.

Mayor Pro Tempore Duran spoke regarding the annual review of the PickUp and agreed with Councilmember Meister's recommendations to extend Sunday hours. He mentioned the Werle Building and his colleague's support of the Recovery Center. He thanked his colleagues for supporting "straws upon request". He commented on SB 239 which decriminalizes HIV positive individuals is on the governor's desk for signature and requested that the City Manager allow Council to travel to Sacramento to encourage the Governor to sign the Bill.

Mayor Heilman wished everyone Shanah Tovah. He asked the City Manager to meet with the public speaker who spoke regarding the building on Sunset. He requested that the Rent Stabilization Commission's recommendation regarding smoking in residential units be discussed by Council and asked the City Manager to direct the Rent Stabilization staff to bring an item forward.

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

City Manager Arevalo commented on Stephanie DeWolfe's promotion to the City of South Pasadena. He spoke regarding his recent attendance at the annual conference for the League of California Cities, and expressed his gratitude to the City and its employees for the hard work they do.

### FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Quarker stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar is \$2,861,794 in expenditures, \$1,680 in potential revenue, and (\$1,946) in waived fees.

### 2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, 2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H.,I.,L.,M.,N.,O.,P.,Q.,R.,S.,T.,U.,V.,X.,Y.,Z.,AA.,BB., CC.,DD.,EE.,FF.,GG.,HH.,II.,JJ.,KK.,LL. Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Meister, and approved, noting Councilmember Horvath's "no" vote on Item 2.E.

#### 2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, September 18, 2017 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station, and at the West Hollywood Library on Wednesday, September 13, 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 August 21, 2017. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 2.C. APPROVAL OF DEMAND REGISTER NO. 810 [D. WILSON, LORENA QUIJANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council shall receive the Demand Register for period ending September 8, 2017 pursuant to Sections 37201 to 37210 of the Government Code of the State of California.

**ACTION**: Approve Demand Register NO. 810 and adopt Resolution No.17-4989, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING PAYMENT OF DEMANDS PRESENTED ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 810." **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.

**ACTIONS**: Deny the claims of David Liske, Esther Kashfi Aghai and Hollie Charles. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

# 2.E. ORDINANCE NO. 17-1012 (2ND READING) "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING TITLE 19 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO REQUIRE ART TO BE INSTALLED ON CONSTRUCTION FENCING FOR CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECTS, CITYWIDE" [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 17-1012 amending Title 19 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code to require art to be installed on construction fencing for certain commercial projects, Citywide.

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 17-1012, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL of THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING TITLE 19 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO REQUIRE ART TO BE INSTALLED ON CONSTRUCTION FENCING FOR CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECTS, CITYWIDE". Approved as part of the Consent Calendar, noting the "no" vote of Councilmember Horvath.

## 2.F. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD MEETING SYNOPSES [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive Synopses from the Arts & Cultural Affairs Commission, Public Safety Commission, Rent Stabilization Commission, Transportation Commission, Disabilities Advisory Board, Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board, Russian Advisory Board, Senior Advisory Board, and the Transgender Advisory Board on the actions taken at their recent meetings.

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

### 2.G. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JULY 2017 [D. WILSON, L. QUIJANO, K. BARENG, N. CORONADO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the Treasurer's Report for the month ended July 2017 pursuant to Section 53646 of the Government Code of the State of California.

**ACTION**: Receive and file the July 2017 Treasurer's Report. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.H. ANNUAL PERFORMANCE UPDATE FOR THE WEHO PICKUP [E. SAVAGE, D. GIUGNI, F. GOMEZ]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an annual performance update on The WeHo PickUp, including ridership trends and other performance metrics.

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

## 2.I. ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH [E. SAVAGE, D. GIUGNI, C. ROSKIN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will recognize September as Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month.

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

## 2.J. FINAL PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE MOBILITY PLAN [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, B. CHEUNG]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the final City of West Hollywood Pedestrian and Bicycle Mobility Plan, as amended to incorporate all direction by the council.

ACTION: This Item was moved to Excluded Consent.

## 2.K. LEXINGTON-CURSON RESIDENTIAL HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, D. DEGRAZIA, A. CASTILLO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the final Lexington-Curson Residential Historic Resources Survey, including the historic context statement.

ACTION: This Item was moved to Excluded Consent.

## 2.L. RECOGNITION AND PROMOTION OF NOVEMBER AS TRANSGENDER AWARENESS MONTH [K. COOK, B. SMITH]:

SUBJECT: The City of West Hollywood will recognize November as Transgender Awareness Month.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Proclaim November as Transgender Awareness Month; 2) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on invitations, programs, and other collateral materials: 3) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communication tools to promote the event including, but not limited to, the City's website and social media; 4) Approve the Transgender Awards of Appreciation to be presented at a televised meeting of the Transgender Advisory Board on Wednesday, November 8, 2017; 5) Approve the use of City venues for Transgender Awareness Month events and a waiver of event permits, parking validations, and room fees. These events include, but are not limited to: a. Reception at City Hall/area behind City Hall at 5:00 PM on November 1, 2017. Lobby to be lit in Transgender Flag colors, b. Announcement of Transgender Awareness Month at November 6, 2017 City Council Meeting, c. Trans 101 Business and Community Training on November 8, 2017 at 9:30 AM in the West Hollywood Park Auditorium, d. Televised Transgender Advisory Board Meeting and Award reception on November 8, 2017 in the Council Chambers, e. Rolling March on November 8, 2017. Route to include North San Vicente Avenue, West Santa Monica Boulevard, South Robertson Boulevard, East Melrose Avenue, and back to North San Vicente Avenue, f. Transgender Job Fair on November 9, 2017 held in the West Hollywood Auditorium, g. Film Festival and Dessert Reception on November 13, 2017 held in the Council Chambers, h. Transgender Wellness and Wellbeing conference on November 18, 2017 held at West Hollywood Park Auditorium, i. Transgender Day of Remembrance on November 20, 2017 held at Pan Pacific Park, and j. Authorize the Transgender flag to be flown over City Hall during the month of November and to be flown at half-staff on November 20, 2017 in commemoration of Transgender Day of Remembrance. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

## 2.M. AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH RUBEN ESPARZA [M. LOUIE, A. CAMPBELL, R. EHEMANN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing an Agreement for Services with Consultant Ruben Esparza, as recommended by the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission, to curate and present a temporary art exhibition titled Queer Califas: LA Latinx Art to take place in Plummer Park's Long Hall from November 4 – December 9, 2017. The Consultant is currently registered as an approved graphic designer vendor with an agreement not-to-exceed \$35,000 per year for three years.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve an agreement with Ruben Esparza in an amount not-to-exceed \$8,500 to provide curatorial and exhibition production services for a temporary art exhibition titled Queer Califas: LA Latinx Art in Plummer Park's Long Hall from November 4 – December 9, 2017; and 2)

Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents incident to this agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 2.N. AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH FUSIONSTORM [D. WILSON, E. TSIPIS, J. DUNCAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an Agreement for Services with FusionStorm to replace the bulk of the City's aging network equipment, provide 24x7 Managed Services on the equipment and provide professional services for upcoming networking projects.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve an Agreement for Services with FusionStorm for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$350,000 to replace the bulk of the City's networking equipment; 2) Approve an Agreement for Services with FusionStorm for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$600,000 to provide managed services for all City networking equipment as well as provide professional services for upcoming networking projects; and 3) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

# 2.O. AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH HOST COMPLIANCE, LLC. TO PROVIDE SHORT TERM RENTAL ADDRESS VERIFICATION, COMPLIANCE MONITORING, PERMITTING, AND TAX COLLECTION SERVICES [O. DELGADO, J. AUBEL, D. MICK]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an Agreement with Host Compliance, LLC, to provide short term rental address verification, compliance monitoring, permitting, and tax collection services for the City of West Hollywood.

**ACTION**: Approve the agreement for services with Host Compliance, LLC for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$75,000. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.P. AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH ALLCONNECTED [D. WILSON, E. TSIPIS, J. DUNCAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an Agreement for Services with AllConnected Inc. to provide cloud based, secure, off-site repository for the City's nightly backups via Veeam Cloud Connect services.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve an Agreement for Services with AllConnected Inc. for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000.00 to provide Veeam Cloud Connect services; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.Q. AGREEMENTS FOR ON-CALL TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH KOA CORPORATION AND ALBERT GROVER & ASSOCIATES [O. DELGADO, H. DEMITRI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the approval of an agreement for services with KOA Corporation, and approval of an agreement with Albert Grover & Associates for on-call Traffic Engineering Services.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve an agreement for services with KOA Corporation in the amount of \$100,000 for on-call Traffic Engineering Services; 2) Approve an agreement for services with Albert Grover & Associates in the amount of \$100,000 for on-call Traffic Engineering Services; and 3) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreements. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.R. AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH JAS PACIFIC FOR INSPECTION SERVICES [S. DEWOLFE, C. ZABALA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending an agreement for services with JAS Pacific to increase the not-to-exceed amount of the agreement and the term of the agreement in order to continue to provide additional building inspection support services funded by applicant permit fees.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve amendment 1 to the agreement for services with JAS Pacific to increase the amount of the agreement by \$116,000, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$141,000 and extend the term of the agreement from December 31, 2017 to June 30, 2018; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 2.S. AMENDMENT TO MYDATT, D/B/A BLOCK BY BLOCK CONTRACT [K. COOK, R. WINRADER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council shall consider approving Amendment No. 1 to the Mydatt, d/b/a Block by Block contract in the amount of \$250,000 for the addition of 4 bicycle security ambassadors primarily focused on the Eastside, as approved in the mid-year budget changes.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Mydatt, d/b/a Block by Block contract to modify the scope of services and increase the not-to-exceed amount of the agreement by \$250,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$2,347,976; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the amendment. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.T. AMENDMENT #2 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH SOCRATA INC. FOR OPEN DATA SERVICES [D. WILSON, E. TSIPIS, R. FOZOONMEHR]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement for services with Socrata Inc. for open data services to increase the not-to-exceed amount and extend the agreement.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve the second amendment to the Agreement for Services with Socrata Inc., to increase the "not-to-exceed" amount of \$43,936.92 by an additional \$67,907.16, for a total of \$111,844.08 and extend the time of performance by thirty six (36) additional months; and 2)

Authorize the City Manager to execute the second amendment to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

# 2.U. AWARD OF AGREEMENT FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE - COMPUTER SERVER ROOM COOLING SYSTEMS [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS, D. WILSON, E. TSIPIS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the award of an Agreement to Allison Mechanical, Inc. for the Replacement of Cooling Systems in the City's Computer Server Room.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve an Agreement with Allison Mechanical, Inc. for the replacement of the critical cooling systems in the City's Information & Technology Computer Server Room in the amount of \$169,000 and authorize the Facilities and Field Services Division to manage Change Orders to the agreement in an amount not-to-exceed \$33,800 (20%) for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$202,800; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents incident to the award of the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.V. AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR CIP 1804, CONCRETE REPAIR PROGRAM [O. DELGADO, H. DEMITRI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider awarding a construction contract for CIP 1804, Concrete Repair Program.

ACTIONS: 1) Accept the bid dated August 24, 2017, submitted by CT&T Concrete Paving, Inc.; 2) Approve an agreement for services with CT&T Concrete Paving, Inc., in the amount of \$547,960 (Plus a 10%) contingency) for the construction of CIP 1804, Concrete Repair Program: 3) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement; 4) Authorize the City Engineer to manage change orders to the agreement for services in an amount not to exceed 10% (\$54,796.00) of the total agreement amount; 5) Adopt Resolution No. 17-4990, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING THE DESIGN AND PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CONCRETE REPAIR PROGRAM, CIP 1804. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 830.6 AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT PAYMENT ACCOUNT;" and 6) Make a finding that pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA-Public Resources Code, Section 21084 et. Seq.), Concrete Repair Program, CIP 1804, meets the requirements for a categorical exemption in compliance with Article 19, Section 15301, (Class 1- Existing Facilities). Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

## 2.W. SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRACT RENEWALS 2017-18 [E. SAVAGE, D. GIUGNI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider renewals of Social Services contracts for the second year of the funding process (October 1, 2017-September 30, 2018). The recommendation includes the re-programming of funds in the amount of \$64,479 and a 2% cost of living increase approved in the budget process.

**ACTIONS: This Item was moved to Excluded Consent.** 

## 2.X. NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR CIP 1704, CONCRETE REPAIR PROGRAM EAST SIDE- PHASE VI, CDBG PROJECT NO. 601799-16 [O. DELGADO, H. DEMITRI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving the Notice of Completion for CIP 1704, Concrete Repair Program East Side – Phase VI, CDBG Project No. 601799-16 by CJ Concrete Construction, Inc.

**ACTIONS**: Accept the work and authorize the following: a. Filing the Notice of Completion by the City Clerk, b. Final payment to the contractor at the end of the 35 day lien period, c. Release of the Performance Bond on the date of recordation of the Notice of Completion, and d. Release of the Payment Bond 35 days after the date of recordation of the Notice of Completion, pending no receipt of Stop Notices. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.Y. JOINT AD HOC PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, B. CHEUNG, K. COOK]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving the formation of an Ad Hoc Joint Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Subcommittee between the Public Safety Commission and the Transportation Commission.

**ACTION**: Approve formation of an Ad Hoc Joint Subcommittee to meet no more than six times to provide input to staff regarding prioritization of pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements in the 2017 Pedestrian and Bicycle Mobility Plan. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.Z. TELEVISED WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD MEETING [M. LOUIE, C. SMITH, L. FOOKS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of a televised meeting of the Women's Advisory Board.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Direct staff to coordinate a televised meeting of the Women's Advisory Board on Tuesday, October 24, 2017; and 2) Direct the Communications Department to televise the Women's Advisory Board meeting of October 24, 2017. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

### 2.AA. 2018 SKECHERS PERFORMANCE LOS ANGELES MARATHON STREET CLOSURES [M. LOUIE, C. SMITH, M. GERLE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving street closures on portions of Sunset Boulevard, North San Vicente Boulevard, Santa

Monica Boulevard and North Doheny Drive to accommodate the 2018 Skechers Performance Los Angeles Marathon.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the closure of Sunset Boulevard between Marmont Lane and Clark Street/North San Vicente Boulevard on Sunday, March 18, 2018 from 3:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; 2) Approve the closure of North San Vicente Boulevard between Sunset Boulevard and Melrose Avenue on Sunday, March 18, 2018 from 3:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; 3) Approve the closure of Santa Monica Boulevard between La Cienega Boulevard and North Doheny Drive on Sunday, March 18, 2018 from 3:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; 4) Approve the closure of North Doheny Drive between Santa Monica Boulevard and Beverly Boulevard on Sunday, March 18, 2018 from 3:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; and 5) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to negotiate with Skechers Performance Los Angeles Marathon regarding route, activations and sponsor/sponsorship requests. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

## 2.BB. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF A TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY LEGAL NAME AND GENDER MARKER CHANGE CLINIC [E. SAVAGE, D. GIUGNI, D. MURRAY]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider co-sponsoring a Transgender Community Legal Name and Gender Marker Change Clinic on September 26, 2017, organized by Bet Tzedek Legal Services.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve co-sponsorship of the Transgender Community Legal Name and Gender Marker Change Clinic; 2) Authorize Bet Tzedek to utilize the City of West Hollywood's name and logo on printed and online promotional materials; and 3) Direct the Communications Division to utilize all appropriate communication tools to promote the event including, but not limited to, the City's website and social media tools. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.CC. CO-SPONSOR THE PARENTS EDUCATION LEAGUE WORKSHOP ON LAUSD MAGNET SCHOOL APPLICATION AND ADMISSIONS [L. HORVATH, A. LOVANO, S. BERGER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider co-sponsorship of the Parents Education League workshop on LAUSD Magnet School Application and Admissions on October 11, 2017.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve co-sponsorship of the Parents Education League's Magnet School Workshop on October 11, 2017 at 9:00 am in the Community Meeting Room; 2) Authorize the use of the City's name and logo on promotional materials; 3) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communication tools to promote the events including, but not limited to, the City's website and social media tools; 4) Approve the use of City venues for the event, waive the room usage fees, and authorize validated parking for the events at the 5-story West Hollywood Park garage for event attendees (estimated \$671 in waived fees); 5) Authorize the Director of Finance & Technology Services to allocate \$450 from budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs

account number 100-1-01-00-531001 for costs associated with tech support (Waveguide); and 6) Authorize the City Manager to execute an Event Co-sponsorship Agreement and any other documents related to this event with the event organizer. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.DD. DESIGNING AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITIES [L. MEISTER, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to develop options to require affordable housing design features that appropriately serve the needs of lower income seniors, people living with disabilities, and other special needs populations.

**ACTION**: Direct staff to develop policies to require accessible design features in affordable housing buildings and inclusionary units in order to meet the needs of seniors, people living with disabilities, and other special needs populations. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.EE. SUPPORT FOR "I REMEMBER NICOLE", A SONG AND MUSIC VIDEO ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE [L. HORVATH, L. MEISTER, A. LOVANO1:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider providing \$3,150 to support the completion of "I Remember Nicole" a song and music video about domestic violence.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve support for "I Remember Nicole" a song and music video about domestic violence; 2) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on promotional and collateral materials; 3) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$3,150 from budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs account number 100-1-01-00-531001 for associated costs; and 4) Approvals are contingent upon the execution of a sponsorship agreement with the song producers for the completion of the song and music video, including provisions to allow the City to use these materials as part of ongoing awareness campaigns about domestic violence and to require the materials will not be used for any profit making purposes. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

### 2.FF. VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN WEST HOLLYWOOD [J. HEILMAN, L. HORVATH, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to develop an easily accessible resource for community members who are seeking volunteer opportunities in the City of West Hollywood.

**ACTION**: Direct staff to develop and publicize resources for community members who are interested in volunteering with the City of West Hollywood, and/or nonprofit organizations that serve West Hollywood. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.GG. "STRAWS UPON REQUEST" EDUCATION CAMPAIGN [J. DURAN, A. LOVANO, S. BERGER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to develop a "straws upon request" education campaign and partner with local businesses to implement the campaign. The program will seek to educate the community on the environmental impact of plastic straws and provide support to businesses in the transition to alternative straw types and sustainable practices.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Direct the Economic Development Department to work with the Communications Department to develop and implement a public education campaign encouraging businesses to institute a "straw upon request" policy; 2) Collaborate with the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce and other appropriate community organizations to gather participation from the business community; and 3) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$7,500 from budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs account for costs associated with developing the public education campaign and purchasing personalized West Hollywood paper straws for distribution to participating businesses. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.HH. CONNECTING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY WITH HURRICANE HARVEY AND HURRICANE IRMA RELIEF EFFORTS [J. HEILMAN, L. MEISTER, A. LOVANO, S. BERGER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider taking steps to encourage the West Hollywood community to respond and donate to disaster relief efforts following Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Direct the Communications Department to provide resources on the City's website for West Hollywood community members seeking to contribute to Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma relief efforts through charities such as the American Red Cross and Operation USA, among others; 2) Authorize the City to partner with local organizations to organize a donation drive for Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma victims; and 3) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to allocate \$1,000 from budgeted funds in the Special Council Programs account number 100-1-01-00-531001 for possible costs associated with the donation drive. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.II. CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD "VISION 2050" STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS [JOHN HEILMAN, ANDI LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will initiate the Vision 2050 Strategic Planning Process for the City of West Hollywood that will reexamine the City's major goals and initiatives.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Direct the City Manager's Department to begin the Vision 2050 Strategic Planning Process, including issuing a Request for Proposal for a program manager/facilitator; 2) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Services with CityFi, LLC to modify the scope of services and increase the amount of the agreement by \$15,000, for a total not-to-

exceed amount of \$165,000, in order to begin the Strategic Planning Process during the Annual Congress of the Commissions and Advisory Boards; and 3) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all documents incident to this Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

# 2.JJ. A RESOLUTION CALLING ON PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PROTECT NATIONAL MONUMENTS, PUBLIC LANDS, AND WATERWAYS [L. MEISTER, J. D'AMICO, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution calling on President Donald J. Trump and the United States Congress to protect our national monuments, public lands, and waterways.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 17-4991 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY WEST HOLLYWOOD CALLING ON PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP TO PROTECT OUR NATIONAL MONUMENTS, PUBLIC LANDS AND WATERWAYS"; and 2) Direct staff to send copies of the adopted resolution to President Donald J. Trump, Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke, United States Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris, Chair and Ranking Member of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources, Chair and Ranking Member of the House Committee on Natural Resources, U.S. Representative Adam Schiff, and other individuals and organizations as appropriate. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

# 2.KK. AMEND RESOLUTION BANNING TRAVEL TO STATES THAT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST LGBT PEOPLE TO INCLUDE EXCEPTIONS FOR ADVOCACY AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES [J. DURAN, J. D'AMICO, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending Resolution No. 16-4810 banning travel to North Carolina and any other State that adopts policies that are discriminatory toward LGBT people to include exceptions for travel that is intended to advocate, educate, and lobby for LGBT equality or any of the City's other core values.

**ACTION**: Adopt Resolution No 17-4992 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 16-4810; TO ESTABLISH EXCEPTIONS FOR TRAVEL TO A STATE THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF RESTRICTED DESTINATIONS." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

## 2.LL. (6.A.) ENABLING ORDINANCE AND AUTHORIZATION FOR LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, R. EASON, D. WILSON, J. LEONARD]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting an enabling ordinance and joining a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), which authorizes West

Hollywood's participation in the Los Angeles Community Choice Energy (LACCE) program.

**ACTIONS:** 1) Adopt Ordinance No. 17-1013: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, APPROVING THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY AND AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION PROGRAM". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.** 

Council approved by consensus to hear Items 2.J. and 2.K. after the Public Hearing (Item 3.A.).

#### 3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3.A. ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT AND SUNSET SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENT TO MODIFY STANDARDS FOR OFF-SITE SIGNAGE IN THE SUNSET SPECIFIC PLAN AREA [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, S. LEJEUNE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider an amendment to the Sunset Specific Plan (Billboards and Tall Walls) and the West Hollywood Zoning Ordinance (Off Site Signs and Prohibited Signs) to update the off-site signage policy, adopting new billboard regulations and an associated public art program on Sunset Boulevard.

City Clerk Quarker stated that the Item was noticed as required by law.

Long Range and Mobility Planning Manager Bianca Siegl introduced the item. Senior Planner Sarah Lejeune and representatives from the Consultant group Premier Partnerships provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated September 18, 2017.

Council posed questions to staff regarding the presentation. Staff responded to Council's inquiries.

Mayor Heilman opened the public hearing and the following speakers came forward.

MARY VALENCIA, REPRESENTING OUTFRONT MEDIA, spoke in support in concept. However, they believe there are some outstanding technical issues.

JESSICA RICH, SANTA MONICA, spoke as an advocate for the art component.

PETE SCANTLAND, CEO/ORANGE BARREL MEDIA, spoke in support of the item.

TOM WISCOMBE, TOM WISCOMBE ARCHITECTURE, spoke in support of the item.

ELYSE EISENBERG, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the residents who spoke against digital media and comparing this residential area to commercial areas.

ANDREW BILANZICH, SALT LAKE, spoke on behalf of Ace Outdoor in support of the item. However, they expressed concerns with certain aspects.

LAYNE LAWSON, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of Clear Channel Outdoor and expressed concern with certain aspects of the item.

VICTOR DE LA CRUZ, MANATT, PHELPS & PHILLIPS, spoke on behalf of Regency Outdoor Advertising and requested lifting the cap for digital signage and other aspects of the item.

JEFF SEYMOUR, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, spoke on behalf of the Mondrian regarding Section K as it pertains to his client as well as offering a more holistic approach to billboard signage.

BRIAN LEVIAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item.

TODD ELLIOTT, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of the Mondrian Hotel requesting text changes to portions of the item.

The Councilmembers provided their disclosures.

Council provided their comments to the discussion points outlined on Page 2 of the staff report and expressed concerns regarding the location of billboards, public safety issues, the final number approved, the review process, and ensuring that the process includes looking at the Sunset Strip in a more holistic way.

**ACTION**: Council continued the public hearing to a date uncertain, and directed staff to bring back the following items for further discussion: 1) lighting standards, 2) how often the image changes, 3) LED vs Digital, 4) percentage for art, 5) sizing of signs, 6) process for approval and ensuring transparency, 7) maximizing the public benefit, 8) number of signs being approved, including the possibility of allowing more conversions 9) providing more flexibility for existing tall walls, 10) defining new buildings, and 11) prioritizing existing applications for processing. **Council approved by consensus.** 

### **EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:**

### 2.J. FINAL PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE MOBILITY PLAN [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, B. CHEUNG]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the final City of West Hollywood Pedestrian and Bicycle Mobility Plan, as amended to incorporate all direction by the council.

Senior Transportation Planner Bob Cheung provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated September 18, 2017.

KEVIN BURTON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding traffic collisions and the recent pedestrian death along Fountain Avenue. He asked the Council to consider the Transportation Commission's recommendation for a Fountain Avenue traffic study.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding a recent incident bicycle/automobile he was involved in. He spoke in support of bicycling as a mode of transportation. He also asked for a Fountain Avenue traffic study.

MIKE CARTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding additional public safety officers to enforce traffic laws.

NOAH DIETTERICH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding pedestrian safety along Fountain Avenue.

EMILY GABLE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding urgency for allocating resources to implement the plan, keep all current bike and pedestrian infrastructure, and take bold steps to improve Fountain Avenue.

JENNY KRIENDLER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of additional studies to increase pedestrian and bicycle safety.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked Councilmember D'Amico for last week's community forum to discuss Fountain Avenue. He further spoke regarding pedestrian and bicycle safety.

The following individual did not wish to speak, but submitted a citizen position slip in opposition to the Item: Alastair Shearman

Mr. Cheung spoke regarding recommendations contained in the Mobility Plan that address some of the public's concerns as expressed at last week's forum.

Councilmember D'Amico summarized the five major needs identified at the community forum.

City Manager Arevalo responded to a question regarding funding. He responded that the engineering and design are the important aspects and that funding will not be an issue.

Councilmember Horvath reported that she has been working with L.A. Councilmember Ryu's office regarding issues on Poinsettia, and spoke in support of revisiting recommendation #4 in the staff report.

Councilmember Meister spoke regarding the recent safety forum and spoke in support of looking at Fountain, including as part of this plan, better visibility and lighting, improving the sidewalks on the north side, and looking at all options to make it easier to cross, including the possibility of removing the sharrows.

Councilmember Duran expressed concern with removing parking on Fountain. He spoke in support of signalized crosswalks for that area due to the traffic speeds.

Mayor Heilman thanked Councilmember D'Amico for the recent Forum. He spoke in favor or signalized crosswalks, more enforcement, and looking at moving some of the utility poles to help with the sidewalk improvements.

**ACTION**: Prioritize improvements on Fountain Avenue to improve both pedestrian and bicycle safety and begin the process for implementing the short-term items within 90-120 days. **Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Duran, and approved.** 

## 2.K. LEXINGTON-CURSON RESIDENTIAL HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, D. DEGRAZIA, A. CASTILLO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the final Lexington-Curson Residential Historic Resources Survey, including the historic context statement.

Associate Planner Antonio Castillo provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated September 18, 2017.

Mayor Heilman inquired about the moratorium expiration, and staff confirmed that the moratorium has expired.

ROY OLDENKAMP, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the West Hollywood Preservation Alliance in support of the creation of the thematic grouping.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the West Hollywood Preservation Alliance in support of the creation of the thematic grouping. He indicated that there continues to be confusion over historic designations.

VICTORIA GREENE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, supports staff's recommendation.

ADAM GOLDWORM, WEST HOLLYWOOD, supports staff's recommendation.

MICK MARKS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of staff's recommendation.

ROMEO GARCIA MACIAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of staff's recommendation.

MATTHEW VALENTI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of staff's recommendation.

BRANDON MCBURNEY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of staff's recommendation.

The following individuals did not wish to speak, but submitted a citizen position slip in opposition to the Item: Kevin Burton, Michael Wojtkielewicz, Stephanie Harker, Steve Martin, and Elyse Eisenberg.

Councilmember Horvath spoke regarding the 7N designation and asked if approving this Item would leave these property owners in limbo or close the issue. Staff clarified that this Item will close this issue and the properties would not receive a thematic group designation.

Councilmember Meister inquired as to whether 5 or 10 property owners could request designation and staff clarified that they could not request designation as a group, but could submit an application as always, for their own individual property. She suggested staff work with those who want to apply for designation.

Councilmember Duran stated that he could not support the item because he fears that the City will begin losing craftsman homes in the same way that it lost courtyard style properties.

**ACTION**: Receive the Lexington-Curson Residential Historic Resources Survey and confirm that a thematic grouping does not exist in the survey area and direct staff to utilize the survey when analyzing individual properties in future planning decisions, including without limitation, historic designations and development applications. **Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Mayor Heilman, and approved noting the "no" vote of Mayor Pro Tempore Duran.** 

ACTION: Council further directed the Community Development Department to return with an item to discuss the City-wide R1 Study currently on their work plan.

#### 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

### 4.A. PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE [K. COOK, L. CAMPBELL, S. ALOMA, A. WILLIAMS, J. AUBEL, D. GIUGNI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on public safety activities and provide additional direction to staff.

Director of Public Safety Kristin Cook introduced Captain Aloma, Asst. Fire Chief Anthony Williams, Emergency Management Coordinator Lily Campbell, Commercial Code Compliance Supervisor Dan Mick, and Social Services Supervisor/Homeless Initiative Coordinator Corri Planck, and provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated September 18, 2017.

Councilmember Horvath requested an update on recent incidents in the City, the previous Deputy related incident on Palm, and the recent Deputy related incident on Santa Monica Blvd. Captain Aloma provided updates on the recent incidents and indicated that the Palm incident was now closed. Councilmember Horvath also spoke regarding the need to ensure that we have designated Officers to handle issues surrounding the new extended hours and cannabis ordinances.

Councilmember Meister thanked the Sheriff's volunteers for their 2900 of volunteer hours. She spoke regarding the recent aggressive acts by homeless individuals and suggested that staff looks into what other cities are doing as it relates to public safety and the homeless. She also requested more training and drills for Council, City Staff, and the public.

Mayor Pro Tempore Duran spoke regarding debris being left in public spaces and inquired of Staff and the Sheriff if there is a way to dispose of items left abandoned in shopping carts.

Councilmember D'Amico spoke regarding enforcing the laws the City currently has relating to sleeping in the Parks or on the street and asked Staff to look at more ways to get individuals into shelters and treatment facilities.

Mayor Heilman spoke regarding enforcing laws, and also spoke regarding mental health issues as it relates to the homeless population. He reported on a meeting with County Supervisor Kuehl regarding possible funding to the City to assist with this ongoing issue.

Captain Aloma stated that the Sheriff's Department is looking for more long-term solutions to help with this issue. City Manager Arevalo stated that the City is working with the Sheriffs on this issue and is also looking at additional tools including early demolition of properties slated for construction, and engaging Athens to assist with clean-up.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding last week's community forum. He spoke regarding the Coffee with the Captain that occurred last August. Finally, he spoke regarding an issue with a blocked door.

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding transients on the Eastside of the City. She read a few comments from the app "Next Door".

CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked Councilmember D'Amico for the community forum. She spoke regarding incentivizing safety measures for homeowners. She mentioned the need for more police presence.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the Sheriff's Department for their work. He spoke regarding the lack of police presence in the center area of the City.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Receive and file report, with additional direction and comments provided to staff by Council. **Approved by Consensus.** 

## 4.B. DISCUSSION OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider revising the City Council Regular Meeting Schedule for November and December 2017.

**ACTION**: Council did not cancel any meetings for November and December.

### 5. NEW BUSINESS:

## 5.A. CANCELLATION OF WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY HOUSING CORPORATION NOTE IN CONNECTION WITH LAUREL PLACE PROJECT [E. SAVAGE, P. NOONAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider cancelling an unsecured promissory note dated February 25, 2008, in the principal amount of \$1,959,054. The 2008 Note was executed on February 25, 2008, by Laurel Place West Hollywood, Inc., in connection with predevelopment expenses for the Laurel Place Senior Housing Project.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the funding for this project.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, expressed concern with Council approving this item without discussion.

Councilmember Horvath spoke regarding the Item and clarified that the promissory note is being cancelled because the proposed project was not approved, in part due to requests and concerns from residents.

Councilmember Meister expressed concern with the language of the promissory note and asked that staff improve on this in the future so that we are protecting public funds.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve cancellation of the promissory note dated February 25, 2008; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute documents, if any, necessary to effectuate the cancellation. Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Duran, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, and approved noting the "no" vote of Councilmember Meister and abstension of Councilmember D'Amico.

### 5.B. ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider making a direct and at-large appointment to the Russian Advisory Board.

**ACTION**: 1) Councilmember Horvath appointed Eugene Maysky; and 2) Council tabled the at-large appointment to a future meeting.

### **EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:**

### 2.W. SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRACT RENEWALS 2017-18 [E. SAVAGE, D. GIUGNI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider renewals of Social Services contracts for the second year of the funding process (October 1, 2017-September 30, 2018). The recommendation includes the re-programming of funds in the amount of \$64,479 and a 2% cost of living increase approved in the budget process.

Councilmember D'Amico commented on the reasons that he pulled this Item, specifically that the Human Services Commission had some concerns with the item as presented. He spoke regarding allowing the Human Services Commission to make decisions regarding surplus funds.

Mayor Heilman spoke regarding the issues with JFS not meeting their goals and requested that staff assist them, because job training and placement should be more successful.

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding JFS Services providing food to the homeless as part of meals given out at Plummer Park.

**ACTIONS**: 1) Approve the 2017-18 Social Services contract renewals as shown in Attachment A; 2) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute documents related to the agreements; 3) Approve that contract

savings in the amount of \$64,479 from the 2015-16 Social Services Contract year be rolled into the 2017-18 Social Services Treatment pool of funds; and 4) Approve \$199,731 (social services contracts \$135,252 plus contract savings \$64,479) be set aside in a pool of funds for Substance Abuse Treatment services with Safe Refuge and Tarzana Treatment Center. Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Duran, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, and approved.

#### 6. LEGISLATIVE:

## 6.A. ENABLING ORDINANCE AND AUTHORIZATION FOR LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY [S. DEWOLFE, J. KEHO, B. SIEGL, R. EASON, D. WILSON, J. LEONARD]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting an enabling ordinance and joining a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), which authorizes West Hollywood's participation in the Los Angeles Community Choice Energy (LACCE) program.

**ACTION**: Appoint Councilmember Horvath as Director and Councilmember Meister as the Alternate Director and appoint Sustainability Planner Robyn Eason as the City staff representative. **Approved by Consensus.** 

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

VICTOR OMELCZENKO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the Council.

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:**

Mayor Heilman announced that September is National Preparedness Month and Alcohol Addiction Recovery Month. He spoke regarding the upcoming Free Legal Name and Gender Marker change clinic scheduled for September 26<sup>th</sup>.

Councilmember Meister wished everyone Shanah Tovah.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The City Council adjourned at 12:27 a.m. in memory of Louise Hay, Florence Ella McMullin Schmidt, Mila Graca, Soo (Sean) Hong, Yefim Stolyarskly, Edie Windsor, Kate Millett, Edie Bernstein, and J.D. Salvatorre to its next regular meeting, which will be on Monday, October 2, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. at West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room - Council Chambers.