

**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 5, 1992  
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK  
647 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

**6:00 P.M. - CLOSED SESSION:** This time has been set aside for the City Council to meet in closed session to discuss matters pertaining to litigation (pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), potential litigation (pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b), and (c)), personnel, and/or claims. The Mayor or the City Attorney will give an additional oral report of the closed session at the commencement of the public portion of the meeting.

**7:00 P.M. - REGULAR MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Lang called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge was led by Charlie Mercer.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Heilman, Koretz, Land, Guarriello,  
Mayor Lang

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Manager Brotzman  
City Attorney Jenkins

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION:** The City Attorney reported that the City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned to a closed session to discuss the following matters of pending litigation: Grimm vs. the City of West Hollywood; Ponet vs. West Hollywood; SORE; Dobrin vs. West Hollywood and other potential and threatened litigation.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Remove items 2n and 2o from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion. Table the treasurer's report and Item 7. Motion Land second Heilman. Hearing no objection it was so ordered.

**PROCLAMATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS:** None at this meeting.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** TABLED TO THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 19, 1992.

**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. There was no report at this time.

**1. CITIZEN COMMENTS:** This time has been set aside for members of the public to address the City Council on Consent Calendar Items;

other agenda items if the member of the public cannot be present later in the meeting at the time the item is heard by the Council; and items of general interest. Testimony for public hearings will only be taken at the time of the hearing. This period shall be limited to 20 minutes, with no more than two minutes for each speaker. The following persons came forward to address the City Council:

James Kazakos, West Hollywood: Preferential parking signs.  
Bill Bannon, Los Angeles: No on Proposition 161.  
Jeanne Dobrin, West Hollywood: No on Proposition AA.  
Eva Hamel, West Hollywood: Rent decrease and repair problems.  
Ruth Stambler, West Hollywood: Rent decrease problems.  
Cornelia Fennessy, West Hollywood: Same building, same complaint.  
Bette Hoberman, West Hollywood: Same.  
Michael Fisher, West Hollywood: problem is Rent Stabilization.  
Gary Dontzig, West Hollywood: Cynthia project - Trees on Vista Grande.  
Andonio Katsaros, West Hollywood: Same.  
Stan Lothridge, West Hollywood: Police Department will mean more taxes.  
Budd Kops, West Hollywood: City Logo on Police Department campaign signs and materials.

Anne Browning, Planning Manager reported to the Council on Code Enforcement of illegal signs, and the Council asked for follow-up.

**2. CONSENT CALENDAR:** The following routine matters were acted upon by one motion to approve with the consent of the Council or were removed by any Councilmember for separate discussion. Items removed for separate discussion were heard following New Business Items. ACTION: Approve items 2a, b, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, and p. Motion Heilman second Koretz. Hearing no objection it was so ordered.

**a. Posting of Agenda:** The agenda for the meeting of Monday, October 5, 1992, was posted at City Hall, Plummer Park, the West Hollywood Library and the Sheriff's Station on Wednesday, September 30, 1992.  
ACTION: Receive and file.  
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**b. Demand Register No. 230, Resolution No. 1035.**  
ACTION: Approve Demand Register No. 230 and adopt Resolution No. 1035.  
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**c. Treasurer's Report - July, August:**  
TABLED TO THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 19, 1992.

**d. Minutes: May 19, 1992  
September 21, 1992**  
ACTION: Approve the minutes of May 19, 1992 and September 21,

1992.

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**e. Claim: Steven Salvetta and Michael Spain**  
ACTION: Deny the claim of Steven Salvetta and Michael Spain without comment and refer to the City claims adjustor.  
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**f. Waiver of Further Reading:** ACTION: 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.

**g. Professional Engineering Service Contract for Highway Services for the City of West Hollywood:** ACTION: Authorize the City Manager to enter into a professional service contract with Willdan Associates in the amount of \$157,795 for preparation of highway design plans, specifications, and cost estimates for the City of West Hollywood.  
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**h. Resolution of Approval for Development Permit 89-42 Located at 300 San Vicente Boulevard:** ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 1036, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD UPHOLDING A DECISION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND APPROVE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT 89-42 ON AN APPLICATION OF DAVID DUNN TO PERMIT THE REMODEL OF AN EXISTING COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE OF 32,200 SQUARE FEET AND CONSTRUCTION OF 37,800 SQUARE FEET OF NEW MEDICAL OFFICE AND 8,000 SQUARE FEET OF RETAIL SPACE AT 300 SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD."  
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**i. Designation of 1236 N. Flores as Local Cultural Resource:**  
ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 1037, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AFFIRMING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CULTURAL HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD AND DESIGNATING 1236 N. FLORES STREET AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA."  
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**j. Denial of Designation of 1136 N. Formosa Ave. as a Local Cultural Resource:** ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 1038, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, AFFIRMING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CULTURAL HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD AND DENYING THE DESIGNATION OF 1136 N. FORMOSA AVENUE AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA."  
Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**k. Designation of 1302-1310 N. Sweetzer Ave. as a Local Cultural Resource:** ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 1039, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, AFFIRMING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CULTURAL HERITAGE ADVISORY

BOARD AND DESIGNATING 1302-1310 N. SWEETZER AVENUE (EL MIRADOR) AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA."

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**l. Designation of 1424 N. Crescent Heights Blvd. as a Local Cultural Resource:** ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 1040, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, AFFIRMING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CULTURAL HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD AND DESIGNATING 1424 N. CRESCENT HEIGHTS BOULEVARD (THE GRANVILLE) AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD."

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**m. Support S.788, Known as the "Social Security Trust Fund Integrity Act of 1991," Designed to Help Preserve the Integrity of the Social Security Fund:** ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 1041, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD SUPPORTING S.788, THE "SOCIAL SECURITY TRUST FUND INTEGRITY ACT OF 1991."

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**n. Resolution in Support of Caltrans' Approval of a Sidewalk Sale on Santa Monica Blvd.:** REMOVED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION BUT LISTED HERE FOR CLARITY. Mike Radcliffe asked about the fee paid for the permit they don't need. Staff will investigate. ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 1042, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF CALTRANS' APPROVAL OF A SIDEWALK SALE TO BE HELD ON SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD ON OCTOBER 9 AND 10, 1992, BY LOCAL MERCHANTS." Motion Guarriello second Heilman. Hearing no objection it was so ordered.

**o. Resolution Supporting Proposition 167, "The Economic Recovery and Tax Relief Act":** REMOVED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION BUT LISTED HERE FOR CLARITY. The following persons came forward to address the City Council:

Mike Radcliffe, West Hollywood - opposed.

Mark Decker, Hollywood - opposed

Ted Green, Los Angeles - opposed

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 1043, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD SUPPORTING PROPOSITION 167, "THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND TAX RELIEF ACT." Motion Heilman second Koretz. Noting the objection of Guarriello it was so ordered.

**p. Resolution Regarding Expediting of Humanitarian Aid to the Victims of Famine and Civil Unrest in Somalia:** ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 1044, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD URGING THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO WORK WITH THE UNITED NATIONS TO EXPEDITE HUMANITARIAN AID TO THE VICTIMS OF THE FAMINE AND CIVIL UNREST IN SOMALIA."

Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**3. GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 92-02 REGARDING TEXT CHANGES TO THE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN:** The staff report was given by Jennifer Davis. Mayor Lang opened the public hearing and the following persons came forward to address the Council:

Bill Edwards, West Hollywood: lack of proper notice.  
Corin Kahn, attorney for ROAR: without this change, Raleigh project is not legal.  
Clare Bronowski, Attorney for Raleigh: this reconfirms bonus height.  
Ginny Kruger, Councilman Zev Yaroslavski's office: request continuance, perhaps 2 weeks.  
Judith Szarka Cantor, Los Angeles: opposed to project - also request continuance.  
Alan Cantor, Los Angeles: opposed to project.  
Jeanne Dobrin, West Hollywood: Los Angeles project on Sunset.

No one else coming forward to speak, Mayor Lang closed the public hearing and returned this item to the Council for discussion.

**ACTION:** Adopt Resolution No. 1045, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ADOPTING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 92-02 AMENDING THE TEXT OF THE GENERAL PLAN ENSURING CONSISTENCY WITH THE RECENTLY ADOPTED ZONING ORDINANCE." Motion Land second Heilman. Noting the objection of Guarriello, it was so ordered.

**4. 8001 NORTON AVENUE AND 1213-1215 LAUREL AVENUE - APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF DEVELOPMENT PERMIT 92-03, DEMOLITION PERMIT 92-01, ALLOWING DEMOLITION OF ONE SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE, ONE DUPLEX, AND TWO APARTMENT BUILDINGS (TOTAL 16 UNITS) AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF FORTY-ONE AFFORDABLE UNITS (28 ONE-BEDROOMS AND 13 THREE BEDROOMS):** The staff report was given by Angela Reynolds. Anne Browning stated that a final decision could not be made at this meeting due to the property not being posted for the required 30 days. The hearing could be opened, testimony taken, and then continued open for 30 days (November 16). Mayor Lang opened the public hearing and the following persons came forward to address the Council:

Budd Kops, West Hollywood, appellant:  
Paul Zimmerman, West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation: spoke in favor of the project and outlined the mitigation measures that have been adopted for the project in answer to neighborhood concerns. No proper definition of "family", ask that this section of the permit be removed.  
Belle Wiener, West Hollywood - support the project.  
Mike Rounseville, West Hollywood: project too overpowering for site. Concerned about height and parking.  
Helen Verbit, West Hollywood: nobody considered neighbors.  
Anson Snyder, West Hollywood: Board of Housing Corporation -

support the project.

Victor Regnier, Los Angeles: Architect - pointed out advantages of project.

David Amorena, West Hollywood: support.

Charles Loveman, Community Housing Corporation: support.

Jeanne Dobrin, West Hollywood: people will lose their homes with demolition. Oppose.

David Behr, West Hollywood: opposed to project.

Susan Duran, West Hollywood: support.

Budd Kops, rebuttal: 16 units should be held for displaced residents.

Paul Zimmerman, rebuttal: anyone in the 16 units who qualifies as to income can return to the new project with right of first refusal.

No one else coming forward to speak, Mayor Lang returned this item to the Council for discussion.

Councilmember Guarriello expressed concern over demolition, not rehabilitation, of existing units.

Councilmember Koretz asked if there weren't other lots better suited to this development in the City.

Councilmember Land asked about two communal units and legal problems over definition of family.

Councilmember Heilman spoke about right of first refusal and to incorporate into the approval. Staff to work with applicant to increase the number of parking spaces in the project and continue to look at the view issue.

Hearing continued open to the meeting of November 16th.

**COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:** This portion of the meeting shall be set aside for general comments, announcements, requests of staff, and/or other issues of concern from members of the City Council.

Councilmember Guarriello spoke about whether or not his Transportation Commissioner would have a conflict of interest if he becomes a consultant working on parking structures. The City Attorney stated he would discuss this with the Commissioner.

Councilmember Land reminded everyone of the Vote plus 10 plan for the election. She also announced the need for donations by AIDS Health Care Foundation following their fire.

Councilmember Heilman asked that this meeting be adjourned in memory of Bob Vulcan and Tad Montgomery.

Councilmember Koretz stated he would like to be part of the redesign of the parking district signs and for staff to look at spacing. Also adjourn in memory of Jeff Vopal.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**5. REPORT ON PROGRAM FOR LEGALIZATION OF ILLEGAL RESIDENTIAL DWELLING UNITS:** Anne Browning gave the staff report. Successful program and would like to reinstate and advertise the program.

**ACTIONS:** 1) Receive and file report; 2) direct staff to prepare a text amendment to reinstate the program for a one-year period of time. Motion Land second Heilman. Hearing no objection it was so ordered.

**EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:** Items removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion shall be considered at this time.

Items 2n and 2o were removed from the consent calendar for separate discussion and were heard at this time, but are listed in their original position on the agenda for clarity.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** This time has been set aside for the public to address the Council on any item of interest that could not be heard under Item 1 at the beginning of the meeting.

Bobby Gordon, Burbank - various items of concern.  
Rick Zamarripa, West Hollywood - W.H. Police Department.

#### **LEGISLATIVE**

**6. PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT BETWEEN SWEETZER AND HAVENHURST AVENUES, AND SUNSET BLVD. AND FOUNTAIN AVENUE - DECISION TO INCLUDE IN DISTRICT 6 OR ESTABLISH NEW DISTRICT:** Staff report by Don Korotsky. **ACTIONS:** 1) Designate District A, as indicated in Attachments 1 and 2, as part of Preferential Parking District 6; 2) Introduce on first reading, Ordinance No. 352, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING THE PREFERENTIAL PARKING PROVISIONS OF THE TRAFFIC CODE PERTAINING TO DISTRICT NO. 6 AND AMENDING THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE." Motion Heilman second Koretz. Hearing no objection it was so ordered.


**7. ORDINANCE PROHIBITING VEHICLES FOR SALE, RENT OR LEASE FROM PARKING ON PUBLIC STREETS:** REMOVED FROM AGENDA AT REQUEST OF STAFF.

**COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:** Additional general comments, announcements, requests of staff and/or other issues of concern to Councilmembers shall be presented at this time.

Councilmember Heilman asked staff to look at the issue of maintaining a skeletal staff in City Hall on the alternate Fridays that we are closed.

**ADJOURNMENT** The City Council adjourned to a closed session at 9:50 p.m.. The meeting reconvened at 10:45 p.m. and announced that they discussed matters pertaining to personal and labor negotiations and direction was given to the negotiator. The meeting adjourned at 10:47 p.m., in memory of Bob Vulcan, Tad Montgomery, and Jeff Vopal, to a regular adjourned meeting on October 19, 1992, at 6:00 p.m. for closed session, 7:00 p.m. for regular session, at West Hollywood Park Auditorium.

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 19TH DAY OF OCTOBER 19, 1992.

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK