

*City of Arts & Innovation*

## CITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2020, 11 A.M.

VIRTUAL MEETING

TELEPHONE PUBLIC COMMENT

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Riverside Municipal Code Designating the Prima Facie Speed Limits for Streets and Portions Thereof in Accordance with the Provisions of Sections 10.20.020 and 10.20.030, was presented and adopted.

#### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

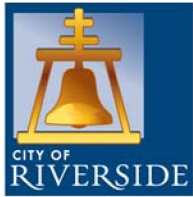
##### FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT GRANT - SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Perry and seconded by Councilmember Conder to accept the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act grant from the Federal Transportation Administration in the amount of \$6,608,589 for the Special Transportation Fund. The motion carried unanimously.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS/PLANNING REFERRALS AND APPEALS

##### CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSALS - SPECIAL ELECTION - RESOLUTIONS

Hearing was called to consider (1) Charter Review Committee recommendations to place six measures to amend the City Charter on the November 3, 2020, ballot including granting the Mayor a vote, requiring an election to fill an elected office vacancy with more than one year remaining on term, consolidation of Mayor and City Council election dates with statewide elections, submittal of all proposed Charter amendments to Charter Review Committee, publication of annual report on written complaints or whistle-blower complaints alleging fraud, waste, abuse, or criminal conduct, and other clean-up matters; (2) adoption of the appropriate resolutions calling a special election and placing certain proposed City Charter amendments on the November 3, 2020, ballot; and (3) designation of the Mayor or Members of the City Council to author ballot arguments. Five persons spoke on the matter. The public hearing was officially closed. Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Perry and seconded by Councilmember Hemenway to (1) adopt a resolution proposing five measures to amend the City Charter including granting the Mayor a vote, requiring an election to fill an elected office vacancy with more than one year remaining on term, consolidation of Mayor and City Council election dates with statewide elections, submittal of all proposed Charter amendments to Charter Review Committee, and other clean-up matters; (2) adopt a resolution calling a special election and placing certain proposed City Charter amendments on the November 3, 2020, ballot; and (3) schedule City Council consideration of an Ordinance requiring publication of an annual report on written



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complaints or whistle-blower complaints alleging fraud, waste, abuse, or criminal conduct as soon as possible.

Following further discussion, a substitute motion was made by Councilmember Melendrez and seconded by Councilmember Edwards to place all six proposed measures on the November 3, 2020, ballot.

Following further discussion, a second substitute motion was by Councilwoman Plascencia and seconded by Councilmember Fierro to (1) place four measures on the November 3, 2020, ballot including requiring an election to fill an elected office vacancy with more than one year remaining on term, consolidation of Mayor and City Council election dates with statewide elections, submittal of all proposed Charter amendments to a Charter Review Committee, and other clean-up matters; and (2) refer granting the Mayor a vote and publication of an annual report on written complaints or whistle-blower complaints alleging fraud, waste, abuse, or criminal conduct to an Ad Hoc Charter Review Committee for consideration for placement on the ballot in 2021. The second substitute carried with Councilmembers Fierro, Conder, and Hemenway, and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye and Councilmembers Edwards, Melendrez, and Perry voting no.

Following further discussion, motion was by Councilwoman Plascencia and seconded by Councilmember Edwards to authorize Councilmember Fierro to author a ballot argument in favor of requiring an election to fill an elected office vacancy with more than one year remaining on the term. The motion carried unanimously.

Whereupon the titles having been read and further readings waived Resolution No. 23609 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Proposing Amendments to the City Charter; and Resolution No. 23610 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Ordering, Calling, Providing for and Giving Notice of a Special Municipal Election to be Held in Said City on the 3rd Day of November 2020, for the Purpose of Submitting to the Qualified Electors of the City of Riverside Certain Amendments to the Charter of the City of Riverside, and Giving Notice and Ordering that Said Special Municipal Election is Consolidated with the Statewide General Election and all Other Elections Being Held in the Same Territory on the Same Date, were presented and adopted.