



City of Arts & Innovation

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021, 1 P.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING
PUBLIC COMMENT VIA TELEPHONE
3900 MAIN STREET

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

ABSENT: None

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

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

One caller spoke regarding the Van Buren Sewer project. Malissa McKeith spoke regarding the Ad Hoc Charter Review Committee and an Inspector General. Scott Andrews spoke regarding the management contract with Riverside Art Museum for the Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art and Culture. Linda Nettles spoke regarding the Van Buren Sewer project. Rich Gardner spoke regarding use of Riverside based vendors and the management contract with Riverside Art Museum for the Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art and Culture. Kevin Dawson spoke regarding the US Capitol riot and Mayor and Councilmember reaffirmation of the Oath of Office. Carlos spoke regarding the Van Buren Sewer project. One caller spoke regarding the management contract with Riverside Art Museum for the Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art and Culture. Gracia Torres, Elisia Farishiano, Debbie and one caller spoke regarding the Van Buren Sewer project. Patty Triplet spoke regarding the management contract with Riverside Art Museum for the Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art and Culture. Larry Kanale spoke regarding the Van Buren Sewer project. Jason Hunter spoke regarding the Van Buren Sewer project, the former City Manager contract, Measure MM, and Southern California Public Power Authority. One caller and Andrew Woodard spoke regarding the Van Buren Sewer project.

COMMUNICATIONS

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Intergovernmental relations and legislative update was not held.

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM CHALLENGE/FINANCIAL SOLVENCY UPDATE

The California Public Employees Retirement System challenge/financial solvency was not held.



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HOMELESS SOLUTIONS UPDATE

The City Council received an update on homeless solutions.

HEALTH, SAFETY, AND SECURITY UPDATES

The City Council received an update on health, safety, and security.

RULES AND REGULATIONS CREATED OR SUSPENDED

There was no update on rules and regulations created or suspended.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT - KRAMERIA SEWER PUMP STATION - VAN BUREN BOULEVARD SEWER INSTALLATION PROJECT -16476 WASHINGTON/VAN BUREN

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Conder and seconded by Councilmember Melendrez to (1) approve a Services Agreement for RFP No. 2025 for utility potholing services to Aztec Engineering California, Inc., in an amount not-to-exceed \$147,810 for a term through December 31, 2022; (2) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Services Agreement with Aztec Engineering California, Inc., including making minor, non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transaction; (3) approve the Purchase and Sale Agreement with Western Municipal Water District for acquisition of 16476 Washington Street, identified as APN 274-040-051 for the purchase price of \$62,000, plus \$10,000 for due diligence, title, escrow, and related closing costs, for a total amount not-to-exceed \$72,000; (4) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement with Western Municipal Water District, including making minor, non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transaction; (5) receive and order filed the Van Buren Boulevard Sewer Installation Project update; and (6) direct the City Manager to work with the County of Riverside to find County funding sources and explore grant opportunities with an update to the City Council prior to Spring of 2021. The motion carried unanimously.

FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 - FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT AND MEASURE Z UPDATE - FUNDS CARRY-OVER

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Hemenway and seconded by Councilmember Fierro to (1) receive and ordered filed the Fiscal Year 2019/20 Fourth Quarter Financial Report and Measure Z update; (2) approve a carryover of unexpended funds of approximately \$1.3 million in the General Fund and \$32.9 million in other City



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funds into fiscal year 2020/21; and (3) direct staff to place \$15.6 million of surplus reserves into a restricted undesignated fund. The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSIONS

The Mayor and City Council adjourned to closed sessions pursuant to Government Code (1) §54957 for appointment of City Attorney by City Council; (2) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Debra Renee Parker Williams v City of Riverside, et al., RCSC Case No. RIC 1902447; (3) §54956.9(d)(2) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning one case of anticipated litigation; (4) §54956.9(d)(4) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning one case of anticipated litigation; (5) §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 including the 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; (6) §54957 for appointment of Interim City Clerk; and (7) §54957 for appointment of City Clerk by City Council.

RECESS

The Mayor and City Council recessed at 5:30 p.m. and reconvened at 6:15 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present.

The Invocation was given by Councilwoman Plascencia.

Mayor Lock Dawson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ben Clymer, Jr. spoke regarding the Charter Review Committee charge clarification. Carmen Cuevas, Shelby Worthington, Sean Mill, Dr. Crohn, Clarissa, Cindy Mendoza Collins, Paul Granillo, Patricia Palagi, Jennifer Majara, Sue Mitchell, Charity Schiller, Sal Ayala, Jack Clarke, Jalani Bakari (Darryl Martin), David Bristow, Valerie, Kevin Dawson, Art Alcaraz, Leoni Palagi, Ofelia Valdez Yeager, Martha Argueo, Collette Lee, Janice Rooths, John Lyle, Tim Maloney, Shirley Dumpsom, Francisca Beltranz, and Patrick Maloney spoke regarding the management contract with Riverside Art Museum for the Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art and Culture. Brittany Evans spoke regarding COVID-19, the mask



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mandate, and schools. Scott Andrews spoke regarding COVID-19 testing and vaccinations.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Edwards reported on the Downtown Area Neighborhood Alliance and Neighbors of the Wood Streets meetings. Councilmember Melendrez reported on traffic circles and artwork in the Eastside and the Art District along Park Avenue. Councilmember Conder reported on the seventeenth Annual Martin Luther King celebration. Councilmember Perry reported on the community meeting regarding a mixed use proposal and CARES Act funding. Mayor Lock Dawson reported on the seventeenth Annual Martin Luther King celebration.

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 unanimously.

CALLING OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) adopted a resolution calling the General Municipal Election to be held June 8, 2021, to elect Members of the City Council for Wards 2, 4, and 6, for five-year terms and consenting to the Registrar of Voters rendering election services to the City as requested by the City Clerk with the County of Riverside to be reimbursed in full for the services; and (2) continued the practice of requiring the candidates to pay the costs for publication of Candidate Statements of Qualifications; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 23670 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Ordering, Calling, Providing for and Giving Notice of a General Municipal Election to be Held June 8, 2021, to be Conducted Wholly by Mail-In Ballot in the City of Riverside for the Purpose of Electing a Member of the City Council from the Second, Fourth, and Sixth Wards of Said City of Riverside for Five-Year Terms, was presented and adopted.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of January 5, 2021, were approved as presented.



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STATE OF CALIFORNIA HOMELESS HOUSING, ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION PROGRAM ROUND 2 FUNDING - PALLET SHELTERS - BRIDGE HOUSING PROGRAM - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) authorized submission of a grant application to the State of California for the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 2 funding in the amount of \$3,262,879 to provide homeless and housing services in the City of Riverside that include the recommendations provided by the Housing and Homelessness Committee; (2) upon grant award, authorized acceptance of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 2 grant award from the State of California, including amounts lesser or greater than the amount applied for; (3) upon grant award, authorized an increase in revenue in the amount awarded to Development Grants Fund, HHAP2 Program Account No. 9343200-334100 and appropriated expenditures in the same fund and amount to the accounts identified under the Fiscal Impact section of the written staff report; (4) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all grant documents related to the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 2, including making minor, non-substantive changes; (5) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute grant subrecipient documents with City Net in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000 for operation of the Pallet Shelters; and (6) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute grant subrecipient documents with Mercy House in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000 for operation of the Bridge Housing Program.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The City Council Economic Development, Placemaking, and Branding/Marketing Committee will conduct a virtual meeting at 3 p.m. on Thursday, January 21, 2021.

FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 FOURTH QUARTER CASH AND INVESTMENTS AND DEBT REPORTS

The City Council received and ordered filed the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Fourth Quarter Cash, Investments, and Debt Report.

AGREEMENT - GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES - TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT OF TYPE 3 FIRE ENGINE

The City Council (1) approved the Agreement for Temporary Transfer of Vehicular Equipment-Type III Engine with the State of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services for fire protection and rescue capabilities; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the necessary contract documents with the State of California



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Governor's Office of Emergency Services, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

REMOTEC ROBOT DIGITAL HYBRID RADIO CONTROL PACK ASSEMBLY

The City Council approved a purchase with Remotec, Inc., Clinton, Tennessee, for a Remotec Robot Digital Hybrid Radio Control Pack Assembly in the amount of \$51,550.00 to assist the Police Department Technical Services Unit.

OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT - FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) approved submission of a grant application in an amount up to \$600,000 to the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety Selective Enforcement Program for Fiscal Year 2021-22; (2) upon grant award, authorized an increase in estimated revenue in an amount up to \$600,000 in Fund 215 Grants and Restricted Programs Police Department Revenue Account and appropriated expenditures in the same amount to Fund 215 Grants and Restricted Programs Police Department Expenditure Account; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the grant documents with the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT - FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 TRAFFIC RECORDS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) approved submission of a grant application in an amount up to \$30,000 to the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety for Fiscal Year 2021-22; (2) upon grant award, authorized an increase in estimated revenues in an amount up to \$30,000 in Fund 215 Grants and Restricted Programs Police Department Revenue Account and appropriated expenditures in the same amount to the Fund 215 Grants and Restricted Programs Police Department Expenditure Account; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the grant documents with the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

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Councilmember Fierro disqualified himself from participation in the following item as he owns a business with a lease within 500 feet of the project.



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Councilmember Melendrez disqualified himself from participation in the following item as he owns property within 500 feet of the project.

AGREEMENT - RIVERSIDE ART MUSEUM - CHEECH MARIN CENTER FOR CHICANO ART AND CULTURE - 3581 MISSION INN

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Edwards and seconded by Councilwoman Plascencia to (1) approve the Management Agreement for The Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art and Culture with Riverside Art Museum for an initial term of 25 years with two optional five-year terms; (2) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Management Agreement with Riverside Art Museum, including making minor and non-substantive changes; (3) award Bid 7764 to Hamel Contracting Inc., Murrieta, California for \$9,729,411 to renovate the existing Main Library located at 3581 Mission Inn Avenue into The Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art and Culture; (4) authorize a 10 percent contingency of \$972,941 for project changes including unforeseen site conditions or necessary design changes; (5) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Construction Agreement with Hamel Contracting Inc., Murrieta, CA, including making minor and non-substantive changes; and (6) direct staff to explore other economic development activities in surrounding spaces. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Perry, and Hemenway, and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye, Councilmember Conder abstaining, and Councilmembers Melendrez and Fierro disqualified.

COMMUNICATIONS

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSIONS

Interim City Attorney Smith announced there were no reportable actions on closed sessions.

Mayor Pro Tem Perry announced that the City Council unanimously appointed Assistant City Clerk Eva Arseo as Interim City Clerk effective January 29, 2021.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Mayor Lock Dawson requested a report on the Auditor referral to the Charter Review Committee.

The City Council adjourned at 10:04 p.m.



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Respectfully submitted,

COLLEEN J. NICOL
City Clerk