

## CITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2025, 1:00 P.M.  
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3900 MAIN STREET

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PRESENT: Mayor Lock Dawson and Councilmembers Falcone, Conder, Mill, Perry, and Hemenway

ABSENT: Councilmembers Cervantes and Robillard

Mayor Lock Dawson called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS IN PERSON/TELEPHONE

Aurora Chavez spoke regarding senior meals. Irvin Shaw spoke regarding senior meals. Errol Koschewitz spoke regarding a Public Records Act request. Dana Cisneros spoke regarding closed session item description and applicant procedural due process for cannabis business permits.

Councilmember Perry entered the meeting at 1:21 p.m.

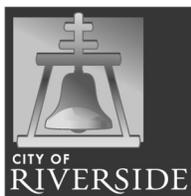
#### MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Falcone thanked Police and Fire departments for keeping Downtown and everyone safe during protests. Councilmember Conder reported on the Riverside Transportation Committee grant, Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) General Assembly, Artist Irfan Murtaza and the Grove Community Church 100th anniversary. Councilmember Mill thanked Police and Fire departments for keeping Downtown and everyone safe during recent protests and reported on League of Cities Public Safety meeting, Inland Korean Association Inauguration Celebration, Cheech Marin interview, Juneteenth event at Hunt Park, Movies in the Park at Villegas Park, and Community Connection at Arlington Library. Councilmember Hemenway reported on graduation events throughout the City including La Sierra University. Mayor Lock Dawson thanked Mayor Pro Tem Mill for serving in her absence and thanked Police and Fire departments for their support during recent protest and reported on Air Quality Management District (AQMD) Board meeting regarding gas appliances.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The City Council Safety, Wellness, and Youth Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

The City Council Housing and Homelessness Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, June 23, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber has been cancelled.



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#### COMMUNICATIONS

##### CITY MANAGER UPDATE

The City Council received legislative updates.

##### COUNCILMEMBERS DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND EX PARTE

Councilmember Conder recused himself from Closed Session item regarding (1) Tony Platt v. City of Riverside; and (2) Councilmember Hemenway recused himself from agenda item regarding the Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Business Permit Procedure Guidelines.

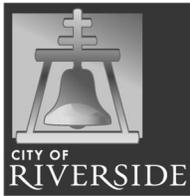
#### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

##### AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - PHASE II ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES - DOWNTOWN POLICE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING - CONTINUED

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Conder and seconded by Councilmember Mill to continue the First Amendment to the Professional Consultant Services Agreement for Phase II Architectural Design Services of the Downtown Police Headquarters Building to a future City Council meeting. The motion carried with Councilmembers Falcone, Conder, Mill, Perry, and Hemenway voting aye and Councilmembers Cervantes and Robillard absent.

#### CLOSED SESSION

The Mayor and City Council adjourned to closed session at 1:40 p.m. pursuant to Government Code (1) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Tony Platt v. City of Riverside, Riverside County Superior Court Case No. RIC182201; (2) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning City of Riverside, a charter city and municipal corporation, the City Council of the City of Riverside, acting by and through its duly elected councilmembers, Erin Edwards, Clarissa Cervantes, Ronaldo Fierro, Gabriela Plascencia, James Perry, and Steven Hemenway, in their official capacity v. Councilmember Charles Conder and former Councilmember Steven R. Adams, in their official capacity, and does 1 through 50, inclusive, Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVRI2300725; (3) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive from legal counsel concerning Alex Gabler v. City of Riverside, WCAB Claim No.(s): ADJ18828365; (4) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive from legal counsel concerning Scott Wilson v. City of Riverside, WCAB Claim: 240130; (5) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning



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Debra Shelton-Love v. City of Riverside, Riverside Superior Court Case CVRI2406556; (6) §54956.9(d)(2)/54956.9(e)(3) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Shelia Jackson v. City of Riverside, Claim No.: 25-02-05; (7) §54956.9(d)(2) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning anticipated litigation regarding one case; (8) §54956.9(d)(4) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning the City Council deciding whether to initiate litigation regarding one case; (9) §54957(a), for consultation with Larry Gonzalez, Riverside Chief of Police, or his respective deputy, and George Khalil, Chief Innovation Officer regarding threat to public services or facilities; and (10) §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 except the City Manager, 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.

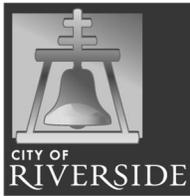
The Mayor and City Council returned to open session at 3:03 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present except Councilmembers Robillard and Hemenway.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

CASE PR-2025-001795 - AMEND CHAPTER 5.77 CANNABIS BUSINESS ACTIVITIES - TITLE 5 AND TITLE 19 ZONING

Public Hearing was called to amend Chapter 5.77 Cannabis Business Activities of Title 5 and Title 19 Zoning of the Riverside Municipal Code (RMC) related to Commercial Cannabis Business (CCB) Program. One person spoke on the matter. The public hearing was officially closed.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Cervantes and seconded by Councilmember Mill to (1) determine that Planning Case PR-2025-001795 (Zoning Code Text and Cannabis Business Activities Amendment) is exempt from further California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Section 15601(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines as it can be seen with certainty approval of the project will not have an effect on the environment; (2) approve Planning Case PR-2025-001795 pursuant to the findings made in the report; (3) introduce an Ordinance amending Chapter 5.77 (Cannabis



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Business Activities) and Title 19 (Zoning) of the Riverside Municipal Code; and (4) exempting non-retail cannabis businesses from location requirements. The motion failed for lack of majority vote with Councilmembers Cervantes and Mill voting aye and Councilmembers Falcone, Conder, and Perry voting nay, Councilmember Hemenway recusing, and Councilmember Robillard absent.

Following further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Cervantes and seconded by Councilmember Falcone to (1) determine that Planning Case PR-2025-001795 (Zoning Code Text and Cannabis Business Activities Amendment) is exempt from further California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Section 15601(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines as it can be seen with certainty approval of the project will not have an effect on the environment; (2) approve Planning Case PR-2025-001795 pursuant to the findings made in the report; and (3) introduce an Ordinance amending Chapter 5.77 (Cannabis Business Activities) and Title 19 (Zoning) of the Riverside Municipal Code. The motion failed for lack of four affirmative votes with Councilmembers Falcone, Cervantes, and Mill voting aye and Councilmembers Conder and Perry voting nay, Councilmember Hemenway recusing and Councilmember Robillard absent.

Councilmember Perry announced that the closed session items regarding (1) Tony Platt v. City of Riverside; and (2) City of Riverside v. Councilmember Charles Conder and former Councilmember Steven R. Adams were continued.

The Mayor and City Council recessed at 3:21 p.m. and reconvened at 6:15 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present except Councilmember Robillard.

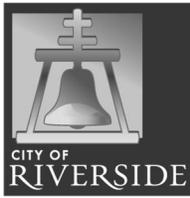
Councilmember Hemenway gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS IN PERSON/TELEPHONE

Errol Koschewitz spoke regarding CalPers payments and Public Records Act requests. Steven Figueroa spoke regarding unlawful tactics of I.C.E. Aurora Chavez spoke regarding senior meals.

#### CEREMONIAL PRESENTATION

#### JUNETEENTH PROCLAMATION



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Mayor Lock Dawson presented a proclamation to National Association for the Advancement of Colored People President Regina Patton Stell recognizing June 19, 2025, as Juneteenth.

#### 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 except (1) for the introduction of an ordinance amending Riverside Municipal Code Chapter 5.77 related to cannabis business activities pulled from the agenda; and (2) the item regarding purchase of security camera equipment for the Citywide network pulled for discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### LEASE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - TENANT IMPROVEMENT CREDIT

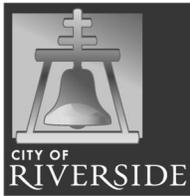
The City Council (1) approved a Third Amendment to the Riverside Municipal Airport Lease Agreement with Riverside Airport Café, establishing a tenant improvement credit, 5-year payment plan, revised rent rate and revised revenue share rate; and (2) authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute the Third Amendment to Riverside Airport Lease Agreement with the Riverside Airport Café, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

#### BOARD AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS

The Mayor and City Council appointed (1) Jordan Wright to the Board of Public Utilities Ward 1 seat for a term through March 1, 2028; and (2) Mary Carter to the Museum of Riverside Board Ward 7 seat for a term through March 1, 2029.

#### CITY MANAGER SETTLEMENT AUTHORITY - RESOLUTION

The City Council approved the Governmental Processes Committee recommendation amending City Manager's settlement authority to adopt a Resolution increasing the City Manager's Settlement Authority for various claims from \$25,000 to \$50,000; amending Resolution No. 23792; which amendment is to be effective upon adoption; whereupon the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24271 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Increasing the City Manager's Settlement Authority for Various Claims from \$25,000 to \$50,000, Amending Resolution No. 23792, was presented and adopted.



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#### PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT - THIRD STREET GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT

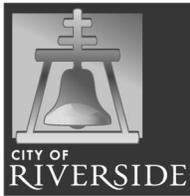
The City Council (1) approved the Purchase and Sale Agreement with Helix Street, LLC., for \$1,600,000 and estimated fees of \$50,000; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the agreement, including making minor and non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transaction.

#### AGREEMENT - CITYWIDE PRINTING SERVICES

The City Council (1) approved the Services Agreement with Mainstreet Communication, Inc., dba PrintMyStuff.com for Citywide printing services in the amount of \$750,000 for the initial one-year term with the options to extend for four one-year terms; (2) authorized the City Manager or Designee, to execute all term extensions with an annual contract amount of \$750,000 for a total contract of \$3,750,000; (3) authorized 20 percent change order authority of \$750,000 over the full contract term for a total contract amount not-to-exceed \$4,500,000; and (4) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Services Agreement with Mainstreet Communications, Inc., and any other documents to effectuate the agreement, including making minor non-substantive changes.

#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY - FISCAL YEAR 2023 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM GRANT - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) adopted a Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant award from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for the 2024 State Homeland Security Program grant funds, administered through the Riverside County Emergency Management Department in the amount of \$67,000; (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenue and record a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$67,000, or the actual award amount, in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund 2024 County-Wide Hazmat Operations Group revenue and expenditures accounts; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the County-Wide Hazmat Operations Group from the State Homeland Security Program, including making minor and non-substantive changes; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24272 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Authorizing the Submission of Application and Acceptance of Grant Award from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Through the California Office of Emergency Services for the Fiscal Year 2024 State Homeland Security Program Grant (SHSP) Which Includes the Countrywide Hazmat Operation Group (CHOG) Program, and Authorizing the Execution of all Required Documents by the City Manager, or His Designee; and Amending the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Accordingly, was presented and adopted.



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#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES AGREEMENT - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) approved an Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Subrecipient Agreement with the Public Works Department of the City of Riverside for a \$3,189,779 grant to support Sustainable Transportation Infrastructure (STI) improvements related to the Mission Heritage Plaza affordable housing development; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute all program related documents and instruments, including making minor non-substantive changes as necessary to implement the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Subrecipient Agreement.

#### SECURITY CAMERA EQUIPMENT PURCHASE - SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

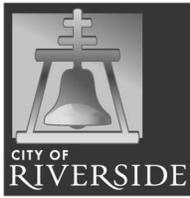
The City Council (1) approved the purchase of security camera equipment and installation services from Converjint Technologies, Anaheim, under Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement 121024-CTL, in the amount of \$178,538 plus a contingency in the amount of \$85,000 for a total of \$263,538; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Agreement, including making minor non-substantive changes.

#### NATIONAL RECREATION AND PARK ASSOCIATION (NRPA) SUPPORTING HEALTHY AGING - GRANT AWARD - SENIOR PROGRAMMING - VILLEGAS COMMUNITY CENTER - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) accepted grant funds from the National Recreation and Park Association SHAPR Grant in the amount of \$3,000 to expand senior programming at Villegas Community Center; (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenues in the amount of \$3,000 and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, NRPA SHAPR 24/25 grant revenue and expenditure accounts; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the National Recreation and Park Association SHAPR Grant agreement including making minor, non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transaction, including, but not limited to agreements, and payment requests necessary to complete grant funded activities.

#### AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - ANNUAL SWIMMING POOL MAINTENANCE SERVICES

The City Council (1) approved the Second Amendment to Services Agreement for Annual Swimming Pool Maintenance Services with Service First for a six-month extension from July 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025 in the amount of \$131,836.44; (2) authorized



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15 percent change order authority not-to-exceed the amount of \$19,773.97 for a total increase of \$151,610.41; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Second Amendment, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

#### AGREEMENT - SPECIALTY VEHICLE EQUIPMENT, REMOVAL, AND INSTALLATION SERVICES

The City Council (1) approved the Services Agreement with Innovative Design and Sheet Metal Products, Inc., dba Innovative Emergency Equipment, Riverside, for specialty vehicle equipment, removal, and installation services for Police Department vehicles with a term ending September 30, 2029 in the amount not-to-exceed \$463,958.48 for Fiscal Year 2024/25 and \$500,000 per year for Fiscal Year 2025/26 through Fiscal Year 2028/29 for a total agreement amount of \$2,463,958.48; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Services Agreement, including making minor, non-substantive changes.

#### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

##### SECURITY CAMERA EQUIPMENT PURCHASE - CITYWIDE NETWORK

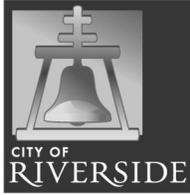
The City Council received a report on the purchase of security camera equipment from VectorUSA for the Citywide network. No one spoke on the matter.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Cervantes and seconded by Councilmember Mill to (1) authorize the purchase of security camera equipment for Citywide network from VectorUSA, Rancho Cucamonga, California, under Omnia Cooperative Purchasing Agreement R200803, in the amount of \$144,510.09; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to effectuate this purchase, including making minor and non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

##### AMENDMENT - PROPOSED FISCIAL YEAR 2025-2026 BIENNIAL BUDGET - RESOLUTION

Public Hearing was called to consider the proposed amendment of Fiscal Year 2025-2026 of previously adopted Fiscal Year 2024-2026 Biennial Budget and adopt a resolution amending Resolution No. 24131 to amend the two-year. Two people spoke on the matter. The public hearing was officially closed.



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Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Cervantes and seconded by Councilmember Mill to (1) adopt a resolution approving the proposed amended annual budget for Fiscal Year 2025/26 totaling \$1,528,021,444 citywide, with the addition of any revisions that the City Council may deem advisable per Section 1102 of the City Charter; and (2) delegate investment authority to the City's Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer for a period of one year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026. The motion carried with Councilmembers Falcone, Cervantes, Conder, Mill, Perry, and Hemenway voting aye and Councilmember Robillard absent.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24273 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Resolution No. 24131 to Amend the Two-Year Budget of the City of Riverside for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2025, and Ending June 30, 2026, was presented and adopted.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

##### CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSIONS

Interim City Attorney McKee-Reimbold announced no reportable action was taken on closed session items.

##### ITEMS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY MAYOR OR MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL - CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

There were no items requested for future consideration.

The City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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DONESIA GAUSE  
City Clerk