

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2020
TELECONFERENCE MEETING**

6:30 P.M. – *REGULAR MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor D’Amico 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 Meister requested that Items 5.A. and 5.B. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Items 2.N. and 2.O., respectively. She also requested that Item 2.F. be Tabled to the next City Council meeting as a New Business Item.

Motion by Councilmember Meister to approve the April 20, 2020 Agenda as amended, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath, and approved.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Garry George Bowie, Carol Belsanti, and Mary Ramirez.

Councilmember Meister requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Phylliss Lyon and Anne Faerovik.

Councilmember Heilman requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Gabor Andrew Kalman.

Mayor D’Amico requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Matt Holzman, Anthony Brooks, and Phillip Tsai-Brooks.

PRESENTATIONS:

Congressman Adam Schiff provided an update on the federal government's COVID-19 response.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

KAREN O'KEEFE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding a reduction in car trips due to the Stay at Home orders.

SEPI SHYNE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the eviction moratorium and mailers to residents regarding their rights.

ELIZABETH POLLEY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding residents' ability to pay rent.

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding emergency preparedness.

YOLA DORE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the Covid-19 pandemic.

CHARLES, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the City Council for their hard work and inquired about volunteerism in the City.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Councilmember Duran spoke regarding extending the emergency order beyond May 31 and agendizing it on the next meeting agenda. Assistant City Attorney Langer noted that staff would provide options for extending the order at the next meeting. He also spoke about testing for Covid-19 by utilizing agencies in the community such as Being Alive, Saban, and Planned Parenthood.

Councilmember Heilman responded to some of the e-comments and public comments, specifically testing in West Hollywood, walking and biking infrastructure, and emergency preparedness. He also inquired about the status of the mailer that Council approved at the last meeting

Councilmember Meister reported that she and Councilmember Heilman virtually attended the Westside Cities COG meeting. She noted that April 22nd 50th anniversary of Earth Day and Climate Action is the theme this year. She inquired with the City Manager about construction in the City, parking restrictions, and enforcement of wearing masks. She commented on item 5.A.; which was moved to the Consent Calendar and asked that staff ensure that the agreement includes language that monies go toward salaries and rent only.

Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath reported that she attended the Clean Power Alliance, Sanitation District, and Women in Municipal Government meetings. She also reported that she participated in a Contract Cities webinar relating to accessing Federal Funding. She also spoke regarding her participation in the National League of Cities Board of Directors and their work towards getting funding for small cities. She also reported that she participated in a Zoom Meeting with Norma Triangle residents. She reached out to

the Postmaster general regarding mail carriers wearing gloves and masks. She spoke about emergency preparedness. She mentioned CERT training in the City and encouraged residents to inquire about CERT. She mentioned the Covid-19 testing site at Cedars Sinai. She inquired about debit cards for community members similar to the City of Los Angeles. She inquired about property owners unable to pay their mortgages and asked if the City Attorney could draft a letter for these property owners to provide to their respective Banks. She suggested a webinar for commercial property owners and tenants on their rights. She noted that West Hollywood is underreporting in the census and inquired about the City's efforts to encourage people to participate. She commented on the Safe Streets initiative mentioned under Public Comments. She responded to an inquiry about volunteering in the City. She also mentioned a new Hospitality Industry Coalition and encouraged businesses in this industry to join their lobbying efforts. She asked the City Manager to provide an update on the food delivery program. Finally, she mentioned a couple of resolutions that the City of Los Angeles asked the City to sign on to and asked that they be brought back to Council for consideration.

Mayor D'Amico expressed concern with the City's homeless service response. He mentioned the number of positive Covid-19 individuals in West Hollywood.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Arevalo reported on the City's Covid response. He responded to the Mayor's concerns with homelessness in the City. He mentioned some of the projects that were on the City's work plan that are on hold including the City's hotel capacity study. He noted that staff is working with the State on Covid-related issues. He provided an update on the approved mailer to residents regarding their rights under the City's emergency order. He provided information on volunteering in the City. He noted that Cedars Sinai Hospital is a testing site and is close to providing 200 tests each day. He responded to the public comment regarding emergency preparedness. He noted that the City can exercise greater control on the impacts of construction in residential neighborhoods. Finally, he commented on public gatherings in the City, parking, debit cards, letter for homeowners, webinar on City resources, and an update on the budget.

Councilmember Meister noted that we will need to rethink cooling centers when the weather warms up.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Quarker stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar is \$801,198 in expenditures, \$0 in potential revenues, (\$0) in waived fees.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,G.,H.,I.,J.,K.,L.,M.,N.,O. Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath, and approved.

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, April 20, 2020 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, and the Sheriff's Station on Wednesday, April 15, 2020.

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

2.B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

ACTION: Approve the minutes of April 6, 2020. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.C. DEMAND REGISTER NO. 864, RESOLUTION NO. 20-5268:

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

ACTION: Approve Demand Register No. 864 and adopt Resolution No. 20-5268, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 864". **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.D. ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 20-1104 (2ND READING) "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ADDING SECTION 3.08.015 TO PART A OF CHAPTER 3.08 OF TITLE 3 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS." [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 20-1104, "an Ordinance of the City of West Hollywood adding Section 3.08.15 to part A of Chapter 3.08 of Title 3 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code relating to authority to execute contracts."

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance 20-1104, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ADDING SECTION 3.08.015 TO PART A OF CHAPTER 3.08 OF TITLE 3 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.E. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2020 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, K. BARENG, N. CORONADO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the Treasurer's Reports for the month ended February 2020 pursuant to Section 53646 of the Government Code of the State of California.

ACTION: Receive and file the February 2020 Treasurer's Report. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.F. UPDATE ON PENDING STATE LEGISLATION ON HOUSING DEVELOPMENT & LAND USE [J. KEHO, R. EASON, B. ECK, J. LEONARD, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive a report on the slate of pending state legislation related to housing/land use and direct staff to continue to work with state-level bill authors and sponsors on City priorities.

ACTION: This Item was Tabled.

2.G. AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SHARP BUSINESS SYSTEMS FOR COPYING AND REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT [L. QUIJANO, E. TSIPIS, K. DEVINE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing an amendment to the contract for leasing of copying equipment for City Hall and other City locations from Sharp Business Systems.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment #2 from Sharp Business Systems (Sharp) for a coterminous lease for copying equipment and maintenance services for the office space at 8918 Santa Monica Blvd, Suite 301 and other equipment as needed; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to this Lease Agreement.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.H. ACCEPT AN EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC SIDEWALK AND PARKWAY PURPOSES ALONG THE KEITH AVE FRONTAGE AND THE HARLAND AVE FRONTAGE OF THE DPP9 OWNER, LLC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT LOCATED AT 702 N. DOHENY DR. [J. ROCCO, H. DEMITRI]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider accepting an easement for sidewalk and parkway purposes along Keith Ave and Harland Ave frontages of the DPP9 Owner, LLC development project at 702 N. Doheny Drive.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 20-5269 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ACCEPTING GRANT OF EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC SIDEWALK AND PARKWAY PURPOSES AT 702 N. DOHENY DRIVE IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD"; and 2) Direct the City Clerk to submit a certified copy of Resolution No. 20-5269, as well as the Easement in Attachment B for recordation by the office of the Recorder of the County of Los Angeles.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.I. AUTHORIZE THE USE OF COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS WITH TANGRAM, INC., AND CORT BUSINESS SERVICES CORPORATION [S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing the use of cooperative purchasing agreements with Tangram, Inc. (distributor for Steelcase Inc.), and Cort Business Services Corporation for the design, procurement, and installation of office and public space furnishings, related products and equipment, and ongoing product support.

ACTIONS: 1) Authorize the Finance & Technology Services Department to issue a Purchase Order to Tangram, Inc., pursuant to the Sourcewell Agreement, for the design, purchase and installation of Steelcase office furnishings in an amount not-to-exceed \$500,000; and 2) Authorize the Finance & Technology Services Department to issue a Purchase Order to Cort Business Services Corporation, pursuant to the Sourcewell

Agreement, for the design, purchase and installation of office furnishings in an amount not-to-exceed \$200,000. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.J. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DECLARING THE INTENTION TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES FROM THE PROCEEDS OF OBLIGATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE CITY AND DIRECTING CERTAIN ACTIONS [D, WILSON, L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, J. ALKIRE]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting the attached resolution declaring the intention to reimburse the City for expenditures related to the purchase of property located at 8301 Santa Monica Boulevard, improvements to various City-owned properties and other City-wide infrastructure projects and upgrades from the proceeds of tax-exempt debt.

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 20-5270 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DECLARING THE INTENTION TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES FROM THE PROCEEDS OF OBLIGATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE CITY AND DIRECTING CERTAIN ACTIONS." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.K. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING A DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY AND A DISCLOSURE POLICY [D. WILSON, L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, J. ALKIRE]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution establishing a debt management policy and a disclosure policy in relation to potential future issuance of debt.

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 20-5271: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING A DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY AND A DISCLOSURE POLICY." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.L. A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A LIVING WAGE RATE FOR FY 2020-21 OF \$13.69/HR WITH HEALTH BENEFITS CONTRIBUTIONS AND \$14.94/HR WITHOUT HEALTH BENEFITS CONTRIBUTIONS [D. WILSON, C. SAFRIET, P. MANNINO]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution that will increase the Living Wage Rate for fiscal year 2020-21 by the Consumer Price Index. The increase will become effective on July 1, 2020.

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 20-5272 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ESTABLISHING, PURSUANT TO WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3.20.040, A LIVING WAGE RATE FOR FY 2020-21 OF \$13.69/HR WITH HEALTH BENEFITS CONTRIBUTIONS OF AT LEAST \$1.25/HR AND \$14.94/HR WITHOUT HEALTH BENEFITS CONTRIBUTIONS OF AT LEAST \$1.25/HR." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.M. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD RATIFYING EMERGENCY MEASURES TO PREVENT**

THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 RELATED TO CLOSURE OF PARKS, CONSTRUCTION, SIDEWALK SALES OF NEEDED GOODS AND WINDOW COVERINGS ON CLOSED BUSINESSES [P. AREVALO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a Resolution ratifying the City Manager/ Director of Emergency Services Order implementing emergency measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 20-5273, "RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD RATIFYING EMERGENCY MEASURES TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19."
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.N. (5.A.) AGREEMENT TO ADVANCE TOURISM BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (TBID) PROCEEDS TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD TRAVEL AND TOURISM BOARD (WHTTB) [P. AREVALO, D. WILSON, J. JIMENEZ, T. WORDEN, P. KESPRADIT, L. QUIJANO, A. RUIZ]:

SUBJECT: The Council will consider approving an advance from the General Fund to the Tourism Improvement District Agency Fund and authorize the City Manager to enter in an agreement to advance Tourism Business Improvement District (TBID) proceeds, collected from transit occupancy tax (TOT) hotel stays, to the West Hollywood Travel and Tourism Board (WHTTB) due to the economic impact of COVID-19.

ACTIONS: 1) Authorize the Director of Finance & Technology Services to allocate \$300,000 from General Fund Cash Reserves (Fund 100) in Fiscal Year 2020 and transfer the cash as an advance to the Tourism Improvement District Agency Fund (Fund 803) designated for transactions of the West Hollywood Travel and Tourism Board; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to negotiate and execute an Agreement with the West Hollywood Travel and Tourism Board to provide an advance from the Tourism Improvement District Agency Fund in the amount up to \$100,000 per month for three months for critical operational funding related to the economic impact of COVID-19. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.O. (5.B.) WATER QUALITY AND CONCERNS REGARDING PREMISE PLUMBING [L. HORVATH, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to evaluate ways to address concerns regarding premise plumbing in rental housing, which is the plumbing that runs from the lot line of a property to the tap and is typically the responsibility of the property owner. Based on Council's direction, staff will work to educate the property owners and renters about the potential causes of water quality issues, develop requirements for regular inspections, and analyze the development of a grant program to assist property owners in paying for minor building upgrades.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to develop ways to educate property owners and renters about the potential causes of concern with premise plumbing, including real and perceived risks resulting from discoloration, unusual smells, or poor tasting water; 2) Direct staff to prepare an amendment to the

Municipal Code for City Council review, which includes staff's recommendations on how often a water quality inspection is needed in rent stabilized buildings; 3) Direct staff to analyze the development of a grant program to provide funding for property owners to perform minor improvements to address possible concerns; and 4) Direct staff to work with the City's water providers – Los Angeles Department of Water and Power and Beverly Hills Water – to perform inspections and provide other assistance and expertise. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3.A. CONTINUE TO A DATE UNCERTAIN THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITING SMOKING IN ENCLOSED COMMON AREAS AND NEW UNITS WITHIN MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS, CREATING A REGISTRATION PROGRAM THAT REQUIRES DESIGNATION OF UNITS' SMOKING STATUS, AND PROHIBITING SMOKING IN ANY PARK OR WITHIN FIVE (5) FEET OF ANY PARKLET [J. ROCCO, D. RIVAS, D. MICK]:

SUBJECT: Staff is requesting City Council continue this item to a date uncertain regarding the consideration to amend the West Hollywood Municipal Code prohibiting smoking in enclosed common areas and in new units within multi-family dwellings, creating a registration program that requires designation of units' smoking status to gradually transition smoking units to non-smoking units, and prohibiting smoking in any park or within five (5) feet of any parklet.

ACTION: Staff is requesting City Council continue this item to a date uncertain. **Council approved the continuance of this item to a date uncertain by consensus.**

THE CITY COUNCIL RECESSED AND RECONVENED AS THE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY: 8:23 p.m.

The Public Financing Authority approved the minutes of the April 4, 2016 meeting, and adopted Resolutions setting a time and place for regular meetings; and approving a debt management policy and a disclosure policy.

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

THE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY RECESSED AND RECONVENED AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION: 8:26 p.m.

The Successor Agency to the West Hollywood Community Development Commission approved the minutes of the July 17, 2017 meeting and adopted a Resolution approving a debt management policy and a disclosure policy.

The actions are more fully described in the minutes of the Successor Agency to the West Hollywood Community Development Commission.

THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION RECESSED AND RECONVENED AS THE CITY COUNCIL: 8:29 p.m.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

4.A. NORTHERN EXTENSION OF THE METRO CRENSHAW/LAX LINE UPDATE [J. KEHO, R. EASON, D. FENN, J. LEONARD]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on the Northern Extension of the Metro Crenshaw/LAX Line and the City's Community Transportation Issues Survey.

Community and Legislative Affairs Manager John Leonard provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 20, 2020.

Richard Bernard, consultant from FM3 Research, provided a presentation on the survey conducted in January and February 2020 with community members.

JOHN ERICKSON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Item 4.A.

Councilmember Meister inquired when the City will share with survey participants the amount of money this project will cost. Mr. Leonard responded to this inquiry.

Councilmember Duran noted the importance of moving forward with infrastructure.

Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath thanked staff for moving forward with this Item and in support of moving forward.

Mayor D'Amico inquired about the alignment changes in the EIR. Mr. Leonard responded to this inquiry.

ACTIONS: 1) Council received the presentation of the results of the recent Community Transportation Issues Survey; 2) Council received the update and survey results and provided feedback.

4.B. WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK MASTER PLAN - PHASE II IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT UPDATE [O. DELGADO, S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on the West Hollywood Park Master Plan Phase II Implementation Project and consider authorizing three contract amendments and an increase in the project budget.

Director of Facilities and Recreation Services Steve Campbell provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 20, 2020.

Councilmember Heilman inquired about the landscaping costs and Mr. Campbell noted that those costs are included in this proposal.

Mayor D'Amico inquired as to whether the construction schedule could be accelerated since the park is closed. Mr. Campbell noted that staff can look into this.

Councilmember Meister expressed frustration with the construction management firm and stated that she was not in support of a contract amendment.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 6 to the Agreement with Waveguide, Inc. for providing Audio/Visual technical services for the West Hollywood Park Master Plan Phase II Implementation Project by increasing the total contract amount of \$117,330 by an additional \$57,000 resulting in a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$174,330; and, extending the term of the Agreement by a period of 24 months resulting in a new expiration date of June 30, 2022; 2) Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement with Smith-Emery Laboratories for providing construction material testing and inspection services for the West Hollywood Park Master Plan Phase II Implementation Project by increasing the total contract amount of \$1,725,039 by an additional \$347,716.51 resulting in a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$2,072,755.51; 3) Authorize an increase to the construction contingency amount of \$9,014,589 for additional and unforeseen work in the construction and post construction phases of the project in the additional amount of \$8,400,000 for a new not-to-exceed total contingency amount of \$17,414,589; 4) Authorize the Director of Finance & Technology Services to allocate \$11,982,031 from the Debt Funded Capital Projects Fund 301 to accommodate the increase in the project budget for the West Hollywood Park Master Plan Phase II Implementation Project from \$101,467,779 to \$113,449,810; and 5) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents incident to the Agreements. **Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Duran, and approved.**

ACTION: Approve Amendment No. 5 to the Agreement with CBRE Heery, Inc. for providing Construction Management Services for the West Hollywood Park Master Plan Phase II Implementation Project by increasing the total contract amount of \$4,953,453.38 by an additional \$2,796,916

resulting in a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$7,750,396.38. **Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Duran, and approved noting the “no” vote of Councilmember Meister.**

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.A. AGREEMENT TO ADVANCE TOURISM BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (TBID) PROCEEDS TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD TRAVEL AND TOURISM BOARD (WHTTB) [P. AREVALO, D. WILSON, J. JIMENEZ, T. WORDEN, P. KESPRADIT, L. QUIJANO, A. RUIZ]:

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ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

5.B. WATER QUALITY AND CONCERNS REGARDING PREMISE PLUMBING [L. HORVATH, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to evaluate ways to address concerns regarding premise plumbing in rental housing, which is the plumbing that runs from the lot line of a property to the tap and is typically the responsibility of the property owner. Based on Council's direction, staff will work to educate the property owners and renters about the potential causes of water quality issues, develop requirements for regular inspections, and analyze the development of a grant program to assist property owners in paying for minor building upgrades.

ACTION: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

5.C. ELECTION OF MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEMPORE [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider electing the new Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore.

Councilmember Heilman nominated Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath as Mayor, seconded by Councilmember Meister and approved.

Councilmember Duran nominated Councilmember Meister and she declined the nomination. She expressed a desire over the next year to assist small businesses recover from the economic effects of Covid-19.

Councilmember Meister nominated Councilmember Heilman as Mayor Pro Tempore, seconded by Mayor D'Amico and approved.

ACTION: The City Council elected Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath as the next Mayor and Councilmember Heilman as the next Mayor Pro Tempore, to be installed on May 18, 2020.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: None.

6. LEGISLATIVE: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS: Mayor Pro Tempore Horvath congratulated the Communications Department on being nominated for a Shorty Award. She thanked resident Larry Block for donating face masks to residents. And finally, she thanked West Hollywood West for their donation to frontline workers.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 9:26 p.m. in memory of Garry George Bowie, Carol Belsanti, Phyliss Lyon, Anne Faerovik, Gabor Andrew Kalman, Matt Holzman, Anthony Brooks, Phillip Tsai-Brooks, and Mary Ramirez to its next regular meeting, which will be on Monday, May 4, 2020 at 6:30 P.M. *via teleconference.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 4th day of May, 2020 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