

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 15, 2023
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

6:00 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Shyne called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and read the Land Acknowledgment.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Abbe Land led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmember Byers, Councilmember Heilman, Councilmember Meister, Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson, and Mayor Shyne.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Wilson, City Attorney Langer, Administrative Services Director Janet Jimenez, City Clerk Crowder, and Assistant City Clerk Morales.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

City Clerk Crowder noted that staff is not requesting any changes to the agenda.

Councilmember Meister requested that Items 5.A., 6.A., 6.B., 6.C., 6.D., and 6.F., be moved to the Consent Calendar as Items 2.W., 2.X., 2.Y., 2.Z., 2.AA., 2.BB., respectively.

Councilmember Heilman requested that Item 6.G. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Item 2.CC.

Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Byers, to approve the May 15, 2023 agenda, as amended.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

Councilmember Meister requested the meeting be adjourned in memory of Thomas Edward Madigan.

Councilmember Heilman requested the meeting be adjourned in memory of Robert Patrick and Seymour Lichtenstein.

Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson requested the meeting be adjourned in memory of Gloria Molina, Patricia A. Lamis, and Toni Sawyer.

Mayor Shyne Requested the meeting be adjourned in memory of Maxine Campbell.

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PRESENTATIONS:

Councilmember Heilman presented a Proclamation to This Way Out in recognition of their 35th anniversary.

Mayor Shyne presented a Proclamation to AARP in honor of Older Adults' Month.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

GREGORY RAUG, LOS ANGELES, spoke on behalf of the West Hollywood Design District and thanked the City Council for their support and guidance.

ALAN STRASBURG, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding public safety and the need to increase the number of West Hollywood Sheriff's Deputies.

MIKE CARTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Item 2.S. and requested that the City Council approve a permanent community garden.

MIKIE FRIEDMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of increasing the number of West Hollywood Sheriff's Deputies.

GENEVIEVE MORILL, MARINA DEL REY, spoke on behalf of the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce in support of the West Hollywood Design District and Sunset Strip Business Improvement District.

ABBE LAND, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition to the appeal for Item 3.B.

CESAR BARRIOS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of increasing the number of West Hollywood Sheriff's Deputies to pre-pandemic levels.

RICK WATTS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding Harvey Milk and the responsiveness of government to its citizens. He also spoke in support of increasing the number of West Hollywood Sheriff's Deputies.

LESLIE KARLISS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the West Hollywood West Neighborhood Association in support of increasing the number of West Hollywood Sheriff's Deputies to pre-pandemic levels.

NICK ROYBAL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of increasing the number of West Hollywood Sheriff's Deputies to pre-pandemic levels.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager David Wilson noted that the City's Affordable Properties Residential Satisfaction Survey will be released this week. Also, the City's Micromobility Survey is available on the City's website at www.weho.org/dockless. He provided additional information on Item 2.L. He shared information on this year's Weho Pride events.

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Councilmember Meister and Mayor Shyne requested that a statistically valid Micromobility Survey be conducted by market research professionals. City Manager Wilson indicated that staff will work with the consultant to ensure that it is statistically valid and include telephone surveys.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Crowder stated that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar with the addition of Items 5.A., 6.A., 6.B., 6.C., 6.D., 6.F., and 6.G. was \$6,219,501 in expenditures, \$1,109,871 in revenue, and (\$0) in waived fees.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H.,I.,J.,K.,L.,M.,N.,O.,P.,Q.,R.,S.,T.,U.,V.,W.,X.,Y.,Z.,AA.,BB.,CC.
Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Mayor Shyne, and approved.

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, May 15, 2023 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station, and at the West Hollywood Library on Wednesday, May 10, 2023.

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 May 1, 2023. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.C. APPROVAL OF DEMAND REGISTER NO. 929 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, S. HERNANDEZ]:

SUBJECT: The City Council shall receive the Demand Register for period ending May 5, 2023 pursuant to Sections 37201 to 37210 of the Government Code of the State of California.

ACTION: Approve Demand Register No. 929 and adopt Resolution No. 23-039, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING PAYMENT OF DEMANDS PRESENTED ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 929." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.D. CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION [J. JIMENEZ, M. CROWDER]:

SUBJECT: The City Council is receiving notification that the City's third-party administrator Carl Warren & Co. has denied one (1) Claims for Damages filed against the City.

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

2.E. ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 23-16 (2ND READING) "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 23-07 TO FIX A NUMBERING ERROR

AND RENUMBER WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE ARTICLE 2, TITLE 9, CHAPTER 9.28 (PROHIBITING FALSE AND MISLEADING ADVERTISING BY PREGNANCY CRISIS CENTER) AS CHAPTER 9.23, AND RETAINING EXISTING ARTICLE 2, TITLE 9, CHAPTER 9.28 (PROHIBITION ON BASIS OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY)” [M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 23-16, amending Ordinance No. 23-07 to fix a numbering error renumbering West Hollywood Municipal Code Article 2, Title 9, Chapter 9.28 (prohibiting false and misleading advertising by Pregnancy Crisis Center) as Chapter 9.23, and retaining existing Article 2, Title 9, Chapter 9.28 (prohibition on basis of sexual orientation and gender identity).

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 23-16, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 23-07 TO FIX A NUMBERING ERROR AND RENUMBER WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE ARTICLE 2, TITLE 9, CHAPTER 9.28 (PROHIBITING FALSE AND MISLEADING ADVERTISING BY PREGNANCY CRISIS CENTER) AS CHAPTER 9.23, AND RETAINING EXISTING ARTICLE 2, TITLE 9, CHAPTER 9.28 (PROHIBITION ON BASIS OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY)”. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.F. ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 23-17 (2ND READING) “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING SECTION 15.12.010 AND REPEALING SECTION 15.12.030 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO AUTHORIZE THE ADOPTION OF FUTURE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES BY RESOLUTION” [M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 23-17, amending Section 15.12.010 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code to authorize the adoption of future sewer service charges by resolution.

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 23-17, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING SECTION 15.12.010 AND REPEALING SECTION 15.12.030 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO AUTHORIZE THE ADOPTION OF FUTURE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES BY RESOLUTION”. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.G. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD MEETING SYNOPSES [M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive Synopses from the Public Facilities, Recreation and Infrastructure Commission, Disabilities Advisory Board, and Senior Advisory Board regarding actions taken at their recent meetings.

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

2.H. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MARCH 2023 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, K. BARENG]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the Treasurer's Reports for the month ended March 2023 pursuant to Section 53646 of the Government Code of the State of California.

ACTION: Receive and file the March 2023 Treasurer's Report. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.I. 2023 WEHO PRIDE ARTS FESTIVAL UPDATE [L. BIERY, R. EHEMANN, M. CHE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive information on the 2023 WeHo Pride Arts Festival's events, exhibitions, and activities taking place between May 22 - June 30, 2023.

ACTION: Receive and approve the list of events, exhibitions, and activities for the 2023 WeHo Pride Arts Festival. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.J. WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY POET LAUREATE [L. BIERY, R. EHEMANN, M. CHE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider increasing the amount of the West Hollywood City Poet Laureate honorarium stipend.

ACTION: Approve increasing the City Poet Laureate honorarium stipend to \$15,000 to be included in the Fiscal Year 24 budget. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.K. AUTHORIZE STAFF TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TO REPLACE THE CITY'S CURRENT LEGACY FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING (ERP) SYSTEM [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, A. RUIZ, E. TSIPIS, B. ROSEN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing staff to issue a Request for Proposal to replace the City's current legacy finance and human resources Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system.

ACTIONS: 1) Authorize staff to issue a Request for Proposal to replace the city's current legacy Finance and Human Resources ERP system; and 2) After proposal evaluation, return for authorization to enter into an agreement with the vendor whose proposal best meets the needs of the City. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.L. REJECT THE BID RECEIVED AND RE-ADVERTISE FOR CIP 2305, SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD AND ROSEWOOD AVENUE STREET IMPROVEMENTS [S. CAMPBELL, J. GILMOUR, R. GARLAND]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider rejecting the bid received to construct CIP 2305, San Vicente Boulevard and Rosewood Avenue Street Improvements, and authorize staff to reissue and re-advertise the bid.

ACTIONS: 1) Reject the bid to construct CIP 2305, San Vicente Boulevard and Rosewood Avenue Street Improvements, as submitted on April 13, 2023, and return the associated bid bond; and 2) Authorize staff to reissue and re-advertise the bid solicitation to construct CIP 2305, San Vicente Boulevard and Rosewood Avenue Street Improvements. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.M. CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT WITH T&G GLOBAL, LLC. FOR CIP 2304, DECORATIVE LANTERN PROJECT MID-CITY STREET LIGHTING [S. CAMPBELL, J. GILMOUR, R. GARLAND]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of a construction agreement with T&G Global, LLC to construct CIP 2304, Decorative Lantern Project Mid-City Street Lighting.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve a construction agreement with T&G Global, LLC dba St. Nick's, in the amount of \$298,206.00, for the construction of CIP 2304, Decorative Lantern Project Mid-City Street Lighting; 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement; 3) Authorize the City Engineer to approve change orders to the construction contract in amount not-to-exceed 20% (\$59,641.20) of the total agreement amount; 4) Include a funding allocation in the amount of \$357,847.20 for construction of CIP 2304, Decorative Lantern Project Mid-City Street Lighting and related costs in the Fiscal Year 23/24 budget; and 5) Adopt Resolution No. 23-040: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING THE DESIGN AND PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CIP 2304, DECORATIVE LANTERN PROJECT MID-CITY STREET LIGHTING, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 830.6." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.N. AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH EMERGENCY-1 RESPONSE, INC. [D. RIVAS, M. KUSTANOVICH]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an agreement for services with Emergency-1 Response, Inc. in the amount of \$130,000 for medical care center services during the West Hollywood Pride Celebration the weekend of June 2 through June 4, 2023, and during Halloween on October 31, 2023.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the Agreement for Services with Emergency-1 Response, Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of \$130,000 for medical care center services during major special events or activities occurring in the City; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all documents incident to this agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.O. AGREEMENT WITH NANCY BAKER CAHILL STUDIO FOR MOVING IMAGE MEDIA ARTWORK COMMISSION [L. BIERY, R. EHEMANN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the recommendation from the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission to approve the first commission of a

moving image artwork for the Moving Image Media Art Program (MIMA), Flesh and Blood, by artist Nancy Baker Cahill, for exhibition at on 8743 Sunset Boulevard and 9157 Sunset Boulevard, from October 1, 2024 – January 31, 2025.

ACTION: Approve the Agreement for Services with Nancy Baker Cahill for a total not to exceed amount of \$185,000 and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement.
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

- 2.P. AUTHORIZE THE USE OF A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH USA SHADE - PLAYPOWER, INC. FOR SHADE STRUCTURES [S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS, E. HAMANT]:** *SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing the use of the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing agreement with USA Shade – PlayPower, Inc. to provide and install shade structures at City facilities to include the West Hollywood Park Dog Parks.*

ACTION: Authorize the Finance & Technology Services Department to issue Purchase Orders to USA Shade – PlayPower, Inc., to provide an install shade at City facilities in a total amount not-to-exceed \$400,000.
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

- 2.Q. AMENDMENT TO MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT WITH SHARP BUSINESS SYSTEMS FOR COPYING AND REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT [L. QUIJANO, E. TSIPIIS, K. DEVINE]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider authorizing an amendment to the contract with Sharp Business Systems for an additional twenty-four (24) months of maintenance, support, and usage of Sharp copier and printing equipment at City facilities.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 4 from Sharp Business Systems (Sharp) to extend the current contract for an additional twenty-four (24) months; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to this Lease Agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.R. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH MAROON SOCIETY [C. SCHROEDER, L. ISENBERG, D. MURRAY]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving an amendment to the agreement for services with Maroon Society for HIV Zero Evaluation Services.

ACTION: Approve Amendment No. 9 to the agreement for services with Maroon Society; Increase by \$9,423 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$289,341 to provide HIV Zero Evaluation Services. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.S. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR TREE MAINTENANCE SERVICES WITH WEST COAST ARBORISTS, INC. [S. CAMPBELL, H. COLLINS, E. HAMANT]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approving Amendment No. 1 with West Coast Arborists, Inc. to provide Tree Maintenance Services.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with West Coast Arborists, Inc. to provide Tree Maintenance Services for an increased amount of \$2,481,378.78 and a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$6,508,378.70; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the award of the Amendment. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.T. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENTS WITH ART CONSERVATORS FOR ART MAINTENANCE AND CONSERVATION ON-CALL SERVICES [L. BIERY, R. EHEMANN, M. MITCHELL]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreements for art maintenance and conservation on-call services with Rosa Lowinger & Associates, Sculpture Conservation Studio of Constantinople Inc, and Silverlake Conservation LLC and extend the terms of the agreements.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the agreement for services with Rosa Lowinger & Associates to extend the term to June 30, 2024; 2) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the agreement for services with Sculpture Conservation Studio of Constantinople Inc to extend the term to June 30, 2024; 3) Approve Amendment No. 1 to the agreement for services with Silverlake Conservation LLC to extend the term to June 30, 2024; and 4) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.U. CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD LIST OF TRANSPORTATION RELATED PROJECTS ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING UNDER SB-1 (BEALL) TRANSPORTATION FUNDING FY 2023-2024 [S. CAMPBELL, J. GILMOUR]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution specifying certain transportation related projects eligible for funding under SB-1 (Beall) Transportation Funding to be completed during the next fiscal year. The project list included in the resolution will be submitted to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) before the deadline of July 1, 2023.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-041 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ADOPTING A LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 FUNDED BY SB 1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017"; and 2) Direct staff to submit the City's project list to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) before the July 1st, 2023, deadline. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.V. APPROVAL OF THE RECLASSIFICATION OF FOUR POSITION [J. JIMENEZ, C. LEUNG, C. KOKUBUN, J. LU]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider the recommendation from the Human Resources Division for approval of the reclassification of four existing positions.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the reclassification of the Building Maintenance Supervisor position within the Facilities and Field Services Division of the Department of Public Works. Approve the revised classification specification of Building Maintenance Supervisor. Authorize salary placement from 5270n to 5280n; 2) Approve the reclassification of the Street Maintenance Supervisor position within the Facilities and Field Services Division of the Department of Public Works. Approve the revised classification specification of Street Maintenance Supervisor. Authorize salary placement from 5270n to 5280n; 3) Approve the reclassification of the Urban Forest and Landscape Maintenance Supervisor position within the Facilities and Field Services Division of the Department of Public Works. Approve the revised classification specification of Urban Forest and Landscape Maintenance Supervisor. Authorize salary placement from 5270n to 5280n; and 4) Approve the reclassification of one Rent Stabilization and Housing Information Coordinator position within the Rent Stabilization Division of the Human Services and Rent Stabilization Department. Approve the revised classification specification of Rent Stabilization Supervisor. Authorize salary placement from 5270e to 5280e. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.W. (5.A.) ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE UPDATE AND APPROVAL OF ORGANIZATION CHART, ADDING ELEVEN FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS, AND ELIMINATING TEN FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS [D. WILSON, C. SAFRIET]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on organizational structure changes and consider approval of adding eleven full-time equivalent (FTE) positions and eliminating ten FTE positions.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the Proposed Organization Chart effective July 1, 2023; 2) Approve adding the following new positions: a. Diversity & Inclusion Officer, b. Innovation Officer, c. Supervisor (Social Services), d. Specialist (Social Services), e. Public Safety Manager, f. Recreation Specialist, g. Recreation Leader I (4 Part-Time), h. Public Works Inspector, i. Engineering Permit Technician, j. Assistant Director of Community Development; 3) Approve eliminating the following positions: a. Innovation Manager, b. Senior Innovation Analyst, c. Strategic Initiatives Manager, d. Transportation & Transit Operations Technician, e. Mediator, f. Public Safety Administrator, g. Recreation Leader II (1 Full-Time), h. Recreation Leader I (3 Full-Time). **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.X. (6.A.) CONSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUNSET STRIP BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR [L. BIERY, T. COYNE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will initiate preliminary proceedings regarding the levy of an annual assessment against businesses within the West Hollywood Sunset Strip Business Improvement District for Fiscal Year

2023-2024. This includes the consideration of approval of the District annual report, adoption of a resolution of intention to levy an assessment for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and scheduling a public hearing for June 26, 2023.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-042, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADVISORY BOARD TO THE SUNSET STRIP BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT AGAINST BUSINESSES WITHIN THE SUNSET STRIP BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024, AND SETTING A TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING"; and 2) Direct staff to notice a public hearing to be held on June 26, 2023, to hear protests or objections to the District's proposed assessment and activities for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.Y (6.B.) CONSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADVISORY BOARD TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGN DISTRICT AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR [L. BIERY, T. COYNE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will initiate preliminary proceedings regarding the establishment of the West Hollywood Design District (District) for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Preliminary steps include the consideration of approval of the District annual report and adoption of a resolution of intention to levy an assessment for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and scheduling a public hearing for June 26, 2023.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-043, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADVISORY BOARD TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGN DISTRICT, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT AGAINST BUSINESSES WITHIN THE WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGN DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024, AND SETTING A TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING"; and 2) Direct staff to notice a public hearing to be held on June 26, 2023, to hear protests or objections to the District's proposed assessment and activities for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.Z (6.C.) LEVY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 [L. BIERY, T. COYNE, J. GILMOUR]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution of intention for the proposed levy of assessments for the Santa Monica Boulevard Maintenance District (District) for fiscal year 2023-2024 which will provide for holiday decorations; and set a public hearing for June 26, 2023.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-044: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING THE REPORT OF THE ENGINEER, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR, AND SETTING A TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING”; and 2) Direct staff to notice a public hearing to be held on June 26, 2023, to hear protests or objections to the District’s proposed assessment and activities for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.AA. (6.D.) CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT WITH PALP INC. DBA EXCEL PAVING COMPANY AND AMENDMENT NO. 13 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL FOR CIP 2303, SANTA MONICA BLVD BETWEEN CRESCENT HEIGHTS BLVD. AND LA CIENEGA BLVD. PAVEMENT REPAIR PROGRAM [S. CAMPBELL, J. GILMOUR]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of a construction agreement with PALP Inc. dba Excel Paving Company to construct CIP No. 2303, Santa Monica Blvd. between Crescent Heights Blvd. and La Cienega Blvd. Pavement Repair Program and amending the agreement for services with Michael Baker International to increase the not-to-exceed amount and extend the agreement.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve a Construction Agreement with PALP Inc. dba Excel Paving Company in the amount of \$1,498,750.00 for the construction of CIP No. 2303, Santa Monica Blvd. between Crescent Heights Blvd. and La Cienega Blvd. Pavement Repair Program, and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the Agreement; 2) Authorize the City Engineer to approve change orders to the Agreement in an amount not-to-exceed 25% (\$374,687.50) of the total Agreement amount; 3) Authorize the Director of Finance & Technology Services to allocate an additional \$880,549.40 from unallocated reserves in the Santa Monica Reconstruction Fund to account number 303-4-08-84-704028 for construction of CIP No. 2303, Santa Monica Blvd. between Crescent Heights Blvd. and La Cienega Blvd. Pavement Repair Program and its related costs; 4) Approve Amendment No. 13 to the Agreement for Services with Michael Baker International to increase the amount of the Agreement by \$150,415.00 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,028,620.83, and extend the term of the Agreement, and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the agreement; and 5) Adopt Resolution No. 23-045, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING THE DESIGN AND PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CIP 2303, SANTA MONICA BLVD BETWEEN CRESCENT HEIGHTS BLVD. AND LA CIENEGA BLVD. PAVEMENT REPAIR PROGRAM, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 830.6.” **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.BB. (6.F.) SET DATE FOR THE ANNUAL CONGRESS OF COMMISSIONS AND ADVISORY BOARDS [J. JIMENEZ, M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider scheduling the 2023 Annual Congress of Commissions and Advisory Boards.

ACTION: Direct the City Clerk to schedule the Annual Congress of Commissions and Advisory Boards on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.CC. (6.G.) A RESOLUTION TO RESCIND PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS THAT RESTRICTED CITY-SPONSORED TRAVEL TO CERTAIN CITIES AND STATES [C. BYERS, Y. QUARKER, J. DEL TORO, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution to rescind previously adopted resolutions that restricted City-sponsored travel to certain cities and states that enacted policies that run counter to the core values embraced by the City of West Hollywood.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-046: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD RESCINDING RESOLUTIONS WHICH RESTRICTED CITY-SPONSORED TRAVEL TO CERTAIN CITIES AND STATES THAT ENACTED POLICIES THAT RUN COUNTER TO THE VALUES EMBRACED BY THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD;” and 2) Direct staff to send copies of the adopted resolution to California Governor Gavin Newsom, California State Senator Ben Allen, California State Assembly Member Rick Chavez Zbur, and other parties as deemed appropriate, including Governors of states for which City-sponsored travel had been previously restricted. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3.A. USER FEE STUDY AND PROPOSED FEE RESOLUTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 [L. QUIJANO, A. RUIZ, C. DUNCAN]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will hold a public hearing, consider all pertinent testimony, and consider adopting a resolution establishing fees and charges for certain services provided by the City of West Hollywood for Fiscal Year 2023-24. The City Council will also receive and file the updated User Fee Study prepared by Willdan Financial Services.

Mayor Shyne opened the public hearing.

City Clerk Crowder reported that the Public Hearing was noticed as required by law.

Claudia Duncan, Annie Ruiz, Patel with Wildan Financial services provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 15, 2023.

No members of the public came forward.

Councilmember Meister requested discounts or waiver for low income and senior residents for the community garden program. She also requested a discount or waiver for low income and senior residents who use Tenacity's pay-to-reserve program. In addition, she requested an increase in the citation fees for individuals cited for "no leash" and "not cleaning up after dog" violations fines be increased. Mayor Shyne noted that Tenacity uses an app called Play by Point and inquired if it can apply the discount requested by Councilmember Meister.

Councilmember Byers inquired about the rates for reserving picnic tables (hourly) and lawn space (flat) at City parks.

Recreation Services Manager Stephanie Martinez responded to the Council's inquiries regarding Tenacity's capability for the app to apply the discount. She also provided background information for the hourly versus flat rate fees for activating the picnic areas. She also responded to the inquiry regarding the discounted fees for the community garden. Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson inquired if the fees can be waived for those individuals who had space at the prior community garden. Ms. Martinez indicated that staff would look into it.

Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson inquired about the percentage of the fees charged that the City receives. Ms. Martinez indicated that it depends on the service that Tenacity is providing.

Mayor Shyne closed the Public Hearing.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-047, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ADOPTING FEES AND CHARGES FOR CERTAIN SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD;" 2) Receive and file the Updated User Fee Study prepared by Willdan Financial Services; and 3) Direct staff to return with the amendments requested (Tenacity, Community Gardens). **Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Mayor Shyne, and approved.**

- 3.B. APPEAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S CERTIFICATION OF A FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND APPROVAL TO DEMOLISH ALL EXISTING STRUCTURES ON SIX CONTIGUOUS PARCELS IN ORDER TO CONSTRUCT A NEW FIVE STORY, MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT LOCATED AT 8527-8555 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD AND 8532-8552 N. WEST KNOLL DRIVE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA [J. KEHO, J. ALKIRE, L. YELTON]:**
SUBJECT: This item is regarding a timely filed appeal of the Planning Commission's adoption of Resolution Nos. PC 22-1481 certifying a final

Environmental Impact Report (EIR), adopting a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and adopting a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), and PC 22-1482 which approved the demolition of three, two-story commercial structures, surface parking lots, and four single-family dwelling units on six contiguous parcels (1.4-acre site) in order to construct a new, five-story, 158,836-square-foot mixed-use development containing 44,274 square feet of commercial space (including 12 live/work units, retail, restaurant, office, and personal service uses), and 111 residential apartment units (of which 17 are affordable) over three parking levels (two of which are subterranean) with 347 parking spaces. The project has not been amended or changed since the time of Planning Commission's approval. This project is subject to the Housing Accountability Act (HAA) as the project is 70% residential, exceeding the two-third residential threshold required under the HAA (Gov. Code 65589.5(h)(2)(B)). This project will add 111 additional residential units (including 17 affordable) to City's existing housing stock. As a qualifying HAA housing development project, the project can only be denied with findings of a specific, adverse impact to the public health and safety that cannot be satisfactorily mitigated (Gov. Code 65589.5 (d)(2)). The project also includes 12 live/work units, which is a unique land use that can provide a more reasonable cost of living by combining a live/work use that the City seeks to encourage. The project is near major transit, which follows the state legislature's recent intent to provide more housing near public transportation and in transit corridors.

Mayor Shyne opened the public hearing.

City Clerk Crowder reported that the Public Hearing was noticed as required by law.

City Attorney Langer clarified a procedural matter for the record. She noted that in March 2019 the Planning Commission heard a public hearing of a prior iteration of this project. As part of that public hearing, Councilmember Byers submitted a letter in support of that earlier iteration of the project as part of her volunteer work with Abundant Housing LA and Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson was newly appointed to the Planning Commission and heard that hearing of the earlier iteration of the project. The Planning Commission did not render a decision. The applicant purchased an additional parcel, redesigned the project, a new EIR was recirculated, solicited new public comment on the EIR, and new public hearings were conducted. Neither Councilmember Byers nor Mayor Pro Tempore have had any reported involvement for the current iteration of the project. In order for them to participate in the public hearing, they must attest that they have no financial or personal interest, consider the application impartially, hear the appeal with an open mind, and consider the project based on the evidence in the record.

City Attorney Langer asked Councilmember Byers the following questions:

Are you able to hear this matter with an open mind? Councilmember Byers affirmed that she can.

Do you have any personal or financial interest in the matter? Councilmember Byers affirmed that she does not.

Do you have anything to gain or Lose on the outcome of this decision? Councilmember Byers affirmed that she does not.

Can you fairly judge this matter and base your decision on the evidence in the record? Councilmember Byers affirmed that she can.

Councilmember Byers provided a brief statement.

City Attorney Langer asked Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson the following questions:

Are you able to hear this matter with an open mind? Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson affirmed that he can.

Do you have any personal or financial interest in the matter? Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson affirmed that he does not.

Do you have anything to gain or Lose on the outcome of this decision? Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson affirmed that he does not.

Can you fairly judge this matter and base your decision on the evidence in the record? Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson affirmed that he can.

Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson provided a brief statement.

The City Council provided their ex parte communications.

City Clerk Crowder reported that the Public Hearing was noticed as required by law.

Associate Planner Laurie Yelton provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 15, 2023.

Councilmember Meister asked about unit calculation and asked if it included the "live/work units", the location of the affordable units to ensure equitable distribution throughout the property, inquired about how many affordable units are planned for the West Knoll side, water flowing down Westmount, if there will be a pump in the garage, and the undergrounding of utilities (Attachment O). Ms. Yelton and Project Development Coordinator Alicen Bartle responded to these inquiries.

Councilmember Heilman inquired about the undergrounding of utilities. Ms. Yelton responded. He also asked about the measuring of sloping sites and referred to Councilmember Meister's comments about the Ramada. Mr. Keho responded.

The Appellant, Carol Weiner, introduced Mark Lehman and Lynn Hoopingarner who spoke as part of the Appellant team.

Mark Lehman, on behalf of the Appellant, spoke regarding the City deeming the project complete in 2016 and the issue of sound mitigation.

Lynn Hoopingarner, on behalf of the Appellant, spoke about Attachment O and that it wasn't addressed in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR). She spoke about the water table. She stated that a site survey should be conducted prior to the start of the project. She concluded her comments by discussing the height and slope.

Nicki Carlsen, on behalf of the Applicant, stated that the project complies with the Housing Accountability Act and, therefore, the appeal should be denied. She responded to the assertions in the appeal.

Chris Zadoorian, on behalf of Langan Engineering Environmental/Applicant Team, responded to the inquiries regarding support for the low grade wall. He also spoke about the water table.

The following members of the public came forward to speak:

ANDREW SOLOMON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition of the appeal.

RYAN WELCH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in opposition of the appeal.

ALLAN WILION, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal and spoke on the ex parte disclosures provided by the Councilmembers.

ADAM KAUFMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal and requested additional mitigation measures.

MIKE CARTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the appeal.

JAMIE FRANCIS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the number of affordable units proposed for the project and where the units will be located.

The following individuals submitted Citizen Position Slips:

Mary Ann Collins, West Hollywood, in support of the appeal.

Alan Strasburg, West Hollywood, in support of the appeal

MARK LEHMAN provided the Appellants rebuttal, notably noise mitigation.

LYNN HOOPINGARNER provided the Appellants rebuttal, specifically equitable distribution of the affordable units.

Nicki Carlsen provided the Applicants rebuttal and who the legal appellant in this matter is.

Mayor Shyne asked if Ms. Carlsen could address the sound barrier issue. Ms. Carlsen responded citing the mitigation measures outlined in the conditions.

Councilmember Heilman inquired about documenting the current conditions of the adjacent properties. Ms. Carlsen commented that this is an extraordinary request.

Planning Manager Jennifer Alkire shared the undergrounding of the utilities identified in the EIR, and the construction impacts which are included in the construction schedule and the geo analysis. She shared that undergrounding of utilities is a normal condition where feasible.

Nicki Carlsen, on behalf of the Applicant, shared that the undergrounding plan is a draft and subject to change.

Lynn Hoopingarner, on behalf of the Appellant, stated that there is a Canary Island Palm that would be removed as part of the undergrounding.

The following member of the public came forward to speak:

SUSAN MARKHEIM, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about rooftop activations and requested noise mitigation.

Mayor Shyne closed the Public Testimony portion of the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Heilman spoke about documenting current conditions and extending the noise mitigation to West Knoll. He did not agree that there is a need for a new EIR. He encourages the undergrounding of utilities. He noted the positive aspects of this project.

Councilmember Byers shared that her main concern was the undergrounding of the utilities. She noted that the additional housing units as well as the workforce housing aligns with the interests and need for more housing in the City. She also is interested in documenting existing conditions. She agrees that additional sound mitigation is needed.

Councilmember Meister spoke about the impacts on the neighborhood. She agrees that a survey of existing conditions within 100 feet of the project is needed. She noted that the developer, neighbors, and SCE need to conduct a neighborhood meeting to discuss the undergrounding of

the utilities. She affirmed that five units must be placed on the West Knoll side of the project since the developer received a bonus for this parcel.

Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson agrees with his fellow Councilmembers' comments. He agrees with the noise mitigation measures recommended. He spoke about the positive aspects of the proposed project. He commented that there is not a legal basis to approve the appeal.

Mayor Shyne agrees with sound mitigation for West Knoll. She agrees with the need for a survey of existing conditions. As to Councilmember Meister's recommendation for a meeting between the applicant, neighbors, and Southern California Edison (SCE) is needed to discuss the undergrounding. She also requested that if the Canary Island Palm can be saved that the applicant should do so. She stated that there is not a legal basis for approving the appeal.

City Attorney Langer reminded the City Council and the public that the Public Hearing is still open; therefore, no discussions amongst each other or with the public should take place during the recess.

The City Council recessed at 9:03 p.m. and reconvened at 9:16 p.m.

Ms. Alkire and Mr. Keho read into the record the following changes to the conditions:

Condition 5.21 – the applicant shall hold a neighborhood meeting to discuss the undergrounding of utilities and shall also include representatives of SCE.

Condition 16.2 – Mitigation Measure N-1i “during the shoring phase of construction...the applicant shall erect temporary noise barriers adjacent to the Ramada, and the multifamily residential 8562 West Knoll, and along the north side of the property site along West Knoll.”

Ms. Alkire further noted that staff needs direction from the City Council directing staff to return with an item for a consultant and funding for documenting conditions for certain projects.

ACTIONS: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-048: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DENYING THE APPEAL FILED BY CAROL WEINER AND CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, AND ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR A PROPOSED MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT LOCATED AT 8527-8555 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD AND 8532-8552 N. WEST KNOLL DRIVE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA;” 2) Adopt Resolution No. 23-049: “A

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DENYING THE APPEAL FILED BY CAROL WEINER AND CONDITIONALLY APPROVING A DEMOLITION PERMIT AND DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO DEMOLISH ALL EXISTING STRUCTURES ON SIX CONTIGUOUS PARCELS IN ORDER TO CONSTRUCT A NEW, FIVE-STORY, MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 44,274 SQUARE FEET OF COMMERCIAL SPACE AND 111 RESIDENTIAL UNITS ABOVE THREE LEVELS OF PARKING WITH 347 PARKING SPACES LOCATED AT 8527-8555 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD AND 8532-8552 N. WEST KNOLL DRIVE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA.”; 3) Include the following changes into the Condition 5.21 – the applicant shall hold a neighborhood meeting to discuss the undergrounding of utilities and shall also include representatives of SCE and Condition 16.2 – Mitigation Measure N-1i “during the shoring phase of construction....the applicant shall erect temporary noise barriers adjacent to the Ramada, and the multifamily residential 8562 West Knoll, and along the north side of the property site along West Knoll; and 4) Direct staff to return with an item for a consultant and funding for documenting conditions for certain projects. **Motion by Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson, and approved.**

4. **LEGISLATIVE:** None

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

5.A. **ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE UPDATE AND APPROVAL OF ORGANIZATION CHART, ADDING ELEVEN FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS, AND ELIMINATING TEN FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS [D. WILSON, C. SAFRIET]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on organizational structure changes and consider approval of adding eleven full-time equivalent (FTE) positions and eliminating ten FTE positions.

ACTION: This item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

5.B. **SEMI-ANNUAL COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE [D. RIVAS, W. MOULDER, D. SMITH, C. SCHROEDER, C. PLANCK, L. ISENBERG]:**

SUBJECT: The City Council will receive an update on community safety activities, including crime data from October 2022 to April 2023; progress of the Block by Block Security Ambassador Program; collaboration between social services outreach and law enforcement; progress on training for the West Hollywood Sheriff's Station and Block by Block Security Ambassadors; and confirm citywide community safety contract staffing levels.

Director of Community Safety Danny Rivas, Los Angeles County Fire Assistant Division Chief Drew Smith, Los Angeles County Sheriff's

Captain Bill Moulder, and Block by Block Regional Vice President David Aguilar provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 15, 2023.

Assistant Division Chief Drew Smith provided the updates for the Fire Department for this reporting period.

Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson asked if there were any resources that the Fire Department needed.

Block by Block Regional Vice President David Aguilar provided the updates for Block by Block for this reporting period.

West Hollywood Sheriff's Station Captain Bill Moulder provided the updates for the Sheriff's Department for this reporting period.

The City Council asked clarifying questions of Chief Smith, Mr. Aguilar, and Captain Moulder related to the reports presented.

MIKE CARTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the OWL Neighborhood Watch group and requested an additional Block by Block kiosk at Fairfax and Santa Monica Boulevard.

GEORGE NICKEL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of additional West Hollywood Sheriff's Deputies.

DIMITRI KERMANI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding his experience as a volunteer for the Sheriff's Department and the resources they need to succeed.

STEVE MARTIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the number of deputies pre-pandemic and the need to return to pre-pandemic staffing levels.

LAURA OUDINOT, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of La Boheme Restaurant regarding safety for their business and staff.

LUCIAN TUDOR, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of La Boheme Restaurant regarding the safety of restaurant employees.

KAYLA SMITH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding not feeling safe in the community.

CHARLIE JASPER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the need for additional law enforcement.

PATRICK BLOOD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the lack of safety in the community and requested that the City restore staffing levels in the Sheriff's Department.

RICK WATTS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the increase in crime in the City and the need for additional Sheriff's Deputies.

JACKIE STEELE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the lack of support for businesses by law enforcement.

GENEVIEVE MORILL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce to request that the Sheriff's Department be provided with the resources needed to be successful.

LARRY BLOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding his experience with crime and the need to increase law enforcement levels.

LYNN RUSSEL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the lack of feeling safe in the City and requested increasing deputies and resources.

JAMIE FRANCIS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on his personal experience regarding public safety.

SUSAN MARKHEIM, WEST HOLLYWOOD, expressed her gratitude to Captain Moulder and Director Rivas and spoke on the lack of safety in the community.

WEST SEEGMILLER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the accountability of law enforcement and his support to increase deputies.

A lengthy discussion by the City Council ensued. City Manager Wilson indicated that any changes will be included in the June 26, 2023 Budget item. Based on their discussion, Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson made the following motion:

- Add two (2) non-sworn PIO/Community Outreach positions to the West Hollywood Sheriff's Station
- Add one (1) EPT Sergeant
- Add one (1) additional Deputy
- Add one (1) additional Deputy in December during the next six-month Community Safety Update
- Place any Community Safety agenda items at the beginning of the City Council agendas moving forward.

ACTIONS: 1) Receive an update and provide feedback on community safety activities; 2) Add two (2) non-sworn PIO/Community Outreach positions to the West Hollywood Sheriff's Station; 3) Add one (1) EPT

Sergeant; 4) Add one (1) additional Deputy position; 5) Add one (1) additional Deputy in December during the next six-month Community Safety Update; and 6) Place any Community Safety agenda items at the beginning of the City Council agendas moving forward. **Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson, seconded by Mayor Shyne, and approved, noting the “no” vote of Councilmember Byers.**

5.C. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS AND RE-APPOINTMENTS [J. JIMENEZ, M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider making direct and at-large appointments to City Commissions and Advisory Boards.

ACTIONS: Appointments were made with terms ending February 28, 2025, as follows: 1) **Councilmember Byers** made the following direct appointment: Senior Advisory Board – **John Allendorfer**; and 2) The City Council made the following at-large appointments: Historic Preservation Commission – **Gail Ostergren and Amy Zvi**, Public Safety Commission – **Adam Eramian and Brandon Blau**, Transportation & Mobility Commission - **Dan Wentzel and Adam Darvish**.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

6.A. CONSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUNSET STRIP BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR [L. BIERY, T. COYNE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will initiate preliminary proceedings regarding the levy of an annual assessment against businesses within the West Hollywood Sunset Strip Business Improvement District for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. This includes the consideration of approval of the District annual report, adoption of a resolution of intention to levy an assessment for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and scheduling a public hearing for June 26, 2023.

ACTION: This item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

6.B. CONSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADVISORY BOARD TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGN DISTRICT AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR [L. BIERY, T. COYNE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will initiate preliminary proceedings regarding the establishment of the West Hollywood Design District (District) for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Preliminary steps include the consideration of approval of the District annual report and adoption of a resolution of intention to levy an assessment for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and scheduling a public hearing for June 26, 2023.

ACTION: This item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

6.C. LEVY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 [L. BIERY, T. COYNE, J. GILMOUR]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution of intention for the proposed levy of assessments for the Santa Monica Boulevard Maintenance District (District) for fiscal year 2023-2024 which will provide for holiday decorations; and set a public hearing for June 26, 2023.

ACTION: This item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

6.D. CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT WITH PALP INC. DBA EXCEL PAVING COMPANY AND AMENDMENT NO. 13 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL FOR CIP 2303, SANTA MONICA BLVD BETWEEN CRESCENT HEIGHTS BLVD. AND LA CIENEGA BLVD. PAVEMENT REPAIR PROGRAM [S. CAMPBELL, J. GILMOUR]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of a construction agreement with PALP Inc. dba Excel Paving Company to construct CIP No. 2303, Santa Monica Blvd. between Crescent Heights Blvd. and La Cienega Blvd. Pavement Repair Program and amending the agreement for services with Michael Baker International to increase the not-to-exceed amount and extend the agreement.

ACTION: This item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

6.E. PROGRAMMING FOR HALLOWEEN 2023 [Y. QUARKER, C. SMITH, M. REATH, D. RIVAS, L. BIERY, T. COYNE]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of a 2023 Halloween event.

Councilmember Heilman inquired about adding additional music activations along Santa Monica Boulevard. Director of Community Services Yvonne Quarker, Event Services Manager Cleo Smith, and Event Services Supervisor Megan Reath responded to this inquiry.

Councilmember Meister requested that scary art transform that stretch of the City into a Halloween vibe.

City Manager Wilson indicated that staff would develop a solution, and the funding will be included with the June 26, 2023 budget item.

ACTIONS: 1) Approve the general programming outline for Halloween 2023: street closures, temporary infrastructure (portable toilets and lighting), Special Event Permit fee waivers, enhanced public safety resources, and a DJ; and 2) Direct staff to work with the City Manager on adding additional music throughout the footprint and Halloween art. **This Item was approved by consensus.**

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6.F. SET DATE FOR THE ANNUAL CONGRESS OF COMMISSIONS AND ADVISORY BOARDS [J. JIMENEZ, M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider scheduling the 2023 Annual Congress of Commissions and Advisory Boards.

ACTION: This item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

6.G. A RESOLUTION TO RESCIND PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS THAT RESTRICTED CITY-SPONSORED TRAVEL TO CERTAIN CITIES AND STATES [C. BYERS, Y. QUARKER, J. DEL TORO, H. MOLINA]:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution to rescind previously adopted resolutions that restricted City-sponsored travel to certain cities and states that enacted policies that run counter to the core values embraced by the City of West Hollywood.

ACTION: This item was moved to the Consent Calendar.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

RICK WATTS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the Commission and Advisory Board appointment process.

DAVID NASH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding ADA compliance in the City's low income buildings and aging in place.

LUCIAN TUDOR, spoke regarding safety.

RICHARD EASTMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various issues in the City.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS:

Councilmember Meister reported her attendance at SCAG General Assembly meeting, Victory in Europe Day event, Kol Ami's Shalom Peace Square dedication, and the WeHo East Neighborhood Watch meeting. She congratulated her new appointees to the City's Commission and Boards on their recent swearing-in. She mentioned that the shade fixtures at the City's dog parks are not a long term solution and requested that staff bring a report to increase the natural canopy in the City. She mentioned several upcoming City events.

Councilmember Byers reported her attendance at the SCAG General Assembly meeting. She also shared that she attended the Maysky Classical Night, Kol Ami's Shalom Peace Square dedication, and the Victory Date in Europe event. She reported her attendance at the SCAG General Assembly and the Clean Power Alliance Board meeting. She thanked her colleagues for their support of Item 6.G. She shared information on SCE's medical baseline allowance plan. She wished everyone a Happy

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National Transportation Week. She shared that she was appointed to the National League of Cities Transportation Infrastructure Advocacy Committee. She concluded her comments by wishing everyone a Happy Pride.

Councilmember Heilman noted that he attended various City events and reminded everyone about the upcoming Mishka Festival.

Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson reported his attendance at the Contract Cities Board meeting and the Clean Power Alliance Board meeting. He attended Maysky's Classical Night, Kol Ami's Shalom Peace Square dedication, and the Victory in Europe event. He wished everyone a belated Happy Mother's Day. He requested that staff conduct outreach to the community regarding the new green bins from Athens. He attended the pet adoption event at Bikes & Hikes. He shared that he swore in several new Commissioners and Advisory Boardmembers. He mentioned several upcoming events in the City.


Mayor Shyne reported that she met with Los Angeles County Sheriff Robert Luna. She was a panelist for the Truth and Accountability League Town Hall to address defamation against Armenians. She attended the Mayors Mass at St. Victors Catholic Church, Kol Ami's Shalom Peace Square dedication, and the Victory in Europe Day. She shared that she swore in new Commissioners and Advisory Boardmembers. She provided information on her next Sips with Sepi. She announced the recipients of the scholarship program. She wished everyone a Happy Pride. She concluded her comments by providing an update on the protests in Iran.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 12:36 a.m. in memory of Thomas Edward Madigan, Robert Patrick, Seymour Lichtenstein, Gloria Molina, Patricia A. Lamis, Toni Sawyer, and Maxine Campbell to its next regular meeting on Monday, June 26, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. at West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room - Council Chambers.

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PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at an adjourned regular meeting held this 26th day of June, 2023 by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmember:	Byers, Heilman, Meister, Mayor Pro Tempore Erickson, and Mayor Shyne
NOES:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSENT:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember:	None.

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MELISSA CROWDER, CITY CLERK