

# CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2020, 11 A.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING
PUBLIC COMMENT VIA TELEPHONE
3900 MAIN STREET

PRESENT: Mayor Bailey and Councilmembers Edwards, Melendrez, Fierro, Conder,

Perry, and Hemenway and Councilwoman Plascencia

ABSENT: None

Mayor Bailey convened the meeting at 11 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Two persons spoke regarding reopening of businesses. Aurora Chavez spoke regarding COVID-19 information, Special Transportation services, seniors, persons living in City parks, and Public Works employees. Anna Cabral spoke regarding rescinding of protective measures by the County of Riverside and face coverings in public spaces. Kenny Parala spoke regarding rescinding of protective measures by the County of Riverside. Paul Chavez spoke regarding reopening of the City and COVID-19 safety. Gerald Prestitas spoke regarding March Air Reserve Base aircraft low flyovers. One person spoke regarding reopening of businesses, schools, and City facilities and communication. Natalie Kaizer spoke regarding reopening of businesses and churches and face coverings. Mercedes Diaz spoke regarding reopening of the City, State, and Country. Wayne Kirkendall spoke regarding reopening of businesses and gatherings. Andres Prado spoke regarding reopening of the City, face coverings, and social distancing. Maribel Nunez spoke regarding rescinding of protective orders by the County of Riverside. Gracie Torrez spoke regarding rescinding of protective orders by the County of Riverside and the Mayor's press conference. Austin Johnson spoke regarding protection of citizens from COVID-19. Casey Angulo spoke regarding the Mayor's press conference and reopening of the City. Jennifer Morris spoke regarding essential workers, face coverings, and reopening of the City. Gina spoke regarding reopening of the City. Krista Archibald spoke regarding AB 262, the stay-at-home order, furloughs, and reopening of businesses. Janette spoke regarding rescinding of protective orders by the County of Riverside and face coverings. Frances Vasquez spoke regarding reopening of the City. Gustavo spoke regarding reopening of the City and protection of the most vulnerable. Rebecca Manning spoke regarding the opening of City parks. Stan Laskie spoke regarding Riverside City College distance learning and the City reopening. Becky spoke regarding the Mayor's press conference, reopening of the City, and schools. One person spoke regarding distance learning. Eric spoke regarding the Mayor's press conference and



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rescinding of protective orders by the County of Riverside. Ms. Wyrick spoke regarding protection of health care workers, the Mayor's press conference, and rescinding of protective orders by the County of Riverside. Ollie Mizari spoke regarding COVID-19 statistics, State and local government, regulation overreach, and reopening of the City. Brian Demant spoke regarding reopening of businesses. Heather spoke regarding COVID-19 statistics and reopening of businesses. Susan spoke regarding the stay-athome order and reopening of the City. One person spoke regarding Sandals Church, the COVID-19 pandemic, and reopening of the economy. One person spoke regarding reopening of the economy and public health. Brittany Tucker spoke regarding statistics on COVID-19, economic impacts, and reopening of the City. One person spoke regarding rescinding of protective orders by the County of Riverside and reopening of businesses, schools, and churches. Ashley spoke regarding reopening of the City. Irma Flores and Ms. Torres spoke regarding rescinding of protective orders by the County of Riverside. Jackie spoke regarding reopening of the City. John Dover spoke regarding rescinding of protective orders by the County of Riverside. Kathy Lance spoke regarding face coverings and reopening of the City. Annalise spoke regarding face coverings and businesses. One person spoke regarding reopening of businesses. Beth Sanders spoke regarding reopening of businesses and churches and school graduations. Two persons spoke regarding rescinding of protective orders by the County of Riverside. John spoke regarding reopening of the economy and health care professionals. Sharon spoke regarding reopening of the City. Veronica spoke regarding protections against COVID-19 and reopening of the City. Kitty Oleman, Luis, and one other person spoke regarding reopening of the City. Linda Baker spoke regarding utility shutoffs, reopening of the City, restaurants, and street parking. One speaker spoke regarding the reopening of California. Jill Chamberlain spoke regarding reopening of the City and small businesses. Jerry and Dena spoke regarding reopening of the City. Judy Nichols spoke regarding reopening of the City and Governor Newsom. Roberto and Christopher spoke regarding reopening of the City. Gage spoke regarding face coverings. Angela spoke regarding reopening of the City. Heather Dietrich spoke regarding health protections and reopening of the City. Veronica Peterson spoke regarding reopening of the City and schools. Monica Mestas and Alan spoke regarding rescinding of protective orders by the County of Riverside. Mike Chamberlain spoke regarding reopening of the City. Andrea Jennings spoke regarding reopening of the City and schools. Jennifer Simmers spoke regarding reopening of the City. Rachel Lombardo spoke regarding reopening of the City and schools.



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#### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

#### **COVID-19 REOPENING AND RECOVERY**

Following discussion of the City's policy leading to COVID-19 reopening and recovery of the community, it was moved by Councilmember Edwards and seconded by Councilmember Plascencia directing staff to send a letter to the Riverside County Board of Supervisors today to inform their decision on Tuesday, May 5, 2020, regarding rescinding of protective orders and including (1) gratitude for the measures the County has taken; (2) the City's eagerness to move into Phase 2; (3) a request to postpone the decision for removal of County orders until at least Friday to work on readiness, verification, and to allow cities time to review local procedures and ease confusion and concern in the public; (4) a request to not lift the wearing of masks and physical distancing; and (5) outline of important steps the City is already taking to approach Phase 2 and additional future phases. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Melendrez, Fierro, and Perry and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye and Councilmembers Conder and Hemenway voting no.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY MAYOR OR MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

There were no items requested for future agendas.

**ADJOURN** 

The City Council adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

COLLEEN J. NICOL City Clerk