

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2019
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

6:30 P.M. –REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor D'Amico called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Steve Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

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

ABSENT: None.

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

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:

Assistant City Attorney Langer reported that the Closed Session was called to order at 6:00 p.m. She stated that there was no public comment and that there were no reportable actions. The Closed Session adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councilmember Duran requested that Items 4.A., 4.B., and 5.D. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Items 2.U., 2.V., and 2.W. respectively.

Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath requested that Item 5.C. be Tabled.

Mayor D'Amico requested that Item 2.M. be moved to Excluded Consent.

City Clerk Quarker requested that Item 2.B. be Tabled.

Motion by Councilmember Duran, to approve the November 4, 2019 agenda as amended, seconded by Councilmember Meister, and approved.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

Councilmember Meister requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Topper Schroeder.

Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of the following military adjournment: Sergeant Nathan G. Irish.

Councilmember Heilman requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Dr. Margaret Ray.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor D'Amico presented a Proclamation to Larry Block commemorating the 10th Anniversary of Block Party.

Los Angeles County Fire Department Chief Brown provided an update on the future of the Department and budget needs. He also mentioned the survey that the Department is conducting to hear from the public on their needs.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

DAVID NASH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the Palm View apartments.

KAREN EYRES, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.S.

SCOTT SCHMIDT, WEST HOLLYWOOD, on behalf of the Adult Use Retailers Association of West Hollywood spoke regarding Item 2.B.

MARVIN AUERBACH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding safety concerns related to cannabis businesses.

GEORGE REYES, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding new programs at Laurel Span School.

ALEXIS SANCHEZ, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding transgender awareness and the Halloween Carnival.

JAMES BERSHAD, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding the 2020 Census and employment opportunities.

JONATHAN WATTERS, HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 4.C.

WILLIAM BRIDGE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, on behalf of Global Green spoke regarding Item 4.C.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding ADA compliance, Katie Hill, and the 35th anniversary of the City of West Hollywood.

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding his charity (www.wehowish.org) and the November 13th meeting of the Public Facilities Commission.

The following individual did not wish to speak, but submitted a Citizen Position Slip in support of the following Consent Calendar Item: Morgan Sokol (Item 2.F.)

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Councilmember Duran thanked staff for the Halloween Carnival. He mentioned Transgender Awareness Month and reminded everyone about Transgender Day of Remembrance on November 20th. He highlighted Veterans' Day and the City's commemoration event. He indicated that on November 12th, Los Angeles County Sheriff Villanueva will be in West Hollywood to speak to the community. He also reported that West Hollywood celebrates its 35th anniversary as a City on November 29th. He mentioned World AIDS Day on December 1st. Finally, he commented that Saturday, November 9th is the closing of Studio One and detailed the farewell events planned for that day.

Councilmember Meister congratulated Laurel Span School on the new magnet designation. She commented on the Halloween festivities. Finally, she commented on various Consent Calendar items, including Item 2.M. and expressed her concern that the item was not brought to Council for consideration on which priority policy to focus on.

Councilmember Heilman requested that the meeting be adjourned in honor of Dr. Margaret Ray. He indicated his "no" vote on Item 2.E. He reported on "Lost in America" which will be screened in the Council Chambers on November 5th at 6:30 p.m. Finally, he provided comment on Item 4.B, and requested that staff explore a requirement for all new development to have security camera that face the public right of way and sidewalks.

Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath commented on various Consent Calendar items. She reported that she participated in the Clean Power Alliance, Sanitation District, Contract Cities, and L.A. County Metro community meetings. She congratulated the honorees of the Beverly Hills Democratic Club. She mentioned the resignation of Katie Hill. Finally, she thanked the Strategic Initiatives Division on the Aging in Place honor and standing by the City's values and not participating in the conference in Georgia.

Mayor D'Amico reported that he attended a recent Mayors and City Design meeting. He spoke briefly regarding Item 2.M. and Council approved by consensus to move the Item to Excluded Consent. He spoke regarding Item 2.I and the work that City Staff and Lobbyist are doing in Sacramento.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Arevalo provided updates on various events that staff is hosting throughout the City. He also reported that the American Public Works Association gave the City an award for the scramble crosswalk. Finally, he gave an update on Vision 2050.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Quarker stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar is \$147,630 in expenditures, \$54,960 in potential revenues, (\$27,693) in waived fees.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.A.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H.,I.,J.,K.,L.,N.,O.,P.,Q.,R.,S.,T.,U.,V.,W. Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Duran, and approved as amended, noting the “no” vote of Councilmembers Duran and Heilman on Item 2.E.

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, November 4, 2019 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station, and at the West Hollywood Library on Wednesday, October 30, 2019.

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: This Item was Tabled.

2.C. APPROVAL OF DEMAND REGISTER NO. 855 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES]:

SUBJECT: The City Council shall receive the Demand Register for period ending October 25, 2019 pursuant to Sections 37201 to 37210 of the Government Code of the State of California.

ACTION: Approve Demand Register NO. 855 and adopt Resolution No.19-5233, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING PAYMENT OF DEMANDS PRESENTED ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 855.” Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

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

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

ACTION: Deny the claim of Georgette Haladjian. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.E. ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 19-1086 (2ND READING) “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, APPROVING A ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT TO TITLE 19, ZONING ORDINANCE, TO AMEND STANDARDS FOR PROJECTS SPANNING COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL ZONE DISTRICTS TO REQUIRE ABOVE GRADE SEPARATION BETWEEN RESIDENTIAL AND

COMMERCIAL ZONE DISTRICTS WHILE ALLOWING SUBTERRANEAN GARAGES TO SPAN ACROSS THE ENTIRE DEVELOPMENT SITE, CITYWIDE, IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA.” [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 19-1086, “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of West Hollywood, approving a Zone Text Amendment to Title 19, Zoning Ordinance, to amend standards for projects spanning commercial and residential zone districts to require above grade separation between residential and commercial zone districts while allowing subterranean garages to span across the entire development site, Citywide, in the City of West Hollywood, California.”

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance 19-1086, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, APPROVING A ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT TO TITLE 19, ZONING ORDINANCE, TO AMEND STANDARDS FOR PROJECTS SPANNING COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL ZONE DISTRICTS TO REQUIRE ABOVE GRADE SEPARATION BETWEEN RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL ZONE DISTRICTS WHILE ALLOWING SUBTERRANEAN GARAGES TO SPAN ACROSS THE ENTIRE DEVELOPMENT SITE, CITYWIDE, IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA.” **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar, noting the “no” vote of Councilmembers Duran and Heilman.**

2.F. ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 19-1087 (2ND READING) “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 17-1016 RELATED TO TEMPORARY CANNABIS USES FOR EXISTING MEDICAL DISPENSARIES.” [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 19-1087, “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of West Hollywood, amending Ordinance No. 17-1016 related to temporary cannabis uses for existing medical dispensaries.”

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance 19-1087, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 17-1016 RELATED TO TEMPORARY CANNABIS USES FOR EXISTING MEDICAL DISPENSARIES.” **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

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

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive Synopses from the Public Safety Commission, Rent Stabilization Commission, and Transportation Commission regarding actions taken at their recent meeting.

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

- 2.H. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2019 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, K. BARENG, N. CORONADO]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the Treasurer's Reports for the month ended September 2019 pursuant to Section 53646 of the Government Code of the State of California.
ACTION: Receive and file the September 2019 Treasurer's Report.
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- 2.I. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FOR YEAR 1 OF THE 2019-2020 STATE LEGISLATIVE SESSION [J. LEONARD, H. MOLINA]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on the first year of the 2019-2020 regular session of the California Legislature. The update includes a status report for each bill the City has adopted a position on since the beginning of the current state legislative session.
ACTION: Receive & File. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- 2.J. AMEND THE BY-LAWS OF THE BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION [C. SCHROEDER, Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving amendments to the By-Laws for the Business License Commission to change the location and meeting time.
ACTIONS: 1) Amend Section 2.1 of the Business License Commission By-laws; changing the meeting time from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the 1st Tuesday of each month; and 2) Amend Section 2.1 of the Business License Commission By-Laws; to update the location of the meetings from the West Hollywood Park Auditorium to the West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room- Council Chambers. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- 2.K. AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH COSMO EVENTS LA FOR RUSSIAN ARTS AND CULTURE MONTH PRODUCTION SERVICES [D. WILSON, B. SMITH, T. RODZINEK]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will consider awarding an Agreement for the Russian Arts and Culture Festival Production Services to Cosmo Events LA and authorizing staff to coordinate Russian Arts and Culture Month that will include the Community Awards Presentation, the Russian Arts and Culture Festival and various other Russian cultural events during the month of May 2020. The celebration will include a Maysky Classical Night, Opera by Chaikovsky "Queen of Spades", Victory in Europe Day Celebration and a WWII Veterans Memorial March. It will culminate with the Russian Arts and Culture Festival on Sunday, May 17, 2020 in Plummer Park.
ACTIONS: 1) Approve an Agreement for Services with Cosmo Events LA for event production services in the amount not to exceed \$85,000; 2) Waive all city fees, including building and safety permits (approximately \$1,000), special event permit fees (approximately \$2,740), and Plummer Park facility fees (approximately \$3,000) for the month of May 2020; 3)

Waive permitted parking on Vista Street and Fuller Avenue from 7:00 a.m. until midnight on Sunday, May 17, 2020; 4) Provide parking validation and waive associated parking fees (\$2,250) for approximately 250 people at the 5 story parking garage on the following dates: Saturday, May 2, 2020, and two additional events which dates are TBD, that will take place in the Council Chambers during the Russian Arts and Culture Month; 5) Approve use of West Hollywood City Council Chambers from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. on the three dates of the events that will take place in the Council Chambers and waive associated facility rental fees (\$855); 6) Approve a rolling closure on Santa Monica Boulevard between Plummer Park and Fairfax Avenue for the WWII Veterans Memorial March to Plummer Park on Saturday, May 9, 2020 beginning at 10 a.m. and authorize staff and Sheriff personnel to move the march to the sidewalk if the participant turnout is low; 7) 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 received; 8) Authorize staff to negotiate event sponsorship agreements in consultation with the Finance Department and/or City Attorney; and 9) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute documents incident to all Agreements related to this item.
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.L. ACKNOWLEDGE DECEMBER 1, 2019 AS “WORLD AIDS DAY”, APPROVE CITY PARTICIPATION AND SPONSORSHIP OF RELATED EVENT ON DECEMBER 2, 2019 [C. SCHROEDER, D. GIUGNI, D. MURRAY, C. ROSKIN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will acknowledge December 1, 2019 as World AIDS Day and approve City participation and sponsorship of a related event on December 2, 2019.

ACTIONS: 1) The City Council of the City of West Hollywood will proclaim December 1, 2019 as World AIDS Day and approve City participation and sponsorship of a related event on December 2, 2019; 2) Direct staff to work with 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 platforms; 3) Authorize the use of the City of West Hollywood logo on materials associated with the event; and 4) Approve the provision of validated parking at the five-story public parking garage for attendees of the event. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.M. APPROVAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF OBJECTIVE DESIGN STANDARDS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND MIXED-USE PROJECTS [J. KEHO, R. DIMOND, J. DAVIS, P. NOONAN, A. BARTLE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a resolution approving an application for California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) SB2 grant funding in the amount of \$160,000 to

develop objective design and development standards for residential and mixed-use projects.

ACTION: This Item was moved to Excluded Consent.

2.N. REQUEST TO DESIGNATE THE ROXY THEATRE BUILDING AT 9009 SUNSET BOULEVARD AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE [J. KEHO, J. ALKIRE, D. VU]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation to approve the nomination of the Roxy Theatre building located at 9009 Sunset Boulevard as a local cultural resource.

ACTION: Uphold the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation and adopt Resolution No. 19-5235 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGNATING THE ROXY THEATRE BUILDING AT 9009 SUNSET BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.O. REQUEST TO DESIGNATE THE RAINBOW BAR & GRILL BUILDING AT 9015 SUNSET BOULEVARD AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE [J. KEHO, J. ALKIRE, D. VU]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation to approve the nomination of the Rainbow Bar & Grill building located at 9015 Sunset Boulevard as a local cultural resource.

ACTION: Uphold the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation and adopt Resolution No. 19-5236 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGNATING THE RAINBOW BAR & GRILL BUILDING AT 9015 SUNSET BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.P. REQUEST TO DESIGNATE THE BUILDING AT 9157-63 SUNSET BOULEVARD AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE [J. KEHO, J. ALKIRE, D. VU, R. RATH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation to approve the nomination of the building located at 9157-63 Sunset Boulevard as a local cultural resource.

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 19-5237 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGNATING THE PROPERTY AT 9157-63 SUNSET BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.Q. SOCIAL MEDIA RECOGNITION [L. HORVATH, J. D'AMICO, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider initiating a fun and creative recognition to highlight community members who are exceptional social media content creators, culminating in an acknowledgement on Social Media Day 2020.

ACTION: Direct Staff to develop a recognition program to highlight exceptional, social media content creators in the City of West Hollywood, culminating in a special acknowledgment coinciding with Social Media Day, June 30, 2020. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.R. CERTIFIED WILDLIFE HABITATS [L. MEISTER, J. D'AMICO, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to determine appropriate locations in the City to establish Certified Wildlife Habitats in public parks, and to promote the Certified Wildlife Habitat program to community members through the City's website and other communication channels.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to determine appropriate locations in the City to establish Certified Wildlife Habitats on public property, such as parks; 2) Direct staff to develop an education program to encourage West Hollywood community members to participate in the National Wildlife Federation's Certified Wildlife Habitat Program; and 3) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communications tools to promote the program and help educate the community, such as the City's website, a press release, and social media tools. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.S. 19TH AMENDMENT CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIONS [L. HORVATH, J. D'AMICO, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving a year-long commemoration of the suffrage movement and the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment, which guaranteed and protected women's constitutional right to vote.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to work with community partners to organize a year-long commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment, including monthly presentations at the City Council meetings honoring the history of the suffrage movement and recognizing diverse groups of activists and contributors; 2) Direct staff to incorporate the theme of the 19th Amendment centennial into ongoing City programming, such as WeHo Reads, the Lesbian Speaker Series, Human Rights Speaker Series, One City One Pride, and other City programming, as applicable; 3) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on invitations, programs, and other collateral materials; and 4) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communication tools to promote the centennial, such as the City's website and social media tools. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.T. APPROVAL OF A THREE-YEAR CO-SPONSORSHIP FOR THE ANNUAL ELTON JOHN AIDS FOUNDATION OSCARS EVENT [F. CONTRERAS, C. SMITH, M. REATH, B. SMITH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the request to co-sponsor the annual Elton John AIDS Foundation Oscar Viewing Event from 2020 through 2022, including a request to authorize the City Manager to negotiate annual agreements with Elton John AIDS Foundation.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve a three-year co-sponsorship of the Elton John AIDS Foundation Oscar Viewing Event, to be held in West Hollywood Park. The 2020 event date is Sunday, February 9, 2020. The 2021 and 2022 dates have yet to be determined; 2) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to negotiate annual agreements with Elton John AIDS Foundation related to its Oscar Viewing Party and Charity Fundraiser for years 2020, 2021 and 2022, including minor changes in the fee waivers outlined in this staff report; 3) Approve a City of West Hollywood Permit to Use City Property Agreement with Elton John AIDS Foundation that defines facility uses, street closures, and the terms of the relationship between the City and the Elton John AIDS Foundation Oscar Viewing Event. The agreement will be substantially similar to Attachment A; and 4) Approve the waiver of certain Building and Safety Permit Fees, Encroachment Permit Fees, Filming Permit Fees, Intermittent Traffic Control Fees, Parking Meter Fees, Post Event Inspection & Facility Repair Fees, Special Event Permit Fees, Street Closure Fees, Temporary Lane Closure Fees, and Temporary Valet Fees for 2020, 2021 and 2022 events, as outlined in the Fiscal Impact section of this staff report. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.U. (4.A.) PROPOSED CITYLINE SERVICE HOUR REALLOCATION [C. SCHROEDER, D. GIUGNI, P. SLOANE GOODMAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider options for reallocating Cityline service hours from Saturday late night service to increased Cityline Commuter service.

ACTION: 1) Approve cancellation of Cityline Saturday late night service and reallocation of service hours to Cityline Commuter service weeknights, extending service until 8:00 PM and increasing frequency during these hours; and 2) Direct staff to pursue acquisition of an additional backup vehicle to support increased service. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.V. (4.B.) WEHO SMART CITY PUBLIC SAFETY PILOT (CAMERAS + SENSORS) – COMPLETION AND PROJECT EVALUATION [F. CONTRERAS, K. KIGONGO, K. COOK, J. ROCCO, H. DEMITRI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive and file an evaluation of the three programs of the WeHo Smart City Public Safety Pilot (Cameras + Sensors). Based on these findings, Council will consider expansion of the City's existing Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) camera system. This expanded ALPR system will provide enhanced public safety

benefits throughout the City. In addition, sidewalk-facing cameras are recommended for future exploration.

ACTIONS: 1) Receive and file an evaluation of the three programs of the WeHo Smart City Public Safety Pilot (Cameras + Sensors); 2) Direct the Public Safety Department to develop and release a Request for Proposals for expansion of the City's existing ALPR camera system; and 3) Direct staff to explore a sidewalk-facing security camera program and return with recommendations for implementation. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.W. (5.D.) DISCUSSION OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020 AND SCHEDULING DATES FOR ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF THE NEW MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEMPORE FOR 2020 [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving the City Council Regular Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2020, cancelling or rescheduling several meetings throughout the year that conflict with holidays, and scheduling the dates for the election and installation of the new Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore in 2020.

RECOMMENDATIONS: 1) Cancel the meeting of January 6, 2020; 2) Reschedule the meeting of January 20, 2020 to January 21, 2020; 3) Reschedule the meeting of February 17, 2020 to February 18, 2020; 4) Cancel the meeting of September 7, 2020; 5) Schedule the election of the new Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore for April 20, 2020; 6) Schedule the installation of the new Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore for May 18, 2020; and 7) Approve the City Council Regular Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2020. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3.A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD CODIFYING CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS BY ADDING CHAPTER 9.70 (CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT) TO NEW ARTICLE 5 (NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION) IN TITLE 9 (PUBLIC PEACE AND SAFETY) OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 19.20 OF THE ZONING CODE BY ADDING A REFERENCE TO NEW CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT STANDARDS IN TITLE 9 [J. ROCCO, D. RIVAS, D. MICK]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting an ordinance that establishes new construction standards by creating new Chapter 9.70 (Construction Management) in new Article 5 (Neighborhood Preservation) in Title 9 (Public Peace and Safety), amends Chapter 19.20.240 (Art on Construction Fencing) in Title 19 to reference new Chapter 9.70, and amends Chapter 1.08 in Title 1 to add violations of the new chapter to the list of Municipal Code chapters and sections that are subject to the administrative penalty procedures. A fee resolution will also be considered adopting a fee for violations of the new chapters. The purpose of these

new standards is to provide clear construction standards of operation to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the neighborhood during periods of development in the City of West Hollywood.

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

Code Compliance Supervisor Dan Mick provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated November 4, 2019.

Mayor D'Amico opened the public hearing and the following speaker came forward.

MANNY RODRIGUEZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Item.

The following individuals did not wish to speak but submitted a Citizen Position Slip in support of the item: Leslie Karliss and Richard Karliss.

Councilmember Meister suggested that "after hours" delivery be addressed and inquired about adding some language regarding amplified sound.

Assistant City Attorney Langer read into the record the revision to the proposed Ordinance. She stated that Section 9.70.040(A)(4) will be revised as follows:

- 4(a) Deliveries, loading and unloading of materials or equipment, or the cleaning and emptying of portable toilets, shall not take place prior to 8:00 AM or after 7:00 PM without first obtaining an extended hours construction permit.
- 4(c) No amplified noise will be permitted.

Mayor D'Amico closed the public hearing.

ACTIONS: 1) Introduce on first reading a revised Ordinance 19-1088: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD CODIFYING CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS BY ADDING CHAPTER 9.70 (CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT) TO NEW ARTICLE 5 (NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION) IN TITLE 9 (PUBLIC PEACE AND SAFETY) OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE; AND A ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT TO MODIFY CHAPTER 19.20 (GENERAL PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT AND USE STANDARDS) OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ADD REFERENCES TO NEW CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT STANDARDS IN TITLE 9; and 2) Adopt Resolution 19-5238: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF

THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING THE MASTER FEE RESOLUTIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 TO INCLUDE VIOLATIONS OF CHAPTER 9.70 (CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT) TO SCHEDULE D OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION FEE SCHEDULE.” **Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Mayor D’Amico, and approved.**

- 3.B. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ESTABLISHING A TRAP-NEUTER-RETURN PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY CATS; AMENDING THE LANGUAGE OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO REFLECT A CHANGE IN NOMENCLATURE FROM “FERAL CATS” TO “COMMUNITY CATS”; UPDATING SECTION 9.48.080 TO REFLECT THE CURRENT CODE PROVISION REGARDING ANIMAL NOISE AND DETERMINATION THAT THE PROJECT IS EXEMPT FROM CEQA [J. ROCCO, D. RIVAS, D. MICK]:**
SUBJECT: The West Hollywood City Council will consider an amendment to the West Hollywood Municipal Code establishing a Trap-Neuter-Return program for community cats.

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

Code Compliance Supervisor Dan Mick provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated November 4, 2019.

Mayor D’Amico opened the public hearing and no speakers came forward.

The following individual did not wish to speak but submitted a Citizen Position Slip in support of the item: Michael Carter

Mayor D’Amico closed the public hearing.

ACTION: Introduce on first reading Ordinance 19-1089: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ESTABLISHING A TRAP-NEUTER-RETURN PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY CATS; AMENDING THE LANGUAGE OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO REFLECT A CHANGE IN NOMENCLATURE FROM “FERAL CATS” TO “COMMUNITY CATS”; UPDATING SECTION 9.48.080 TO REFLECT THE CURRENT CODE PROVISION REGARDING ANIMAL NOISE. **Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath, and approved.**

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 4.A. **PROPOSED CITYLINE SERVICE HOUR REALLOCATION [C. SCHROEDER, D. GIUGNI, P. SLOANE GOODMAN]:**
SUBJECT: The City Council will consider options for reallocating Cityline service hours from Saturday late night service to increased Cityline Commuter service.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

4.B. WEHO SMART CITY PUBLIC SAFETY PILOT (CAMERAS + SENSORS) – COMPLETION AND PROJECT EVALUATION [F. CONTRERAS, K. KIGONGO, K. COOK, J. ROCCO, H. DEMITRI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive and file an evaluation of the three programs of the WeHo Smart City Public Safety Pilot (Cameras + Sensors). Based on these findings, Council will consider expansion of the City's existing Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) camera system. This expanded ALPR system will provide enhanced public safety benefits throughout the City. In addition, sidewalk-facing cameras are recommended for future exploration.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

4.C. UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY'S CANNABIS ORDINANCE [P. AREVALO, J. LEONARD, L. LANGER, J. KEHO, B. ECK, D. PURIFICACION, J. ROCCO, D. RIVAS, D. MICK, A. REGAN]:

SUBJECT: Staff will provide an update on the implementation of the City's cannabis ordinance and the City Council will consider potential changes to the cannabis ordinance related to consumption lounges, consider affirming staff's interpretation of the threshold at which the assignment of a cannabis license occurs, and consider adopting a resolution encouraging the state to implement further verification of cannabis vaping products to curtail the illicit market for these products.

Community and Legislative Affairs Manager John Leonard provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated November 4, 2019.

Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath asked clarifying questions of staff regarding the amendment, staff clarified that the amendment was necessary so that temporary adult-use retail permits could be issued in calendar year 2020, but that a one year temporary permit for all of 2020 would not be issued, and instead they would be for shorter periods, three to six months. She also inquired whether staff is verifying if significant ownership changes have occurred with the existing businesses and the new applicants. Staff confirmed that compliance checks were occurring.

Mayor D'Amico asked about the new applicants and when they needed to secure business license commission approval of their licenses. Staff responded that the new applicants have until February 7, 2020, to secure business license commission approval of their licenses, staff also gave an update regarding the new applicants.

Councilmember Heilman asked if the existing businesses had all their necessary licenses and were in compliance, staff responded that compliance checks are currently being conducted for the existing four businesses, and that as a part of the application process they are performed for the new businesses.

Councilmember Meister asked questions regarding the current temporary permits and those that would be issued in 2020, staff responded that new temporary adult-use retail permits would be issued in 2020 for short time periods (potentially three months at a time), but not the full year.

JAKE STEVENS, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of the Adult Use Retailers Association in support of 2.E., but expressed concern with *take-aways* and *leftovers*.

SCOTT SCHMIDT, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the Adult Use Retailers Association and spoke regarding tolling and recommendation 4.

ERRON SILVERSTEIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the Adult Use Retailers Association regarding proposal 2.D.

ALEX KARDOS, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding various aspects of the staff's recommendations.

NAVID BREWSTER, IRVINE, spoke on behalf of Greenwolf West Hollywood regarding the tolling language. He spoke regarding Item 3 "changes in ownership".

NAZANIN LAHIJANI, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of Vanguard Concepts in support of staff's recommendations.

JEFF DANZER, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of Budberry regarding the need for setting consumption limits at the consumption lounges.

AARON GREEN, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of Essence West Hollywood regarding the tolling language and requested that the businesses awarded more than one license be allowed to toll all facets of the cannabis business.

JONATHAN WATTERS, HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the need for flexibility as the State weighs the consumption lounges.

JASON BECK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the various aspects of the staff report.

SHERRI FRANKLIN, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of the Mother Tree in support of staff's recommendations.

CHONSIE BULLOCK, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding special events licenses and in support of staff's recommendations.

ALLISON MARGOL/RAZA LAWRENCE, BEVERLY HILLS, spoke regarding ownership transfer for the cannabis businesses.

JACKIE SUBECK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the various recommendations in the staff report.

GENEVIEVE MORRILL, MARINA DEL REY, spoke on behalf of the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce regarding the letter that she sent to the City Council.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding his experience with Lowell Café.

KIRK CARTOZIAN, GLENDALE, spoke regarding the need for a fluid process and the importance of flexibility.

YLSA TELLEZ (ANAI), LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding her business and the need to work together.

VEENA PAREKK, PASADENA, spoke regarding recommendation 2.B.

BRIAN ROBINSON, spoke on behalf of Pleasure Med in support of 2.E.

Code Compliance Supervisor Dan Mick responded to Council's inquiry regarding background checks.

ACTIONS: 1) Receive and file an update on the implementation of the City's Cannabis Ordinance, including updates on the progress of the top scoring applicants, special event permits, the existing four medical dispensaries, and state legislative changes; 2) Direct staff to return with a code amendment to related to cannabis consumption lounge licenses; including; **a.** extend the date by which consumption license applicants must obtain Business License Approval to February 7, 2021 and those businesses that have obtained a combination consumption lounge license as well as other licenses may follow that same schedule; **b.** Direct staff to bring forward an amendment allowing that a certain amount of partially consumed products be taken home by patrons of stand-alone consumption lounges, **c.** Direct staff to continue to discuss, review, and research with applicants, the Chamber of Commerce, and other interested stakeholders the potential for "takeaways" from the lounges in the future, **d.** Do not allow edible-only businesses to have ancillary smoking, **e.** Direct staff to work with applicants to research, review, and bring forward potential municipal code changes to implement flexible design standards that can be approved by the Planning & Development Services Department for consumption lounges that wish to operate as two separate businesses (cannabis and non-cannabis) to adhere to state guidelines, including the potential waiver of local fees that would not apply to

businesses if the state allowed for co-location; 3) Direct Staff and the Business License Commission to bring back a recommendation to Council relating to the threshold for assignments of a cannabis license. and 4) Adopt Resolution No. 19-5239 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ENCOURAGEING THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO IMPLEMENT FURTHER VERIFICATION STANDARDS FOR CANNABIS VAPING PRODUCTS, INCLUDING THE POTENTIAL FOR THIRD-PARTY PRODUCT VERIFICATION, TO HELP CURTAIL THE ELICIT MARKET FOR THESE PRODUCTS." **Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Duran, and approved.**

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.A. CITYWIDE TRAFFIC AND MOBILITY STUDY [J. KEHO, R. DIMOND, B. CHEUNG]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive a presentation on the Citywide Traffic and Mobility Study's (CTMS) findings and recommendations and consider approval of a package of programs and projects to be included as part of the update to the City's traffic impact fee program.

Transportation Planner Bob Cheung provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated November 4, 2019.

Councilmember Meister commented that the Transportation Commission did not receive the traffic study related to this item, on a summary. She also commented on the need for more holistic, creative solutions such as creating a lane for alternative transportations and requested that the item be taken back to the Transportation Commission for further discussion.

KAREN O'KEEFE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the need for infrastructure for various modes of transportation.

Mayor D'Amico indicated that he can't support the Item because he feels that it doesn't get the City to improved mobility and stated that there needs to be some solid timelines added.

Councilmember Heilman stated that the item needs to go back to the Transportation Commission and that the Commission and Staff should look at tangible goals and guideposts before bringing it back to Council.

ACTIONS: Approve the following elements of the CTMS: 1) Proposed Transportation Monitoring Plan; and 2) Proposed package of transportation programs and improvements to the update of the city's traffic impact fees; and 3) return to the Transportation Commission for further discussion and recommendations. **Motion by Councilmember**

Duran, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath, and approved, noting Mayor D'Amico's no vote.

5.B. TREE REPLACEMENT IN NEW DEVELOPMENTS [L. MEISTER, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing the City's Sustainable Planning staff and Urban Design & Architecture Studio staff to collaborate on a draft amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to (1) require a one-to-one replacement of canopy trees in new residential and commercial developments and (2) require a minimum number of trees in new residential and commercial developments where currently no trees exist.

Councilmember Meister provided her reasons for placing this Item on the agenda.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding his experience with canopy trees at his home and supports the item in general.

CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Item but expressed concern with enforcement.

The following individuals did not wish to speak but submitted a Citizen Position Slip in support of the item: Michael Carter, Leslie Karliss, Richard Karliss, and Stephanie Harker.

Councilmember Heilman suggested that we direct staff and the new Urban Design Studio Division to review and make recommendations to the City Council.

Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath expressed her concern with this Item since it doesn't address trees on the public right of way and agreed that Staff should review and bring recommendations back to Council.

Councilmember Duran indicated that he does not support the Item. He spoke regarding the priority being housing and that there needs to be some flexibility relating to replacement of trees.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to review and develop a strategy for this issue and, if needed, return with a draft amendment to the Zoning Code. **Motion by Mayor D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Meister, and approved noting the "no" vote of Councilmember Duran.**

5.C. ETHICS REFORM TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO GOVERNMENT ETHICS, LOBBYIST REGULATIONS, CAMPAIGN FINANCE, AND ENFORCEMENT AND CONTINUATION OF DISCUSSION ON REVISIONS TO LOBBYIST ORDINANCE [C.

SCHROEDER, Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER, M. JENKINS, L. LANGER]:

SUBJECT: The Ethics Reform Task Force (Task Force) was created by the City Council to evaluate the City's laws and regulations pertaining to government ethics, lobbyist regulations, campaign finance, and enforcement, and recommend revisions, if needed. This report summarizes the Task Force's recommendations to the City Council for the period from May 2018 through July 2019 and provides an opportunity for the City Council to consider an ordinance to prohibit campaign consultants from serving as lobbyists (discussion continued from October 7, 2019).

ACTION: This Item was Tabled.

5.D. DISCUSSION OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020 AND SCHEDULING DATES FOR ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF THE NEW MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEMPORE FOR 2020 [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving the City Council Regular Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2020, cancelling or rescheduling several meetings throughout the year that conflict with holidays, and scheduling the dates for the election and installation of the new Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore in 2020.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.M. APPROVAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF OBJECTIVE DESIGN STANDARDS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND MIXED-USE PROJECTS [J. KEHO, R. DIMOND, J. DAVIS, P. NOONAN, A. BARTLE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a resolution approving an application for California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) SB2 grant funding in the amount of \$160,000 to develop objective design and development standards for residential and mixed-use projects.

Mayor D'Amico commented on the reasons that he has concerns with applying for this Grant. He indicated that his top two concerns are expediting the permitting process and sustainability, and that these items should have been considered when applying for the Grant.

Councilmember Heilman spoke regarding the need to develop design standards to conform to State law when approving or denying projects.

Director of Planning and Development Services John Keho commented that this grant would provide the funding for the new Urban Design Studio can develop new design standards.

Councilmember Meister expressed her concern with Council not being able to weigh in on the priority selected for the Grant. She spoke regarding the other categories and in support of Financing and Fee reduction strategies, ADUs, or addressing permit processing.

ACTION: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 19-5234 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD SUPPORTING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$160,000 FOR DEVELOPMENT OF OBJECTIVE DESIGN STANDARDS FOR MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL AND MIXED-USE PROJECTS, CITYWIDE;" 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to apply for and execute the Agreement and all necessary contracts, payment requests, and amendments for the purposes of securing the grant funds, and to implement and carry out the purposes specified in the grant application; and 3) Authorize the Director of Finance and Technology Services to increase budgeted revenues in the Miscellaneous Grants Fund by the amount of the grant award and budgeted expenditures in the Miscellaneous Grants Fund account 202-3-07-83-531004 by a corresponding amount. If the program is not approved, the grant revenues will be reversed, and the expenditures will be transferred to the General Fund. **Motion by Councilmember Duran, seconded by Councilmember Heilman, and approved noting the "no" votes of Councilmember Meister and Mayor D'Amico.**

6. **LEGISLATIVE:** None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Heilman spoke regarding public comment made relating to Security at Zen Healing and asked Staff to look into the issue and ensure that all cannabis businesses are being monitored. He also expressed concern with Council and Staff time relating to Cannabis. He noted the importance of the issue but wanted to bring it to the City Manager's attention the other community priorities including homelessness and public safety are also adequately addressed.

Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath gave a shout out to Jimmy Palmieri and thanked him for continuing to be a champion for the West Hollywood community.

Councilmember Duran registered his NO vote on Item 2.E.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 10:27 p.m. in memory of Topper Schroeder, Dr. Margaret Ray, and Sergeant Nathan G. Irish to its next regular meeting, which will be on Monday, December 2, 2019 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 2nd day of December, 2019 by the following vote:

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



JOHN D'AMICO, MAYOR

ATTEST:



YVONNE QUARKER, CITY CLERK