



City of Arts & Innovation

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021, 1 P.M.

VIRTUAL MEETING

PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON/TELEPHONE

ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER

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

Malissa McKeith announced upcoming Charter Review Committee meeting on May 19, 2021.

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 update was not held.

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

The City Council received an update on the rules and regulations created or suspended.



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PUBLIC HEARINGS/PLANNING REFERRALS AND APPEALS

WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY MULTIPLE SPECIES HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN - LOCAL DEVELOPMENT MITIGATION FEE PRESERVATION OF NATURAL ECOSYSTEMS - RESOLUTION - ORDINANCE INTRODUCED

Hearing was called to consider adoption of a resolution and introduction of an ordinance to update the local development mitigation fee for funding the preservation of natural ecosystems in accordance with the Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan and Local Development Mitigation Fee based on the discussion outlined in the staff report. No one spoke on the matter. The public hearing was officially closed. Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Melendrez and seconded by Councilmember Perry to (1) adopt a resolution establishing the revised Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan Local Development Mitigation Fee schedule; and (2) introduce an ordinance amending and updating the City of Riverside's Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan Ordinance. The motion carried unanimously.

Whereupon the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 23697 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Establishing the Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan Local Development Mitigation Fee Applicable to all Developments in the Plan Area, was presented and adopted, and an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, to Update the Local Development Mitigation Fee for Funding the Preservation of Natural Ecosystems in Accordance with the Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan," was presented and introduced.

CASES P20-0214, P20-0215, P20-0216, P20-0217 AND DP-2020-00073 - GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT - SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENT, ZONING CODE AMENDMENT, DESIGN REVIEW AND VARIANCE - RESOLUTIONS - ORDINANCE INTRODUCED

Hearing was called to consider a proposal by Glen Espinoza of The Motorcycle Company, to permit the following entitlements for the expansion of an existing Harley-Davidson dealership building: (a) General Plan Amendment for a portion of the lots located at 7681 and 7691 Casa Blanca Street to change the land use designation from MDR-Medium Density Residential to CRC-Commercial Regional Center; (b) Specific Plan Amendment to include a portion of the lots located at 7681 and 7691 Casa Blanca Street into the boundaries of the Riverside Auto Center Specific Plan; (c) Zoning Code Map Amendment to rezone a portion of the lots located at 7681 and 7691 Casa Blanca Street



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from R-1-7000 - Single Family Residential Zone to CG-S-2-X-25-SP-Commercial General, Building Stories (maximum of 2 stories), Building Setback (25 feet), and Specific Plan (Riverside Auto Center) Overlay Zones; (d) Design Review of project plans; and (e) variance to allow a reduced lot area for the conversion from residential to commercial zoning in the Riverside Auto Center Specific Plan. No one spoke on the matter. The public hearing was officially closed. Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Conder and seconded by Councilmember Perry to (1) determine that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment based on the findings set forth in the case record and adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation and Monitoring Reporting Program pursuant to Sections 15074 and 21081.6 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines; (2) approve Planning Cases P20-0214 General Plan Amendment, P20-0215 Specific Plan Amendment, P20-2016 Zoning Code Amendment, P20-0217 Design Review, DP-2020-00073 Variance, based on the findings outlined in the staff report and summarized in the findings and subject to the recommended conditions; (3) adopt a Resolution amending the General Plan 2025 land use designation of .275 acre from MDR-Medium Density Residential to CRC-Commercial Regional Center; (4) adopt a Resolution amending the boundaries of the Riverside Auto Center Specific Plan to include additional .275 acre; and (5) introduce an ordinance amending the Zoning Map to change the zone of .275 acre from R-1-7000 - Single Family Residential Zone to CG-S-2-X-25-SP-Commercial General, Building Stories (maximum of 2 stories), Building Setback (25 feet), and Specific Plan (Riverside Auto Center) Overlay Zones. The motion carried unanimously.

Whereupon the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 23698 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending the Land Use Designation of the Riverside General Plan 2025 as to a Portion of the Lots Located at 7681 and 7691 Casa Blanca Street, from MDR-Medium Density Residential To CRC-Commercial Regional Center and Resolution No. 23699 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California Amending the Riverside Auto Center Specific Plan to Include a Portion of the Lots Located at 7681 and 7691 Casa Blanca Street, were presented and adopted, and an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Riverside Pursuant to Chapter 19.090 of the Riverside Municipal Code by Rezoning a Portion of the Lots Located at 7681 and 7691 Casa Blanca Street, from the R-1-7000-Single Family Residential Zone to CG-S-2-X-25-SP-Commercial General, Building Stories (Maximum of 2 Stories), Building Set Back



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(25 Feet), and Specific Plan (Riverside Auto Center) Overlay Zones," was presented and introduced.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

REVIEW PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY REVIEW

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Fierro and seconded by Councilmember Melendrez to (1) receive and order filed the review of the Proclamation of Local Emergency regarding Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) proclaimed on March 13, 2020, and ratified by the City Council on March 17, 2020; (2) continue the Local Emergency; and (3) return to City Council in thirty days with a further review of the Local Emergency. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Melendrez, Fierro, Perry, and Hemenway, and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye and Councilmember Conder voting no.

ROAD TO COVID-19 RECOVERY FRAMEWORK

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Edwards and seconded by Councilmember Hemenway to (1) receive and order filed the review on Riverside's Road to COVID-19 Recovery Framework, the Future Wave Preparedness Plan, and the COVID-19 Prevention Program; (2) and direct staff to return regularly with updates to City Council on specific programs, resources, community engagement activities, and other recovery efforts being undertaken to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. The motion carried unanimously.

FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL UPDATE - FUNDS TRANSFER – SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilwoman Plascencia and seconded by Councilmember Fierro to (1) receive and order filed the Fiscal Year 2020/21 Second Quarter financial update; and (2) with at least five affirmative votes, approve an interfund transfer in the amount of \$4,809 from the Capital Projects Fund to the General Fund; and (4) with at least five affirmative votes, approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$2,500,000 in the Refuse Fund for increased recycling and disposal costs. The motion carried unanimously.



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2021 FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORK DISPLAY OPTIONS

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Perry and seconded by Councilmember Edwards to approve the City Council Safety, Wellness, and Youth Committee recommendation to (1) receive and order filed an update on fireworks enforcement; (2) host 2021 Fourth of July firework shows at La Sierra and Ryan Bonaminio Parks; and (3) discontinue fundraising efforts until fall. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Melendrez, Fierro, Perry, and Hemenway, and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye and Councilmember Conder voting no.

CLOSED SESSIONS

The Mayor and City Council adjourned to closed sessions pursuant to Government Code (1) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Johanna Cueva v City of Riverside, et al., San Bernardino County Superior Court Case No. CIVDS 1904827; (2) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Christopher Desrosiers v City of Riverside, Court of Appeal, 4th District, Division 2, Case No. E075949; (Riverside Superior Court, Case No. RIC 1811923); (3) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Scott Simpson, et al. v. City of Riverside, et al., RCSC Case No. RIC 1906168; (4) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Friends of Riverside Airport, LLC v. Department of the Army, et al., USDC Case No. 5:19-cv-01103-MWF-KK; (5) §54956.9(d)(2) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning one case of anticipated litigation; (6) §54956.9(d)(4) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning one case of anticipated litigation; (7) §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; and (8) §54957 for appointment of City Attorney by City Council.

RECESS

The Mayor and City Council recessed at 3:27 p.m. and reconvened at 6:17 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present.



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The Invocation was given by Mahmoud Harmoush Director of the Islamic Center of Riverside.

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

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Jason Hunter and April Glasgow opposed the resolution for Final Tract Map 36516. Juan Munoz spoke regarding awareness to tax fraud with contractors.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Perry thanked Public Works Department staff for the ride along and reported that the former City Manager real estate was sold and is no longer on the city's books. Councilwoman Plascencia thanked Assemblywoman Cervantes for honoring women and her partnership with encampment cleanups. Councilmember Conder acknowledged and congratulated the owners of Dickey's Barbeque and the 7-Eleven on Van Buren Boulevard and highlighted their community partnerships. Councilmember Edwards announced the virtual Insect Fair and food drive at Lee Park. Mayor Lock Dawson thanked the Councilmembers for hosting ward tours and announced that she will be attending a site visit at the City of Anaheim.

PRESENTATION

Mayor Lock Dawson presented a Proclamation to Arab American Civic Council representative Jeanine Nasser recognizing April as Arab-American History Month.

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.

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENT AND RESIGNATION

The Mayor and City Council (1) appointed John T. White to the Resident Ward 5 seat on the Budget Engagement Commission for a term through March 1, 2023; (2) accepted the resignation of Maureen Mitchell from the Park and Recreation Commission Citywide seat, effective immediately; and (7) requested the City Clerk to process the vacancy.



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MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of March 30 and 31, 2021, were approved as presented.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETING

The City Council Economic Development, Placemaking, and Branding/Marketing Committee will conduct a virtual meeting at 3 p.m. on Thursday, April 15, 2021.

FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 FIRST AND SECOND QUARTER CASH, INVESTMENTS, AND DEBT REPORTS

The City Council received and order filed the Fiscal Year 2020-21 First and Second Quarter cash, investments, and debt report.

MEASURE Z - AGREEMENT - AVAYA VOICE OVER IP PHONE SYSTEM UPGRADE - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) approved a Professional Services Agreement with ConvergeOne to provide an Avaya Voice Over IP Phone system upgrade, software maintenance, and support services for a three-year term with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms; (2) with at least five affirmative votes, authorized the Chief Financial Officer or his designee to record the required interfund transfers; interdepartmental transfers; and related supplemental appropriations to move available funds to the Voice Over IP Phone Upgrade Project accounts in the Capital Outlay and Measure Z Capital Projects funds, resulting in a net zero citywide budget impact; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents pursuant the Professional Services Agreement with ConvergeOne, including extensions based on the cooperative agreement extensions, and to make minor and non-substantive changes.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY SEMI-ANNUAL EXPENDITURE REPORT

The City Council received and order filed the Southern California Public Power Authority semi-annual expenditure report for the period of July 2020 through December 2020.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING - WATER ENERGY COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK TURF REMOVAL PROGRAM

The City Council (1) approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority and Riverside Public Utilities to implement and administer the Water Energy Community Action Network's turf removal program; and (2) authorized a



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grant match in the amount of \$100,000 from the Public Utilities Water Conservation and Reclamation Fund (521) Unprogrammed Funds Account.

VAN BUREN BOULEVARD SEWER INSTALLATION PROJECT FUNDING UPDATE - VAN BUREN BOULEVARD/WOOD/KING - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) received and order filed an update on project funding for the Van Buren Boulevard Sewer Installation Project; (2) authorized the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Economic Development Administration in the amount of \$3,000,000 to construct the sewer improvements along Van Buren Boulevard from Wood Road to King Avenue; (3) with at least five affirmative votes, upon receipt of the grant award, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or his designee, to record an increase in revenue and expenditures in an amount equal to the grant award, to the Sewer Fund, Van Buren Sewer (Woodcrest) project accounts; and (4) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to accept the amount awarded, including amounts lesser or greater than the amount applied for, and to execute all grant documents, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

BID 7786 - TEQUESQUITE LANDFILL REPAIRS - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) awarded a construction contract for Bid 7786 for the Tequesquite Landfill Repairs to Three Peaks Corporation, Calimesa, in the amount of \$196,059; (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the construction contract with Three Peaks Co including making minor and non-substantive changes; and (3) with at least five affirmative votes, authorize a supplemental appropriation of \$294,000 from the Refuse Fund reserves to the Refuse Fund Solid Waste Refuse Disposal Maintenance and Repair account.

FINAL TRACT MAP 36516 - SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL LOTS - PALM/BEECHWOOD/HIGHLAND - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) adopted the Resolution of Acceptance for final approval of Tract Map No. 36516 to subdivide 1.26 acres into seven single family residential; and (2) accepted the agreement and sureties for the installation and faithful performance of improvements and the labor and material bond in accordance with the improvement plans for the development of Tract Map No. 36516; whereupon the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 23700 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Accepting the Final Map of Tract No. 36516, was presented and adopted.



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DISCUSSION CALENDAR

COMMUNITY AND POLICING UPDATE IN RIVERSIDE

This item was removed from the agenda.

COMMUNICATIONS

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSIONS

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

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

There were no future items requested at this time. The City Manager announced the proposal of in-person and/or hybrid meeting for boards and commissions aiming for May 31, 2021.

The City Council adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk