

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1999
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Heilman called the meeting to order at 7:55 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Dolores Sommer led the Pledge.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmembers Guarriello, Koretz, Martin, Prang and Mayor Heilman.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Jenkins, Interim City Manager Arevalo, City Clerk Thompson and Deputy Clerk Gillig.

REPORT ON SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD REHABILITATION PROJECT: Sharon Perlstein, City Engineer, provided a brief oral report on the Santa Monica Boulevard Reconstruction Project.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Staff requested Item 5.C.; Addendum to contract with Serco Management Services be moved to the Consent Calendar.

Item 3.A. is continued until January 3, 2000.

Councilmember Koretz requested Item 2.N be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion.

ACTION: Approve the November 1, 1999 Agenda as amended.
Motion Councilmember Guarriello, seconded Mayor Pro-Tem Prang and unanimously carried.

PRESENTATIONS:

Commendations were presented to Jeb Baird, Efim Kutz, Jefim Stolyarsky, Lucinda Carver, United Airlines and AIDS Watch.

Commendations were presented to Save the Park; Bruce Traub, Robert Davis, Norman Chamroff, Gloria Vassey, Roslyn Krause, Stan Lothridge, Ken Savage, Ruth Williams, Efi Reuvini, Mark Vandervelden, Steve Schulte, Peter Depew.

Plaques were awarded to:

City of West Hollywood; Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting: accepted on behalf of staff by Paul Arevalo.

Mickey's; Michael Neimeyer

Dan Tana's, accepted by Dan Tana's daughter Kathleen.

Richard Ryan, Andy Ball, and Joan Negash.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

DOLORES SOMMER, WEST HOLLYWOOD spoke on Project Unity.

IVY BOTTINI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on Project Unity.

DON BRUHNKE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on the success of the 1999 Halloween Carnival.

JULIE SOMMERS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, opposes the Knight Initiative and encourages everyone to vote no on Proposition 22.

ROSIE BORASTEIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on the bars and noise in the Sunset Strip area and it's affect on the surrounding neighborhood.

ROGER DAVIS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, questioned the Campaign Reform Act.

PATRICK PRINSTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, reminded everyone of the West Hollywood Orchestra's inaugural performance at Fairfax High School on Saturday, November 6, 1999.

KATHERINE THULIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on the Argyle Hotel.

JAMES FUHRMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on the Sheriff's Department, Hotel Astra, United Airlines and campaign contributions.

BARBARA HAMAKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on Project Unity, the Project Area Committee, West Hollywood Orchestra and the Candidates Forum.

JOHN PAUL DRAYER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on the slow process of placing street wires and transformers underground and proactive crime prevention.

BENJAMIN CLAVIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on the possible revenues generated by the billboards.

STEVE ROSE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on the success of the 1999 Halloween Carnival.

EFI REUVINI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on the noise from the 1999 Halloween Carnival.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Guarriello spoke in favor of Tony Bennet and the House of Blues.

Councilmember Martin commented on the billboard issue and proposed a possible billboard tax on the ballot at some point in the future. Also spoke about the noise generated from the 1999 Halloween Carnival, problems on Harper/Delongpre and commented on the No On Knight Committee, asking for volunteers.

Councilmember Martin asked that Item 2.N, which was removed from the Consent Calendar be tabled.

Councilmember Prang asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Prime Minister Vazgen Sarkisian.

Mayor Pro-Tem Prang commended John Paul Drayer on community input and commented on the noise generated by the 1999 Halloween Carnival.

Mayor Heilman commented on the West Hollywood Orchestra concert and the success of the 1999 Halloween Carnival. He gave direction to the Interim City Manager regarding the Alley Clean-up Program and signs not being posted as promised. He thanked the community in support of the AIDS Marathon.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Interim City Manager Arevalo reported on an episode in the Pavillions parking lot that resulted in a Sheriff's Deputy shooting. He Stated he did a walk through of the Aygyle Hotel regarding noise, code enforcement report and commented on Halloween and the Cityhood Celebration party to be held at the Pacific Design Center.

Mayor Heilman asked that Captain Odenthal of the West Hollywood Sheriff's Department give background information on the two shootings and how the City of West Hollywood can alleviate this type of problem in the future.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk Thompson stated the fiscal impact on the amended Consent Calendar of November 1, 1999, is \$68,500 in expenditures and \$0 in potential revenues.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Approve Items 2.A., B., C., D., E., F., G., H., I., J., K., L., M., O., and P. Motion Councilmember Guarriello, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Prang and unanimously carried.

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

The agenda for the meeting of Monday, November 1, 1999 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station and at the West Hollywood Library on Thursday, October 28, 1999.

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

2.B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ACTION: Approve the minutes of September 7, 1999 and October 4, 1999. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.C. WAIVER OF FURTHER READING:

ACTION: After the City Attorney has read the title of any ordinance on tonight's agenda, the further reading thereof shall be waived. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.D. CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION:

ACTION: Deny the claims of Uba Tschakazulu Satterfield and Shaun Toub and refer them to the City's claims adjuster. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.E. DEMAND REGISTER NO. 401, RESOLUTION NO. 99-2188:

ACTION: Approve Demand Register No. 401 and adopt Resolution No. 99-2188, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 401." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.F. TREASURER'S REPORT:

ACTION: Receive and file the Treasurer's Report for the month of September 1999. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.G. ORDINANCE NO. 99-552 (2nd Reading), PROPOSED ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO RENT STABILIZATION TO RENUMBER SECTIONS:

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No 99-552 "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD RELATIVE TO RENT STABILIZATION AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- 2.H. ORDINANCE NO. 99-553 (2nd Reading), PROPOSED ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING INTERIM CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS:**
ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 99-553 "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ESTABLISHING INTERIM CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- 2.I. CO-SPONSORING AND SUPPORT OF 1999 AIDS WATCH:**
ACTION: 1) Approve the City of West Hollywood as co-sponsor of the 1999 AIDS Watch presentations on December 1, 1999; and, 2) Authorize the Public information/CATV Division to provide support for this project, including use of Channel 10 for the duration of this presentation. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- 2.J. PROPOSED RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF S. 1400 (Boxer) AND H.R. 2624 (Lowey), THE FAMILY PLANNING AND CHOICE PROTECTION ACT OF 1999:**
ACTION: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 99-2189, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF S. 1400 (Boxer) AND H.R. 2624 (Lowey), THE FAMILY PLANNING AND CHOICE PROTECTION ACT OF 1999."; and, 2) Send signed copies of the resolution to Governor Gray Davis, Senator Barbara Boxer, Senator Dianne Feinstein, and the U.S. Senate Committee on HELP. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- 2.K. AGREEMENT FOR PARKING ADJUDICATION SERVICES:**
ACTION: 1) Approve a two (2) year agreement with Sherman and LeVine to provide parking adjudication services in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 per year; and, 2) Authorize the Interim City Manager to sign the contract. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- 2.L. APPEAL OF TEMPORARY USE PERMIT 99-01 - USE AS COMMERCIAL PARKING LOT - 9056 SUNSET BOULEVARD:**
ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 99-2190, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN PART GRANTING THE APPEAL OF AAA PARKING CORPORATION TO EXTEND THE HOURS OF OPERATION REGARDING TEMPORARY USE PERMIT 99-01 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 9056 SUNSET BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.M. APPEAL OF CULTURAL RESOURCE DESIGNATION 99-02 OLD SHERMAN THEMATIC GROUP:

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 99-2191, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD GRANTING IN PART THE APPEAL OF ANDRE KORNELIUS HILLDALE AND MARIANNE MARTIN AND UPHOLDING IN PART THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION AND DESIGNATING THE OLD SHERMAN THEMATIC GROUPING AS A CULTURAL RESOURCE, CONCERNING THE PROPERTIES AT 837-41, 843-45, 847-49 AND 873 SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD AND 8914 CYNTHIA STREET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA; AND DENYING THE DESIGNATION OF 838-40, 853, 863, 883, 889, 935 AND 966-70 SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD, 927, 931-33 AND 948-50 N. PALM AVENUE, 825, 829 AND 858 N. LARRABEE STREET AND 8924 CYNTHIA STREET, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.N. PROPOSED RESOLUTION CALLING ON SHERIFF LEE BACA TO END THE EXECUTIVE RESERVE COMPANY PROGRAM IN LA COUNTY:

Tabled.

2.O. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE EQUITY IN PRESCRIPTION INSURANCE AND CONTRACEPTIVE COVERAGE ACT (HR 2120):

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 99-2192, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF THE EQUITY IN PRESCRIPTION INSURANCE AND CONTRACEPTIVE COVERAGE ACT OF 1999 (H.R. 2120)." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.P. ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT WITH SERCO MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO PROVIDE TRAFFIC CONTROL SERVICES:

ACTION: 1) Approve an addendum to the contract with the Serco Management Services, Inc. to provide traffic control services during construction for Santa Monica Boulevard in an amount not to exceed \$43,750 for fiscal year 99-00 and \$77,500 annually; 2) Authorize the Interim City Manager to sign the addendum; and, 3) Authorize the Interim Director of Finance to increase the expenditure budget in the Santa Monica Blvd. Fund by \$43,750 for fiscal year 99/00. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3.A. APPLICANT'S APPEAL OF CONDITIONS IN PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF REHABILITATION INCENTIVE 98-01 TO LEGALIZE THE USE OF THE SCHINDLER HOUSE, 835 KINGS ROAD, FOR EXHIBITIONS AND EVENTS:

ACTION: Continue the public hearing to January 3, 2000.

THE CITY COUNCIL RECESSED AT 9:32 P.M. AS THE WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED AT 9:33 P.M.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

4.A. RENT STABILIZATION COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS:

ACTION: Councilmember Martin appointed Don Bruhnke to the Rent Stabilization Commission, as his direct appointment, for an un-expired term ending 05/31/2003.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.A. TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM:

Hal Cronkite, Director of Rent Stabilization provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated November 1, 1999.

Interim City Manager Arevalo provided additional background information on the past Code Enforcement program.

Mayor Pro Tem Prang questioned the current structure of management defining the Code Enforcement Division.

Mayor Heilman questioned the reasoning on subsection No. 5.

DON BRUHNKE, WEST HOLLYWOOD commented on placement of code enforcement officers and improvement of the current Rent Stabilization laws.

ACTION: 1) Transfer responsibility and budget for commercial code enforcement from CDD to Public Safety effective November 8, 1999; 2) Transfer responsibility and budget for residential code enforcement to the

Rent Stabilization Department effective November 29, 1999; 3) Upgrade one existing Code Enforcement Officer position to a Lead Code Enforcement Officer effective November 29, 1999. The additional \$2,500 cost in FY 1999-2000 will be absorbed within the existing RSD budget; 4) Increase a halftime Code Compliance position to full time effective November 8, 1999. The additional \$14,000 cost in FY 1999-2000 will be absorbed within the existing CDD budget, 5) The above actions on a temporary basis/pilot period until the next budget year, with staff to report back on the progress at that time. **Motion Mayor Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Guarriello and unanimously carried as amended.**

5.B. ACTION FOR "ILLEGAL UNITS" AMNESTY PROGRAM:

Mayor Heilman provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated November 1, 1999.

STEVE ROSE, WEST HOLLYWOOD questioned how many of these units we need to bring into the City of West Hollywood

ACTION: 1) Direct planning staff to comprise a report on the expired Unit's "amnesty program"; and, 2) Direct planning staff to bring recommendations for dealing with remaining illegal units through an amnesty program, or by some other permit program. **Motion Councilmember Martin, seconded by Councilmember Guarriello and unanimously carried.**

5.C. ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT WITH SERCO MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO PROVIDE TRAFFIC CONTROL SERVICES.

This Item was moved to the Consent Calendar as Item 2.P.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

6. LEGISLATIVE:

6.A. RENT STABILIZATION ORDINANCE REGARDING RELOCATION BENEFITS:

Hal Cronkite, Director of Rent Stabilization provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated November 1, 1999.

ACTION: Introduce for first reading Ordinance No. 99-554, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD RELATIVE TO RENT STABILIZATION AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD

MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING RELOCATION BENEFITS." Motion Councilmember Martin, seconded by Councilmember Guarriello and unanimously carried.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Koretz commented on the no dumping signs in alleys.

Councilmember Martin congratulated the Gay Men's Chorus on their recent trip to Russia.

Mayor John Heilman introduced David Reed with AIDS Watch 1999.

By consensus the City Council directed the City Clerk to start the November 15, 1999 Regular Meeting at 6:00 P.M.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION:

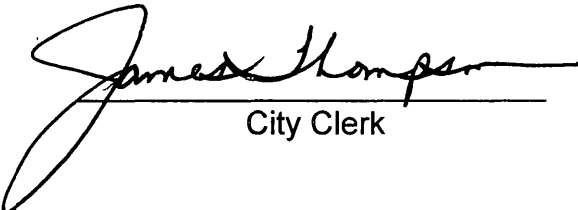
The City Council met in closed session between the Study Session and the Regular Meeting and discussed three items of potential litigation. City Attorney Jenkins stated that direction was given, but no reportable actions were taken.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned in memory of Prime Minister Vazgen Sarkisian at 10:05 P.M. to their next regular meeting on Monday, November 15, 1999 at 6:00 P.M. at West Hollywood Park, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY COUNCIL THIS 15th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1999.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


City Clerk