

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 17, 1994
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK
647 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

7:00 P.M. - REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Land called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge was led by Los Angeles Councilmember Marvin Braude.

ROLL CALL:

Present - Guarriello, Koretz, Martin, Heilman, Mayor Land
Also Present - City Manager Brotzman, City Attorney Jenkins

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the agenda by Koretz, seconded by Guarriello and unanimously carried.

PRESENTATIONS:

Commendation to Deputy City Clerk Vivian Vukojevich, upon her retirement, for many years of dedicated service to the City.

Gregory Shaffer of California Healthy Cities on behalf of the California Smoke-Free Cities Project presented a 1994 leadership award for tobacco control to the City.

The Council presented commendations to the following for their support to the City in the fight for smoking regulations:

American Cancer Society
American Lung Association
AIDS Project Los Angeles
Smoke-Free Air for Everyone
Taskforce for Safe and Healthful Air
Los Angeles Free Clinic
Gay & Lesbian Community Services Center
(general)
Gay & Lesbian Community Services Center's
Community Outreach & Education Program
Jewish Family Services of Los Angeles
Being Alive
Assemblyman Terry Friedman
Los Angeles Councilmember Marvin Braude
Ronn Teitelbaum
Barry Fogel

Ed Little of the West Basin Municipal Water District presented a

check in the amount of \$2,000 toward construction of a Demonstration Garden at Crescent Heights and Santa Monica Boulevards.

Councilmember Martin requests that residents sign a thank you card to President Clinton for having signed federal crime legislation enabling the City to receive a law enforcement grant.

1. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

A. CITIZEN COMMENTS ON CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN PULLED:

DR. VIRGINIA URIBE, FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL, thanked the Council for Project 10 funds (Item 2-J on Consent Calendar).

B. CITIZEN COMMENTS - GENERAL:

DICK ROSENGARTEN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, is disturbed that the Planning Commission will reevaluate the Ramada/Westbourne cul-de-sac.

DR. TRISHA ROTH, BEVERLY HILLS, thanked the Council for their recent Resolution in opposition to Proposition 188 (the initiative sponsored by the tobacco industry).

BUDD KOPS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, would like to know who will have control over the design of the fire station, the City or the fire district.

PHILLIP PARKS, WEST HOLLYWOOD BUSINESS OWNER, suggested to the Small Business Association that parking meters be covered two weeks before Christmas.

BRIAN MARQUEZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented, on behalf of Community Alliance for Rational Parking Strategy (CARPS), on inconsistencies in the environmental impact report for the proposed parking structure at 8383 Santa Monica Boulevard.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the Council for urging the Community Development Department to comply with the ADA by providing microphones. She urged a no vote on proposition 188.

CANDIDA MCCOLLAM, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on behalf of CARPS. She stressed that this organization is not anti-parking, that they are actually pro-growth.

MARK OLSON, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON, acting manager for this area, introduced himself to the Council.

DAVID HILL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, warned that unelected commissioners are threatening the future of the

Ramada/Westmount cul-de-sac.

KIM SCHNEIDER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, suggests that the Ramada/Westmount barrier become a physically permanent cul-de-sac in order to insure it's permanence.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Paul Brotzman stated that the Ramada/Westmount cul-de-sac cannot be overturned by the Planning Commission.

He addressed Budd Kop's concerns regarding the fire station. He said that because this involves real estate acquisition, it may therefore be discussed in closed session. The fire district has expressed a willingness to work with the City on a fire station/parking structure at the San Vicente post office. If this site proves unsatisfactory, the fire district has expressed a desire to locate the fire station at Cynthia & San Vicente.

Raleigh Enterprises was awarded a contract for \$15,000 for project management.

The City received a federal community policing grant of \$635,000 per year over the next three years. This will enable the City to add six additional officers. The grant application was initiated by Nancy Greenstein.

The City also received a three year grant from the State of California for \$108,000 under the Career Criminal Apprehension Program. This will mainly fund a computer system to target criminals.

FISCAL IMPACT REPORT ON CONSENT CALENDAR: Deputy City Clerk Vukojevich stated that the fiscal impact for the Consent Calendar is \$315,998 in expenditures and \$500,000 in revenue.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Approve the Consent Calendar. Motion Heilman, seconded Guarriello and unanimously carried.

A. POSTING OF AGENDA: The agenda for the meeting of Monday, October 17, 1994, was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, and the Sheriff's Station and at the West Hollywood Library on Friday, October 14, 1994.
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 3, 1994
RECOMMENDATION: Approve the minutes of October 3, 1994. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

C. WAIVER OF FURTHER READING:
RECOMMENDATION: After the City Attorney has read the title of any Ordinance on tonight's agenda, the further reading thereof be waived. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

- D. CLAIMS: Edward McKitrick
Lili Beth Ramos
Dennis Orfirer**
RECOMMENDATION: Deny the claims of Edward McKitrick, Lili Beth Ramos and Dennis Orfirer and refer to the City's claims adjustor. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- E. DEMAND REGISTER NO. 280, RESOLUTION NO. 94-1358.**
RECOMMENDATION: Approve Demand Register No. 280 and adopt Resolution No. 94-1358. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- F. ORDINANCE NO. 94-422 (2nd Reading), ORDINANCE APPROVING ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT 94-01:**
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Ordinance No. 94-422, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTERS 9220 AND 9380 OF ARTICLE IX OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE (ZONING ORDINANCE." Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- G. ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD FOR THE EXCHANGE OF PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUNDS:**
RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the City Manager to enter into an assignment agreement with the County of Los Angeles which sets forth the terms of the proposed trade in the format recommended by the City Attorney. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- H. CURSON AVENUE AND LEXINGTON AVENUE - REQUEST FOR 4-WAY STOP CONTROL INTERSECTION:**
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 94-1359, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGNATING THE INTERSECTION OF LEXINGTON AVENUE AND CURSON AVENUE AS A FOUR-WAY STOP CONTROL INTERSECTION AND DIRECTING STAFF TO ERECT APPROPRIATE SIGNS AND MARKINGS" Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- I. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CLOSURE OF SUNSET BOULEVARD, NOVEMBER 13, 1994 FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 9:00 A.M., FOR PROJECT ANGEL FOOD'S 5K "RACE TO DELIVER":**
RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the use of the portion of Sunset Blvd. from Crescent Heights Blvd. to Olive Drive for Project Angel Food's "Race to Deliver" 5K Run on Sunday, November 13, 1994 from 8:00 a.m. to approximately 9:00 a.m. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- J. PROJECT 10 AT FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL (LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT):**
RECOMMENDATION: Authorize purchase of a maximum of \$2,500 worth of educational materials and books for distribution by Project 10 at Fairfax High School. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

- K. AMENDMENT OF AGREEMENT WITH JENNIFER COILE, CONSULTANT, TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING DIVISION:**
RECOMMENDATION: Approve the contract extension for professional services with Jennifer Coile for \$6,000 and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- L. REQUEST OF OWNERS OF 1124 N. VISTA STREET FOR APPROVAL OF A MILLS ACT CONTRACT:**
RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the City Manager to execute a Historical Property Preservation Agreement (Mills Act contract) between the City of West Hollywood and the owner of the local cultural resource located at 1124 N. Vista Street, West Hollywood, California. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- M. REQUEST OF OWNERS OF 1140 N. VISTA STREET FOR APPROVAL OF A MILLS ACT CONTRACT:**
RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the City Manager to execute a Historical Property Preservation Agreement (Mills Act contract) between the City of West Hollywood and the owner of the local cultural resource located at 1140 N. Vista Street, West Hollywood, California. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- N. REQUEST OF OWNERS OF 1334-36 N. HARPER AVENUE FOR APPROVAL OF A MILLS ACT CONTRACT:**
RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the City Manager to execute a Historical Property Preservation Agreement (Mills Act contract) between the City of West Hollywood and the owner of the local cultural resource located at 1334-36 N. Harper Avenue, West Hollywood, California. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- O. WESTSIDE CITIES SUB-REGIONAL PLANNING PROCESS/SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS - 1994-95 WORK PLAN:**
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- 3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**
- A. APPEAL OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS 94-07 -FACADE RENOVATION OF ST. JAMES' CLUB, 8368 SUNSET BOULEVARD:**
Assistant Planner Tim Foy provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated October 17, 1994.

Deputy City Clerk Vukojevich indicated that a notice of public hearing was published in the West Hollywood Independent on October 12, 1994 as a courtesy and a letter was mailed to the applicant.

The public hearing was opened.

KAREN KOMO, ST. JAMES' HOTEL, spoke in favor of the new color scheme.

SCOTT FIELD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, the project applicant, spoke in favor of the new color scheme.

Councilmembers Koretz and Martin expressed their support for the new color scheme.

Councilmember Guarriello stated that he has lived here for thirty years and the building has always been grey, therefore it should remain grey.

Councilmember Heilman supports the new color scheme but wanted assurances that the texture is removable. Mayor Land also expressed concern and asked staff if the new paint will be removable.

ACTION: Grant the appeal with direction to staff to check the removability of the new paint.

Motion Koretz, seconded Heilman, motion passed with Councilmember Guarriello voting no.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Koretz expressed opposition to Proposition 188.

Councilmember Martin reported on the "No on Proposition 187" march, in which he and other West Hollywood residents participated, in downtown Los Angeles.

Councilmember Heilman announced that West Hollywood will be visited by two women who run Camp Sister Spirit in the South. The City has requested that the Justice Department investigate possible infringement of the camp members' civil rights. He also announced the special meeting of the City Council at Plummer Park this Saturday. The meeting will address east side issues and will include canvassing streets on the east side in order to identify problem areas.

Councilmember Guarriello addressed that the Council's first meeting in November is the day before an election.

Mayor Land directed staff that the Transportation Commission should be brought into the process of the Sunset Specific Plan. She also would like staff to investigate whether it is feasible to cover parking meters on holidays. The Mayor also replied to Councilmember Guarriello; tonight's meeting will adjourn to the special meeting on October 22nd at which the November meeting dates will be decided.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

A. DESIGNATION OF THE OCTOBER 2, 1994 MURDER OF JON A. SIMMONS FOR INCLUSION IN THE CRIME TIPS REWARD PROGRAM:

Councilmember Koretz provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated October 17, 1994.

Councilmember Martin expressed concern that a \$5,000

reward is not adequate.

Council Deputy Archibald said that the ordinance must be changed in order to accommodate a reward larger than \$5,000.

Councilmember Heilman suggested that either the Cities of Beverly Hills or Chicago could match the initial \$5,000.

Councilmember Koretz said that an increase is a good suggestion, but that Chicago would be more open to matching the reward than would Beverly Hills.

City Attorney Jenkins suggested that the motion be made to request the City of Chicago to match the \$5,000 and to direct staff to come back with an ordinance for introduction increasing the maximum allowable reward.

MOTION: 1) Direct the City to include the murder of Jon A. Simmons in the City of West Hollywood Crime Tips program, and offer a reward in the amount of \$5,000 for any person supplying information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrator of this crime; 2) Request that the City of Chicago match the \$5,000 reward and direct staff to come back with an ordinance for introduction increasing the maximum allowable reward in the program; and, 3) Direct City staff and the West Hollywood Station of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to work with the City of Beverly Hills Police Department to share information received as a result of this offer of reward.

Motion Koretz, seconded Guarriello and unanimously carried.

B. AUTHORIZATION FOR CITY STAFF TO ANALYZE AND PREPARE A COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION OF PERMIT PARKING:

Council Deputy Fran Solomon provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated October 17, 1994.

BUDD KOPS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, requested no more commercial parking in residential areas.

LESTER HIRSCH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in favor of the evaluation.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, stated that permit parking has been successful and that commercial parking should not be admitted in residential areas.

Councilmember Koretz commented that the current parking signs are inadequate.

Councilmember Martin calls for more flexibility in the permit parking policy.

Councilmember Heilman said he will work with Joan

English (Director of Transportation) and the Transportation Commission.

MOTION: 1) Direct staff to prepare a comprehensive evaluation of permit parking which should include issues outlined; 2) direct staff to work with the Transportation Commission to further refine the scope of the evaluation to get the Commission's input on the recommendations of the evaluation; and 3) direct staff to schedule a special meeting of the City Council to review the recommendations of staff and the Transportation Commission. The comprehensive evaluation will also include the input from tonight's discussion.

Motion Heilman, seconded Guarriello and unanimously carried.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: None

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

6. LEGISLATIVE:

A. GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS - CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVE DATES:

City Attorney Jenkins provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated October 17, 1994.

Councilmember Koretz suggested April, 1997 as an alternative election date.

City Attorney Jenkins replied that the Election Code will not allow this date.

Councilmembers Koretz, Guarriello and Heilman then concurred on the March, 1997 election date.

Councilmember Martin suggested that the item be tabled because there are no longer enough constituents in attendance at this meeting and perhaps the public has not been given adequate notice. He also expressed concern that there may be a perception that the Council is voting to extend their terms in an under-handed manner.

Mayor Land does not object to tabling the item but feels that the public has received adequate notice.

Mayor Land directed the City Attorney to outline procedures for amending the Elections Code.

This item was tabled by consensus of the Council.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmembers Guarriello, Koretz, Martin, Heilman and Mayor Land commended Deputy City Clerk Vivian Vukojevich for her years of service to the City and wished her well on her retirement.

Councilmember Martin suggested that the meeting be adjourned in honor of Jon A. Simmons.

City Attorney Jenkins requested that one item be added to the closed session agenda as the need to take action occurred after the posting of the agenda; Klaparda v. City of West Hollywood should be discussed under pending litigation.

RECOMMENDATION: Add Klaparda v. City of West Hollywood to the closed session agenda under pending litigation.

Motion Koretz, seconded Guarriello and unanimously carried by four votes (Heilman was absent).

CLOSED SESSION: The Council recessed at 8:51 to a closed session.

RECONVENE AS CITY COUNCIL:

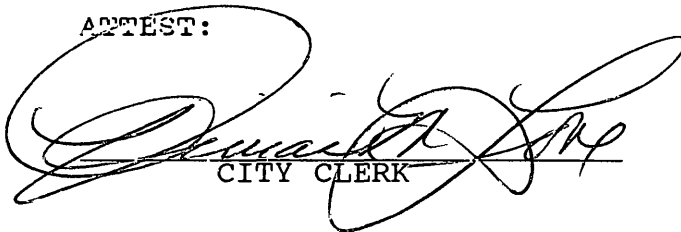
The City Council reconvened at 10:44.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION: The report is available with the City Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned in honor of Jon A. Simmons at 10:45 to a special meeting to be held on October 22, 1994, at 9:30 A.M. at Plummer Park, 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard.

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 7TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1994.

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK


MAYOR