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CITY COUNCIL HOUSING AUTHORITY MINUTES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023, 3 P.M.

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ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET

PRESENT: Mayor Lock Dawson, Councilmembers Edwards, Cervantes, Fierro, Perry, and Hemenway and Councilwoman Plascencia

ABSENT: Councilmember Conder

Mayor Lock Dawson called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., gave the Invocation, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Edwards reported on Northside Improvement Association and Downtown Alliance Neighborhood meetings, a meeting with 'Yes to More Life' organization, and Dickens Festival. Councilmember Cervantes thanked Kathryn Rodriguez with the Health Disparity Research Institute of the University of California, Riverside for hosting a symposium at California Air Resources Board (CARB) and reported on the Eastside Neighborhood Forum and congratulated Resident Leadership Academy Cohort on their graduation and acknowledged all the organizations and individuals who participated in the Lunar Festivals throughout the County. Councilmember Fierro reported on the ribbon cutting ceremony for Family Promise, an organization that provides resources for families and youths experiencing homelessness. Councilwoman Plascencia thanked Mike Futrell and residents for attending Ward 5 Neighborhood meeting and reported on Warmington Residential Southern California Division community meeting at Bourns Youth Innovation Center and thanked the Public Safety and Engagement Team outreach. Mayor Lock Dawson reported on a meeting with Public Works staff Nathan Mustafa and Gilbert Hernandez to discuss opportunities for infrastructure dollars in funding several projects and reported on the postponement of Beautify Riverside in Ward 5 because of weather.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Errol Koshowitz spoke regarding homelessness, use of bathroom facilities, and library closures during holidays. Monique Osguera Martinez spoke regarding cars parking in the red zone area on Polk Street and Diana Avenue and the need for more stop signs. Jason Hunter spoke regarding possible conflict of interest with the law firm, SCPPA Audit, and the outside Counsel Engagement letter. Lea Petersen of Southern California Gas spoke regarding natural gas price hikes.



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COMMUNICATIONS

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

There was no update on intergovernmental relations and legislation.

HOMELESS SOLUTIONS UPDATE

There was no update on homeless solutions.

SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

There was no update on sustainability.

HEALTH, SAFETY, AND SECURITY UPDATES

There was no update on health, safety, and security.

LEGAL UPDATE

There was no legal update.

COUNCILMEMBERS DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Councilmember Fierro recused himself from the Sidewalk Café program due to ownership of a business in Downtown.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Lock Dawson introduced City Planner Maribeth Tinio and Economic Development Manager Jorge Barrera.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

2022 CITYWIDE GRANT ACTIVITIES REPORT

Following discussion and without formal motion, the City Council received and ordered filed the Annual Report for Calendar Year 2022 Citywide Grant activities.



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AWARD BID 7906 - SENATE BILL 1 - FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017 STREET MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENTS - CITYWIDE
Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Perry and seconded by Councilmember Cervantes to (1) award a construction contract for Bid 7906 for Fiscal Year 2021-22 Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB-1) Street Maintenance Improvements to All American Asphalt, Corona, in the amount of \$8,965,842.76; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the construction contract, including making minor and non-substantive changes, subject to the availability of budgeted funds. The motion carried with Councilmember Conder absent.

Councilmember Fierro recused himself from participating in the following item citing financial conflict of interest and left the dais due to ownership of a business in Downtown.

SIDEWALK CAFÉ PROGRAM - ENCROACHMENT PERMIT FEE WAIVER - EXTENSION FOR RESTAURANTS OPERATING A PERMITTED TEMPORARY OUTDOOR FLEX SPACE FOR DINING PURPOSES - RESOLUTION

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilwoman Plascencia and seconded by Councilmember Edwards to (1) adopt a Resolution establishing a Sidewalk Café Program; and (2) approve an Encroachment Permit fee waiver for Category 1 Sidewalk Café Program applicants; and (3) approve an optional extension for restaurants operating a permitted Temporary Outdoor Flex Space for dining purposes. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Cervantes, Perry, Hemenway and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye, Councilmember Fierro recused, and Councilmember Conder absent.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 23956 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Establishing a Sidewalk Café Program, was presented and adopted.

CLOSED SESSIONS

The Mayor and City Council adjourned to closed sessions at 4:48 p.m. pursuant to Government Code (1) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive from legal counsel concerning Elaine Gonzales v. City of Riverside, WCAB Claim No.(s): 160159/ADJ10706853; (2) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive from legal



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counsel concerning Beatriz Sarabia v. City of Riverside, WCAB Claim No.(s): 160117/ADJ10427560; (3) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive from legal counsel concerning Terry A. Meyer v. City of Riverside, WCAB Claim No.(s): 070177-Itm RIV 0077889 and 040286-Itm RIV 0069758; (4) §54956.9(d)(2)/54956.9(e)(3) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Robert P. Riley, Claim No.: 22-05-27; (5) §54957(a) for consultation with Chief of Police Larry Gonzalez and Chief Information Officer George Khalil regarding threat to public services or facilities; (6) §54956.9(d)(2) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning anticipated litigation regarding one case; (7) §54956.9(d)(4) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning the City Council deciding whether to initiate litigation regarding one case; and (8) §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 6:15 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present except Councilmember Conder.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/PLANNING REFERRALS AND APPEALS

RESHAPE RIVERSIDE REDISTRICTING PROCESS

Hearing was called to consider a presentation from staff and the City's consulting demographer, Redistricting Partners, regarding the process and criteria for establishing new ward boundaries. Twenty-one people spoke on the matter. The public hearing was officially closed.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Hemenway and seconded by Councilmember Cervantes to receive (1) Community of Interest Testimony and Draft Maps submitted by community members; and (2) advance Draft Map A3, create Draft Map A4 to include the Northside Specific Plan and Magnolia Center and advance Draft



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Map D3 with modifications requested by Councilmember Cervantes for final selection and determination on March 14, 2023. The motion carried with Councilmember Conder absent.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Pam Nusser and Steve Johnson spoke regarding lawsuit concerning Ward 4 Councilmember. Malissa McKeith spoke regarding water and the City Strategic Plan. Jason Hunter and a caller spoke regarding Neighbors Better Together Draft Map submission.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Councilmember Hemenway and seconded by Councilmember Perry to approve the Consent Calendar as presented affirming the actions appropriate to each item except the agreement amendment with Raincross Hospitality Corporation removed from the agenda and forwarded to the Financial Performance and Budget Committee. The motion carried with Councilmember Conder absent.

BUDGET - OUTSIDE COUNSEL ENGAGEMENT LETTER

The City Council approved a legal budget for the law firm of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth in an amount not-to-exceed \$109,050 to defend the City in the case entitled *Pongs v. City of Riverside*, a reverse validation lawsuit challenging the validity of City issued municipal bonds; and (2) authorized the City Attorney to execute the Outside Counsel Engagement Letter.

BOARD AND COMMISSION RESIGNATION AND APPOINTMENTS

The Mayor and City Council (1) filed the resignation of Tinka Friend from the Commission on Disabilities Citywide seat; (2) appointed Tinka Friend to the Commission of the Deaf Ward 5 seat for a term through March 1, 2025; (3) appointed Mike Anderson to a Commission of the Deaf Citywide seat for a term of two or four years to be determined at the Commission's first meeting in accordance with Riverside Municipal Section 2.100.030(D) for inaugural terms; and (4) appointed Megan Durkee to the Human Relations Commission Ward 6 seat for a term to begin March 1, 2023 through March 1, 2027.



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MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of February 7, 2023, were approved as presented.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 TRAVEL AND MEETING EXPENDITURES REPORT

The City Council received and ordered filed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Mayor and City Council expenditures report.

CASE DP-2022-00914 - AMENDING THE ZONING MAP - CITY LANDMARK NO. 146 - THE POWELL-WHEELER RESIDENCE - 3860 EL HIJO -ORDINANCE ADOPTED

The City Council adopted an Ordinance amending the Zoning Map of the City of Riverside pursuant to Chapter 19.090 of the Riverside Municipal Code by applying the Cultural Resources Overlay ("CR") Zone to City Landmark No. 146, the Powell-Wheeler Residence, located at 3860 El Hijo Street; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance No. 7624 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Riverside Pursuant to Chapter 19.090 of the Riverside Municipal Code by Applying the Cultural Resources Overlay ("RR") Zone to City Landmark No. 146, the Powell-Wheeler Residence, Located at 3860 El Hijo Street, was presented and adopted.

BID 7793 - SERVICES AGREEMENT - CHANGE ORDER AUTHORITY- CITYWIDE CAR WASH SERVICES

The City Council (1) approved the Services Agreement with Wash Master, LLC, for a one-year term in the amount of \$92,100 with the option to extend for three additional one-year terms; (2) approved 15 percent change order authority for the agreement; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Services Agreement with Wash Master, LLC, including making minor and non-substantive changes, including amendments for term extensions up to three additional one-year terms, subject to the availability of budgeted funds.

AWARD BID 7934 - X-RAY SYSTEM TO DETECT IMPROVISED EXPLOSIVE DEVICES

The City Council awarded Bid 7934 to LOGOS Imaging, LLC, for purchase of one Xray imaging system used by Police Technical Services to detect improvised explosive devices in the amount of \$62,149.06.



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AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF RIVERSIDE CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU AND RIVERSIDE SPORTS COMMISSION

The City Council (1) approved the First Amendment to the Management and Operations Agreement with Raincross Hospitality Corporation for the Riverside Convention & Visitors Bureau and Riverside Sports Commission to extend for one additional five-year term to June 30, 2028, for a base contract amount as of Fiscal Year 2022/23 of \$1,775,668 for the Riverside Convention & Visitors Bureau, and \$206,397 base contract amount for the Riverside Sports Commission; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the First Amendment to the Management and Operations Agreement with Raincross Hospitality Corporation for the Riverside Convention & Visitors Bureau and Riverside Sports Commission, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

PURCHASE - PORTABLE GENERATOR - EMERGENCY POWER TO CORPORATION YARD ALTERNATIVE FUEL STATION - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) approved the purchase of one Atlas Copco QAS 700 portable generator from Valley Power Systems, Inc., City of Industry, in the total amount of \$316,359.19, to provide emergency power to the Corporation Yard Alternative Fuel Station; and (2) with at least five affirmative votes, authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record a supplemental appropriation in the Central Garage Fund, in the amount of \$316,359.19 from the available fund balance in the Central Garage Fund, General Services-Motor Pool, Automotive Equipment account.

MASTER FRINGE BENEFITS AND SALARY PLAN AMENDING - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) approved the Hiring Incentive Program for the Police Officer and Public Safety Dispatcher II Lateral classifications; (2) approved the revisions to the Relocation allowance provision to include Management and Senior Management classifications; and (3) adopted a Resolution amending the Master Fringe Benefits and Salary Plan to implement a hiring incentive program for the Police Officer and Public Safety Dispatcher II Lateral classifications; revise Section 24, Relocation allowance, to include Management and Senior Management classifications in addition to Executive classifications; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 23957 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Resolution No. 21052 and the Master Fringe Benefits and Salary Plan to Revise Section 24, Relocation Allowance, to Include Management and Senior Management Classifications



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in Addition to Executive Classifications and to Revise Section 25, Incentive Program for Difficult to Recruit Positions, to Implement the Incentive Program for Police Officer and Public Safety Dispatcher II Lateral Classifications, was presented and adopted.

SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT - PROCUREMENT AND SUPPORT SERVICES AUTOMATED LAPTOP KIOSK CHECKOUT MACHINES - CAREER CONNECTION PROGRAM

The City Council (1) approved the American Rescue Plan Act Subrecipient Agreement with Java Connections, DBA LaptopsAnytime, for six automated laptop 12-bay kiosk checkout machines in the amount of \$301,183.13; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents including making minor and non-substantive changes.

BID 7952 - CHANGE ORDER AUTHORITY - MOUNT RUBIDOUX WALL/ROAD EROSION REPAIRS PROJECT

The City Council (1) awarded Bid 7952 to Issa Electric, Inc., Riverside, in the amount of \$286,108.80 for the installation of the Mount Rubidoux Wall/Road Erosion Repairs Project; (2) authorized 10 percent change order authority in an amount up to \$28,610.88 for project changes including, but not limited to, unforeseen conditions or necessary design changes, for a total contract amount of \$314,719.68; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute a Construction Agreement with Issa Electric, Inc., Riverside, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

SECOND AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT - WATER COST OF SERVICE ANALYSIS AND RATE DESIGN

The City Council (1) approved a Second Amendment to the Professional Consultant Services Agreement for Water Cost of Service Analysis and Rate Design with Carollo Engineers, Inc., Riverside, increasing the contract amount by \$40,000 for a revised total contract amount of \$214,732; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Second Amendment, including making minor and non-substantive changes.



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DISCUSSION CALENDAR

JOINT ITEM WITH HOUSING AUTHORITY - DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT - MULBERRY VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT - 2825-2841 MULBERRY - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Edwards and seconded by Councilmember Cervantes to (1) approve a Development Agreement for the Mulberry Village Development Project with the City of Riverside, Habitat for Humanity Riverside, Inc., and the Housing Authority of the City of Riverside for an allocation of \$438,117.72 in Neighborhood Stabilization Program grant funds for the development of 10 small cottage-style homes on Housing-Authority-owned property located at 2825-2841 Mulberry Street; (2) with at least five affirmative votes, authorize an increase in revenue and an appropriation in expenditures in the amount of \$438,117.72 in the Neighborhood Stabilization Program Funds; and (3) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Development Agreement for the Mulberry Village Development Project, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

The Housing Authority (1) approved a Development Agreement for the Mulberry Village Development Project with the City of Riverside, Habitat for Humanity Riverside, Inc., and the Housing Authority of the City of Riverside for an allocation of \$438,117.72 in Neighborhood Stabilization Program grant funds for the development of 10 small cottage-style homes on Housing-Authority-owned property located at 2825-2841 Mulberry Street; and (2) authorized the Executive Director, or designee, to execute the Development Agreement for the Mulberry Village Development Project, including making minor and non-substantive changes. The motion carried with Councilmember Conder absent.

COMMUNICATIONS

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSIONS

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



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ITEMS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Councilmember Perry requested a report of City sponsorships on a biannual basis. Councilmember Cervantes requested a discussion to establish an Art Commission forwarded to the Inclusiveness, Community Engagement, and Governmental Processes Committee. Councilmember Edwards requested completion of the boards and commissions review and report to the City Council.

The City Council adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk