



CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2024

6:00 PM – ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING

(REVISED 8/26/24)

**WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

A.A. TELECONFERENCE MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUEST PURSUANT TO AB 2449:

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider a request under AB 2449 to allow attendance via teleconference for Mayor Erickson.

RECOMMENDATION: Identify and apply the applicable findings pursuant to AB 2449 and approve the request for Mayor Erickson to participate via teleconference.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

“The West Hollywood City Council acknowledges that the land on which we gather and that is currently known as the City of West Hollywood is the occupied, unceded, seized territory of the Gabrieleño Tongva and Gabrieleño Kizh peoples.”

PUBLIC COMMENT AND RULES OF DECORUM:

The City Council values your comments and acknowledges the right of the public to address issues that are within the City’s jurisdiction and invites the public to do so during the City Council meeting. However, this public participation must be balanced with the need of the City Council to conduct the public’s business in a fair and efficient manner, free from disruption or disturbance. The City offers multiples ways for the public to participate during the meeting.

During the first Public Comment section of the agenda, any member of the public may address the City Council on items appearing on the Consent Calendar. Comments concerning other items on the agenda will be heard at the time the item is considered during the meeting; however, they may be offered at this time if a member of the public cannot be in attendance later in the evening. Members of the public may also comment upon any other item of interest that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council at this time, or later in the meeting under the second Public Comment period. Please see Agenda Item No. 1 below for more information.

The City expects that everyone who participates in the meeting will do so with respect and dignity. Please refrain from using abusive, derogatory, and slanderous language, or behaving in a way that disrupts the meeting.

Speakers should not bring to the podium any items other than a prepared written statement and/or writing materials.

Speakers and any other members of the public may not approach the dais at any time during the meeting without prior consent from the Mayor.

Speakers may only speak once on any agenda item. Donating public comment time to others is prohibited.

Members of the audience shall not engage in disorderly or boisterous conduct, including the utterance of loud, threatening, or abusive language, whistling, stamping of feet or other acts which disturb, disrupt, impede, or otherwise render the orderly conduct of the City Council meeting unfeasible.

Persons in the audience should refrain from creating, provoking, or participating in any type of unwelcome physical contact.

Please see the Rules of Conduct for City Council meetings for additional rules and expectations for conducting the City Council meetings.

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Members of the public who wish to comment on matters before the City Council are strongly encouraged to submit written correspondence to publiccomment@weho.org or submit an E-Comment by visiting www.weho.org/wehotv no later than 12:00 p.m. on Council meeting day. *Note: Written Correspondence and E-Comments will not be read into the record during the City Council meeting; however, correspondence received by 12:00 p.m. will be forwarded to the City Council and posted on the City's website as part of the official meeting record. Your comments and information will become part of the official public record. If you do not want your personal information included in the official record, please do not include your address and/or phone number.*

TO PARTICIPATE BY PROVIDING PUBLIC COMMENT BY TELEPHONE:

(Please note: This option is to provide public comment via phone ONLY. To view the meeting, please see information on how to view the meeting provided above.)

1. You are required to register to speak via Zoom by emailing publiccomment@weho.org no later than 12:00 p.m. on the City Council meeting day, to be added to the Zoom Public Speaker List for the meeting. Please include your name, the phone number from which you will be calling, and which item(s) you would like to speak on.

2. Dial-in 10 minutes prior to the start of the meeting (the meeting begins at 6:00 p.m.). During Approval of the Agenda items may be moved to the Consent Calendar; therefore, members of the public who have signed up to speak on any item with the City Clerk's Office should be in the queue by 5:50 p.m. ****Please note that City Clerk staff cannot respond to emails during the meeting. This means that email and text message requests made to speak by phone on additional agenda items during the meeting cannot be accommodated during the meeting.**

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Note: Any agenda item(s) not initiated by 11:00 p.m. may be continued to a subsequent City Council meeting. The City Council may direct staff to continue the item(s) to an already scheduled City Council meeting or may adjourn this meeting to an adjourned regular meeting to consider the item(s).

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

LEVINE ACT DISCLOSURES: This time has been set aside for any Councilmember to provide their disclosures subject to the Levine Act for any item(s) on the posted agenda.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

PRESENTATIONS:

A. PUBLIC COMMENT: The City Council values your comments; however, pursuant to the Brown Act, the Council cannot take action on items not listed on the posted agenda. The public comment period is limited to 20 minutes, with 2 minutes allotted for each speaker. This public comment period is to address the City Council on Consent Calendar items, other agenda items (if the member of the public cannot be present at the time the item is considered) or items of general interest within the jurisdiction of the City Council. Another period is also reserved for general comment later in the meeting for those that could not be heard at this time. Public Hearing testimony will only be taken at the time of the hearing.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR:

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS, GENERAL INTEREST:

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: This time has been set aside for the City Manager to update the Council on important items initiated by staff or previously requested by the City Council.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

B. CONSENT CALENDAR: The following routine matters can be acted upon by one motion. Individual items may be removed by the Council for separate discussion. Items removed for separate discussion will be heard following New Business Items. The title is deemed to be read and further reading waived of any ordinance listed on the consent calendar for introduction or adoption.

1. POSTING OF AGENDA [M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]

SUBJECT: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, August 26, 2024 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station, and the West Hollywood Library on Friday, August 16, 2024.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES [M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]

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

RECOMMENDATION: RECOMMENDATION: Approve the minutes of August 5, 2024.

3. APPROVAL OF DEMAND REGISTER NO. 954 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, S. HERNANDEZ]

SUBJECT: The City Council shall receive the Demand Register for period ending August 2, 2024 pursuant to Sections 37201 to 37210 of the Government Code of the State of California.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Demand Register No. 954 and adopt Resolution No. 24-078, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 954."

4. **CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION [J. JIMENEZ, M. CROWDER, Y. ZHOSAN]**
SUBJECT: The City Council is receiving notification that the City's third-party administrator Carl Warren & Co. has denied one (1) Claim for Damages from Mike Duong.
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

5. **COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD MEETING SYNOPSES [M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]**
SUBJECT: The City Council will receive Synopses from the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission, the Rent Stabilization Commissions, and the Women's Advisory Board regarding actions taken at their recent meetings.
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

6. **TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JUNE 2024 [L. QUIJANO, C. CORRALES, K. BARENG, S. STEPHANS]**
SUBJECT: The City Council will receive the Treasurer's Reports for the month ended June 2024 pursuant to Section 53646 of the Government Code of the State of California.
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file the June 2024 Treasurer's Report.

7. **TRANSFER AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AND WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY, SAFE, CLEAN WATER PROGRAM (MEASURE W) [J. GILMOUR, H. COLLINS]**
SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of the Safe, Clean Water Program (Measure W) Transfer Agreement between the Los Angeles County Flood Control District and the City.
RECOMMENDATION: 1) The City Council will consider approval of the Safe, Clean Water Program (Measure W) Transfer Agreement between the Los Angeles County Flood Control District and the City; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all documents incident to the transfer Agreement.

8. **AGREEMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, BERG & ASSOCIATES, AND TRANSTECH ENGINEERS FOR ON-CALL CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES [H. COLLINS, J. GILMOUR, P. TICUN]**
SUBJECT: The City Council will consider approval of Agreements for Professional Services with Michael Baker International, Berg & Associates, and Transtech Engineers to perform on-call construction management and inspection services.
RECOMMENDATION: 1) Approve an Agreement for Professional Services

with Michael Baker International in the amount of \$500,000 for on-call construction management and inspection services; 2) Approve an Agreement for Professional Services with Berg & Associates in the amount of \$500,000 for on-call construction management and inspection services; 3) Approve an Agreement for Professional Services with Transtech Engineers in the amount of \$500,000 for on-call construction management and inspection services; and 4) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute documents incident to the Agreement.

9. AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH NFP RETIREMENT FOR CONSULTING AND EDUCATION SERVICES FOR THE CITY'S RETIREMENT PLANS [J. JIMENEZ, R. NAPPER, C. LEUNG, C. KOKUBUN]

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement for services with NFP Retirement to increase the not-to-exceed amount and extend the term of the agreement to provide consulting and education services for fiduciary oversight and prudent plan management of the City's 457(b) Deferred Compensation, 401(a) Defined Contribution, and Retiree Health Savings Account (RHSA) Plans.

RECOMMENDATION: 1) Approve Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement for Services with NFP Retirement to increase the amount of the agreement by \$40,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount to \$152,500, and to extend the agreement by two years from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2026; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the documents incident to the Agreement.

10. AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH PECKHAM AND MCKENNEY FOR PROFESSIONAL, MANAGEMENT AND EXECUTIVE RECRUITMENTS [J. JIMENEZ, R. NAPPER, C. LEUNG, C. KOKUBUN]

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider amending the agreement for services with Peckham and McKenney to increase the not-to-exceed amount and extend the term of the agreement to provide recruitment services for professional, management, and executive-level positions.

RECOMMENDATION: 1) Approve Amendment No. 5 to the Agreement for Services with Peckham and McKenney to increase the amount of the Agreement by \$100,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount to \$280,000, and to extend the Agreement by two years from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2026; and 2) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the documents incident to the Agreement.

11. ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AN \$8.2 MILLION GRANT AWARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS [N. MARICICH, F. CONTRERAS, AICP, C. SHEN, P. PORTWOOD]

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution accepting a

\$8,214,840 Sustainable Transportation and Equity Program (STEP) grant from the California Air Resources Board (CARB) for pedestrian, bicycle, and transit electric fleet improvements and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute a grant agreement with CARB.

RECOMMENDATION: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 24-_____: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AUTHORIZING RECEIPT OF, CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCE BOARD'S SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION AND EQUITY PROJECT GRANT IN AN AMOUNT OF UP TO \$8,214,840"; and 2) Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute a Grant Agreement and all necessary contracts, payment requests, and amendments with the California Air Resources Board to secure and facilitate the use and expenditure of grant funds in the amount of \$8,214,840.

12. RECOMMENDED POSITIONS ON STATE BALLOT INITIATIVES ON THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL ELECTION [H. MOLINA, A. LOVANO, Y. QUARKER]

SUBJECT: The City Council will consider adopting resolutions in support of several state ballot measures appearing on the November 5, 2024 ballot.

RECOMMENDATION: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 24-_____: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 2: EDUCATION FINANCE: SCHOOL FACILITIES: KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 12 SCHOOLS AND LOCAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITIES MODERNIZATION, REPAIR, AND SAFETY BOND ACT OF 2024"; 2) Adopt Resolution No. 24-_____: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 4: THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WILDFIRE PREVENTION, DROUGHT PREPAREDNESS, AND CLEAN AIR BOND ACT OF 2024"; 3) Adopt Resolution No. 24-_____: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 5: LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCING: AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE: VOTER APPROVAL"; 4) Adopt Resolution No. 24-_____: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 6: SLAVERY. REMOVE INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE AS PUNISHMENT FOR CRIME AMENDMENT"; 5) Adopt Resolution No. 24-_____: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 32: INCREASE OF MINIMUM WAGE: INITIATIVE STATUTE"; 6) Adopt Resolution No. 24-_____: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 35: MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION TAX AUTHORIZATION INITIATIVE"; and 7) Direct the Communications Department to share information on the adopted resolutions with the public.

C. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 1. REQUEST TO REDEVELOP A 0.92-ACRE COMMERCIAL SITE WITH AN ELEVEN-STORY AND APPROXIMATELY 269,263 SQUARE-FOOT MIXED-USE HOTEL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT LOCATED AT 8850-8878 SUNSET BOULEVARD AND 1025-1029 LARRABEE STREET, WEST HOLLYWOOD [N. MARICICH, J. ALKIRE, J. DAVIS, D. VU, B. LEAGUE, R. ABRAMSON]**

SUBJECT: The proposal is a request to redevelop a 0.92-acre site with an eleven-story and up to 161-foot tall, approximately 269,263 gross-square-foot mixed-use hotel and residential development containing restaurant and retail uses, and the new Viper Room nightclub. The proposed development also includes two billboards and 251 parking spaces located on four of the project's five subterranean levels. To allow for increased density, increased height, and other development standards, the applicant for this proposed development located at 8850-8878 Sunset Boulevard and 1025-1029 Larrabee Street is requesting an amendment to the Sunset Specific Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council hold a public hearing, consider all pertinent testimony, certify the Final Environmental Impact Report, adopt findings of fact and a statement of overriding considerations, approve amendments to the Zoning Map and Sunset Specific Plan, and approve the 8850 Sunset Boulevard Project by taking the following actions:

- 1) Adopt Draft Resolution No. 24-_____: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR), ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM AND ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT AND A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE PROPOSED MIXED-USE HOTEL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AND OFF-SITE ADVERTISING BILLBOARDS LOCATED AT 8850-8878 SUNSET BOULEVARD AND 1025-1029 LARRABEE STREET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA";
- 2) Adopt Draft Resolution No. 24-_____: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING A DEMOLITION PERMIT, DEVELOPMENT PERMIT, CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS, ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT, AND SIGN PERMIT FOR THE PROPOSED MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT CONTAINING HOTEL, (INCLUDING RESTAURANT, LOUNGE, GUESTROOMS, AND ROOFTOP POOL AREA USES), RESTAURANT, NIGHTCLUB, RETAIL AND RESIDENTIAL USES, AND OFF-SITE ADVERTISING BILLBOARDS LOCATED AT 8850-8878 SUNSET BOULEVARD AND 1025-1029 LARRABEE STREET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA";
- 3) Adopt Draft Resolution No. 24-_____: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING A VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP (MAJOR LAND DIVISION NO. 82601) FOR THE PROPOSED MIXED- USE DEVELOPMENT

CONTAINING HOTEL, (INCLUDING RESTAURANT, LOUNGE, GUESTROOMS, AND ROOFTOP POOL AREA USES), RESTAURANT, NIGHTCLUB, RETAIL AND RESIDENTIAL USES, AND OFF-SITE ADVERTISING BILLBOARDS LOCATED AT 8850-8878 SUNSET BOULEVARD AND 1025-1029 LARRABEE STREET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA”; 4) Introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 24-_____: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PROPOSED MIXED-USE HOTEL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AND OFF-SITE ADVERTISING BILLBOARDS LOCATED AT 8850-8878 AND 1025-1029 LARRABEE STREET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA”; 5) Introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 24-_____: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING THE ZONING MAP IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PROPOSED MIXED-USE HOTEL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AND OFF-SITE ADVERTISING BILLBOARDS LOCATED AT 8850-8878 AND 1025-1029 LARRABEE STREET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA”; 6) Introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 24-_____: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING THE SUNSET SPECIFIC PLAN TO CHANGE THE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR SITE 6-E IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PROPOSED MIXED-USE HOTEL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT 8850-8878 AND 1025-1029 LARRABEE STREET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA”.

D. LEGISLATIVE: None.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

1. APPOINTMENTS TO THE RENT STABILIZATION COMMISSION [J. JIMENEZ, M. CROWDER, L. MORALES]

SUBJECT: Mayor Erickson and Councilmember Heilman will make their direct appointments to the Rent Stabilization Commission.

RECOMMENDATION: 1) Mayor Erickson to make his direct appointment to the Rent Stabilization Commission for a term ending February 28, 2025; and 2) Councilmember Heilman to make his direct appointment to the Rent Stabilization Commission for a term ending February 28, 2025.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS: This portion of the meeting is set aside for general comments, announcements, requests of staff, subcommittee meeting reports, and/or other issues of concern from members of the City Council.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council will adjourn to its next regular meeting, which will be on Monday, September 16, 2024 6:00 PM at West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room - Council Chambers.

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