

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2007
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK AUDITORIUM**

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Philip Hoskins led the pledge.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmember Guarriello, Heilman, Land, Mayor Pro Tempore Prang, and Mayor Duran.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Arevalo, City Attorney Jenkins, City Clerk West, and Assistant City Clerk Schaffer.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:

City Attorney Jenkins stated that the Closed Session meeting convened at 6:00 P.M. He stated that there were no speakers. He stated that the Closed Session meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M. with no reportable action taken.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councilmember Guarriello requested that Items 6.A. and 6.B. be moved to the Consent Calendar as Items 2.S. and 2.T.

Councilmember Land noted her recusal from Item 2.L. because her residence is located within 500 feet of the proposed project.

Motion by Councilmember Guarriello, seconded by Councilmember Land to approve the November 5, 2007 agenda as amended and unanimously approved.

Mayor Pro Tempore Prang requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Graciela De La O, the sister of Oscar De La O.

Mayor Duran requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Jose Vargas, the father of Arturo Vargas. He requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Kevin Reader, a long-time West Hollywood resident. He requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of the following soldiers who have died in Iraq and Afghanistan since the last City Council meeting: Spc. Vincent A. Madero, Spc. Wayne M. Geiger, Staff Sgt. Jarred S. Fontenot, Cpl. Erik T. Garoutte, Seaman Genesis Mattril Gresham,

Seaman Anamarie Sannicolas Camacho, Staff Sgt. Robin L. Towns Sr., Pfc. Adam J. Chitjian, Spc. David E. Lambert.

PRESENTATIONS:

Councilmember Guarriello presented a proclamation in honor of National Veterans Awareness Week.

Councilmember Land presented commendations to residents of the City who organized a benefit and home makeover project for their friend, and West Hollywood resident, Austin Griffin.

Mayor Duran presented a plaque to Carole Chizever in honor of her 25 years of service to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

ESTHER BAUM, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding recent public comments at a Planning Commission meeting concerning a proposed senior housing project on Palm Avenue.

KIM SCHNEIDER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Item 2.L.

MADELEINE RACKLEY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Item 2.O. and Item 5.A.

ALAN BERNSTEIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Item 2.H. and the recent Green Building Ordinance in the City.

TOM DEMILLE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding various local, state and national issues.

STEVE VERAKUS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding parking issues at the recent AIDS Walk event in the City.

DAVID HILL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Item 2.L.

ODALYS NAMIN, VALLEY VILLAGE, spoke regarding the Macha Theatre Company in the City.

THOM UBER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding ongoing issues with his landlord in the City.

KEVIN MANGOLD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding public safety concerns in the City.

PETER MAYS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Item 2.O. and Item 5.A. and thanked Council for their support.

JOANNE PALMER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, representing the Friends of West Hollywood Booster Club, thanked City Council for their ongoing support of the West Hollywood Elementary School.

JIM HUM, WOODLAND HILLS, thanked City Council for their ongoing support of the West Hollywood Elementary School.

JOHN AND JAMIE ADLER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked City Council for their ongoing support of the West Hollywood Elementary School.

ETHEL MCCLATCHY, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding an upcoming concert of the Los Angeles Doctor's Symphony Orchestra.

KIMBERLI MEYER, LOS ANGELES, spoke in support of Item 2.O. and thanked Council for their support.

SIBYL ZADEN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding concerns surrounding noticing for a recent power outage in the City.

BILL JAMAIL, LOS ANGELES, spoke regarding pedestrian crosswalk safety in the City and an absence of No Left Turn signs on Santa Monica Boulevard.

STACIE HUNT, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Item 2.O. and thanked Council for their support.

MICHAEL ARRIGO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding rent control and affordable housing issues in the City.

KIRK ALAN KUHM, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding issues with his landlord in the City.

SHERIE STARK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the recent community meeting with the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority regarding the Red Line Metro line.

FRANCESKA LYNNE, LOS ANGELES, spoke in support of Item 2.O.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Guarriello spoke regarding public comments surrounding safety issues and encouraged residents to report issues to the Public Safety Department and the Public Safety Commission.

Councilmember Land spoke regarding public comments surrounding noticing of power outages in the City, and requested the City Manager to discuss the situation with Southern California Edison. She congratulated Dr. Kenneth Lawenda on his recent appointment to the State Board of Optometry. She spoke regarding Item 2.O. and

congratulated the Arts Grants recipients, and spoke regarding increased publicity for arts events in the City. She spoke regarding a recent theatre production from the SHINE Youth Ensemble and upcoming auditions for their troupe. She acknowledged the parents and teachers at the West Hollywood Elementary School for their efforts to improve the school.

Councilmember Heilman spoke regarding public comments surrounding parking issues during the AIDS Walk event, and requested the City Manager to investigate the possibility of waiving permit parking during the event. He spoke regarding public comments concerning rent stabilization and landlord issues in the City and requested Rent Stabilization staff to investigate the issues. He acknowledged the parents and teachers at the West Hollywood Elementary School for their efforts to improve the school. He spoke regarding public comments surrounding noticing of power outages in the City. He spoke regarding public comments surrounding an absence of No Left Turn signs on Santa Monica Boulevard. He thanked City staff and the Sheriff's Department for organizing the recent Halloween Carnival event.

Mayor Pro Tempore Prang thanked City staff and the Sheriff's Department for organizing the recent Halloween Carnival event in the City. He spoke regarding public comment surrounding hot dog vendors in the City and efforts on behalf of the City to mitigate the issue. He spoke regarding construction projects taking place during weekends and requested City staff to investigate the issue. He spoke regarding public comment surrounding parking issues during the AIDS Walk event, and requested the City Manager to investigate the possibility of waiving permit parking during the event. He spoke regarding public comments surrounding an absence of No Left Turn signs on Santa Monica Boulevard and cross walk safety issues. He spoke regarding a recent attack of a dog in the City by an off-leash dog, and spoke regarding leash laws in the City. He spoke regarding an upcoming performance of the California Junior Philharmonic Orchestra.

Mayor Duran welcomed the new Principal of the West Hollywood Elementary School. He spoke regarding public comment surrounding parking issues during the AIDS Walk event, and expressed concerns about waiving permit parking for the event. He spoke regarding public comments surrounding rent stabilization and landlord issues in the City. He spoke regarding the recent installation of a new 911 system in the City. He spoke regarding the upcoming World AIDS Day events in the City. He congratulated Councilmember Land on her inclusion in the Women in Leadership 2008 Calendar.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Arevalo spoke regarding public comments surrounding noticing of power outages in the City and efforts being made by the City to improve the issue.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

City Clerk West reported that the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar is \$443,189.00 in expenditures and \$53,166.00 in revenue.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Approve the Consent Calendar as amended, 2.A.,B.,C.,D.,E.,F.,G.,H., I.,J.,K.,L.,M.,N.,O.,P.,Q.,R.,S.,T. **Motion by Councilmember Guarriello, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Prang and unanimously approved with Councilmember Land ABSTAINING on Item 2.L.**

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, November 5, 2007 was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the Sheriff's Station and at the West Hollywood Library on Thursday, November 1, 2007. **ACTION:** Receive and file.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The City Council is requested to approve the minutes of prior Council meetings. **ACTION:** Approve the minutes of October 15, 2007.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.C. DEMAND REGISTER NO. 589, RESOLUTION NO. 07-3615: The City Council is requested to approve payment of bills due as presented by the Director of Finance. **ACTION:** Approve Demand Register No. 589 and adopt Resolution No. 07-3615, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 589."

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.D. CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION: The City Council is asked to deny Claims filed against the City, as an administrative step in claims processing. **ACTION:** Deny the claims of John Terlingo and refer to the City's claims adjuster for action.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.E. ORDINANCE NO. 07-775 (2ND READING), IMPLEMENTING DISTRICT 8 PREFERENTIAL PARKING REGULATIONS ON THE 7700 BLOCK OF LEXINGTON AVENUE AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE: [T. WEST/C. SHAFFER] The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 07-775, a proposed ordinance implementing District 8 preferential parking regulations on the 7700 block of Lexington Avenue. **ACTION:** Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 07-775, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 10.08.230 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE IMPLEMENTING DISTRICT 8 PREFERENTIAL PARKING REGULATIONS ON THE 7700 BLOCK OF LEXINGTON AVENUE AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE."

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.F. ORDINANCE NO. 07-776 (2ND READING), AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE RELATING TO PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS FOR WATER INTRUSION AND FOR OVERGROWN, DYING OR DEAD VEGETATION: [T. WEST/C. SHAFFER] The City Council will waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 07-776, a proposed ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance relating to property maintenance standards for water intrusion and for overgrown, dying or dead vegetation. ACTION: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 07-776, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING TITLE 19 (ZONING ORDINANCE) [ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT 2007-011] RELATING TO PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS FOR WATER INTRUSION AND FOR OVERGROWN, DYING OR DEAD VEGETATION."

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.G. COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD ACTION REPORTS: The City Council will receive reports from various Commissions on actions taken at their recent meetings. ACTION: Receive and file.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.H. DIRECTION TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT STAFF TO INITIATE A ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT AMENDING WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 19.20.170 "SOLAR ACCESS AND SOLAR EQUIPMENT": [J. DURAN/H. MOLINA] The City Council will consider directing staff to amend the WHMC as it relates to installation requirements for solar panels. ACTION: 1) Direct the Community Development Department to initiate a zone text amendment amending West Hollywood Municipal Code (WHMC) section 19.20.170, subsection "B" Solar Energy Systems Standards, paragraph 1 "Roof Collectors" as it relates to solar equipment's installation requirements pertaining to angling; 2) Staff to report back within 180 days.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.I. LAUREL/ NORTON / HAYWORTH PERMANENT TRAFFIC CALMING: [J. ENGLISH/ T. SLIMMER/ W. DAVIS] The City Council will consider the permanent installation of traffic calming devices in the Laurel/Norton/Hayworth area to deter vehicle short-cutting, reduce the speeding potential and enhance pedestrian safety. ACTION: That the City Council approves the permanent installation of traffic calming measures to include the following: Intersection treatments at the intersections of Laurel Avenue and Norton Avenue, and Hayworth Avenue and Norton Avenue; the installation of medians on the 1200 block of Laurel Avenue and Hayworth Avenue; and pedestrian bulb-outs at the Crescent Heights and Norton intersection.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.J. APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 53943 FOR THE CONDOMINIUM PROJECT LOCATED AT 841-851 WESTMOUNT DRIVE: [J. ENGLISH/ S.

PERLSTEIN] The City Council will consider the approval of Final Tract Map No. 53943, a sixteen unit condominium, located on Westmount Drive, between Rugby Drive and Sherwood Drive. ACTION: 1) Make findings for the Final Tract Map as follows: That this project will not violate any of the provisions of Sections 66474, 66474.1, and 66474.6 of the Subdivision Map Act, That the proposed subdivision, together with the provisions for its design and improvement, is consistent with the General Plan required by Article 5 (commencing with Section 65300) of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of the Government Code or any specific plan adopted pursuant to Article 8 (commencing with Section 65450) of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of the Government Code, That the development of the property in the manner set forth on the subject division of land will not unreasonably interfere with the free and complete exercise of any public entity and/or public utility rights of way and/or easements within the subject division of land, pursuant to Section 66436(a)3A(i-viii) of the Subdivision Map Act; 2) Approve Final Tract Map No. 53943; 3) Instruct the City Clerk to endorse on the face of the map of Final Tract Map No. 53943 the certificate that embodies the approval of said map.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.K. NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR CIP 0701 WESTMOUNT DRIVE FROM SHERWOOD DR. TO RUGBY DR. STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: [J. ENGLISH/ S. PERLSTEIN] The City Council will consider approving the Notice of Completion for CIP 0701 Westmount Drive from Sherwood Dr. to Rugby Dr. Street Improvement Project by Elite Bobcat Service, Inc. ACTION: 1) Accept the work and authorize the following: Filing a Notice of Completion by the City Engineer; Final payment to the contractor at the end of the 35 day lien period; Release of the Performance Bond on the date of recordation of the Notice of Completion; and release of the Payment Bond 35 days after the date of recordation of the Notice of Completion, pending no receipt of Stop Notices.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.L. DIRECTION TO THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPLORE OPTIONS AND COST ESTIMATES FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WESTMOUNT DRIVE CUL-DE-SAC: [J. DURAN/ H. MOLINA] The City Council will consider directing staff to explore options for improvements to the Westmount Drive cul-de-sac. ACTION: 1) Direct the City Manager to explore different options for replacing the current chains at the Westmount Drive cul-de-sac; 2) Staff to report back to City Council within 90 days.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar with Councilmember Land ABSTAINING.

2.M. AGREEMENT WITH SIEMENS ITS FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR DEPLOYMENT OF THE METRO RAPID BUS TRANSIT PRIORITY SYSTEM: [J. ENGLISH/ S. PEARLSTEIN] The City Council will consider approval of an agreement with Siemens ITS for professional engineering services to prepare construction documents and project management for deployment of the Metro Rapid Bus Transit Priority System. ACTION: Authorize the

City Manager to execute an Agreement with Siemens ITS in an amount not to exceed \$222,112 for professional engineering services to prepare construction documents and project management for deployment of the Metro Rapid Bus Transit Priority System.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

- 2.N. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMPLOYEES HIRED PRIOR TO APRIL 1, 1986 TO ELECT MEDICARE COVERAGE:** [V. LOVE/ L. BOCK] The City Council will consider a proposed resolution which authorizes a division among eligible members of the CalPERS retirement plan to allow Medicare coverage for employees hired prior to April 1, 1986. ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 07-3616, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING EMPLOYEES HIRED PRIOR TO APRIL 1, 1986 TO ELECT MEDICARE COVERAGE, AND AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF THE EMPLOYER PORTION OF MEDICARE TAXES RETROACTIVELY FOR FIVE YEARS FOR FOUR CITY EMPLOYEES NOT CURRENTLY COVERED BY MEDICARE."

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

- 2.O. APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE ARTS & CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION FOR THE 2008 ARTS GRANTS PROGRAM:** [R. REYNOLDS/ A. CAMPBELL] The Council will consider the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission recommendations to award Annual Arts Grants to fourteen arts organizations. ACTION: Approve recommendations of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission to award 2008 Annual Arts Grants to the following arts organizations: Classical Theatre Lab (\$5,100); Collage Dance Theatre (\$4,500); Friends of West Hollywood Elementary (\$3,300); Hollywood Master Chorale (\$5,000); Live Arts Group (\$5,300); Los Angeles Art Association (\$3,800); Los Angeles Doctors Symphony Orchestra (\$1,900); Macha Theatre Company (\$5,100); MAK Center for Art and Architecture (\$5,100); Outfest (\$5,100); PEN Center USA (\$4,700); SASSAS (\$4,000); Vox Femina Los Angeles (\$2,900); Yiddishkayt Los Angeles (\$4,200). The total of these Art Grant awards is \$60,000.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

- 2.P. CITY CO-SPONSORSHIP OF UNTIL THE VIOLENCE STOPS FESTIVAL: LOS ANGELES (UTVS/LA):** [A. LAND/ L. BELSANTI/ T. LIN] The City Council will consider co-sponsoring the Until the Violence Stops Festival: Los Angeles (UTVS/LA). ACTION: 1) Approve the City of West Hollywood's co-sponsorship of Until the Violence Stops Festival: Los Angeles and the use of the City's name and logo on printed materials advertising the event; and 2) Direct staff to assist with the promotion of the event.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

- 2.Q. CITY CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE 2007 AIDSWATCH:** [H. GOSS/ B.

ABRAHAMS] The City Council will consider co-sponsoring the 2007 AidsWatch and providing television production, public information support and social service information to this year's Citychannel 10 broadcast. ACTION: 1) Approve the City of West Hollywood as co-sponsor of the 2007 AidsWatch presentations on Saturday, December 1, 2007; and 2) Authorize the Public Information and Prosecution Services Department to provide support for this project, including use of Citychannel facilities, broadcast time on Channel 10, public information support and social services support.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.R. CITY PARTICIPATION IN WORLD AIDS DAY, 2007: [L. LONG/ D. GIUGNI] The City Council will consider approving City participation in associated programming involving Worlds AIDS Day 2007. ACTION: Direct staff to work with the Metropolitan Community Church, Aid for AIDS and other HIV/AIDS organizations to assist in organizing the educational component for the annual candlelight vigil and recognition program.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.S. (6.A.) PROPOSED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 17.24.010 AND AMENDING WHMC § 1.08.010(e): [A. WINDERMAN/ V. LOVE/ C. SCHROEDER/ S. LEWIS] The City Council will consider a proposed addition of a new subsection (d) to Section 17.24.010 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code would require landlords of property that is exempt from the rent limitations imposed by the City of West Hollywood Rent Stabilization Ordinance to disclose that fact to prospective tenants. A proposed amendment to WHMC § 1.08.010(e) would allow violation of the new WHMC §17.24.010 to be enforced through the city's administrative penalty procedure. ACTION: Introduce on first reading Ordinance 07-777, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 17.24.010 TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION (d) REQUIRING LANDLORDS TO INFORM PROSPECTIVE RENTERS WHEN A RENTAL UNIT IS EXEMPT FROM THE RENT STABILIZATION ORDINANCE AND AMENDING WHMC § 1.08.010(e) TO ALLOW VIOLATION TO BE ENFORCED THROUGH AMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES PROCEDURE.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.T. (6.B.) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 17.25.090(10) TO ENSURE THAT THE TENANT ANTI-HARSSMENT ORDINANCE DOES NOT PURPORT TO CRIMINALIZE CONDUCT PROTECTED BY THE STATE LITIGATION PRIVILEGE: [A. WINDERMAN/ V. LOVE/ C. SCHROEDER/ S. LEWIS] The City Council will consider amending the Municipal Code to conform a provision of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance that outlaws tenant harassment to a decision of the California Supreme Court interpreting state law. ACTION: Introduce on first reading Ordinance 07-778, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST

HOLLYWOOD AMENDING WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 17.25.090(10) TO ENSURE THAT THE TENANT ANTI-HARSSMENT ORDINANCE DOES NOT PURPORT TO CRIMINALIZE CONDUCT PROTECTED BY THE STATE LITIGATION PRIVILEGE.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

THE CITY COUNCIL RECESSED AND RECONVENED AS THE WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY FOUNDATION: 7:49 P.M.

The Community Foundation approved the minutes from the February 5, 2001 meeting, approved an agreement with Latham & Watkins, LLP to assist in the formation and creation of a new non-profit entity to raise and receive funds for the new West Hollywood Library, and approved an agreement with the California Community Foundation to allow for the creation of the West Hollywood Library Fund. The actions are more fully described in the West Hollywood Community Foundation minutes.

THE WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY FOUNDATION RECESSED AND RECONVENED AS THE CITY COUNCIL: 7:51 P.M.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3.A. NONE

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

4.A. CAMPAIGN FINANCE REVIEW PROCESS: [M. JENKINS/T. WEST] The City Council will consider recommendations for the public process to review possible amendments to the City's ordinance governing the financing of municipal campaigns.

City Attorney Jenkins presented background information as outlined in the staff report dated November 5, 2007.

PHILIP HOSKINS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the need for public participation during the review process.

SHERIE STARK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the need for public participation during the review process.

Councilmember Land spoke in support of creating a task force consisting of City staff, members of the public, and election law experts to develop a list of reforms.

Councilmember Heilman spoke in support of creating a task force consisting of City Staff and election law experts and spoke regarding possible methods of appointing members of the public and business community to participate in the process.

Mayor Pro Tempore Prang thanked the City Attorney and City Clerk for bringing the Item forward. He spoke regarding the need to allow for public participation in an organized manner. He spoke in opposition to Council appointing members of the public to serve on the task force.

Mayor Duran spoke in support of the current campaign contribution ordinance in the City. He spoke in support of a Council Subcommittee to investigate the issue.

Councilmember Guarriello spoke in support of the inclusion of election law experts during the review process.

ACTION: Approve the recommended process for the City Attorney and City Clerk to form a task force of residents and experts to develop campaign reform issues and present results to City Council. **Motion by Mayor Pro Tempore Prang, Seconded by Councilmember Heilman and approved.**

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.A. APPROVAL OF THE ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION FOR THE 2007-2008 ART ON THE OUTSIDE PROJECT: [R. REYNOLDS/ A. CAMPBELL] The Council will consider approving the commissioning and installation of a temporary art work by artist Dan Corson at the Santa Monica / Doheny median as recommended by the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission through the City's Art on the Outside Program.

Andrew Campbell, Cultural Affairs Administrator, presented background information as outlined in the staff report dated November 5, 2007.

ACTION: Approve the recommendation of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission to commission and install a temporary light sculpture by artist Dan Corson to be installed at the Santa Monica / Doheny median from January through April, 2008 at a cost of \$90,000. **Motion by Councilmember Land, Seconded by Councilmember Guarriello and approved.**

5.B. DISCUSSION OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE: [T. WEST/ C. SCHAFFER] The City Council will consider cancelling the meeting of November 19, 2007, and approving the City Council Regular Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2008 and canceling or rescheduling several meetings throughout the year that conflict with holidays.

The City Council: 1) cancelled the meeting of November 19, 2007; 2) cancelled the meeting of January 7, 2008; 3) Rescheduled the meeting of January 21, 2008 to January 22, 2008; 4) Rescheduled the meeting of February 18, 2008 to February 19, 2008; 5) Rescheduled the meeting of September 1, 2008 to September 2, 2008; and 6) Approved the City Council Regular Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2008.

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

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

6. LEGISLATIVE:

6.A. PROPOSED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 17.24.010 AND AMENDING WHMC § 1.08.010(e): [A. WINDERMAN/ V. LOVE/ C. SCHROEDER/ S. LEWIS] The City Council will consider a proposed addition of a new subsection (d) to Section 17.24.010 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code would require landlords of property that is exempt from the rent limitations imposed by the City of West Hollywood Rent Stabilization Ordinance to disclose that fact to prospective tenants. A proposed amendment to WHMC § 1.08.010(e) would allow violation of the new WHMC §17.24.010 to be enforced through the city's administrative penalty procedure.

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

6.B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 17.25.090(10) TO ENSURE THAT THE TENANT ANTI-HARSSMENT ORDINANCE DOES NOT PURPORT TO CRIMINALIZE CONDUCT PROTECTED BY THE STATE LITIGATION PRIVILEGE: [A. WINDERMAN/ V. LOVE/ C. SCHROEDER/ S. LEWIS] The City Council will consider amending the Municipal Code to conform a provision of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance that outlaws tenant harassment to a decision of the California Supreme Court interpreting state law.

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

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Land wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 8:22 P.M. in memory of Graciela De La O, Jose Vargas, Kevin Reader, and all the soldiers who died in Iraq and Afghanistan since the last City Council meeting, to their next regular meeting, which will be on Monday, December 3, 2007 at 6:30 P.M. at West Hollywood Park, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 3rd day of December 2007 by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmember:	Guarriello, Heilman, Land, Mayor Pro Tempore Prang, Mayor Duran.
NOES:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSENT:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember:	None.

JOHN DURAN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

THOMAS R. WEST, CITY CLERK