



City of Arts & Innovation

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024, 1 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET

PRESENT: Mayor Lock Dawson and Councilmembers Falcone, Cervantes, Robillard, Conder, Mill, Perry, and Hemenway

ABSENT: None

Mayor Lock Dawson called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Errol Koshewitz spoke regarding the 2024 Presidential election and accountability of California legislators. Javier Enriquez of the South Coast Air Quality Management District announced a public hearing on June 7, 2024, regarding Rule 1146.2. Tom Evans spoke regarding Fiscal Year 2022-23 Electric and Water utility annual rate plan results update.

Councilmember Cervantes entered the meeting at 1:07 p.m.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Falcone reported on office hours, meeting with the Refuse Team, Show and Go, meeting with Ward 1 Board members and Commissioners, and Neighbors of the Wood Street meeting at Eden Lutheran Church. Councilmember Cervantes reported on the Arts and Music Festival at Lincoln Park, Riverside Arts Academy Gala, and grand opening for La Entrada Housing Project. Councilmember Robillard reported on the meeting with the Solid Waste Division, Holocaust Remembrance Day, and wished all mothers a Happy Mother's Day. Councilmember Conder thanked Frank Arreola for doing a great job and reported on Tamale Festival at White Park, student orientation on Government with Leadership class, Armed Forces Network Committee meeting, and wished all mothers a Happy Mother's Day. Councilmember Mill reported on Tamale Festival, 115th Cinco de Mayo Festival in Casa Blanca and Queens of the Festival Natalia and Frances who are 102 and 104 years old, new Fire Department support Dog Odin, visit to Hunt and Villegas Parks during Summer Expo, Ride along with Police Department, Show and Go, Riverside Sports Hall of Fame dinner, Community Action Group meeting at Villegas Park, League of Cities meeting in Indian Wells, events at Arlington Park, Great American cleanup, and wished all mothers a Happy Mother's Day. Councilmember Perry reported on National Crimes Victim Rights Week, Summer Expo at Arlanza Park, speaking session with Kaiser employees, and Riverside County Peace Officers Memorial. Councilmember Hemenway reported on Dollars for Scholars event, Community Health



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and Wellness Fair at La Sierra Park, Norte Vista High School Creative Rides Car Show, and wished all the mothers a Happy Mother's Day. Mayor Lock Dawson reported on Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) General Assembly meeting and her reappointment to Chair of the Legislative Committee, Tamale Festival, 2nd Annual Southern California Mayors Leadership conference, thanked Councilmember Falcone for serving as the Alternate at the SCAG meeting, Councilmember Perry for assisting with the Mayor's Office Public Safety tours and welcomed Zoe Ridgway to the Mayor's Office team.

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

The City Council received an update on sustainability.

LEGAL UPDATE

There was no legal update.

COUNCILMEMBERS DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Councilmember Robillard recused himself from the Closed Session items regarding (1) Tony Platt v City of Riverside and the City of Riverside v. Tony Platt, et al., and (2) the City of Riverside v Councilmember Charles Conder and former Councilmember Steven R. Adams citing financial conflict of interest.

Councilmember Perry recused himself from the ordinance to establish weight limit restriction on Fillmore Street from Indiana Avenue to the southerly City limits citing he lives within 500 feet of Fillmore Street.

Councilmember Conder recused himself from the Closed Session items regarding (1) Tony Platt v City of Riverside and the City of Riverside v. Tony Platt, et al., and (2) the City of



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Riverside v Councilmember Charles Conder and former Councilmember Steven R. Adams citing conflict of interest.

Councilmember Mill recused himself from the Closed Session items regarding (1) Tony Platt v City of Riverside and the City of Riverside v. Tony Platt, et al., (2) the City of Riverside v Councilmember Charles Conder and former Councilmember Steven R. Adams and citing financial conflict of interest.

PRESENTATION

CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT

The City Council received a presentation providing an overview of the activities of the City Clerk Department and recognizing the Department's Employee of the Year.

CLOSED SESSIONS

The City Council adjourned to closed sessions at 1:56 p.m. pursuant to Government Code (1) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning (a) Lionel Cabrera and David Riley v. City of Riverside, et al., Riverside County Superior Court Case No. CVRI2301971; and (b) City of Riverside v. Lionel Cabrera, Riverside County Superior Court Case No. CVRI2301971; (2) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning (a) Tony Platt v. City of Riverside, Riverside County Superior Court Case No. RIC1822011; and (b) City of Riverside v. Tony Platt, et al., Riverside County Superior Court Case No. COC1900185; (3) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning City of Riverside, a charter city and municipal corporation, the City Council of the City of Riverside, acting by and through its duly elected councilmembers, Erin Edwards, Clarissa Cervantes, Ronaldo Fierro, Gabriela Plascencia, James Perry, and Steven Hemenway, in their official capacity v. Councilmember Charles Conder and former Councilmember Steven R. Adams, in their official capacity, and does 1 through 50, inclusive, Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVRI2300725; (4) §54956.8 to instruct City's Negotiator, Charles M. Futrell, regarding price and terms of payment for the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of property located at 3750 University Avenue, Suite 125, APN: 215-371-005, by The IG Group, LLC operating as River Ranch Grill and Bar; Ivan Garcia/Ruben Barragan, Negotiators; (5) §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



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or facilities; (6) §54956.9(d)(2) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning anticipated litigation regarding two cases; (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 two cases; (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; (9) §54957 for performance evaluation of City Attorney; (10) §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 unrepresented employee for City Attorney; (11) §54957 for performance evaluation of City Manager; and (12) §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 unrepresented employee for City Manager.

The Mayor and City Council ended closed session at 4:28 p.m. and returned to open session at 4:55 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present.

PRESENTATION

RIVERSIDE YOUTH COUNCIL - TWENTY-FIVE MOST REMARKABLE TEENS

The Mayor and City Council received and ordered file the Riverside Youth Council presentation of Riverside's 25 Most Remarkable Teens.

The City Council recessed at 5:14 p.m. and reconvened at 6:15 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present.

Councilmember Perry gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.



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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Patrick Maloney spoke regarding movie night in the Wood Streets, karaoke at the Hideway Café, open mic night at Back to the Grind and Euryale Brewing Company, and Neighbors of the Wood Street community meeting.

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. The motion carried with (1) Mayor Lock Dawson voting aye on the Board and Commission appointments and resignations; and (2) Councilmember Perry recusing himself from the ordinance to establish weight limit restriction on Fillmore Street from Indiana Avenue to the southerly City limits citing he lives within 500 feet of Fillmore Street.

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

The Mayor and City Council (1) appointed Kevin Dawson to the Park and Recreation Commission Ward 2 seat for a term through March 1, 2027, Barry Johnson to the Park and Recreation Commission Ward 7 seat for a term through March 1, 2025 and Bobby M. Garcia to the Community Police Review Commission Ward 5 seat for a term through March 1, 2028; and (2) filed resignations of Mark DeBus from the Commission on Aging Ward 3 seat and Rakel Y. Engles from the Park and Recreation Commission Ward 7 seat, effective immediately.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings on April 16 and 23, 2024, were approved as presented.

BUSINESS TAX DISCOVERY PROGRAM STATUS AND FINANCIAL UPDATE - ORDINANCE INTRODUCED

The City Council approved the Finance Committee recommendation to (1) receive an update on the status and financial impact of the City's Business Tax Discovery program; and (2) introduce an Ordinance amending specific sections of Riverside Municipal Code Section 5.04 Taxes, Licenses and Regulations; whereupon, an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Various Sections in Chapter 5.04 of the Riverside Municipal Code Regarding Taxes, Licenses and Regulations," was presented and introduced.



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AGREEMENT - DOMAIN MANAGEMENT - WEBSITE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

The City Council (1) approved the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Raincross, Inc., for domain management, on-going website design and development, and search engine optimization for VisitRiverside.com for an annual amount of \$66,960 for a five-year term, with five one-year extensions that can be exercised by mutual agreement, for a total contract amount not-to-exceed \$334,800; (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Professional Consultant Services Agreement, including making minor and non-substantive changes, and the contract extensions for the amount not-to-exceed \$66,960 annually.

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION GRANT - CALIFORNIA AUTOMATED PERMIT PROCESSING PROGRAM - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) authorized a Resolution for the acceptance of up to \$100,000 in Grant funds and authorization to enter into a Standard Agreement with the State of California Energy Commission to implement the California Automated Permit Processing Program (CalAPP); (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer or designee, to record an increase in revenue in an amount of \$100,000, and appropriate expenditures in the same amount in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, California Automated CalAPP Grant revenue and expenditure accounts; and (3) authorized the City Manager or designee to execute all documents related to the application and administration of the CalAPP Grant including any applications, Standard Agreements, extensions, etc., making minor corrections as necessary; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24110 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Authorizing the Acceptance of Grant Funds from the State of California Energy Commission for the California Automated Permit Processing Program to Comply with Senate Bill 379 and Authorizing the Execution of Necessary Grant Documents by the City Manager, or his Designee, was presented and adopted.

AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - CAR WASH SERVICES - CITYWIDE

The City Council (1) approved a Second Amendment to the Services Agreement for Citywide car wash services with Wash Master LLC, Beaumont, to increase the annual contract amount by \$80,564.28 for a contract amount of \$172,664.28; (2) approved a 15 percent change order authority in the amount of \$25,899.64 for a total annual contract not-to-exceed \$198,563.92; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or his



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designee, to execute the Second Amendment with Wash Master LLC, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

HEAVY DUTY AERIAL PERSONNEL-LIFT VEHICLE

The City Council ratified emergency Purchase Order Number 243884 in the amount of \$148,436.31 for one heavy duty aerial personnel-lift vehicle from Commerce Truck Equipment Sales, LLC, Norco, for the Public Works Traffic Signal Maintenance Division.

BID 8060 - REJECT BIDS - TAXIWAY REHABILITATION PROJECT - RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

The City Council (1) rejected all bids for Request for Bids 8060 for Taxiway A Rehabilitation Project located at the Riverside Municipal Airport; and (2) authorized staff to release a revised Request for Bids.

MEASURE Z - BID 8053 - BORDWELL PARK PARKING LOT REPAIRS - SLURRY SEAL PROJECT

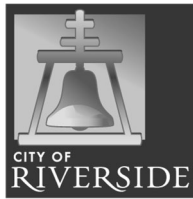
The City Council (1) awarded Bid 8053 to Onyx Paving Company, Inc., Anaheim, in the amount of \$121,969.00 for the construction of the Bordwell Park Parking Lot Repairs and Slurry Seal Project; (2) authorized 10 percent change order authority in an amount up to \$12,196.90 for project changes including, but not limited to, unforeseen conditions or necessary design changes, for a total contract amount not-to-exceed \$134,165.90; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute a Construction Agreement with Onyx Paving, Inc., Anaheim, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 ELECTRIC AND WATER UTILITY ANNUAL RATE PLAN RESULTS UPDATE

The City Council received the annual Electric and Water Utility Rate Plan update for the results of Fiscal Year 2022-23.

MEASURE Z - BID 8038 - SANTA ANA RIVER TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS NEAR MARTHA MCLEAN-ANZA NARROWS PARK

The City Council (1) awarded a construction contract for Bid 8038 for the Santa Ana River Trail Improvements to Voltaire Engineering, Inc., Redlands, in the amount of \$232,037 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$23,204; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the construction contract with Voltaire Engineering, Inc., including making minor and non-substantive changes, subject to the availability of budgeted funds.



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AMEND RESTRICTION OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES - FILLMORE/INDIANA - ORDINANCE INTRODUCED

The City Council introduced an ordinance to establish a 5-ton weight limit restriction on the segment of Fillmore Street from Indiana Avenue to the southerly City limits; whereupon, an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Section 10.56.020 of the Riverside Municipal Code Designating the Restriction of Commercial Vehicles for Certain Streets and Portions Thereof to Establish 5-Ton Weight Limit Restrictions on Fillmore Street from Indiana Avenue to the Southerly City Limits," was presented and introduced.

AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - LANDSCAPE AND GENERAL OUTSIDE MAINTENANCE SERVICES - SYCAMORE HIGHLANDS LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT AND CANYON SPRINGS/CANYON CROSSINGS BUSINESS DISTRICT

The City Council (1) approved a Third Amendment to the Landscape Maintenance Services Agreement with Greentech Landscape, Inc., Whittier, for landscape and general outside maintenance services for Sycamore Highlands Landscape Maintenance District and Canyon Springs/Canyon Crossings Business District, in the amount of \$165,385.99, which includes a 10 percent contingency in the amount of \$15,035, for vandalism, theft, and/or decay, for a one-year term from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, for a total contract amount of \$916,742.36; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Agreement, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

AMENDMENT - MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING - REIMBURSEMENT OF CROSSING GUARD SERVICES FOR SUMMER PROGRAM

The City Council (1) approved the Second Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding for reimbursement of Crossing Guard Services with Alvord Unified School District (AUSD) to fully reimburse the City of Riverside for all guard locations for the duration of the Summer Program; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Second Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding with AUSD, including making minor and non-substantive changes, and executing future Memorandum of Understanding amendments and extensions, subject to the availability of budgeted funds.



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RIVERSIDE CLEAN AIR CARSHARE - CLEAN MOBILITY OPTIONS VOUCHER PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS

The City Council (1) approved the acceptance of additional grant funds in the amount of \$500,000 under the Clean Mobility Options Voucher Program to support the launch and operations of Riverside Clean Air Carshare Program; (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Termination Agreement with StratosShare, Inc., including making any minor and non-substantive changes; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Professional Services Agreement with Mobility Development Operations, including making any minor and non-substantive changes.

WORKSHOP

2023 FIREWORKS ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Following discussion it was moved by Councilmember Perry and seconded by Councilmember Mill to (1) receive and order filed an update on fireworks enforcement activities for 2023; (2) increase the fines for firework violation from \$1000 to \$1500 on enforcement practices not only targeting the violator but also the property owner based on the circumstances; and (3) direct staff to return to City Council with a modified ordinance to be in effect by July 4, 2024. The motion carried with Councilmembers Falcone, Cervantes, Robillard, Mill, Perry, and Hemenway voting aye and Councilmember Conder voting no.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

BID 8049 - FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 CDBG STREET IMPROVEMENTS - VARIOUS CITY LOCATIONS

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Falcone and seconded by Councilmember Cervantes to (1) award a construction contract for Bid 8049 for the construction of Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Community Development Block Grant Street Improvements with L C Paving & Sealing, Inc., Escondido, in the amount of \$1,412,036; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the construction contract with L C Paving & Sealing, Inc., including making minor and non-substantial changes. The motion carried unanimously.



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NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PROPOSED REVISIONS TO REINSTATE SPEED HUMPS

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Conder and seconded by Councilmember Cervantes to (1) approve the proposed revisions to the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) to reinstate the use of speed humps as a local street secondary mitigation measure option with modifications to the "Traffic Conditions" qualifying criteria; and (2) authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to transfer \$100,000 in Measure A funds from the Arterial Interconnections Project to the Speed Hump Traffic Calming Project account. The motion carried unanimously.

AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - MUNICIPAL TREE MAINTENANCE SERVICES

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Mill and seconded by Councilmember Conder to (1) approve a fifth amendment to the Agreement for Municipal Tree Maintenance Services with West Coast Arborists, Inc., Anaheim, in the amount of \$4,306,389 for services through June 30, 2025, for a total contract amount of \$21,692,407; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Fifth Amendment, including making minor and non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSIONS

City Attorney Norton announced that the City Council unanimously authorized the City Attorney's Office to initiate litigation regarding one case concerning Government Code §54956.9(d)(4) and the actions, defendants, and other particulars may be disclosed upon request after the action has formally commenced.

Mayor Pro Tem Hemenway announced that closed session items for (1) performance evaluation of City Attorney; and (2) review of the City Council's position and instruct designated representatives regarding salaries, salary schedules, or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits of unrepresented employee City Attorney was continued to next City Council meeting.



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ITEMS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Councilmember Falcone requested (1) translation services provided at City Council, Standing Committees, and Boards and Commission meetings referred to the Governmental Processes Committee for review; and (2) a Workshop on Sober Living Homes at a future City Council meeting.

Councilmember Perry requested a discussion on housing element at either the Housing and Homelessness Committee or Land Use Committee.

Mayor Lock Dawson thanked her staff for the 25 Most Remarkable Teens event.

The City Council adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk