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Roll Call:	Present	Х	Х	X	Χ	Х	Χ	Х
In the absence of Mayor Bailey, Mayor Pro Tem Gardner called the meeting order at 2 p.m., in the Art Pick Council Chamber with all Councilmembers present.								
ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE Aurora Chavez spoke regarding water meter repair. Karen Wright spoke regarding the Riverside Auto Hauler, Pellissier Ranch development, a medical marijuana workshop, and the Agricultural Park.								
COMMUNICATIONS								
LEGISLATIVE REPORT The Intergovernmental relations and legislative update was not held.								
<u>WORKSHOP</u>								
PUBLIC UTILITIES ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL IMPACT ANALYSIS REPORT Following discussion and without formal motion, the City Council received and ordered filed the Riverside Public Utilities Economic and Social Impact Analysis Report and presentation as prepared and presented by the University of California Riverside Forecast, LLC.								
RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE 2017-2021 Following discussion, the City Council received and ordered filed the update on the Public Utilities 2.0 Strategic Plan 2017-2021.	Motion Second All Ayes			X	X			
OVERVIEW OF UTILITY FINANCIAL OPERATIONS FOR BOARDS AND COUNCILS Following discussion and without formal motion, the City Council received and ordered filed a presentation by Utility Financial Solutions, LLC, providing an overview of Utility Financial Operations for Boards and Councils.								
CLOSED SESSIONS								
The City Council recessed to the City Council Board Room for closed sessions pursuant to Government Code (1) §54956.9(d)(2) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning one case of anticipated litigation; and (2) §54956.9(d)(4) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning one case of anticipated litigation.								

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RECESS

The City Council recessed at 4:56 p.m., and reconvened at 6:15 p.m., in the Art Pick Council Chamber with Mayor Pro Tem Gardner presiding in the absence of Mayor Bailey and all Councilmembers present.

The Invocation was given by Councilmember Mac Arthur.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Flag.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

BRIEF STATUS REPORTS FOR REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, AND MEETINGS ATTENDED BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL - WARD UPDATES - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Perry reported on a family literacy event at the Arlanza Library. Councilmember Burnard reported on the Christian Athletic League opening ceremonies, homework help at La Sierra Library, and the Ride with the Mayor event. Councilmember Davis reported on ASA Softball Opening Day, Villegas Park St. Patrick's Day festivities, and the League of California Cities Riverside County Division meeting. Councilmember Soubirous reported on the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce, Americans with Disabilities Act compliance training, and the Community Services and Youth Committee discussion on removal of park benches at three City parks. Councilmember Melendrez reported on the season opening of the City's semi-pro soccer team and the Women of Distinction event.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner called upon Riverside Arts Council Executive Director Patrick Brien who recognized California Baptist University Theater Department as Arts Honoree of the Month.

RIVERSIDE PRIDE SUCCESS REPORT

Councilmember MacArthur reported on GrowRiverside in Ward 5.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Phyllis Purcell spoke regarding the U.S. Constitution clause prohibiting the President from taking foreign money. Marilyn Whitney spoke regarding the Agricultural Park and Hole Lake. Scott Berndt spoke regarding the GrowRiverside conference. Theresa Newham spoke regarding the Parks Strategic Plan and Hole Lake. Gurumantra Khalsa spoke regarding an incubator farm, the Agrihood Project, a food hub and truck delivery program,

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local food businesses, and GrowRiverside. Tanya Kelly spoke regarding the Raincross Café sale of the Press Enterprise newspaper.							
CONSENT CALENDAR The following items were approved by one motion affirming the actions appropriate to each item.	Motion Second All Ayes					Х	X
MINUTES The Minutes of the City Council meeting of February 28, 2017, were approved as presented.							
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - SUBSTITUTION OF MEMBER The City Council appointed Councilmember Burnard to serve in place of Councilmember MacArthur on the City Council Development Committee for discussion of a proposed development of a retail and senior housing project on Successor Agency-owned property located at 11124-11144 Pierce Street and 4870 La Sierra Avenue.							
CASE P16-0314 - TENTATIVE TRACT MAP 37013 - SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES - COOK AND BOLTON AVENUES/EDDYSTONE The City Council (1) determined the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment based upon the findings and mitigation measures set forth in the case record and adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration relative to a proposal by Alex Irshaid of Ramcam Group for subdivision of a 12.5-acre lot into five parcels for single-family residences located north of Cook and west of Bolton Avenues and south of Eddystone Street; (2) adopted the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program found in the staff report, pursuant to California CEQA Section 21081.6; and (3) approved Planning Case P16-0314 (Tentative Tract Map 37013).							
HOPWA AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - 2014-15 HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN - ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION, AND TENANT RELOCATION The City Council (1) approved the Second Amendment to Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Agreement with the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside to reprogram \$1,075,595.98 in HOPWA funds for the acquisition, including related acquisition costs, rehabilitation, and tenant relocation of six properties located in the Palm Springs area to the acquisition costs, rehabilitation, and tenant relocation of properties located within the County of Riverside; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Second Amendment to Fiscal Year 2014-2015 HOPWA							

Agreement, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS with the Housing

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Authority of the County of Riverside, including making minor non-substantive changes and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to implement these actions.

FISCAL YEAR 2016 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM GRANT - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) accepted the Fiscal Year 2016 State Homeland Security Program grant award in the amount of \$48,109; (2) adopted a resolution designating the City Manager, or his designee, as the Authorized Agent for Signature Authority to execute all necessary grant agreement documents between the City of Riverside and the County of Riverside Emergency Management Department and any other actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance; and (3) upon grant award, increased revenues in the amount of \$48,109 and appropriated expenditures in the same amount to an account as assigned by the Finance Department; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 23158 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California. Authorizing the Submission of Application and Acceptance of Grant Award from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Through the California Office of Emergency Services for the Fiscal Year 2016 State Homeland Security Program Grant (SHSP) and Authorizing the Execution of All Required Documents by the City Manager or His Designee; and Amending the Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Accordingly, was presented and adopted.

2016 CITY SPIRIT AWARD RECIPIENT

The City Council approved the Mayor's Nominating and Screening Committee recommendations to (1) select Henry Coil to receive the 2016 City Spirit Award to honor his extraordinary deeds and community spirit, good citizenship, and dedication to enhancing the quality of life in the City; and (2) request the City Clerk to notify Mr. Coil and coordinate with the Mayor's Office to schedule presentation of the award at an upcoming City Council meeting.

DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL GRANT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to submit the Alcoholic Beverage Control Grant Assistance Program grant application, accept the assurances and certifications, and make non-substantive changes in documents associated with the application; (2) upon grant award, authorized an increase in estimated revenues in the amount of \$50,000 and appropriated expenditures in the same amount into a project

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account to be established by the Finance Department for the State of California, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control grant program; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to make non-substantive changes and execute all grant documents.

SHOPPING CART RETRIEVAL PROGRAM - ORDINANCE ADOPTED The City Council adopted an ordinance amending Chapter 9.58 of the Riverside Municipal Code, revising the requirements and procedures for shopping cart prevention plans and retrieval; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance No. 7373 of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Chapter 9.58 of the Riverside Municipal Code, Revising the Requirements and Procedures for Shopping Cart Prevention Plans and Retrieval, was presented and adopted.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

CAPITAL LEASE FINANCING FOR CERTAIN EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND PUBLIC UTILITY DEPARTMENTS - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) adopted a resolution approving a financing agreement with Banc of America Public Capital Corp not-to-exceed \$10,500,000, payable over an eight- to ten-year period at an blended interest rate of 2.3452 percent and other related documents; and (2) authorized the Mayor, City Manager, and/or the Chief Financial Officer, to execute all documents necessary to complete the financing including making minor and non-substantive changes; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 23159 of the City Council of the City of Riverside Approving a Schedule of Property No. 2 and Authorizing Certain Actions in Connection Therewith Relating to the Financing of Certain Equipment for the City, was presented and adopted.

BOARD OF ETHICS HEARING PANEL REQUEST

Councilmember Gardner disclosed that Board of Ethics Hearing Panel Chair Champagne Ford is a Ward 1 appointee on the Board of Ethics. City Attorney Geuss confirmed that there is no conflict of interest for Councilmember Gardner in that regard.

Councilmembers Gardner, Melendrez, Mac Arthur, and Perry recused themselves from participating in the following item due to the possible appearance of a potential conflict of interest as they are parties to the related Code of Ethics complaints and left the Art Pick Council Chamber.

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Due to a lack of quorum and invoking the Common Law Rule of Necessity, a random draw of the four recused Councilmembers was conducted with Councilmember Soubirous drawing the name of Councilmember Mac Arthur to return and participate in the following item.								
Councilmember Mac Arthur returned to the Art Pick Council Chamber and Councilmember Soubirous presided.						X		
Following discussion, the City Council denied the request of the Board of Ethics Hearing Panel to (1) waive closed session privileges pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9 and 54963; and (2) release the recording of the closed session occurring on July 22, 2014, to the Board of Ethics Hearing Panel.	Motion Second All Ayes				X			x
Councilmembers Gardner, Melendrez, and Perry returned to the Art Pick Council Chamber and Mayor Pro Tem Gardner presided.		Х	X				X	
COMMUNICATIONS								
CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSIONS City Attorney Geuss announced there were no reportable actions on the closed sessions held earlier in the day.								
ITEMS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION Councilmember Davis requested the following referrals to the City Council Development Committee: (1) an update on Streamline Riverside to discuss policy revisions to improve entry and expansion opportunities for businesses; and (2) a report on a policy to waive business taxes and reduce permit fees by 50 percent during the first two years for new businesses. City Council Development Committee Chair Gardner accepted the referrals and requested the items within 60 days or as soon as possible thereafter.								
The City Council adjourned at 7:38 p.m.								
Respectfully submitted,								
COLLEEN J. NICOL City Clerk								