



City of Arts & Innovation

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

TUESDAY, MAY 11, 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

Errol Koschewitz spoke regarding Library services and hours. Faizah Dean spoke regarding the union and carve-out agreements.

COMMUNICATIONS

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The City Council received an update on Intergovernmental relations and legislation.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY UPDATE

There was no update on fiscal responsibility.

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 the rules and regulations created or suspended.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

REVIEW PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY REVIEW

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Melendrez and seconded by Councilmember Edwards 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



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Emergency. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Melendrez, Fierro, Perry, and Hemenway and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye and Councilmember Conder voting no.

2020 CITY SPIRIT AWARD

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Melendrez and seconded by Councilmember Edwards to (1) approve the Mayor's Nominating and Screening Committee recommendation to select community members for the 2020 City Spirit Award to honor their extraordinary deeds and community spirit, good citizenship, and dedication to enhancing the quality of life in the City; and (2) select Ofelia Valdez-Yeager for the 2020 City Spirit Award. The motion carried unanimously

FIRE DEPARTMENT - PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Perry and seconded by Councilmember Hemenway to approve the Inclusiveness, Community Engagement, and Governmental Processes Committee recommendation to (1) receive and order filed a report and presentation from Fitch & Associates, LLC, regarding the performance assessment and financial review of the Fire Department. The motion carried unanimously.

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 Sean Wilder v City of Riverside, et al., RCSC Case No.: RIC2000614; (2) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Regina Wyche Como v City of Riverside, et al., RCSC Case No.: RIC 1826211; (3) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning City of Riverside v. Black & Decker (U.S.), Inc., et al., LACSC Case No.: BC 410878; (4) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Michael Crawford v. City of Riverside, WCAB Claim No.(s): ADJ 13102166; ADJ 11226560; ADJ 9435891; ADJ9372482; (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,



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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; (8) §54957 for appointment of City Attorney by the City Council; and (9) §54957 for performance evaluation of the City Manager.

The Mayor and City Council reconvened in open session with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding.

RIVERSIDE YOUTH COUNCIL - 25 MOST REMARKABLE TEENS

The Mayor and City Council unanimously and without formal motion received and order filed an update and visual presentation of Riverside's 25 Most Remarkable Teens presented by Riverside Youth Council.

RECESS

The Mayor and City Council recessed to closed session at 4:55 p.m. and reconvened at 6:54 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present.

The Invocation was given by Councilwoman Plascencia.

Councilwoman Plascencia led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ruben Ayala spoke regarding the ordinance on Police Tow truck service. Jason Hunter spoke regarding meeting rules for public comments and timeline for Charter Review Committee.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Perry reported on Orrenmaa Elementary School program on entrepreneurship and thanked Robbie Robinson for donating a wooden truck to the Fire Department. Councilmember Conder reported on National Law Enforcement Week and thanked the Police Department. Councilwoman Plascencia thanked Riverside Police Department Officers, Public Safety Engagement Team (PSET), and Kathy Michalak of Habitat for Humanity. Councilmember Edwards reported on District 2 Homelessness Collaborative, Santa Ana Outreach Plan, virtual office hours, tour of Hulen Place campus, tour of Riverside Community Hospital, Northside Improvement Association meeting and



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upcoming meetings for Neighbors of the Wood Streets and the Downtown Area Neighborhood Alliance. Councilmember Melendrez reported on the future of FMC building and the Metrolink's plan for rail track expansion. Mayor Lock Dawson reported on the Be Well program, thanked Councilmember Edwards for joining the tour of Riverside Community Hospital, upcoming tour of Ward 5, and welcoming the international delegation from Sister City, Can Tho in Vietnam.

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 with (1) the introduction of the Ordinance regarding Water Conservation pulled from the agenda and continued to May 25, 2021; and (2) the introduction of the Ordinance regarding Police Tow Truck Service for removal and disposal of junk motorhomes removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATION

The Mayor and City Council (1) appointed Rakel Y. Engles to the Ward 7 seat on the Park and Recreation Commission for a term through March 1, 2025; (2) appointed Ignacio Carrillo to the Ward 7 seat on the Transportation Board for a term through March 1, 2023; (3) accepted the resignation of Jarrel R. Armster from the Human Relations Commission Ward 3 seat, effective immediately; and (4) requested the City Clerk to process the vacancy.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 27, 2021, were approved as presented.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETING

The City Council Mobility and Infrastructure Committee will conduct a virtual meeting at 4 p.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2021.

RATIFY REVISED ORDER OF DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR OUTDOOR DINING, SERVICE USES, AND RETAIL - AMEND TEMPORARY OUTDOOR FLEX SPACE PERMIT PROGRAM

The City Council (1) ratified the Revised Order of the Director of Emergency Services for Outdoor Dining, Service Uses and Retail due to the County of Riverside moving into the



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Orange (Moderate) Tier of California's Blueprint for a Safer Economy on April 7; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to amend the Temporary Outdoor Flex Space Permit Program, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS HEAVY-DUTY FREIGHTLINER 114SD DUMP TRUCK - PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

The City Council approved the purchase of one compressed natural gas heavy-duty Freightliner 114SD dump truck from PB Loader Corporation Fresno, California, in the amount of \$255,084.60 from the Sewer Fund.

COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS VACTOR TRUCK - PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING DIVISION - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) approved the purchase of one compressed natural gas Vactor truck from Haaker Equipment Company La Verne, California, for Public Works Engineering Division in the total amount of \$483,223.28; (2) with at least five affirmative votes, authorized an increase in revenues and supplemental appropriation in the same amount of \$241,611.64 in the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Storm Drain Fund; (3) with at least five affirmative votes, authorized a supplemental appropriation of \$241,611.64 in the Air Quality Improvement Fund; and (4) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all documents necessary to complete the purchase, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS - TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE SERVICES

The City Council (1) approved the Third Amendment to the current Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Howroyd-Wright Employment Agency, Inc., (dba Appleone Employment Services), Kimco Staffing Services, Inc., and Peak Technical Services Inc., to provide temporary employment services from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, with the option of two one-year renewals after June 30, 2022, or through June 30, 2024; and (2) authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute the Third Amendment to the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Howroyd-Wright Employment Agency, Inc., (dba Appleone Employment Services), Kimco Staffing Services, Inc., and Peak Technical Services, Inc., including making minor and non-substantive changes.



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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LIBRARY COOPERATIVE AND CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY GRANT FOR HOTSPOTS

The City Council accepted a grant award from the Southern California Library Cooperative and the California State Library for 70 hotspots valued at \$14,000.

WATER CONSERVATION - ORDINANCE INTRODUCED - CONTINUED

The introduction of the Ordinance regarding Water Conservation was continued to May 25, 2021.

RIVERSIDE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLANT CHEMICAL PURCHASES

The City Council (1) authorized increased change order authority with Kemira Water Solutions Inc., Fontana, California, for the purchase of ferric chloride in the amount of \$50,000 for a revised purchase order total of \$478,888 for the period of July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021; and (2) authorized increased change order authority with Olin Corporation, Tracy, California, for the purchase of sodium hypochlorite in the amount of \$204,000 for a revised purchase order total of \$1,250,100 for the period of July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021.

FINAL TRACT MAP 37146 - SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL LOTS - TYCO/ORANGE - RESOLUTION

The City Council adopted a Resolution accepting the Final Map of Tract 37146 to subdivide 1.96-acre lot into six single family residential lots on the southeasterly corner of Tyco Drive and Orange Street; whereupon the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 23706 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Accepting the Final Map of Tract No. 37146, was presented and adopted.

AGREEMENT - QUIET ZONE CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS - PANORAMA/CRIDGE

The City Council (1) approved the Public Highway At Grade Crossing Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company for Panorama Road crossing improvements in the amount of \$745,617; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Public Highway At Grade Crossing Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company, including making minor and non-substantive changes.



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MEASURE Z - POLICE TOW TRUCK SERVICE - ORDINANCE INTRODUCED

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Conder and seconded by Councilmember Melendrez to continue discussion of this item to May 25, 2021. The motion carried unanimously.

RIVER-SIDE GATEWAY PROJECT OVERVIEW - AGREEMENT - PARK MASTER PLAN AND CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT SERVICES FOR PARK, TRAIL, AND GREENWAY IMPROVEMENTS AT VARIOUS CITY LOCATIONS

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Melendrez and seconded by Councilmember Edwards to (1) receive and order filed a presentation on the River-side Gateway Park Projects; (2) approve a Professional Consultant Services Agreement with MLA Green, Inc. dba Studio-MLA, Los Angeles, California, for the River-side Gateway Project Suite - Planning and Design for Park Master Plan and California Environmental Quality Act Services for Park, Trail and Greenway Improvements at nine sites through June 30, 2023, in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,963,681.79; (3) authorize ten percent change order authority in an amount up to \$196,368.00 for project changes including, but not limited to, unforeseen conditions or necessary work changes, for a total amount of \$2,160,049.97; and (4) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with MLA Green, Inc., dba Studio-MLA, including making minor and non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously.

EXTENSION OF TIMELINE FOR CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER CHARTER AMENDMENT REFERRALS OF MAYORAL VOTE AND INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR PLACEMENT ON NOVEMBER 2022 BALLOT

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Conder and seconded by Councilmember Perry to extend the Charter Review Committee's time to consider the two Charter amendment referrals: (1) granting the Mayor a vote, and (2) publication of an annual report on written complaints or whistle-blower complaints alleging fraud, waste, abuse, or criminal conduct to be considered for placement on the November 2022, ballot.

Following further discussion, a substitute motion was made by Councilmember Fierro and seconded by Councilmember Conder to extend the July 2021, timeline of the Charter Review Committee by six months and direct the Committee to return to City Council with



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recommendation on (1) granting the Mayor a vote, and (2) the Inspector General position. The motion carried with Councilmembers Fierro, Conder, Perry and Hemenway voting aye, and Councilmembers Edwards, Melendrez and Councilwoman Plascencia voting no.

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

Councilmember Melendrez requested to refer and to serve on the Mobility and Infrastructure Committee for discussion on the EIR by Riverside County Transportation Commission. Chair Conder accepted the referral and substitution. Councilwoman Plascencia requested a report on guidelines for Airbnb. The City Manager announced library dates, times, and services available to the community.

The City Council adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk