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## CITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024, 1 P.M.  
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ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3900 MAIN STREET

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

ABSENT: None

Mayor Lock Dawson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Jose Medina thanked outgoing City Councilmembers for their service. Margie Tad Williams thanked outgoing City Councilmembers for their service and spoke regarding the resolution for the United States Environmental Protection Agency grant (USEPA benefitting the Casa Blanca Neighborhood. Errol Koschewitz spoke regarding the Oath of Office. Paul Chavez spoke regarding the resolution for the United States Environmental Protection Agency grant. Partick Maloney Williams thanked outgoing City Councilmembers for their service and congratulated Mayor Lock Dawson and Councilmember Hemenway. Omar Cobian thanked outgoing City Councilmembers for their service and spoke regarding tax fraud in the construction trade. Jason Hunter, Keith Nelson, and one caller spoke regarding the City Manager and City Attorney employment agreements. Roy Luckerd spoke regarding the City Manager and City Attorney employment agreements and thanked outgoing City Councilmembers for their service.

#### MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Edwards reported on the Non-Profit Collaborative meeting at Hunt Park and Arts Market at White Park. Councilmember Cervantes thanked Lincoln Park Neighborhood groups and Park and Recreation Department for hosting the annual Easter Egg hunt and reported on the Bordwell Park Advisory Board meeting, Riverside Transgender Health and Wellness event, Riverside Latino Network Cesar Chavez breakfast, University Neighborhood meeting, and public hearing regarding Riverside Unified School District STEM Education project. Councilmember Conder reported on Defense Communities 2024 National Summit, retirement event for Anne Mayer of Riverside County Transportation Commission, Quick Quack Carwash grand opening, farewell to Public Utilities General Manager Todd Corbin, Mission Grove Neighborhood Alliance meeting, and meeting with Colonel Bob Bailey. Councilwoman Plascencia reported on Public Safety Policy Committee meeting with Chief Gonzalez and Assembly Bills. Councilmember Perry reported on Fire Association Fundraiser at Bowlero Bowling Alley, and thanked Todd Corbin for his service to the City and the Museum staff for hosting



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the Solar Eclipse Party. Councilmember Hemenway thanked Todd Corbin for his service and reported on Norte Vista Construction Signing Day, Mary Jane Hunt 100th Birthday celebration, and Citrus Park Festival. Mayor Lock Dawson thanked Friends of the Citrus Park for hosting the Citrus Park Festival and thanked the outgoing City Councilmembers for their service and reported on State Legislature testimony regarding Downtown Revitalization.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

##### INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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

##### HOMELESS SOLUTIONS UPDATE

The City Council received an update on homeless solutions.

##### SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

There was no update on sustainability.

##### LEGAL UPDATE

There was no legal update.

##### COUNCILMEMBERS DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Councilmember Cervantes recused herself from the Lease Agreement with Farmworkers Institute of Education and Leadership Development, Inc, at Cesar Chavez Community Center citing her father serves on the Board of Directors and she received campaign contribution from the Institute.

#### 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 with (1) Mayor Lock Dawson voting aye on the appointment of Benjamin W. Stewart to the Planning Commission Ward 2 seat and the resignation of Brian C. Smith from the Budget Engagement Commission Ward 5 Resident seat; and (2) Councilmember Perry voting no on the ordinance amending Title 19 of the



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Riverside Municipal Code and the resolution to display Disability Pride Month Flag at City Facilities during the month of July.

#### BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENT AND RESIGNATION

The Mayor and City Council (1) appointed Benjamin W. Stewart to the Planning Commission Ward 2 seat for a term through March 1, 2027; and (2) filed the resignation of Brian C. Smith from the Budget Engagement Commission Ward 5 Resident seat.

#### CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE - ORDINANCE ADOPTED

The City Council adopted an Ordinance amending Section 2.04.010 of the Riverside Municipal Code updating the regular meeting schedule of the City Council to regular meetings on the first four Tuesdays of each month, with no City Council meeting on the fifth Tuesday of month, City Council meetings only on first and third Tuesdays of July, August, and September and on second, third, and fourth Tuesdays for months of April, June, and October, with afternoon sessions starting at 1:00 p.m. or 3:00 p.m., with evening sessions to start at approximately 6:15 p.m.; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance No. 7659 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Section 2.04.010 of the Riverside Municipal Code Updating the Regular Meeting Schedule of the City Council, was presented and adopted.

#### MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings on March 12 and 19, 2024, were approved as presented.

#### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE JUSTICE COMMUNITY CHANGE GRANTS PROGRAM - CLEAN ENERGY, SMART GROWTH, SUSTAINABILITY, AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS - CASA BLANCA NEIGHBORHOOD - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) approved a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign an application and associated program documents for an application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grants Program, for an amount up to \$20,000,000, to fund clean energy, smart growth, sustainability, and workforce development projects in the greater Casa Blanca Neighborhood and authorization for the City Manager or designee to sign any and all applicable application and implementation documents if the Grant is awarded; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24102



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of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Authorizing the Submission of an Application for, and Acceptance of, any Funds from the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grants Program and Authorizing the Execution of all Necessary Grant Documents by the City Manager, or his Designee, was presented and adopted.

#### LICENSE AGREEMENT - USE OF RIVERSIDE WATER COMPANY CANAL AREA FOR PARKING AND LANDSCAPING - 21801 BARTON ROAD, GRAND TERRACE

The City Council (1) approved the License Agreement with W-H GT Owner IX, L. P., for use of a portion of the Riverside Water Company Canal, also known as Assessor's Parcel Number 1167-121-08, for a twenty-five-year term for total revenue of \$270,824.51; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the License Agreement, including making minor and non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents necessary to complete the transaction.

#### CASE PR-2023-001625 - ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT TO TITLE 19 - ORDINANCE ADOPTED

The City Council adopted an Ordinance amending various Sections in Title 19 of the Riverside Municipal Code; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance No. 7660 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Various Sections in Title 19 of the Riverside Municipal Code, was presented and adopted.

#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2261 - AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS - MUNICIPAL FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES

The City Council (1) approved the First Amended and Restated Professional Consultant Services Agreement with CSG Advisors Incorporated, San Francisco, for an amount of \$50,000 for a term of five years, with an option to extend two additional two-year terms; (2) approved the First Amended and Restated Professional Consultant Services Agreement with PFM Financial Advisors, LLC, Delaware, for an amount of \$100,000 for a term of five years, with an option to extend two additional two-year terms; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the First Amended and Restated Professional Consultant Services Agreements with each of the companies listed above, and optional contract extensions, including making minor and non-substantive changes.



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#### REIMBURSEMENT - INSTRUCTIONAL TRAINING HOURS PER INTER-AGENCY INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) authorized acceptance of training reimbursement funds from Riverside Community College District/Moreno Valley in the amount of \$109,232.38; and (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenue and appropriate expenditures in an equal amount of \$109,232.38 in the Grants & Restricted Programs Fund, RCCD/Moreno Valley Program revenue and expenditure accounts.

#### TITLE 12 AMENDMENT - AIRPORT RULES AND REGULATIONS - ORDINANCE INTRODUCED

The City Council introduced an Ordinance updating Title 12 of the Riverside Municipal Code – Airport Rules and Regulations; whereupon an Ordinance entitled “An Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Title 12 of the Riverside Municipal Code,” was presented and introduced.

#### BID 8069 - 2024 MODEL YEAR ELECTRIC POWERED FORD F150 LIGHTNING UTILITY TRUCK

The City Council awarded Bid 8069 to Fritts Ford, Riverside, for the purchase of one 2024 model year electric powered Ford F150 Lightning utility truck for the Public Works Traffic Signal Maintenance Division in the amount of \$87,558.65.

#### DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH FLAG DURING THE MONTH OF JULY - RESOLUTION

The City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the display of the Disability Pride Month flag during the month of July at City Hall and potentially other City facilities; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24103 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Authorizing the Display of the Disability Pride Month Flag at City Facilities During the Month of July, was presented and adopted.

#### 2023 FORD F150 UTILITY TRUCKS

The City Council approved the purchase of four replacement 2023 Ford F150 utility trucks from Fritts Ford, Riverside, for the Public Works Department in the total amount of \$141,582.52.



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#### LIBRARY MINOR GIFT FUND - LIBRARY MATERIALS, PROGRAMS, AND SERVICES - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) accepted \$40,000 from the Minor Gift Fund; and (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenues and a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$40,000 in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, Library Gift revenue and expenditure accounts.

#### AGREEMENT - IRRIGATION MAINTENANCE SERVICES TO COMPLETE BACKFLOW TESTING, REPAIR, AND REPLACEMENT SERVICES

The City Council (1) approved the Agreement for Irrigation Maintenance Services with Arrowhead Group, Inc., dba Basic Backflow, San Bernardino, for Complete Backflow Testing, Repair, and Replacement Services for the term of July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, in an annual amount of \$50,000, with the option to extend the agreement for three additional one-year terms; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Agreement, including making minor and non-substantive changes, and term extensions up to three additional one-year terms, subject to the availability of budgeted funds.

#### LEASE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - CESAR CHAVEZ COMMUNITY CENTER - BOBBY BONDS PARK

The City Council (1) approved the Second Amendment to the Lease Agreement from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, with the Farmworkers Institute of Education and Leadership Development to lease 953 square feet at the Cesar Chavez Community Center; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute necessary documents to amend the Lease Agreement.

#### ESTABLISH FARES FOR SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION - INCREASE FARE FOR RIVERSIDE CONNECT PROGRAM - RESOLUTION

The City Council adopted a resolution increasing fares from \$3.00 to \$3.50 over the next two years with medical trips increasing from \$2.00 to \$2.50 in the same two-year period effective July 1, 2024, for the City of Riverside's Riverside Connect Program; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24104 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Establishing the Fares for Use of the City's Special Transportation Program and Repealing Resolution No. 23220, was presented and adopted.



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#### UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE REGIONAL FUGITIVE TASK FORCE - OVERTIME REIMBURSEMENT - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) approved the Obligation Document for the United States Marshals Service Regional Fugitive Task Force overtime reimbursement for the term of October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024, in the amount not-to-exceed \$189,000 and authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the document; and (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenues and appropriate expenditures in the amount of \$189,000 in the Grants & Restricted Programs Fund, US Marshals Service 23/24 Program.

#### AUTOMATED REFUSE, GREEN WASTE, AND RECYCLING BINS

The City Council (1) authorized the purchase of automated refuse, green waste, and recycling bins from Toter, LLC, Statesville, North Carolina, in an amount not-to-exceed \$900,000, through June 30, 2025; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute all required documents to effectuate this purchase, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

#### MASTER PARKING SCHEDULE AMENDMENT - CHERBOURG - RESOLUTION

The City Council adopted a resolution to remove the segment of existing "No-Parking between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday, except holidays" zone on the west side of Irving Street from just south of the cul-de-sac bulb-out southerly to the south side of Cherbourg Drive; whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24105 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Resolution No. 22451 Known as the Master Parking Schedule Resolution to Remove the Segment of Timed No Parking Zone on Irving Street, was presented and adopted.

#### INCREASE PURCHASE ORDER - BROOMS AND BRUSHES USED BY STREET SWEEPING VEHICLES

The City Council (1) authorized an increase of Purchase Order number 240597 with United Rotary Brush Corporation, Dallas, Texas, in the amount of \$25,000 for the purchase of brooms and brushes used by street sweeping vehicles to collect debris along city streets for a total purchase order amount of \$74,500; and (2) authorized the future procurement of street sweeper brooms and brushes from United Rotary Brush in an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000 per year beginning Fiscal Year 2024-25 through Fiscal Year 2028-29, subject to availability of budgeted funds.



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#### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

##### AMENDMENT TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT - CITY MANAGER

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Edwards and seconded by Councilwoman Plascencia to approve Mayor Pro Tem Hemenway recommendation to approve the First Amendment to the Employment Agreement with City Manager Charles M. Futrell for a term through January 9, 2029. The motion carried with Councilmembers Edwards, Cervantes, Fierro, Conder, Perry, and Hemenway and Councilwoman Plascencia voting aye and Councilmember Perry voting no.

##### MASTER FRINGE BENEFITS AND SALARY PLAN AMENDMENT - RESOLUTION

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilwoman Plascencia and seconded by Councilmember Edwards to approve Mayor Pro Tem Hemenway recommendation to (1) approve the First Amendment to the Employment Agreement with City Attorney Phaedra A. Norton for a term through July 20, 2028; and (2) adopt a Resolution amending the Master Fringe Benefit and Salary Plan to reflect the revisions to the City Attorney Employment Agreement. The motion carried unanimously.

Whereupon the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24106 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Resolution No. 21052 and the Master Fringe Benefits and Salary Plan to Adjust the Salary Range of the City Attorney and to Reflect Revisions to the City Attorney Employment Agreement, was presented and adopted.

##### MUNICIPAL ELECTION - CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX - RESOLUTION - ORDINANCE ADOPTED

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Perry and seconded by Councilwoman Plascencia to (1) adopt a resolution reciting the facts of the General Municipal Election held on March 5, 2024, and declaring the results for Office of Mayor, City Council Wards 1, 3, 5, 7, and Ballot Measure B; and (2) adopt an ordinance adding Chapter 5.78, 'Cannabis Business Tax,' to the Riverside Municipal Code. The motion carried unanimously.

Whereupon, the titles having been read and further readings waived, Resolution No. 24107 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Reciting the Fact of the Municipal Election Held in Said City on the 5th Day of March, 2024 Declaring the Results





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Thereof and Setting Forth Such Other Matters as are Provided by Law, and Ordinance No. 7661 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Adding Chapter 5.78, Entitled "Cannabis Business Tax," to the Riverside Municipal Code, were presented and adopted.

#### CLOSED SESSIONS

The City Council adjourned to closed sessions pursuant to Government Code (1) §54957(a) for consultation with Chief of Police Larry Gonzalez, or his respective deputy, and Chief Information Officer George Khalil regarding threat to public services or facilities; (2) §54956.9(d)(2) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning anticipated litigation regarding one case; (3) §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; and (4) §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 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers #47, and Riverside Police Administrators Association.

The City Council recessed at 3:03 p.m. and reconvened at 6:15 p.m. with Mayor Lock Dawson presiding and all Councilmembers present except Councilwoman Plascencia.

Councilmember Fierro gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Patrick Maloney thanked outgoing City Councilmembers and welcomed the incoming City Councilmembers. Errol Koschewitz spoke regarding the submission of United States Environmental Protection Agency grant. Gracie Torres congratulated the new Councilmembers and thanked the outgoing Councilmembers. Keith Nelson spoke regarding inclusivity of those with special needs.



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#### SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Former Riverside Unified School District Trustee, Kathy Allavie administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Ward 1 Councilmember Philip Falcone.

Larry Robillard administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Ward 3 Councilmember Steven Robillard.

Rancho Santiago Community College District, Board of Trustees President, Sal Tinajero administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Ward 5 Councilmember Sean H. Mill.

City Clerk Donesia Gause administered the Oath of Office to re-elected Ward 7 Councilmember Steve Hemenway.

Judge David Bristow administered the Oath of Office to re-elected Mayor Patricia Lock Dawson.

Mayor Lock Dawson assumed the Chair and presided and Councilmembers Falcone, Robillard, and Mill took their seat on the dais.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

##### CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSIONS

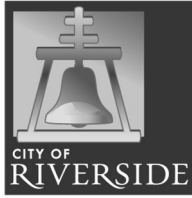
City Attorney Norton announced there were no reportable actions taken during closed session.

##### ITEMS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

There were no future items requested at this time.

##### RECONSIDERATION - CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY - EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS

Councilmember Conder requested reconsideration of City Council approvals earlier in the day of the employment agreements for City Manager Charles M. Futrell and City Attorney Phaedra Norton.



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Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Conder and seconded by Councilmember Mill to reconsider the employment agreements for the City Manager and City Attorney. The motion carried with Councilmembers Falcone, Robillard, Conder, and Mill voting aye and Councilmembers Cervantes, Perry, and Hemenway voting no.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Conder and seconded by Councilmember Mill to bring back the employment agreements for the City Manager and City Attorney to the City Council Closed Session meeting on April 23, 2024. The motion carried unanimously.

The City Council adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DONESIA GAUSE  
City Clerk