

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 20, 1996
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Koretz called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m., and stated this meeting was preceded by a joint meeting of the City Council and the Human Services Commission.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Lloyd Long, Human Services Director, led the Pledge.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT- Councilmember - Heilman, Land, Martin, Guarriello and Mayor Koretz.

ABSENT - None.

ALSO PRESENT - City Manager Brotzman, City Attorney Jenkins, City Clerk Love, and Assistant City Clerk Thompson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councilmember Land requested that an urgency item be placed on the consent calendar as Item 2. Q. opposing SB 2110 (Maddy) which excludes tax exempt private clubs from the Unruh Civil Rights Act.

ACTION: Motion to add urgency item as 2.Q Councilmember Land, seconded Mayor Pro Tem Guarriello and unanimously carried.

Councilmember Martin requested that Item 2. E. be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion immediately following the approval of the Consent Calendar.

Councilmember Land asked that we adjourn in memory of Alice Ryan, Patricia Ryan's mother. Mayor Pro Tem Guarriello asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Haley Powers' mother.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Koretz presented a Commendation to Deputy John Mitchell and Jeff Monsour, resident, for their act of heroism in rescuing a number of residents from a burning building on Crescent Heights.

Mayor Pro Tem Guarriello commented on the reaction of the residents and stated that Deputy Mitchell deserves more than just this commendation.

Deputy Mitchell thanked the City Council and the people of West Hollywood.

Mayor Koretz presented a commendation to West Hollywood Recycling Services for keeping the rates down even though they have incurred increased costs due to the closure of local landfills.

Representatives from West Hollywood Recycling Services thanked the Council for the commendation and especially noted the work of City staff.

Mayor Pro Tem Guarriello asked the Residents to give West Hollywood Recycling a big hand of applause for saving taxpayers \$125,000.

Mayor Koretz indicated that he had one more presentation to the City of West Hollywood and staff who contributed to the Sunset Specific Plan Project to acknowledge the National American Planning Association award for Excellence in Comprehensive Planning in a Small Jurisdiction.

Planning Commission Chair James Litz accepted the award on behalf of the Commission and City Staff.

Mayor Koretz asked that Consent Calendar Item 2.E., be considered at this point of the meeting.

2. E. ORDINANCE NO. 96-466 (2nd Reading), PROPOSED ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP REGISTRATION PROGRAM:

Councilmember Heilman indicated that this ordinance will allow us to recognize domestic partnerships of other jurisdictions.

DON SAVOIE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, stated the Chamber of Commerce will put together a Domestic Partnership Program for businesses in the community to educate local businesses on the benefits a domestic partnership program has for their employees.

ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 96-466, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD RECODIFYING PROVISIONS RELATING TO DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP STATEMENTS, MODIFYING THOSE PROVISIONS AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE."

Motion Mayor Pro Tem Guarriello, seconded Councilmember Martin and carried on a roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember - Heilman, Land, Martin, Guarriello and Mayor Koretz.

NOES: Councilmember - None.

ABSTAIN: Councilmember - None.

1. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

BRUCE TRAUB, WEST HOLLYWOOD, responded to a comment made by Councilmember Land relative to a petition about the relocation of the Metropolitan Church. He stated he signed the petition and knew what he was signing.

JERRY GAITHER, LOS ANGELES, asked that when appointments are made to the Disability Advisory Council that some consideration be given to persons with disabilities that fall through the cracks.

MARK OLSON, SO. CA. EDISON, indicated the Gas Company has opened Customer Field locations which are new sites where residents can pay bills. The site in West Hollywood is Marvins Pharmacy, and there are several locations in the near vicinity of West Hollywood.

CRYSTAL CARLISLE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, she read to the Council a statement which she prepared regarding harassment in her Inclusionary Housing unit at 1430 N. Harper. She asked for help from the City Council.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Heilman gave direction to staff to look into Ms. Carlisle's situation and allegations.

City Attorney Jenkins responded that staff is working on Ms. Carlisle's situation on this and will report back to the City Council.

Councilmember Land responded to the first speakers comments regarding the petition, and clarified her position on the petition and proposed impacts. She stated that perhaps the persons circulating the petition misrepresented the impacts of the project. She added the City Council has not made a decision on the permit parking study and recommendations of the study, it will be heard by the Transportation Commission.

Councilmember Martin also clarified that the Parking Permit Study was initiated as a response to resident comments. Councilmember Martin stated he received several complaints of misrepresentations of the circulators of the petition.

BRUCE TRAUB, WEST HOLLYWOOD, asked to respond to the comments made by Councilmember Martin. He stated that two people circulated the petition, and he does not believe the City Council received the level of complaints he indicated. He stated the City gives special exemptions to permit parking on a regular basis.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: City Manager Brotzman stated that permit parking is waived for special circumstances and it is waived very rarely and brought before the City Council for public comment. He commented that in reviewing the crime statistics year-to-date there has been a 20% drop in criminal activities compared to last year and that is due to the Sheriff's

Department working closely with Neighborhood Watch and the Community Oriented Policing Programs.

Councilmember Heilman asked about the problems at Horne and Holloway relative to noise and asked if those problems have been resolved.

City Manager Brotzman indicated those problems have been resolved.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR: Assistant City Clerk Thompson stated the Fiscal Impact on the Consent Calendar of May 20, 1996, as amended, is \$724,370. in expenditures and \$19,361. in potential revenues.

City Attorney Jenkins indicated that the City Council will be adopting the first resolution relative to Item 2.G. The appeal was tentatively approved at the last meeting, to approve 15 additional taxicab permits for Checker Cab, in response to an appeal of the Transportation Commission. That decision was conditioned upon receiving a release from the owners of Celebrity Auto Body. He indicated that release was provided this evening.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Approved Items 2.A, B, C, D, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P and Urgency item 2.Q.

Motion Councilmember Land, seconded Councilmember Heilman and unanimously carried.

A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

The agenda for the meeting of Monday, May 20, 1996 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station and at the West Hollywood Library on Friday, May 17, 1996.

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

B. WAIVER OF FURTHER READING:

RECOMMENDATION: 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.

C. CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION:

RECOMMENDATION: Deny the claims of Southern California Edison, Lorayne Lamas, Pirooska P. Gabor, Tina Bastajian (20th Century Insurance), and Paul Eerman and refer to the City's claims adjuster. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- D. DEMAND REGISTER NO. 318, RESOLUTION NO. 96-1573:**
RECOMMENDATION: Approve Demand Register No. 318 and adopt Resolution No. 96-1573, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 317." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- E. ORDINANCE NO. 96-466 (2nd Reading), PROPOSED ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP REGISTRATION PROGRAM:**
This item was removed for separate discussion and a formal vote. It is listed prior to Citizens Comments.
- F. ORDINANCE NO. 96-467 (2nd Reading), PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE NUMBER OF FALSE ALARMS ALLOWED UNDER THE BURGLAR ALARM SECTION OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE:**
RECOMMENDATION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 96-467, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING THE NUMBER OF FALSE ALARMS ALLOWABLE UNDER SECTION 4707 AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- G. RESOLUTION REGARDING AN APPEAL OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION'S DECISION TO DENY AN AMENDMENT TO LOS ANGELES CHECKER CAB COMPANY, INCORPORATED'S TAXICAB OPERATOR'S LICENSE EXPIRING JUNE 30, 1996:**
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 96-1574, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD UPHOLDING THE FINDINGS OF TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. TC 95-13 REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO LOS ANGELES CHECKER CAB COMPANY'S TAXICAB OPERATOR'S LICENSE BUT MODIFYING THE DECISION OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THEREBY PERMITTING LOS ANGELES CHECKER CAB COMPANY TO OPERATE AN ADDITIONAL 15 TAXICABS." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- H. AGREEMENT EXTENSION FOR TAXI/COUPON LIFT VAN SUBSIDY PROGRAM WITH JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES:**
RECOMMENDATION: (1) Approve the agreement extension with Jewish Family Services in an amount not to exceed \$685,000. for Taxi Coupon/Lift Van Subsidy Program, effective July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997; and (2)

Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

- I. SUPPORT FOR THE U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS/CALPIRG BUY RECYCLED CAMPAIGN:**
RECOMMENDATION: (1) Adopt Resolution No. 96-1575, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD PLEDGING WEST HOLLYWOOD'S SUPPORT FOR THE U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS/CALPIRG BUY RECYCLED CAMPAIGN;" and (2) Direct all City Departments and employees to purchase recycled paper, oil, and tire products and follows: (a) Paper purchased now should contain a minimum of 20 % post-consumer content; (b) In 1998 evaluate the feasibility of using 30% post consumer content recycled paper. Present market technologies and City resources will be taken into account. If these resources are inadequate to accommodate the switch, the City will continue its present policy of using recycled paper with 20% post consumer content until available resources become sufficient; and (c) Purchase re-refined oil and retread tires for City vehicles. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- J. AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER FOR PRINTING THE CITY'S BUSINESS ATTRACTION BROCHURE:**
RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the Finance Department to issue a purchase order to B & G House of Printing in an amount not to exceed \$17,638. for printing the City's business attraction brochure. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- K. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENTS WITH GRAPHIC ARTISTS TO DEVELOP BUSINESS ATTRACTION ADVERTISING AND MARKETING MATERIAL:**
RECOMMENDATION: (1) Approve an agreement with Jann Belingberg in the amount of \$8,050. to develop and produce business attraction advertisements; (2) Approve an agreement with Joanne Shannahoff in the amount of \$13,685. to develop and produce business attraction marketing pieces; and (3) Authorize the City Manager to execute both agreements. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- L. 1995-96 MID-YEAR REPORT SOCIAL SERVICE CONTRACTS:**
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and File. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**
- M. AUTHORIZATION OF LETTER OF INTENT FUNDING PROCESS FOR 1996 THROUGH 1998 SOCIAL SERVICE CONTRACTS:**

RECOMMENDATION: (1) Direct City staff to open a Letter of Intent process to all current Social Services program providers; and (2) Direct staff to require letters of intent for all providers interested in providing AIDS education to the general population, the HIV Day Center, and Women Helping Women. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

N. APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH ARIZONA PIPELINE COMPANY, INC. TO LEASE SPACE IN CITY OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8759 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD:

RECOMMENDATION: Approve an agreement with Arizona Pipeline Company, Inc. in the amount of \$4,961., to lease space at City owned Property located at 8759 Santa Monica Boulevard, and (2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

O. APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH DIVERSIFIED PARATRANSIT, INC. FOR PARKING AND OFFICE SPACE IN CITY OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8759 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD:

RECOMMENDATION: (1) Approve an agreement with Diversified Paratransit, Inc., in the amount of \$8,400., to provide office space and to use 10 parking spaces at City owned property located at 8759 Santa Monica Boulevard; and (2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

P. PROPOSED RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO "THE DEFENSE OF MARRIAGE ACT" A PROPOSED BAN ON FEDERAL RECOGNITION OF SAME-GENDER MARRIAGES:

RECOMMENDATION: (1) Adopt Resolution No. 96-1576, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENSE OF MARRIAGE ACT;" and (2) Direct staff to send copies of this Resolution to President Clinton and appropriate members of the Congressional Leadership. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

Q. PROPOSED RESOLUTION OPPOSING SB 2110 (MADDY) WHICH EXCLUDES TAX EXEMPT PRIVATE CLUBS FROM THE UNRUH CIVIL RIGHTS ACT:

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 96-1577, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD OPPOSING SB 2110 (MADDY) WHICH EXCLUDES TAX EXEMPT PRIVATE CLUBS FROM THE UNRUH CIVIL RIGHTS ACT." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. IMPLEMENTATION OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING REGULATIONS ON FOUNTAIN AVENUE BETWEEN SWEETZER AND HARPER AVENUES:

Assistant City Clerk Thompson stated a notice of public hearing was published in the West Hollywood Independent on May 8 and May 15, 1996.

Donald Korotsky, Associate Transportation Planner and Janis Rhodes, Parking Manager, provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 20, 1996.

Mayor Koretz opened the public hearing, and no speakers coming forward the public hearing was closed.

ACTION: Introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 96-468, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING THE PREFERENTIAL PARKING PROVISIONS OF THE TRAFFIC CODE BY IMPLEMENTING PREFERENTIAL PARKING REGULATIONS ON FOUNTAIN AVENUE BETWEEN SWEETZER AND HARPER AVENUES AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE."

Motion Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Land, and unanimously carried.

Councilmember Land gave direction to the staff to make sure there is an outreach effort to the neighbors.

Don Korotsky, indicated this would go into effect on July 10, 1996 for enforcement.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. WEST HOLLYWOOD CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU THIRD QUARTER REPORT:

Rhonda Sherman, provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 20, 1996. As Haley Powers could not be here due to a family emergency, Ms. Sherman highlighted a number of their activities.

Councilmember Heilman added that the AIDS and Chinese Conference will be coming to West Hollywood in July.

ACTION: Receive and file the quarterly report for the West Hollywood Convention and Visitors Bureau for the quarter ending March, 1996.

Motion Councilmember Land, seconded by Councilmember Heilman and unanimously carried.

B. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION GRANT FOR STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AVENUES OF ART AND DESIGN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA:

Allyne Winderman, Economic Development and Housing Manager, provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 20, 1996.

ACTION: (1) Approve modifications to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles (CDC) and the City for the EDA Planning Grant (\$30,100.); (2) Approve the transmittal to the County of the EDA Implementation Grant Program (\$84,474.); and, (3) Authorize the City Manager to execute contracts related to the expenditure of these funds for the design phase of the streetscape improvements detailed below.

Motion Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Land and carried with Mayor Pro Tem Guarriello voting noe.

Councilmember Land indicated that she would like members of the Avenues of Design to have input.

C. SIX MONTH REPORT AND ESTABLISHMENT OF PRIORITIES FOR THE SHERIFF'S DIRECTED PATROL AND SPECIAL PROBLEMS UNIT (SPU):

Nancy Greenstein, Public Safety Administrator, provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 20, 1996. She introduced Sgt. Buddy Goldman, who outlined their activities within the last six months.

Councilmember Land thanked Sgt. Goldman for work well done. The Nightclubs have formed a Nightclub Council and the Sheriff's should be involved in that and also in Domestic Violence.

Deputy Goldman indicated that Domestic Violence is a priority call and he personally meets with club owners on weekends.

Councilmember Heilman added his thanks to Deputy Goldman and the COPPS Team and he indicated that the two areas which have had significant impact are auto theft and operation outreach.

Councilmember Martin commented on the effectiveness of the COPPS Program and the SPU Program. He noted the change in the attitude of the community with the Sheriff's Department.

Mayor Koretz encouraged continued effort on the Auto Theft issue.

ACTION: (1) Receive and file Sheriff's Department SPU report for the period of October 1995 through April 1996; and (2) Continue current SPU and directed patrol priorities for the period of May 1996 through October 1996.

Motion Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Land and unanimously carried.

D. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE LESBIAN AND GAY ADVISORY COUNCIL:

ACTION: Appoint three (3) women: Renee Rosenfeld, Heather Hinkel and Laura Young; and three (3) men: Paul Dooks, Vince Roncone and Peter Kreysa to the Lesbian and Gay Advisory Council for terms ending May 31, 1998.

Motion Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Land, and unanimously carried.

E. APPOINTMENT(S) TO THE DISABILITIES ADVISORY COUNCIL:

ACTION: Appoint Tippi Kelley to the Disabilities Advisory Council for a term ending May 31, 1997.

Motion Councilmember Land, seconded by Councilmember Martin, and unanimously carried.

Councilmember Land gave the direction to notice the additional vacancies and ask the Disabilities Advisory Council members for suggestions for appointment.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

A. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR AND ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO SCJPIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

ACTION: Appoint Mayor Pro Tem Guarriello as the Director and Councilmember Martin as the Alternate Director to the SCJPIA Board of Directors.

Motion Councilmember Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Land, and unanimously carried.

B. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM:

Councilmember Land provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated May 20, 1996. She also acknowledged the following who worked on this program during the last eight months: Harriet Shapiro, Jodi Curlee and Daphne Dennis, Human Services Division; Nancy Greenstein and Leslie Crane, Public Safety Division; Sgt. Bettina Aschenbrenner, W.H. Sheriff's Station; Susan Holt, Sharon Shaw Johnson, Coreena Hendrickson, Lawrence Eaton, Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center; Cathy Firedman and Lisa Foux, Los Angeles Commission on Assaults Against Women; Lori Karney, Julie Lindberg, Marcia Pontoni, National Council of Jewish Women, Los Angeles; Helen Levin, Russian Community Center; Matha Mathews, UCLA School of Law; and Vivian Sauer, West Hollywood Senior Center and Jewish Family Services.

Councilmember Heilman indicated that this is a well done report. He stated he would like to see some sort of publicity for the violators to perhaps shame them into realizing the problem.

Councilmember Martin asked if Jim Gordon could be added to the Task Force.

Mayor Koretz stated that bringing this issue forward is also educational for the community as people would not normally think of West Hollywood as having this type of problem.

VIVIAN SAUER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the Council for bringing this forward and for the many hours which Councilmember Land and Council Deputy Stevenson devoted to this issue.

MARCIA PONTONI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the City Council for the support through this project.

ACTION: (1) Approve the West Hollywood Domestic Violence Program; (2) Direct staff to continue working with law enforcement and human service providers in order to implement the program in three phases as outlined in this report.

Motion Mayor Pro Tem Guarriello, seconded by Councilmember Heilman and unanimously carried.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: None.

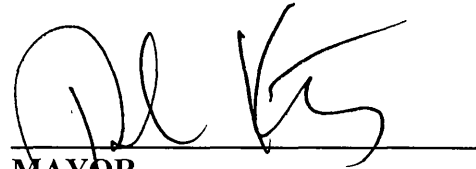
CITIZEN COMMENTS: None.

6. **LEGISLATIVE:** None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS: None.

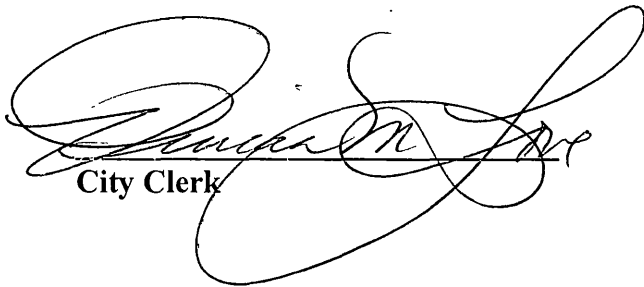
ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 8:55 p.m. in memory of Alice Ryan and Haley Powers' mother to its next regular meeting on Monday, June 3, 1996 at 7:00 P.M. at West Hollywood Park, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard.

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 5TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1996.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



City Clerk