CITY COUNCIL CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD MINUTES MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2021 REGULAR TELECONFERENCE MEETING

6:00 P.M. - CITY COUNCIL MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Horvath called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember Sepi Shyne led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmember D'Amico, Councilmember Erickson,

Councilmember Shyne, Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, and Mayor

Horvath.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Arevalo, Assistant City Attorney Langer, Acting City

Clerk Melissa Crowder, and Administrative Specialist IV Alyssa

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REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:

Assistant City Attorney Lauren Langer reported that the regularly scheduled Closed Session was called to order at 5:30 p.m. There were no members of the public who provided comment. The Council spoke about one item of business and took no reportable action. The Closed Session adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Acting City Clerk Crowder indicated that Staff has requested Item 3.A. be Tabled to February 16, 2021.

Councilmember Erickson requested that Item 2.M. be moved to Excluded Consent.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister requested that Item 5.A. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Item 2.Q.

Mayor Horvath requested that the At-Large Appointments and Reappointments for Item 5.B. be Tabled.

Motion by Mayor Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Shyne to approve the February 1, 2021 agenda as amended, and approved.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

Councilmember Shyne requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Geoff Scowcroft.

Councilmember Erickson requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Richard Adams. He also requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Gracie, the beloved dog of Zoey Nicholson.

Mayor Horvath requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Tony D'Armetta, Lynn Gustke, Leninida Morgulis, Tom LaBonge, SOPHIE, and Cicely Tyson. She also requested that the meeting be adjourned for the following Military Adjournment: Army Staff Sergeant Timothy Luke Manchester (34).

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to Pastor Charles Johnson of the Cochran Baptist Church.

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to Raniyah Copeland on behalf of the Black AIDS Institute.

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to Tsilia Vodovoz of Jewish Family Services.

Mayor Horvath presented a Proclamation to Lilly Rocha honoring National Wear Red Day.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

MARINA BERKMAN, Program Director for Jewish Family Services, spoke regarding Tsilia Vodovoz and thanked the Council honoring her 19 years of service to the West Hollywood community.

JD BROWN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.F. on behalf of Trans Can Work and thanked the City Council for their support.

TAI SUNNANON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.P. and applauded the City and staff for hosting the Vaccine Town Hall.

KEVIN BURTON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 2.N. in support of Vision Zero Action Plan with the goal of reducing traffic fatalities and injuries.

SUSAN ROSENBLUTH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding AB 2345.

MARTHA ORELLANA, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding AB 2345.

CHARLIE JASPER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding AB 2345.

DAVID NASH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding vaccination access for seniors and the disabled community.

REBECCA DAMAVANDI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Item 3.A. and AB 2345.

JORDAN DAVID, OCCUPIED TONGVA LAND, spoke regarding equitable and accessible actions for the City.

JAMIE FRANCIS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding exposure to second-hand smoking as well as AB 2345.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Councilmember D'Amico wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Councilmember Shyne highlighted Black History Month. She shared that Dorothy Dandridge used to be a resident of West Hollywood. She highlighted Marquita Thomas as the first black person appointed to the Planning Commission, Human Services Commission, and the Lesbian & Gay Advisory Board. She noted that newly appointed Public Safety Commissioner Alana Roshay is the first black woman appointed to that Commission. She mentioned her excitement about the Social Justice Task Force, which will give BIPOC a voice on policy recommendations. She further noted that Statewide Black History was made this year when Governor Newsom appointed Shirley Weber as Secretary of State. She spoke of the multitude of accomplishments made by Vice President Kamala Harris including: the first black woman as Vice President, first black District Attorney of San Francisco, first black person as California Attorney General, and the first black female Senator of California. Councilmember Shyne also recognized Shirley Chisholm, the first black woman elected to the US Congress in 1968 and first black candidate for President. She enumerated the many inventions and improvements to daily life introduced by black people throughout US history. she reported that she attended the new Mayors and Councilmembers Event held between January 21, 22, 28 & 29, 2021 virtually by the League of California Cities.

Councilmember Erickson reported that he also attended the new Mayors and Councilmembers Event held between January 21, 22, 28 & 29, 2021 virtually by the League of California Cities. He also honored Black History Month. He commented that Deborah Archer, the ACLU's first black president, was elected this past weekend. He thanked everyone who attended the panel discussion about the Netflix film "Disclosure". He thanked his colleagues for sponsoring the Item and City staff for their work. He mentioned support for National Wear Red Day. He expressed concern with wage cuts that were mentioned at the January 27th Finance & Budget Subcommittee meeting. He reminded everyone that voluntary furloughs for City staff have been in effect since last Spring, and that he will continue to stand with staff. He pledged that he will never vote for anything that calls for staff cuts in pay or layoffs. He thanked his colleagues for Item 5.C. on mask mandates. He mentioned the lines for vaccines that he has seen outside the Men's Health Center. He thanked David Nash for letting Council know about his

difficulties. Finally, he thanked Mayor Horvath and Councilmember Shyne for the Vision Zero plan, protecting bike lanes, and would like to revisit the City's Pedestrian and Mobility Plan.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister noted that the Council already directed staff to return with an update to the City's Pedestrian and Mobility Plan. She reported that she attended the Sheriff's Town Hall and the Finance & Budget Subcommittee meeting. She promoted the Chamber of Commerce Valentine's Guide which can be viewed at www.wehochamber.com. She mentioned the creation of the Small Business Foundation by the Chamber of Commerce to support BIPOC owners. She congratulated West Hollywood resident Tatiana Egorova on her 100th birthday. Finally, she reminded the public of the WeHo Sounds online event taking place Friday, February 12th at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Horvath thanked the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department for facilitating the town hall with Sheriff Villaneuva and Captain Ramirez. She thanked the Fire Department for their hard work. She reported that she participated in the US Council of Mayors Winter Meeting. She reported that she attended the weekly Coronavirus briefings, the Clean Power Alliance, Sanitation District, LA County Ending HIV Committee, League of Cities meeting, and the Finance & Budget Subcommittee. She requested that City staff call in to check in with senior residents, and people who need help with technology to get signed up for vaccines. She commented on various Consent Calendar items. She spoke about the Covid Vaccine Town Hall, virtually taking place on February 23, where medical professionals from Cedars, members of the community who have participated in vaccine trials, and a representative from LA County Public Health Department will provide information. She announced that the California Department of Justice created a Worker Rights and Labor Section as part of the Division of Public Rights. She commented that there will be a virtual Senior Valentine's Day Dance on February 12th. She congratulated Councilmember Erickson for being unanimously elected to the Oversight Board to former Redevelopment agencies. She asked that the City Manager provide an update on the renaming of the West Hollywood Library. Finally, she asked the City Manager and City Attorney to speak about Cookies and the upcoming meeting with the City of Los Angeles.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Arevalo commented that the City will resume parking enforcement including permit parking on residential streets as well as street cleaning enforcement. He provided information on how residents can get visitor parking permits. He noted that the City Managers' Department is hosting a Business Round Table on February 19th at 8:30 a.m. He responded to Council inquiries regarding the renaming of the West Hollywood Library. He provided information on Cookies and the February 4th City of Los Angeles Cannabis Regulation Commission meeting. He responded to Council comments about mask enforcement. He provided information on the City's work around vaccine distribution and vaccine sites. He reported on the Finance & Budget Subcommittee meeting and the City's revenues as well as cancelling various City events in 2021.

Assistant City Attorney Langer stated that Jasmine Duckworth, Community Affairs Coordinator, is the City liaison for issues associated with Cookies.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

Acting City Clerk Crowder stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar removal of 2.M. and addition of 5.A. is \$1,442,834 in expenditures, \$0 in potential revenues, (\$0) in waived fees, and \$232,647 in CDBG funds.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H.,I.,J.,K.,L.,N.,O.,P.,Q. Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Erickson, and approved.

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, February 1, 2021 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, and the Sheriff's Station on Wednesday, January 27, 2021.

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 January 19, 2021. **Approved as part** of the Consent Calendar.

2.C. APPROVAL OF DEMAND REGISTER NO. 880 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES]:

SUBJECT: The City Council shall receive the Demand Register for period ending January 22, 2021 pursuant to Sections 37201 to 37210 of the Government Code of the State of California.

ACTION: Approve Demand Register NO. 880 and adopt Resolution No.21-5368, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING PAYMENT OF DEMANDS PRESENTED ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 880." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.D. ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 20-1132 (2ND READING) "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING CHAPTER 10.04, TRAFFIC CODE, WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE, TO PROHIBIT THE OPERATION OF ELECTRIC SCOOTERS ON SIDEWALKS AT ALL TIMES AND AMENDING CHAPTER 11.30.050, EXEMPTIONS, WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE, TO ALLOW E-SCOOTERS IN THE DOCKLESS MOBILITY PILOT PROGRAM TO BE EXEMPT FROM THE BAN ON DOCKLESS MOBILITY DEVICES IN THE CITY." [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 20-1132, "an Ordinance of the City of West Hollywood amending Chapter 10.04, Traffic Code, West Hollywood Municipal Code, to prohibit the operation of electric scooters on sidewalks at all times and amending Chapter 11.30.050, exemptions, West Hollywood Municipal Code, to allow e-scooters in the dockless mobility pilot program to be exempt from the ban on dockless mobility devices in the City."

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance 20-1132, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING CHAPTER 10.04, TRAFFIC CODE, WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE, TO PROHIBIT THE OPERATION OF ELECTRIC SCOOTERS ON SIDEWALKS AT ALL TIMES AND AMENDING CHAPTER 11.30.050, EXEMPTIONS, WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE, TO ALLOW ESCOOTERS IN THE DOCKLESS MOBILITY PILOT PROGRAM TO BE EXEMPT FROM THE BAN ON DOCKLESS MOBILITY DEVICES IN THE CITY." Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

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

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive Synopses from the Public Facilities Commission, Rent Stabilization Commission, Transportation Commission, Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board, Russian Advisory Board, and Women's Advisory Board regarding actions taken at their recent meeting.

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

2.F. AWARD OF AGENCY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS [C. SCHROEDER, D. GIUGNI, L. ISENBERG]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive a report on agency development and capacity building grants for four (4) current Social Services contract agencies. These awards will modify the scope of service and increase the not-to-exceed amounts of the existing service agreements with the agencies.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve amendments to the Agreement for Services to modify the scope of services and increase the amount of the following agreements: a. Project Angel Food: Increase by \$10,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$615,064, b. National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW): Increase by \$5,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,763,420, c. Being Alive: Increase by \$5,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$261,253, d. Trans Can Work: Increase by \$5,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$151,561; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.G. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BARRICADES [P. AREVALO, J. JIMENEZ, T. WORDEN, P. KESPRADIT]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement for services with Southern California Barricades for monthly rental fees of concrete barriers and labor costs for the OUT Zone Parklet Program to modify the scope of services and increase the not-to-exceed amount of the agreement.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the agreement for services with Southern California Barricades to modify the scope of services and increase the amount of the agreement by \$150,100 for a total not to exceed amount of \$225,000; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.H. AMENDMENT #3 TO THE LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR STREET FURNITURE WITH OUTFRONT/DECAUX STREET FURNITURE, LLC [O. DELGADO, F. CONTRERAS, K. KIGONGO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a request by Outfront/Decaux Street Furniture, LLC to amend the License Agreement for Street Furniture due to the continued unprecedented impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the out-of-home advertising industry.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 3 to the License Agreement for Street Furniture with Outfront/Decaux Street Furniture, LLC; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.I. AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO AGREEMENT WITH ANDREWS TECHNOLOGY TO EXTEND TIME AND SET ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION AND MAINTENANCE FEES [L. QUIJANO, B. ROSEN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement for services with Andrews Technology HMS Inc. to extend time and set subscription and maintenance fees for an additional 5-year term.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 4 to the agreement for services with Andrews Technology HMS Inc. to extend time and set subscription and maintenance fees for an additional 5-year term; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.J. AWARD AGREEMENTS FOR STREETLIGHT SERVICES TO CROSSTOWN ELECTRICAL & DATA, INC. [J. ROCCO, H. DEMITRI, R. GARLAND, E. MILLSAP]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider awarding two agreements for citywide streetlight services to Crosstown Electric & Data, Inc to perform L.E.D. Streetlight Conversion and provide Ongoing Streetlight Maintenance.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve an agreement for services with Crosstown Electrical & Data, Inc. in the amount of \$803,919 for the L.E.D. Retrofit of 2,200 Streetlights and provide Remote Monitoring System and authorize the City Engineer to approve change orders to the agreement for services

in an amount not to exceed 10% (80,392) of the total agreement amount; 2) Approve an agreement for services with Crosstown Electric & Data, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$360,000 annually for Ongoing Streetlight Maintenance; and 3) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the two agreements. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.K. UPDATE ON THE 2021 ELTON JOHN AIDS FOUNDATION OSCARS FUNDRAISER [K. COOK, C. SMITH, M. REATH, K. MCCORMACK]: SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update regarding the 2021 Elton John AIDS Foundation's annual Oscars fundraising event and affirm the City Manager's authority to negotiate an agreement with the Elton John AIDS Foundation for the use of City property for a largely virtual event.

ACTIONS: 1) Receive an update regarding the 2021 Elton John AIDS Foundation's Oscars fundraising event in light of public health orders related to COVID-19; and 2) Affirm the authority of City Manager or his designee to negotiate an agreement with the Elton John AIDS Foundation related to its 2021 Oscars fundraising event; authorize City Manager or his designee to execute documents incident to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.L. COMMEMORATE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CDC REPORT ON AIDS [J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO, J. DUCKWORTH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to develop a commemorative event that memorializes the 40th anniversary of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) report that introduced the AIDS epidemic, and work with Foundation for the AIDS Monument (FAM) on ensuring the stories of West Hollywood residents and community members are included in the AIDS monument.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct staff to work with community partners and service providers to create a virtual event that recognizes the 40th anniversary of the CDC report that introduced the AIDS epidemic; and 2) Direct staff to continue to work with the Foundation for the AIDS Monument (FAM) to ensure West Hollywood stories are included in the AIDS monument. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.M. UPDATE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE AND APPLICABILITY [L. MEISTER, J. D'AMICO, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to evaluate updating the living wage to more appropriately meet the intent and purpose of the policy and directing the City Attorney to research establishing a requirement for the Living Wage Ordinance to apply to development projects requesting a Development Agreement or other public benefit agreement.

ACTION: This Item was moved to Excluded Consent.

2.N. VISION ZERO ACTION PLAN [L. HORVATH, S. SHYNE, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to adopt a Vision Zero Action Plan, to establish a clear goal of eliminating traffic fatalities and severe injuries in West Hollywood.

ACTION: Direct staff to take the necessary steps to become a Vision Zero Community, including developing a Vision Zero Action Plan to establish a clear goal of eliminating traffic fatalities and severe injuries in West Hollywood. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.O. ESTABLISH FRAMEWORK AND GUIDELINES FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE [J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO, J. DUCKWORTH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update from staff regarding the framework and guidelines for the Social Justice Task Force.

ACTIONS: 1) Establish the Social Justice Task Force consisting of nine (9) members – one direct appointment from each Councilmember and four at-large appointments – who are intended to reflect the Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) community members who live, work, or own businesses in the City of West Hollywood; 2) Approve the proposed framework and guidelines for the Social Justice Task Force, as described in this staff report; 3) Direct the City Clerk to notice and accept applications for the Social Justice Task Force starting on February 8, 2021, and lasting for fourteen days; and 4) Return to a City Council meeting within 60 days for Council to make appointments to the Task Force. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.P. SPONSORSHIP OF A COVID-19 VACCINE TOWN HALL [L. HORVATH, J. ERICKSON, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO, J. DUCKWORTH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider sponsoring a town hall on the COVID-19 vaccine, featuring participants in COVID-19 vaccine trials as well as medical experts who work with COVID-19 patients and have received the vaccine.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve sponsorship of a COVID-19 vaccine town hall, featuring participants in COVID-19 vaccine trials as well as medical experts who work with COVID-19 patients and have received the vaccine; 2) Authorize the use of the City name and logo on marketing materials associated with the event; and 3) Direct the Communications Department to utilize all appropriate communications tools to promote the event, such as the City's website, social media tools, and available on-demand streaming platforms. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.Q. (5.A.) RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PROGRAM PLANNING SUMMARY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 [L. QUIJANO, A. RUIZ, C. DUNCAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a resolution approving the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Program Planning Summary and budget for fiscal year 2021-22.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 21-5370, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD. CALIFORNIA. **APPROVING** THE PROGRAM PLANNING SUMMARY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022;" 2) Approve the fiscal year 2021-22 CDBG program budget and instruct staff to submit the CDBG Program Planning Summary for approval to the Los Angeles County Community Development Commission, by February 2, 2021; 3) Authorize staff to adjust the fiscalyear 2021-22 program budget as necessary based on the final CDBG allocation from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and any amounts remaining unspent at the close of the current fiscal year; and 4) Authorize the City Manager (or designee) to execute all documents necessary to receive the CDBG allocation. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

ZONE TEXT AMENDMENTS TO MODIFY AFFORDABLE HOUSING 3.A. REQUIREMENTS AND INCENTIVES, AND OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS, TITLE 19, ZONING REGULATIONS, TO AMEND **REGULATIONS FOR 100% AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS IN** ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW. AND TO REPLACEMENT UNIT REQUIREMENTS, INCREASE DENSITY BONUS TO 50%, AMEND THRESHOLDS FOR INCENTIVES, AND REDUCE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROJECTS THAT PROVIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON SITE AND UTILIZE DENSITY BONUSES. IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW, AND TO AMEND THE THRESHOLD FOR CONCESSIONS FOR MODERATE INCOME UNITS TO MATCH THE NEW STATE REGULATIONS FOR LOW INCOME UNITS, CITYWIDE, IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD [J. KEHO, R. **DIMOND, C. SCHROEDER, A. BARTLE]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will hold a public hearing to consider a Zone Text Amendment to amend the affordable housing requirements and incentives chapter of the West Hollywood Municipal Code to align with state law, including new regulations on 100% affordable housing projects, amendments to density bonus regulations, including parking requirements, thresholds for concessions, and parking requirements. Additionally, language related to replacement units has been included in compliance with state law. In addition to regulations required by state law, staff recommends an amendment to the concessions chart to align threshold for concessions for moderate income units to match the amended state requirements for low-income units.

ACTION: Continued to a date certain of February 16, 2021.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

4.A. URGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING PROVISIONS OF THE RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS [P. AREVALO, C. SCHROEDER, J. HOLUB, L. LANGER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider updating the City's temporary residential eviction moratorium to comport with the passage of Senate Bill 91 (SB 91) through adoption of an urgency ordinance.

Assistant City Attorney Lauren Langer provided background information as outlined in the February 1, 2021 staff report. She noted that an updated Staff Report, redlined version of the proposed Urgency Ordinance, and a clean version of the proposed Urgency Ordinance were uploaded to the City Council Agenda Packet today. The changes, as identified in the original staff report, are based on recent actions by the State to its eviction moratorium.

Acting Rent Stabilization and Housing Manager Jonathan Holub spoke regarding the dissemination of information to tenants and landlords via Webinars.

ACTION: The City Council adopted: URGENCY ORDINANCE 21-1133U OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD CLARIFYING THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON RESIDENTIAL EVICTIONS TO COMPORT WITH RECENT CHANGES IN STATE LAW AND SETTING FORTH THE FACTS CONSTITUTING SUCH URGENCY which will take effect immediately. Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, and approved.

4.B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD PROHIBITING SMOKING IN COMMON AREAS AND NEW UNITS LOCATED IN MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS BY ADDING CHAPTER 7.10 (SMOKING IN MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS) TO TITLE 7 (HEALTH) OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 1.08 (GENERAL PENALTY PROVISIONS) TO MAKE VIOLATIONS OF CHAPTER 7.10 SUBJECT TO ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY PROCEDURES [J. ROCCO, D. RIVAS, M. JENKINS, L. LANGER, J. HOLUB]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amendments to the West Hollywood Municipal Code prohibiting smoking in common areas and in new units within multi-family dwellings based on the direction received during the public hearing held on August 17, 2020.

Code Compliance Manager Danny Rivas provided background information as outlined in the February 1, 2021 staff report. He noted that staff is requesting the following changes to the proposed ordinance:

Section 7.10.040 "Existing Tenancies" – Add language in the 2nd sentence, "Any change to the lease terms of an Existing Unit may only be changed by an express written agreement of the tenant **and unless the unit is exempt** is subject to Section 17.52.130 of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

Section 7.10.060 "Enforcement" – Delete the 2nd Sentence and add, "If a unit is the subject to a complaint for violation of this chapter the unit will be deemed a new unit unless the tenant or landlord can demonstrate through a lease or other documentation that the unit is an existing unit".

PRIMO CASTRO, AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, spoke regarding his organization's concerns with the existing item and does not support this item.

MARISA LONDON, EQUALITY CALIFORNIA, shared information regarding housing and smoking in the LGBTQ+ community.

DR. SHANNON KOZLOVICH, EQUALITY CALIFORNIA, spoke regarding the impacts smoking has on the community, particularly to non-smokers.

ROB BERGSTEIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked Ruth Williams for her work on smoke-free housing and requested that smoking on private balconies or patios be banned as well.

JACKIE SUBECK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the outdoor smoking of cannabis.

Mayor Horvath clarified that the proposed ordinance does not include Cannabis.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister commented that she supports the Item. She noted that she would like a survey conducted so that the community can provide feedback and assist the Council with crafting legislation. She explained the purpose of a registry.

Councilmember Erickson inquired about smoking cessation programs currently available. He noted that LA County Department of Public Health has resources. Finally, he commented that he supports the Item and would like a registry included.

Councilmember Shyne indicated that she supports the idea of a registry. She inquired about current smoking units, and how they become a non-smoking unit. She also inquired about private balconies in new units and new multi-unit buildings and supports requiring all new construction are smoke free. Finally, she expressed her support for a survey.

Councilmember D'Amico does not support a registry. He noted his preference that all new units and buildings be smoke free and supports setting an effective date tonight.

Mayor Horvath agreed with setting an effective tonight. She supports exempting cannabis smoke from the ordinance. She does not support a survey to determine how the Council should move forward.

The Council discussed making the survey part of the City's Vision 2050 survey or hiring a consultant to conduct the survey. City Manager Arevalo noted that Vision 2050 is on hold due to COVID.

Assistant City Clerk Langer read into the record the change to Section 7.10.030(a) of the ordinance to include, "smoking is prohibited in all common areas on or after 30 days from the effective date of this ordinance and private balconies and private patios of new units and all new units on or after 90 days after the effective date of the ordinance".

Mr. Rivas asked if the appropriation of funds for a consultant to conduct the survey could be included in the motion. City Manager Arevalo noted that an appropriation of \$50,000 for the consultant is fine.

ACTIONS: 1) Introduce on first reading Ordinance 21-1134: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD PROHIBITING SMOKING IN COMMON AREAS AND NEW UNITS LOCATED IN MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS BY ADDING CHAPTER 7.10 (SMOKING IN MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS) TO TITLE 7 (HEALTH) OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 1.08 (GENERAL PENALTY PROVISIONS) TO MAKE VIOLATIONS OF CHAPTER **SUBJECT** TO **ADMINISTRATIVE** 7.10 PENALTY PROCEDURES" with the changes noted above; 2) Adopt Resolution 21-5369: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING THE MASTER FEE RESOLUTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 TO INCLUDE VIOLATIONS OF CHAPTER 7.10 (SMOKING IN MULTI-FAMILY BUILDINGS), SECTION 11.12.050 (SMOKING PROHIBITED IN CITY PARKS), AND CHAPTER 11.29 (PARKLETS) TO SCHEDULE C OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION FEE SCHEDULE; 3) Develop a registry of smoke-free units; 4) Develop a smoking cessation program; 5) conduct a community survey regarding next steps on moving toward a smoke-free West Hollywood to assist the City Council with creating legislation; and 6) Appropriate \$50,000 for a consultant to conduct the survey. Motion by Councilmember Erickson, seconded by Councilmember Shyne, and approved noting the "No" vote of Mayor Horvath.

4.C. COVID-19 SMALL BUSINESS GRANT UPDATE [P. AREVALO, J. JIMENEZ, T. WORDEN, P. KESPRADIT]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on the West Hollywood Small Business Grant Program and the waiver of certain fees and assessments for businesses that have been impacted by COVID-19 health orders.

Mayor Pro Meister commented that she would like to add an additional provision that the businesses must show proof of filling out an application for funds from other sources such as the County, State, and/or Federal government programs. She noted that if businesses need assistance with completing those applications that the City utilize the mediation contract with the Chamber of Commerce.

Councilmember Shyne requested that we add that if a business does not fit the criteria to apply from the other sources identified by Mayor Pro Tempore Meister that they can still apply with the City. She also requested that the Webinar date be changed to allow more time afterwards for interested businesses to apply.

Assistant to the City Manager Janet Jimenez commented that Staff can move the date of the Webinar to provide more time. She asked for clarification from Mayor Pro Tempore Meister regarding proof of applying for other funding sources. Mayor Pro Tempore Meister clarified her direction.

Councilmember Erickson inquired about accountability and reporting back to the City Council. Ms. Jimenez responded to this inquiry.

Mayor Horvath commented that consistent COVID regulations to keep people safe at work are necessary, too.

ACTION: The City Council provided the following additional direction to staff: 1) Add an additional provision that the businesses must show proof of filling out an application for funds from other sources such as the County, State, and/or Federal government programs; 2) Provide assistance to businesses with completing applications for County, State, and Federal programs through the City's mediation contract with the Chamber of Commerce; and 3) Change the date of the Webinar. **This Item was approved by consensus**.

4.D. TEMPORARY USE PERMIT FOR OUTDOOR GYMS DURING PERIOD OF LOCAL EMERGENCY [P. AREVALO, L. LANGER, J. JIMENEZ, T. WORDEN, P. KESPRADIT, J. KEHO, J. ALKIRE, A. GALLO]: SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting an urgency ordinance that allows outdoor gyms, fitness facilities, and private training facilities to expand to private property not adjacent to their business permitted as an allowed temporary use to assist local businesses in their efforts to recover from COVID-19 impacts.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister inquired if staff is confirming that the business applying for the Temporary Use Permit (TUP) is a current City business. She also inquired about how space is designated to a business. Business Development Analyst Tara Worden and Director of Planning and Development Services John Keho responded to this inquiry.

Councilmember Erickson noted is support of the Item; however, he expressed concern with mask compliance and noise impacts. Mr. Keho confirmed that Staff can add a condition to the TUP that restricts amplified noise.

Councilmember Shyne commented that she shares Councilmember Erickson's concerns with amplified noise and mask compliance. Mr. Keho stated that the TUP is revocable immediately if they don't comply with any conditions outlined in the TUP. Ms. Worden indicated that the amplified noise condition is already part of the City's ordinance.

Councilmember D'Amico wants to ensure that the ordinance allows flexibility for staff to respond to the County's changing health orders.

Mayor Horvath commented that this is intended to be temporary in nature.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Urgency Ordinance 21-1135U: AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD TEMPORARILY INCLUDE OUTDOOR OPERATION OF **GYMS/FITNESS** FACILITIES/PERSONAL TRAINING **FACILITIES** ON **PRIVATE** PROPERTY NOT ADJACENT TO THE PERMANENT PLACE OF BUSINESS AS AN ALLOWED TEMPORARY USE TO ASSIST IN THE REOPENING OF BUSINESSES IMPACTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) AND SETTING FORTH THE FACTS CONSTITUTING SUCH URGENCY. Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Shyne, and approved.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- 5.A. (2.Q.) RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PROGRAM PLANNING SUMMARY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 [L. QUIJANO, A. RUIZ, C. DUNCAN]: SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a resolution approving the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Program Planning Summary and budget for fiscal year 2021-22. ACTIONS: This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar.
- 5.B. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS AND RE-APPOINTMENTS [Y. QUARKER, M. CROWDER]: SUBJECT: The City Council will consider making direct and at-large appointments to City Commissions and Advisory Boards.

Acting City Clerk Crowder provided background information as outlined in the February 1, 2021 staff report. She noted that Councilmember Erickson and Mayor Horvath will not be making their direct appointments this evening. She also indicated that the At-Large appointments were Tabled.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister made the following direct appointments: Arts and Cultural Affairs – Catherine "Cat" Lee, Business License Commission - Elyse Eisenberg, Historic Preservation Commission – Matt Dubin, Public Safety Commission – Tory Berger, Rent Stabilization Commission – Agassi Topchian, Transportation Commission – Christopher Bowen, Disabilities Advisory Board – David Nash, Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board – Lucas John and Renee Sotile, Russian Advisory Board – Raisa Aguf, Senior Advisory Board – Joy Nuell, and Women's Advisory Board – Amanda Bleich.

Councilmember Shyne made the following direct appointments: Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission – Mito Aviles, Business License Commission – Delfina Alden, Historic Preservation Commission – Michael King, Human Services Commission - Adam Darvish, Planning Commission – Katrina Vinson, Public Facilities Commission - Jake Mason, Public Safety Commission – Alana Roshay, Rent Stabilization Commission - Kimberly Copeland, Transportation Commission – Anne-Marie Williams, Disabilities Advisory Board - Anny Semonco, Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board - Sarah Whitaker and Alex Paris, Russian Advisory Board - Victoria Safrigina, Senior Advisory Board - Esther Baum, Transgender Advisory Board – Blossom C. Brown, and Women's Advisory Board - Keely Field.

Councilmember D'Amico made the following direct appointments: Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission - Dawn Moreno Friedman, Business License Commission - Rob Lo, Disabilities Advisory Board - Louise Smith, Historic Preservation Commission - Lola Davidson, Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board - Robert Gamboa, Planning Commission - Marquita Thomas, Public Facilities Commission - Larry Block, Rent Stabilization Commission - Richard Maggio, Russian Advisory Board - Valentina Matiji, Senior Advisory Board - Pat Dixon, Transgender Advisory Board - Alexis Sanchez, Transportation Commission - David Warren, and Women's Advisory Board - Jenner Deal.

Councilmember D'Amico noted that he is not making his Public Safety Commission appointment this evening because he would like to have a discussion regarding the Public Safety Commission's purview. Ms. Crowder indicated that Staff will return to the February 16th meeting with an Item to discuss this. Councilmember D'Amico also inquired about reaching out to individuals with interest in development, buildings, creating

buildings, etc. to get a larger pool of Planning Commission applicants. Ms. Crowder indicated that City Clerk staff would work on recruitment outreach for the Planning Commission.

Councilmember Shyne requested that the application be updated to require the applicant to respond to the question about why they are interested in serving on a Board or Commission. She also asked that information be provided regarding the difference between a direct appointee and an at-large appointee. Ms. Crowder responded to this direction.

Councilmember Erickson and Mayor Horvath agreed with the additional direction provided by their colleagues.

The City Council took a recess at 9:22 p.m. and returned at 9:35 p.m.

5.C. INCREASE ENFORCEMENT OF FACE COVERING REQUIREMENTS [S. SHYNE, J. D'AMICO, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider providing direction to the City's Code Compliance Division and West Hollywood Sheriff's Department to increase enforcement of the face covering requirements by issuing administrative citations to people who are not in compliance, rather than providing verbal warnings. The City Council will also consider sending a letter to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health voicing concerns regarding local businesses on the County workplace outbreak list.

Councilmember Shyne provided background information as outlined in the February 1, 2021 staff report.

Councilmember D'Amico shares Councilmember Shyne's concerns and is why he co-sponsored this Item. He expressed frustration with the County's response to outbreaks at worksites.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister inquired why front-line workers aren't given priority for vaccine distribution.

Councilmember Erickson expressed his support of the Item, but he provided some examples of scenarios that may lead to issues between individuals and law enforcement.

Mayor Horvath supports education for the public to stay safe. She spoke about the citation fees, confusion with messaging, and the use of law enforcement for issuing citations. She inquired about the recommendation to increase the citation fees.

City Manager Arevalo recommended that the City Council direct staff to utilize the West Hollywood Sheriff's Deputies to issue citations and provided his reasons for this recommendation.

ACTIONS: 1) Direct the West Hollywood Sheriff's Department to issue citations to people who are not in compliance with the City's face covering requirements, rather than providing verbal warnings; 2) Retain the current Fee Schedule for citations; 3) Direct staff to report back after 90 days with an update on mask enforcement and compliance efforts; and 4) Direct the City Manager to send a letter to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health expressing concerns regarding West Hollywood worksites on the County's non-residential outbreak list with Mayor Pro Tempore Meister's direction regarding vaccines for front line workers. Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Shyne and approved.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.M. UPDATE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE AND APPLICABILITY [L. MEISTER, J. D'AMICO, J. LEONARD, A. LOVANO]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider directing staff to evaluate updating the living wage to more appropriately meet the intent and purpose of the policy and directing the City Attorney to research establishing a requirement for the Living Wage Ordinance to apply to development projects requesting a Development Agreement or other public benefit agreement.

Councilmember Erickson provided his reasons for placing this Item on Excluded Consent. He made a Motion to give direction to staff that increases the minimum wage in West Hollywood and return in 60 days.

Councilmember Shyne thanked Mayor Pro Tempore Meister and Councilmember D'Amico for bringing this Item forward; however, she agrees with Councilmember Erickson. She seconds Councilmember Erickson's Motion.

Mayor Horvath asked for clarification on the specific dollar amount that Councilmember Erickson recommends the minimum wage should be increased so there is specific direction to staff.

Councilmember Erickson indicated that staff review increasing the minimum wage to \$16-\$18 and how that would impact the community. Mayor Horvath inquired with Councilmember Shyne if she agreed with Councilmember Erickson's recommendation. Councilmember Shyne noted her agreement.

> Mayor Horvath stated that before proceeding that she wanted to hear from the Councilmembers who sponsored the Item.

> Mayor Pro Tempore Meister commented that the Living Wage Ordinance hasn't been reviewed in a while. She stated that before making a decision on minimum wage change, she would like to move forward with the Item as written.

Councilmember D'Amico stated that he is happy to look at the minimum wage and how it is different or the same as the Living Wage. However, he expressed concern that Councilmembers Erickson and Shyne's recommendation is overreaching. He noted that he doesn't want to lose sight of the importance of a Living Wage.

JONAH BRESLAU, on behalf of LAANE, spoke about increasing the minimum wage, the dignity of labor, and that increasing wages stimulates the economy.

Councilmember Shyne reiterated her support for the Item as presented but noted that including the minimum wage provides more information for the Council to consider.

Mayor Horvath commented that her recommendation is to proceed with the Item as written and include a review of the minimum wage in West Hollywood and how it relates to the Living Wage to provide a comprehensive, holistic approach. This recommendation includes Councilmember Erickson's recommendation for staff to return with this information in 60 days.

Councilmember Erickson stated that he supports the Item as written and refers to information provided in the Staff Report. He wants to include the minimum wage to ensure that we are supporting workers in West Hollywood.

Mayor Horvath commented that finding what a true living wage in West Hollywood is the goal. She reiterated her comments from earlier and noted that this is her Substitute Motion.

Councilmember D'Amico provided a summary of the Council's prior direction on the minimum wage and living wage in West Hollywood. He commented that he feels that the Living Wage, which has historically been higher, is the best tool to provide a direct benefit to workers in West Hollywood for projects that will have a negotiated public benefit - it is the only way to ensure that the public benefit is delivered directly to workers. He seconded Mayor Horvath's Substitute Motion.

ACTIONS: 1) As part of the City's annual review of the living wage adjustment, direct staff to evaluate the calculation for the base living wage to determine if it should be increased in order to meet the intent and purpose of the policy; 2) Direct the City Attorney to research establishing a requirement for the Living Wage Ordinance to apply to development projects requesting a Development Agreement or public benefit agreement for workers involved in the construction of the projects and in the commercial businesses developed; and 3) Review the minimum wage in West Hollywood, how the minimum wage relates to the living wage, review how to apply both, and return in 60 days with this information for Council consideration. Motion by Mayor Horvath, seconded by Councilmember D'Amico and approved.

6. LEGISLATIVE:

6.A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING CHAPTER 5.114 (TOBACCO RETAILERS) OF TITLE 5 (BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE) OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF FLAVORED TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND THE USE OF TOBACCO COUPONS AND DISCOUNTS [J. ROCCO, D. RIVAS, M. JENKINS, L. LANGER]: SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting an ordinance to amend Chapter 5.114 (Tobacco Retailers) of Title 5 (Business License Ordinance) of the West Hollywood Municipal Code to prohibit the sale of flavored tobacco products and the use of tobacco coupons and discounts in West Hollywood.

Mayor Horvath introduced the Item. The City Council waived a Staff Report and moved to hear from members of the public.

PRIMO CASTRO, AMERICAN CANCER NETWORK, spoke in support of the Item.

DR. MARIELLE REATAZA, CO-CHAIR OF OUT AGAINST BIG TOBACCO LA, spoke in support of the Item.

CHRIS TEAGARDIN (PARTNER AT TEAGARDIN'S SMOKE SHOP), WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to the Item.

JAIME ROJAS JR, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to the Item.

BRENT THORNBURG, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Item.

ARTHUR MARUKIAN FROM TABACCHI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to the Item.

MAYRA BAUTISTA, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to the Item.

PAUL SEKHON, BAY AREA, spoke in opposition to the Item.

RIMA KHOURY, NATIONAL HOOKAH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, spoke regarding the history and culture of hookah, and requested that hookah tobacco be excluded.

ALEXA WARMAN, AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION, spoke in support of the Item.

CHRIS WILSON, LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS FEDERATION, spoke in opposition to the Item.

ISSA ABUAITA, NATIONAL HOOKAH COMM ASSOC, spoke regarding the practice of hookah over many centuries and requests excluding hookah from this ban, as the State did for SB 793.

ARNOLD ABRAMYAN, PRESIDENT OF ARMENIAN TRADE AND LABOR ASSOC, requests to exclude hookah as Governor Newsom and Senator Ben Allen did for SB 793.

MANNY MEHRABI, OWNER OF SMOKE 4 LESS, spoke in opposition to the Item.

GEORGE JOHNSON, NATIONAL HOOKAH COMM ASSOC, shares that 1/100th of nicotine is in naturally harvested tobacco used for hookah, and all hookah is flavored so a ban of flavored tobacco will effectively ban hookah.

AFRAK VARGAS, NATIONAL HOOKAH COMM ASSOC, spoke about his legislation and policy-based work, and requested that the City mirror the State's legislation on this issue.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister inquired about the current referendum that will be on the November 2022 ballot addressing this issue. Code Compliance Manager Rivas responded to this inquiry. Mayor Pro Tempore Meister noted that the City should Table this Item and wait to see what the voters decide in November 2022.

Councilmember Shyne proposed an exemption on hookah products and hookah lounges. She inquired if the referendum will affect the City Council's action on this Item.

Councilmember Erickson noted his support of an exemption on hookah as proposed by Councilmember Shyne.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister agrees with exempting hookah in the ordinance.

Councilmember Shyne expressed support with banning on coupons immediately.

Code Compliance Manager Danny Rivas noted that the ban on coupons could go into effect on March 16th if the 2nd Reading of the Ordinance occurs on February 16th.

Assistant City Attorney Langer read the following changes to the ordinance into the record: Section 3 adds a new Section J of 5.114.050 of the Ordinance add the following "except for flavored shisha tobacco for use in hookah is permitted" and in Section 6 "except 5.114.050(j) shall not take effect until six (6) months after the implementation of the ordinance".

Mr. Rivas also clarified that the Ordinance needs one additional change and he read into the record that "the last sentence of Section 5.114.050(I) 7.08.030.e.5 should be changed to 7.08.030.e.4.

ACTION: Introduce on first reading Ordinance 21-1136: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING CHAPTER 5.114 (TOBACCO RETAILERS) OF TITLE 5 (BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE) OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF FLAVORED TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND THE USE OF TOBACCO COUPONS AND DISCOUNTS. Motion by Councilmember D'Amico, seconded by Councilmember Shyne, and approved noting the "no" vote of Mayor Pro Tempore Meister.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

EDDIE MARTINEZ, OUT AGAINST BIG TOBACCO, spoke regarding Item 6.A.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Mayor Pro Tempore Meister asked someone from Social Services to reach out to David Nash regarding vaccine access assistance. She mentioned that the format for City Commission and Advisory Board teleconference meetings are inconsistent and would like our public meetings to have the same format and provide as much public access as possible.

Councilmember Shyne also shares Mayor Pro Tempore Meister's concerns with continuity for City Commission and Advisory Board Teleconference meetings. She shared an issue with Spectrum cutting-off programming and asked staff to look into the issue. Finally, she thanked Mayor Horvath for co-sponsoring the Vision Zero item.

Mayor Horvath wished an early Happy Birthday to Councilmember. She wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day and Presidents' Day.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 11:41 p.m. in memory of Geoff Scowcroft, Richard Adams, Zoe Nicholson's Dog Gracie, Tony D'Armetta, Leninida Morgulis, Tom LaBonge, SOPHIE, Cicely Tyson, Lynn Gustke, and Timothy Luke Manchester to its next regular meeting, which will be on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. *via teleconference.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 16th day of February, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember: D'Amico, Erickson, Shyne, Mayor Pro

Tempore Meister, and Mayor Horvath.

NOES: Councilmember: None.
ABSENT: Councilmember: None.
ABSTAIN: Councilmember: None.

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