

City of Arts & Innovation

BUDGET ENGAGEMENT COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2022, 5 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON/TELEPHONE
MAYOR'S CEREMONIAL ROOM
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair Lyell, Vice Chair Sanchez Jr., and Commissioners Mendez, Burns, Pelzer, Arballo, Scarano, Gonzalez-Kester, Demshki, Fine, Hart, Garcia, White, and Weinrich

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Diana Alegria, Edward Enriquez, Ruby Leann Castillo, Ryan Marty, Kris Martinez, Susan Wilson, Kristie Thomas, Robyn Peterson, Pamela Galera, Gema R. Ramirez, Kyle Raphael, Erin Christmas, Lea Deesing, Nathan Freeman, Ryan Marty, Larry Gonzalez, Chris Wagner, Nathan Mustafa, and Gilbert Hernandez

Chair Lyell convened the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

ELECTION

It was moved by Commissioner Scanaro and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez Jr., to nominate Chair Lyell for another term as Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Mendez and seconded by Commissioner Pelzer to nominate Commissioner Sanchez Jr., for Vice Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Tom Evan spoke regarding the Jesus S. Duran Eastside Library.

CONSENT CALENDAR

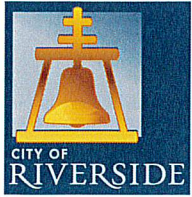
It was moved by Commissioner Fine and seconded by Commissioner Arballo to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried with Commissioner Demshki abstaining.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of February 10, 2022, were approved as presented.

ATTENDANCE

The Budget Engagement Commission excused the absences of Commissioners Mounsey, Demshki, Gonzalez-Kester, Hart, and Garcia from the February 10, 2022, meeting.



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DISCUSSION CALENDAR

MEASURE Z - PROPOSED EXPANSION TO PUBLIC SAFETY ENGAGEMENT TEAM PROGRAM

Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Fine and seconded by Commissioner Arballo to (1) receive and file the proposal on the possible expansion of the Public Safety Engagement Team Program; and (2) add the Budget Engagement Commissions support for this item. Motion carried unanimously.

STATUS UPDATE REGARDING SIX CITY-OWNED PROPERTIES PREVIOUSLY DECLARED AS SURPLUS PROPERTY

Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner Pelzer to (1) receive and file a status update regarding six City-owned properties previously declared as surplus property to either generate sale revenue or reduce operating costs to address the CalPERS challenge and financial impacts associated with COVID-19. Motion carried unanimously.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FIRST ALLOCATION UPDATE OF GRANT FUNDS

Following discussion and without formal motion the Budget Engagement Commission received and ordered filed an update on the American Rescue Plan Act Expenditure Plan for the first allocation of grant funds.

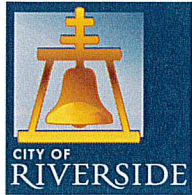
MEASURE Z - MUSEUM RENOVATION AND EXPANSION PROJECT UPDATE

Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Fine and seconded by Commissioner Hart to (1) receive and order filed an update on the Measure Z project - Museum Renovation and Expansion; and (2) recommend that City Council make a commitment to a viable operative Museum and move the project forward. Motion carried with all Commissioners voting aye and Commissioner Weinrich abstaining.

Commissioner Burns left at this time.

MEASURE Z - RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY BUILDING FORWARD LIBRARY INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM

Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner Fine to recommend that the City Council approve and authorize Measure Z City Match funding in the amount of \$6,525,667 that will allow the City of Riverside to apply on behalf of the Riverside Public Library for the California State Library Building



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Forward Library Infrastructure grant program for \$10,051,333 with a \$5,025,667 City match and \$1,500,000 contingency from the Measure Z Fund. Motion carried with Commissioners Weinrich, Pelzer, Demshki, Fine, Gonzalez-Kester, Hart, and White voting aye, Commissioners Arballo, Scarano, Lyell, Mendez, Garcia, and Sanchez Jr. voting no, and Commissioner Burns absent.

Commissioner Arballo left at this time.

FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL UPDATE

It was moved by Commissioner Fine and seconded by Commissioner Pelzer to (1) receive and order filed the Fiscal Year 2021/22 Second Quarter financial update; (2) recommend that the City Council authorize the Chief Financial Officer to record an increase in revenue and appropriate expenditures in the amount of \$1,000 in the Development Grants Fund for additional funding received from the State Office of Historic Preservation grant; (3) recommend that the City Council authorize the Chief Financial Officer to record a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$350,000 in the General Fund Parks, Recreation and Community Services department for the repair of Shamel Park pool; (4) recommend that the City Council authorize the Chief Financial Officer to record a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$191,816 in the Community Facilities District 90-1 Highlander Fund for irrigation maintenance; and (5) recommend that the City Council authorize the Chief Financial Officer to record an interfund transfer of Wellness Program Donations from the General Fund to the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund in the amount of \$46,679.90. Motion carried with all Commissioners voting aye, Chair Lyell voting no, and Commissioners Burns and Arballo absent.

COMMISSION MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

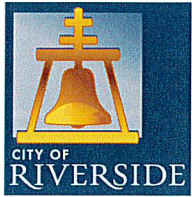
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER UPDATE

There was no update from the Chief Financial Officer.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BUDGET ENGAGEMENT COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

Vice Chair Sanchez Jr. requested an update on refuse services and Commissioner Mendez requested an update on CalPERS.

Chair Lyell adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.



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Respectfully submitted,

DIANA ALEGRIA
Deputy City Clerk