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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023, 1 P.M. PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON/TELEPHONE ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER 3900 MAIN STREET

PRESENT: Mayor Lock Dawson and Councilmembers Edwards, Cervantes, Fierro,

Conder, Perry, and Hemenway and Councilwoman Plascencia

ABSENT: None

Mayor Lock Dawson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Patrick Maloney spoke regarding afternoon City Council meeting participation, Open Mic Night at Back to the Grind and Euryale and karaoke at Packing House Brewing. Rich Gardner spoke regarding National Alzheimer Awareness month. Malissa McKeith spoke regarding water rights and usage, Riverside South Magnolia Well, and request for formal notice from Western Municipal Water District related to the well.

COMMUNICATIONS

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

There was no update on intergovernmental relations and legislation.

HOMELESS SOLUTIONS UPDATE

The City Council received an update on homeless solutions.

SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

There was no update on sustainability.

LEGAL UPDATE

There was no legal update.

COUNCILMEMBERS DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared at this time.

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DISCUSSION CALENDAR

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE 2023 SESSION UPDATE

Following discussion and without formal motion, the City Council received and ordered filed an update from Arc Strategies on the first year (2023) of the two year (2023-24) legislative session.

STOREFRONT RETAIL COMMERCIAL CANNABIS BUSINESS PERMIT PROCEDURE GUIDELINES - RESOLUTION

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Fierro and seconded by Councilwoman Plascencia to approve (1) the Economic Development, Placemaking, and Branding/Marketing Committee recommendations to (a) adopt a Resolution to adopt the Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Business Permit Procedure Guidelines and Application Review Criteria; (b) authorize an increase of five (5) (Limited Term) Full Time Equivalent (FTEs) in the General Fund for the purposes of Cannabis Permit Review Guidelines: and (2) Councilmember Fierro's recommendation that the resolution include the following modifications: (a) require proof of property control within 90 days of receiving Provisional Approval, with a discretionary extension of an additional 90 days, as part of the Preferred Location Submittal in Phase 2 rather than a condition of final approval; (b) include a merit-based evaluation criteria that provides additional points to those applicants that commit to paying a Living Wage; (c) include a merit-based evaluation criteria that provides additional points to those applicants that demonstrate they have previously entered into a collective bargaining agreement at another location under their ownership; and (d) include a merit-based evaluation criteria that provides additional points to those applicants that describe the process they will follow to ensure the collective bargaining rights of employees who have demonstrated support for a bonafide labor union, including but not limited to a card check process. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Cervantes, Fierro, Hemenway, Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye and Councilmembers Conder and Perry voting no.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24048 Adopting the Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Business Permit Procedure Guidelines and Application Review Criteria for the City of Riverside's Cannabis Program, was presented and adopted.



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The Mayor and City Council recessed at 4:08 p.m. following public comment of the above item and reconvened at 4:15 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present except Councilmember Conder.

Councilmember Conder entered the meeting at 4:28 p.m. during the discussion of the item above.

CLOSED SESSIONS

The Mayor and City Council adjourned to closed sessions at 5:16 p.m. pursuant to Government Code (1) §§54957(a) for consultation with Chief of Police Larry Gonzalez, or his respective deputy, and Chief Information Officer George Khalil regarding threat to public services or facilities; (2) §54956.9(d)(2) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning anticipated litigation - one case; (3) §54956.9(d)(4) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning the City Council deciding whether to initiate litigation - one case; and (4) §54957.6 to review the City Council's position and instruct designated representatives regarding salaries, salary schedules, or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits of all Executive Management employees except the City Manager, City Attorney, and City Clerk, all Management and Confidential employees as defined by PERS, Fire Management Unit, Riverside City Firefighters Association, Riverside Police Officers Association (Police and Police Supervisory Units), Service Employees International Union #721, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers #47, and Riverside Police Administrators Association.

The Mayor and City Council reconvened at 6:18 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present except Councilmember Perry.

Reverend Canon Mary Crist gave the Invocation.

Councilwoman Plascencia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Patrick Maloney spoke regarding the afternoon session public comment. Aurora Chavez spoke regarding rate increases.



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MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Edwards announced Ward 1 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Budget meeting at Springbrook Clubhouse and reported on National Coming Out Day at the Civil Rights Institute, California Economic Summit, Riverside Neighborhood Partnership awards, Path of Life 25 Year anniversary celebration, Love Riverside Serve Day, tour of the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Riverside Community Hospital, Pink on Parade at Ryan Bonaminio Park, and Reed Park Spooktacular. Councilmember Cervantes thanked the Civil Rights Institute and TruEvolution for efforts on Coming Out event, and reported on Halloween event at Cesar Chavez Park, Riverside Neighborhood Partnership event and Champions for Justice, Sycamore Canyon Neighborhood meeting, and Riverside City College panel discussion for LGBTQ History month. Councilmember Fierro reported on a trip to Sacramento to witness the memorial for Tim Strack. Councilmember Conder reported on the 1st of 2024 CDBG meetings at Villegas Park and thanked Frank Arreola for covering the Ward while he was out of town. Councilwoman Plascencia reported on Ward 5 CDBG and Budget community meeting at Hunt Park, office hours, charity dinner for Miracle on Main, Love Riverside Serve Day and thanked Jackie Beauchamp from Martin Commercial Group for hosting the community meeting, Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) for donating backpacks and coloring books, Aggie Padilla for organizing Zumba, and all the volunteers. Councilmember Hemenway reported on Path of Life 25 Year anniversary celebration, Riverside Neighborhood Partnership event, firefighters memorial service, and thanked Lynn Heatley for organizing Love Riverside Serve Day. Mayor Lock Dawson reported on Love Riverside Serve Day.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETING

The City Council Safety, Wellness and Youth Committee will conduct a meeting on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

The City Council Economic Development, Placemaking, and Branding/Marketing Committee will conduct a meeting on Thursday, October 19, 2023, at 3:00 p.m., in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

The City Council Housing and Homelessness Committee will conduct a meeting on Monday, October 23, 2023, at 3:30 p.m., in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Councilmember Hemenway and seconded by Councilwoman Plascencia to approve the Consent Calendar as presented affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Cervantes, Fierro, Conder, Hemenway and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye and Councilmember Perry absent.

LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

The City Council (1) approved a Legal Services Agreement with Buchalter with a term expiring on June 30, 2026, for specialized legal services related to the California Public Utilities Commission; and (2) authorized the City Attorney to execute such Legal Services Agreement.

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The minutes of the meeting on October 3, 2023, were approved as presented.

BOARD AND COMMISSION RESIGNATION

The Mayor and City Council filed the resignation of Gianna F. Visco from the Commission of the Deaf Youth Ex Officio seat, effective immediately.

GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) adopted a resolution calling the General Municipal Election to be held March 5, 2024, to elect office of the Mayor and Members of the City Council for Wards 1, 3, 5, and 7 for four-year terms and consent to the County Registrar of Voters rendering election services to the City as requested by the City Clerk with the County of Riverside to be reimbursed in full for the services; (2) maintain the current policy of having candidates cover the expenses associated with publishing a no more than 200-word Candidate Statement of Qualifications; and (3) direct the City Clerk to fulfill any administrative requirements in accordance with the City Charter and California Elections Code; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24049 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Calling, Providing for and Giving Notice of a General Municipal Election to be Held March 5, 2024, in the City of Riverside, for the Purpose of Electing the Mayor and a Member of the City Council from the First, Third, Fifth and Seventh Wards of Said City of Riverside; and Requesting the County of Riverside to Consolidate the Contest for Mayor and City Council with the



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Statewide General Election and all Other Elections Being Held in the Same Territory on the Same Date, was presented and adopted.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION - CITY CHARTER AMENDMENTS REGARDING APPOINTED INSPECTOR GENERAL - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) adopted a resolution calling a municipal election and placing such proposed City Charter amendments regarding appointed Inspector General on the November 5, 2024, ballot and repealing Resolution No 23892; and (2) directed the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis for such proposed City Charter amendments; and (3) determined the Mayor or Members of the City Council may author ballot arguments if they wish; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24050 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Ordering, Calling, Providing for and Giving Notice of a Municipal Election to be held in Said City on the 5th Day of November 2024, for the Purpose of Submitting to the Qualified Electors of the City of Riverside Certain Amendments to the Charter of the City of Riverside, and Giving Notice and Ordering that Said Municipal Election is Consolidated with the Statewide General Election and all Other Elections being held in the Same Territory on the Same Date and Repealing Resolution No. 23892, was presented and adopted.

PURCHASE - FORD F550 4X4 SUPER DUTY TRUCK

The City Council (1) approved the purchase of one current model Ford F550 4x4 Super Duty truck with a high capacity tow package and a service body from PB Loader Corporation for the Police Department Special Operations Division for the total of \$139,638.55; and (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenue in the amount of \$139,638.55 and an equal amount appropriated to the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, Police Asset Forfeiture Programs as detailed in the written staff report.

ANNUAL PURCHASE ORDER - COMPUTERS AND RELATED ACCESSORIES

The City Council (1) approved the annual purchase order for computers and related accessories from Dell Marketing, L.P., Round Rock, Texas, under OMNIA Cooperative Purchasing Agreement 01-143 in the amount of \$1,250,000; and (2) approved additional change order authority of up to 15% (\$187,500) of the amended total contract amount.



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STATE LIBRARY GRANT - MATERIALS FOR ZIP BOOKS PROJECT - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) accepted a grant award from the California State Library for Zip Books Project in the amount of \$28,057 for the purchase of library materials; (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenue and a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$28,057, or the amount of the grant award, in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, Zip Books Grant 23 Project revenue and expenditure accounts; and (3) authorized the Library Director, or designee, to execute any and all grant documents with California State Library, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

LEASE AGREEMENT - ARLANZA YOUTH AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER - 7801 GRAMERCY SUITE C

The City Council (1) approved the Lease Agreement with the County of Riverside for rent of \$6,381.81 per month for the term of September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, with four, one-year options to extend; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute necessary documents for the Lease Agreement with the County of Riverside, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2268 - SANTA ANA RIVER DISTRICT FEASIBILITY STUDY - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) awarded Request for Proposals 2268 to Economic Consultants Oregon, Ltd., Portland, Oregon, for completion of a Santa Ana River District feasibility study; (2) approved a Professional Consultant Services Agreement for Request for Proposal 2268, with Economic Consultants Oregon, Ltd, in the amount of \$199,335.85 for completion of the above River District Feasibility Study; (3) adopted a Resolution accepting a \$200,000 grant award from the State of California Coastal Conservancy to compete the Study; (4) authorized a grant funding Agreement) with the State of California Coastal Conservancy to compete the Study; (5) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenue, in the amount of \$200,000, or the actual award amount, and appropriate an equal amount in expenditures in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, CA Coastal River Conservancy Project revenue and expenditure accounts; and (6) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute any and all necessary agreements to implement the study described herein, including making minor and non-substantive changes and to sign all documents and instruments



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necessary to complete the transactions; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24051 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Approving the Grant of Funds from the State Coastal Conservancy for the River District Feasibility Study and Authorizing the Execution of all Required Documents by the City Manager or his Designee, was presented and adopted.

AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - RECYCLIST PROGRAM TRACKER IMPLEMENTATION AND SUBSCRIPTION

The City Council (1) approved a Third Amendment to the Professional Consultant Services Agreement for Recyclist Program Tracker Implementation and Subscription with Citizen Communications, LLC, doing business as Recyclist, for a three-year term from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2026, in an annual amount of \$31,390, and with two optional one-year extensions; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Third Amendment, including the optional extensions and making minor and non-substantive changes.

BID 8016 - PIERCE STREET LIFT STATION VALVE REPLACEMENTS

The City Council (1) awarded Bid 8016 for Pierce Street Lift Station Valve Replacements to SCW Contracting Corporation, Fallbrook, California, in the amount of \$843,300; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the construction contract with SCW Contracting Corporation, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

MEASURE Z - REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2256 - DESIGN BUILD SERVICES - ARLINGTON PARK PICKLEBALL COMPLEX PROJECT - 3860 VAN BUREN

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilwoman Plascencia and seconded by Councilmember Edwards to (1) approve the Design Build Services Agreement for Request for Proposal 2256, with Urban Habitat Landscape Contractors, La Quinta, for Design/Build Services for the Arlington Park Pickleball Complex Project, in the amount of \$2,058,240.63, for a term through December 31, 2026; (2) authorize 8 percent change order authority in an amount up to \$164,659.25 for project changes including, but not limited to, unforeseen conditions or necessary design changes, for a total contract amount of \$2,222,899.88; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Design Build Services Agreement with Urban Habitat Landscape Contractors, including making minor and non-

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substantive changes. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Cervantes, Fierro, Conder, Hemenway and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye and Councilmember Perry absent.

CITYWIDE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT POLICY AND TOOLKIT UPDATE

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Edwards and seconded by Councilmember Cervantes to receive and order filed an update and adopt the Citywide Community Engagement Policy and Toolkit. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Cervantes, Fierro, Conder, Hemenway and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye and Councilmember Perry absent.

COMMUNICATIONS

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSIONS

City Attorney Norton announced there were no reportable actions taken during closed session.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION There were no requests at this time.

The City Council adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DONESIA GAUSE

City Clerk