# CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2025, 1:00 P.M. ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER 3900 MAIN STREET

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PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tem Conder and Councilmembers Falcone, Cervantes, Robillard,

Mill, Perry, and Hemenway

ABSENT: Mayor Lock Dawson

Mayor Pro Tem Conder called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

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

### PUBLIC COMMENTS IN PERSON/TELEPHONE

Aurora Chavez spoke regarding senior meals program and a "Write to the Mayor" program. Errol Koshewitz spoke regarding the city vendor list. Cynthia Hllywa thanked the City Council and City of Riverside for implementing services and infrastructure for the visually impaired community. Rich Gardner inquired about what constitutes calling a special meeting and spoke on the adoption of the resolution related to United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) activities. Malissa McKeith spoke regarding supportive services for the visually impaired residents.

### MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Falcone reported on City Hall 50th Anniversary event, Mission Inn Run, and Community Budget Meeting at Springbrook Clubhouse. Councilmember Cervantes reported on Human Relations Commission Community Workshop at Civil Rights Institute, Day of the Dead Color Run, and food donations ahead of the holidays. Councilmember Robillard reported on the 2025 Faith Summit, University of California, Riverside (UCR) Students Shadowing program, Planes and Treats, and Sweet Moments at Midtown. Councilmember Mill reported on ribbon cutting event at Century Development, League of Cities Annual Conference in Long Beach, Fall Festival at Villegas Park, African American Historical Society event, Path of Life family shelter, Spooky Spooktacular, and Budget Forum at Villegas Park. Councilmember Perry reported on rescheduling grand opening at Strack Park, and College and Career Fair at the Tyler Mall. Councilmember Hemenway reported on Community Budget meeting in Ward 7, Mission Inn Run, Spooktacular story time, and Boo Bash at La Sierra Library. Councilmember Conder reported on National Night Out events throughout the city, Employee Appreciation Week, Career Fair, 2025 Faith Summit, Ward 4 Budget Community Meeting, Inland Empire Homeless Forum, and thanked Field Representative Frank Arreola for his constituent services in Ward 4.

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### ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The City Council Economic Development Committee is scheduled for Thursday, October 23, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

The City Council Housing and Homelessness Committee is scheduled for Monday, October 27, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

### CITY MANAGER UPDATE

There were no updates from the City Manager's Office.

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

Councilmember Conder abstained from item regarding the approval of legal budget for the Phaedra Norton vs. City of Riverside matter, and recused from Closed Session item 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. Councilmember Mill abstained from item regarding approval of legal budget for the Phaedra Norton vs. City of Riverside matter.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### BLINDNESS AWARENESS MONTH

Councilmember Robillard presented a Proclamation to Blindness Support Services and the Braille Institute to recognize October as Blindness Awareness Month.

### RIVERSIDE PROSPERS SUCCESS REPORT - WARD 6 Councilmember Perry gave a report on Collins Aerospace.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

It was moved by Councilmember Cervantes and seconded by Councilmember Hemenway to approve the Consent Calendar as presented affirming the actions appropriate to each item, with the exception of (1) Councilmember Conder voting no



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on the legal budget increase for Simpson v. City of Riverside matter, (2) Councilmembers Conder and Perry voting no and Councilmember Hemenway abstaining on Commercial Cannabis Permit Fees Ordinance, and (3) Councilmembers Conder and Mill abstaining from approval of the legal budget for the Phaedra Norton vs. City of Riverside matter. The motion carried unanimously.

LEGAL BUDGET INCREASE - CITY ATTORNEY LEGAL FEES - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION The City Council (1) approved an increase to the legal budget for the law firm of Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley in an amount not-to-exceed \$83,000 for a revised total budget of \$499,400 for Lawsuit entitled Simpson v. City of Riverside; and (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$83,000 in the General Fund, City Attorney Outside Legal Services account. Councilmember Conder voted no.

### RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT - ORDINANCE ADOPTED

The City Council adopted an Ordinance amending Riverside Municipal Code Sections 1.17.121(A) and 9.40.120 regarding unform appeal process for Junk Dealer and Scrap metal Recyclers and Adult-Oriented Businesses.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance No. 7735 of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Section 1.17.121(A) of the Riverside Municipal Code to Add Chapter 5.85 in the Included List, and the Title of Section 9.40.120 of the Riverside Municipal Code Regarding Appeal, was presented and adopted.

### BOARDS AND COMMISIONS APPOINTMENTS, RESIGNATIONS AND REMOVAL

The Mayor and City Council (1) appointed Adele Ann Eberwein to Commission of the Deaf Ward 7 seat; (2) filed the resignation of (a) Makisha Alexander from Human Resources Board Ward 5 seat; (b) Tim Hennessey from Commission on Disabilities Ward 3 seat; and (c) Rich Gardner from Museum of Riverside Board Ward 4 seat; and (3) removed Melinda Weinrich from Budget Engagement Commission Ward 1, seat effective immediately.

#### **MINUTES**

The minutes for meetings of September 16, 29, and 30, 2025, were approved as presented.



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COURTHOUSE EXPANSION - UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTHOUSE CENTRAL DISTRICT - EASTERN DIVISION

The City Council (1) supported the expansion of the United States District Courthouse Eastern Division of the Central District of California, located in Riverside County; and (2) directed City Manager to identify stakeholders and coordinate advocacy for federal funding of United States General Services Administration (GSA) Phase One Feasibility Study for implementation of Long-Term Facilities Plan for courthouse expansion.

DESIGN PHASE OF RUNWAY 9-27 SAFETY AREA EROSION CONTROL PROJECT - RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT - RESOLUTION - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) adopted a Resolution authorizing receipt of a \$283,366 grant from the Federal Aviation Administration to the City of Riverside for the design phase of Runway 9-27 Runway Safety Area Erosion Control project at Riverside Municipal Airport; (2) upon grant award from the Federal Aviation Administration, authorized an increase in revenues in the amount of \$283,366 an appropriation of expenditures in an equal amount to the applicable grant accounts in the Airport Fund, Erosion Control Project revenue and expenditure accounts; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute a grant agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24311 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Authorizing the Application and Acceptance of Grant Funds from the Federal Aviation Administration for the Design Phase of Runway 9-27 Runway Safety Area Erosion Control Project at the Riverside Municipal Airport; and Authorizing the Execution of all Necessary Documents Related to Such Grant, was presented and adopted.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION GRANT - DEVELOPMENT OF AIRPORT PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM - 6951 FLIGHT - RESOLUTION - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION The City Council (1) adopted a Resolution to authorize application for and award of \$104,500 grant from the Federal Aviation Administration to the City of Riverside for the development of an Airport Pavement Management System (APMS) at Riverside Municipal Airport; (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, upon grant award, to record an increase in revenues in the amount of \$104,500 and appropriate expenditures in an equal amount in the Airport Fund, APMS Project revenue and expenditure accounts; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute



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a grant agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration including making minor and non-substantive changes.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24312 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Authorizing the Application and Acceptance of Grant Funds from the Federal Aviation Administration for the Development of an Airport Pavement Management System (APMS) at the Riverside Municipal Airport; and Authorizing the Execution of all Necessary Documents Related to Such Grant, was presented and adopted.

RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT - CHAPTER 3.30 - ORDINANCE ADOPTED The City Council adopted an Ordinance amending Chapter 3.30 of the Riverside Municipal Code to rename a category to the Schedule of Regulations, Products and Services titled Commercial Cannabis Sales Permit Fee to Commercial Cannabis Permit Fees. Councilmember Conder and Perry voted no and Councilmember Hemenway abstained.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance 7736 of the City of Riverside, California, an Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Chapter 3.30 of the Riverside Municipal Code, to Amend an Existing Category Title to the Schedule of Regulation, Products, and Services, was presented and adopted.

CASE PR-2025-001821- RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS - TITLE 20 - ORDINANCE ADOPTED

The City Council adopted an Ordinance amending Title 20 Cultural Resources of the Riverside Municipal Code.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance 7737 of the City of Riverside, California, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Table 20.15.010 and Deleting Sections 20.15.085 and 20.30.030 in their Entirety, was presented and adopted.

FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 CITY COUNCIL NON-PERSONNEL EXPENDITURES REPORT BY WARD The City Council received a report of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 City Council non-personnel expenditures by Ward.



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DOWNTOWN PARKING AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA - PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED - RESOLUTION

The City Council (1) received and approved the Annual Report of the Riverside Downtown Partnership, acting in its capacity as the Advisory Board to the Downtown Parking and Business Improvement Area; (2) adopted a Resolution declaring the City of Riverside's intention to levy and collect an annual assessment in the Downtown Business Improvement Area for Calendar Year 2026, from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026; and (3) set a public hearing for December 2, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. on the levy of the proposed assessment.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24313 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Declaring its Intention to Levy an Annual Assessment in the Downtown Parking and Business Improvement Area for Calendar Year 2026 Pursuant to Section 36534 of the California Streets and Highways Code, Generally Describing the Improvements and Activities to be Undertaken and Fixing the Time and Place for a Public Hearing Before the City Council of the City of Riverside on the Levy of the Proposed Assessment, was presented and adopted.

AGREEMENT - BUSINESS LICENSE, TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX, SHORT-TERM RENTAL, AND UTILITY USER TAX SERVICES

The City Council (1) approved an Agreement for Business License, Transient Occupancy Tax, Short-Term Rental, and Utility User Tax Services with Hinderliter, de Llamas and Associates (HdL), starting on October 25, 2025, for a one-year term for a not-to-exceed amount of \$340,000 with an option to extend one year for a not-to-exceed amount of \$370,000; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Agreement, issue a notice of termination when applicable, execute extensions if necessary and subject to the availability of budgeted funds, and to make any other required non-substantive changes.

RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT - CHAPTER 2.90 - ORDINANCE ADOPTED The City Council adopted an Ordinance amending Riverside Municipal Code Chapter 2.90, reducing the membership of the Budget Engagement Commission.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance 7738 of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Chapter 2.90 of the Riverside Municipal Code Regarding the Membership of the Budget Engagement Commission, was presented and adopted.



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PARAMEDIC PROGRAM MEDICAL CONSULTING SERVICES - FUNDS TRANSFER - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATON

The City Council (1) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record a transfer from the Special Deposits Fund, Equipment Refresh Fire account to the General Fund in the amount of \$30,000 and appropriate expenditures of the same amount in the General Fund, Fire Operations Professional Services account for the Paramedic Program Medical Consulting Services.

RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT - CHAPTER 9.60 - ORDINANCE ADOPTED The City Council adopted an Ordinance to amend Riverside Municipal Code Section 9.60, "Extraordinary Responses to Certain Emergency Incidents and Dangerous Properties."

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance No. 7739 of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Riverside Municipal Code Chapter 9.60 Establishing Liability for Extraordinary Responses to Certain Emergency Incidents and Dangerous Properties, was presented and adopted.

### WELLNESS FUND ALLOWANCE - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) accepted \$28,182.21 from HUB International Insurance Services as a Wellness Fund Allowance to provide various employee wellness programs and initiatives; and (2) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenue in the amount of \$28,182.21 and appropriate an equal amount in expenditures in the Grants & Restricted Programs Fund, Human Resources - Admin, Wellness Program revenue and expenditure accounts.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL REVISIONS

The City Council adopted the proposed revisions to the City's personnel policies, contained in the Human Resources Policy and Procedure Manual.

### LEGAL BUDGET - OUTSIDE COUNCIL ENGAGEMENT LETTER

The City Council (1) approved a legal budget for the law firm of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore (LCW) in an amount not-to-exceed \$715,500 to represent the City in the case entitled Phaedra Norton v. City of Riverside, Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVRI2500992; and (2) authorized the Mayor Pro Tem to sign an engagement letter outlining the authorized budget for legal services in this matter.

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### MASTER FRINGE BENEFITS AND SALARY PLAN - RESOLUTIONS

The City Council (1) approved the retroactive establishment of the Deputy Fire Chief classification and corresponding salary pay scale; (2) approved the retroactive correction to the Deputy Police Chief salary scale; (3) adopted a Resolution for paying 9 percent of the normal member contributions as Employer Paid Member Contributions (EPMC) and reporting the same percent (9 percent) as compensation earnable (excluding Government Code Section 20636(c)(4)) as additional compensation for Classic employees in the Unrepresented Fire Management group hired on or before October 11, 2011 and for employees in the Unrepresented Police Management group hired on or before March 14, 2014; (4) approved the administrative language revisions to the Memoranda of Understanding with the Riverside Firefighters' Association and Riverside Fire Management group to be in compliance with CalPERS Special Compensation reporting requirements as outlined by California Code of Regulations Section 571; and (5) adopted the Resolution amending the Master Fringe Benefit and Salary Plan to retroactively establish the Deputy Fire Chief classification and corresponding salary scale and retroactively correct the salary scale for the Deputy Police Chief classification to be in compliance with CalPERS Government Sections 20636 and 20636.1 and California Code of Regulations section 570.5 and revise other special compensation provisions.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24314 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Paying and Reporting the Value of Employer Paid Member Contributions for Classic Employees in the Unrepresented Fire Management Group and for Classic Employees in the Unrepresented Police Management Group, Effective January 1, 2015, was presented and adopted.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24315 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Resolution No. 21052 and the Master Fringe Benefits and Salary Plan to Retroactively Establish the Deputy Fire Chief Classification and Corresponding Salary Pay Scale and Retroactively Amend the Salary Pay Scale for the Deputy Police Chief Classification to be in Compliance with CalPERS Government Code Sections 20636 and 20636.1 and California Code of Regulations Section 570.5 and Revise other Special Compensation Provisions, was presented and adopted.



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MASTER FRINGE BENEFITS AND SALARY PLAN - RESOLUTION - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) approved the salary adjustments retroactive to August 1, 2025, to the International of Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), utility field and supervisory water classifications based on agreed implementation of water salary survey and salary adjustments to management classifications due to compaction; (2) approved the creation of Principal Intelligence Analyst classification and corresponding salary range; (3) approved the deletion of non-utilized classifications; (4) adopted the Resolution amending the Master Fringe Benefits and Salary Plan to implement the salary adjustments as outlined in Exhibit A in the staff report; and (5) authorized the Chief Financial Officer or designee to record supplemental appropriations in the approximate amount of \$992,232 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 in the applicable accounts in the Water Fund.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24316 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Resolution No. 21052 and the Master Fringe Benefits and Salary Plan to Retroactively Establish the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Utility Field and Supervisory Water Classifications Based on City and Union Agreed Upon Water Salary Survey, Including Salary Adjustments to Management Classifications Due to Salary Compaction; Approve the Creation of the Classification and Salary Range for the Principal Intelligence Analyst; and Deletion of Non-Utilized Classifications, was presented and adopted.

COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT - WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SERVICES
The City Council (1) approved the purchase of goods and services under NASPO
Cooperative Contract #MA176 with T-Mobile USA, Inc., in the estimated amount of
\$220,000 annually plus usage and new lines of service charges; and (2) authorized the
City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Addendum and necessary additional
documents and instruments to complete the transaction, including releasing funds from
an Annual Purchase Order for equipment procurement pursuant to the pricing on the
Sub-Participating Addendum, making minor non-substantive changes, and approving
annual renewals.

SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION DIVISION REVISED PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AGENCY SAFETY PLAN

The City Council approved and adopted the City of Riverside Special Transportation Division's revised Agency Safety Plan.



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PURCHASE - TEN (10) 16-PASSENGER PARATRANSIT VEHICLES FOR SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

The City Council (1) approved the purchase of ten (10) 16-passenger paratransit vehicles for the Special Transportation Division in the amount of \$2,286,902.13 with A-Z Bus Sales, Inc., in accordance with Purchasing Resolution No. 24101, Section 602 (f) and Section 603; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the purchase orders and all change orders with A-Z Bus Sales, Inc., including making minor and non-substantive changes.

AGREEMENT - 2025-2026 ALCOHOL POLICING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (APP) GRANT - RESOLUTION - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The City Council (1) approved an Agreement with the State of California, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for a 2025-2026 Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) grant award in the amount of \$90,000 to increase enforcement activity and combat alcoholrelated crimes in relation to alcoholic beverage control (ABC) violations for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026; (2) adopted a Resolution to accept the State of California, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control's 2025-2026 Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) grant award in the amount of \$90,000 to increase enforcement activity and combat alcohol-related crimes in relation to alcoholic beverage control (ABC) violations for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026; (3) upon receipt of the grant award, authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenues and an appropriation of expenditures in the amount of \$90,000, or in the amount of the actual award, in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, Alcoholic Beverage Control 2025-2026 Alcohol Policing Partnership Grant Program revenue and expenditure accounts; and (4) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute all grant documents with the State of California, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control's 2025-2026 Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) Grant Program, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24317 of the City Council of the City Of Riverside, California, Authorizing the City Manager, or his Designee, to Execute a Standard Agreement Contract with the State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the Alcohol Policing Partnership Program (APP) and Accept a Grant Award in the Amount of \$90,000,00 to Increase Enforcement Activity and Combat Alcohol-Related Crimes in Relation to Alcoholic Beverage Control Violations for the Period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, was presented and adopted.



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PURCHASE - AXON TASER 10 - ACCESSORIES, FOUR-YEAR WARRANTY, AND TRAINING The City Council (1) approved the purchase of 50 Axon Taser 10 with magazines, cartridges, holsters, docks, battery packs, warranty, and training from Axon Enterprise, Inc., Scottsdale, Arizona, in the amount of \$65,118.52 per year for three years and \$65,118.53 in year four for a total purchase amount of \$260,474.09, pursuant to Purchasing Resolution 24101, Section 602(f); and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to complete this purchase.

### AGREEMENT - BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE COLLECTION SERVICES

The City Council (1) approved the Services Agreement with American Forensic Nurses, INC., La Quinta, California, for Biological Evidence Collection Services in the amount of up to \$110,000 annually with a 3-year term ending June 30, 2028 for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$330,000; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Services Agreement with American Forensic Nurses, INC., La Quinta, California, including the ability to make minor, non-substantive changes.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION - CONSOLIDATED RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM GRANT The City Council (1) approved the revised grant agreement accepting the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration, Fiscal Year 2022 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Program grant award in the amount of \$78,759 for the tentative period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute all required grant agreements and related documents, making minor and non-substantive changes.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2472 - CALIFORNIA COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY PLAN DEVELOPMENT

The City Council (1) approved a Professional Consultant Services Agreement from RFP 2472 for Energy Planning Services for the Development of a Comprehensive Energy Plan with Energeia USA, Davis, California, for a term until October 22, 2026 in a not-to-exceed amount of \$312,921; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Professional Consultant Services Agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the project described herein, as well as the ability to make minor non substantive changes in accordance with all purchasing policies.



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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2432 - DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF CLOUD BASED URBAN FORESTRY INVENTORY AND MAINTENANCE TRACKING SOFTWARE PROGRAM The City Council (1) approved a Professional Consultant Services Agreement (Technology Services) for Request for Proposal 2432 to PlanIt Geo, Inc., Wheat Ridge, Colorado, in the amount of \$159,250; (2) authorized with a 25 percent change order authority in the amount of \$39,812.50 to allow for unanticipated costs and services; (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Professional Consultant Services Agreement, including making minor and non-substantive changes; and (4) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute optional term extensions to the agreement, provided that the annual amounts are included in the subsequent approved budgets.

AWARD BID 8178 - BOX SPRING MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN LINE D, STAGE 1, PHASE 1 PROJECT

The City Council (1) awarded Bid 8178 for the construction of Box Spring Master Drainage Plan Line D, Stage 1, Phase 1 project to H&H General Contractors, Inc., Highland, California, in the amount of \$7,338,236; and (2) authorized Public Works Department a change order authority up to 7 percent of the construction contract amount for a change order total of \$513,677; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the construction contract with H&H General Contractors, Inc., including making minor and non-substantive changes.

RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT - CHAPTER 6.04 - RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLABLE MATERIAL - ORDINANCE ADOPTED

The City Council adopted the proposed Ordinance revising Chapter 6.04 Residential Solid Waste and Recyclable Material of the Riverside Municipal Code to establish the inspection and enforcement process of contamination, overfill/overweight, cart replacement, and hazardous waste clean-up.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waive, Ordinance 7740 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Various Sections in Title 6 of the Riverside Municipal Code Regarding Solid Waste and Recyclable Material, was presented and adopted.

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### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

MASTER FRINGE BENEFITS AND SALARY PLAN AMENDMENT - INSPECTOR GENERAL - CONTINUED

Three people spoke on the matter.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Robillard and seconded by Councilmember Cervantes to continue the item to the City Council meeting during the evening session on November 18, 2025. The motion carried with Councilmembers Cervantes, Robillard, Perry, and Hemenway voting aye and Councilmembers Falcone, Mill, and Conder voting no.

AMENDMENT - RULES OF PROCEDURE AND ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR CITY COUNCIL - RESOLUTION

Six people spoke on the matter.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Falcone and seconded by Councilmember Mill to (1) receive the Governmental Processes Committee recommendations to the City Council Rules of Procedure and Order of Business as documented in the redlined Resolution No. 24255 except for the language of a no vote or abstention on consent calendar items without explanation resulting in the item automatically pulled from consent calendar; (2) include one evening meeting per month (3) adopt a Resolution to revise the City Council Rules of Procedure and Order of Business; and (4) return to Governmental Processes Committee to review policy in six months. The motion carried unanimously.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24318 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Establishing Rules of Procedures and Order of Business for the City Council of the City of Riverside and Related Functions and Activities and Rescinding all Prior Actions Taken from the Staff Report, and Repealing Resolution No. 24255, was presented and adopted.

RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT - CHAPTERS 16, 1.17, AND 5.59 - ORDINANCES INTRODUCED

No one spoke on the matter.



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Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Perry and Councilmember Cervantes to (1) introduce the following Ordinances for first reading: (a) adopting the 2025 Edition of California Code of Regulations Title 24, the California Building Standards Code with local amendments in the staff report; (b) amending Chapter 1.17 of the Riverside Municipal Code, Administrative Code Enforcement Remedies; and (c) amending Chapter 5.59 of the Riverside Municipal Code, Fire Alarm Systems; (2) schedule a public hearing for the proposed date of November 18, 2025 at 3 p.m., or thereafter, (a) adopt the Ordinances introduced on October 21, 2025, and listed as follows; (1) adopting the 2025 Edition of California Code of Regulations Title 24, California Building Standards Code with local amendments in the staff report; (2) amending Chapter 1.17 of the Riverside Municipal Code, Administrative Code Enforcement Remedies and amending Chapter 5.59 of the Riverside Municipal Code, Fire Alarm System; (b) adopt a Resolution making the necessary express findings as required by State law to support local amendments to the 2025 Edition of California Code of Regulations Title 24, the California Building Standards Code. The motion caried unanimously.

Whereupon, an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Title 16 of the Riverside Municipal Code, Amending Chapters 16.04, 16.06, 16.07, 16.08, 16.10, 16.11, 16.12, 16.13, 16.14, 16.16, 16.20, 16.23, 16.24, 16.48, 16.64, 16.68, and 16.80; Adding Chapter 16.17; and Deleting Chapter 16.36 to Adopt the 2025 Editions of the California Building, Residential, Existing Building, Energy, Green Building Standards, Mechanical, Plumbing, and Electrical Codes with Local Amendments in thereto", was presented and introduced.

Whereupon, an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending the Riverside Municipal Code by Amending and Replacing Chapter 16.32 Regarding Fire Prevention in its Entirety", was presented and introduced.

Whereupon, an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Chapter 1.17 of the Riverside Municipal Code Regarding Administrative Code Enforcement Remedies", was presented and introduced.

Whereupon, an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Chapter 5.59 of the Riverside Municipal Code regarding Fire Alarm Systems", was presented and introduced.

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### **PUBLIC HEARING**

MORATORIUM - TOBACCO RETAIL ESTABLISHMENT PERMITS - ORDINANCE ADOPTED Public Hearing was called to adopt an Ordinance extending the moratorium established by Ordinance No. 7733 on the issuance of new Tobacco Retail Establishment Permits within the City of Riverside. Three people spoke on the matter. The public hearing was officially closed.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Cervantes and seconded by Councilmember Falcone to adopt the proposed Ordinance extending by 10 months and 15 days the moratorium established by Ordinance No. 7733 on the issuance of new Tobacco Retail Establishment Permits within the City of Riverside for an additional 10 months and 15 days. The motion carried unanimously.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance No. 7741, of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, to Extend Urgency Ordinance No. 7733 Establishing a Moratorium on the Issuance of New Tobacco Retail Establishment Permits Within the City, was presented and adopted.

CASE PR-2025-001800 - ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT - ORDINANCE INTRODUCED Public Hearing was called to consider amendments to Titles 18 (Subdivision), 19 (Zoning), and 20 (Cultural Resources) of the Riverside Municipal Code (RMC), including but not limited to Title 18 Article III (Maps and Permits), Title 19 Article VII (Specific Land Use Provisions), and Title 20; and other minor, nonsubstantive changes and technical corrections as required to achieve consistency with the California Government Code. No one spoke on the matter. The public hearing was officially closed.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Cervantes and seconded by Councilmember Perry to (1) determine that Planning Case PR-2025-001800 (Zoning Text Amendment) is exempt from further California Environmental Quality Act Review pursuant to Sections 15308 (Actions to Protect Environment), 15060(c)(2) (No Physical Change), 15060(c)(3) (Not A Project), and 15061(b)(3) (General Rule), as the proposed amendment will cause no direct or indirect change to the environment and does not meet the definition of a Project under CEQA, and is pursuant to Sections 65852.21(k) and 66411.7(n); (2) approve Planning Case PR-2025-001800 (Zoning Text Amendment) based on the findings summarized in the Planning Commission staff report; and (3) introduce and subsequently adopt the Ordinance amending Title 18 (Subdivision Code), 19 (Zoning



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Code), and 20 (Cultural Resources Code) of the Riverside Municipal Code. The motion carried unanimously.

Whereupon, an Ordinance entitled "Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Various Sections of Titles 18, 19, And 20", was presented and introduced.

CASE PR-2025-001793 - ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT - ORDINANCE INTRODUCED Public Hearing was called to determine project is exempt from further California Environmental Quality Review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule), as can be seen with certainty that approval of project will not have an effect on environment. No one spoke on the matter. The public hearing was closed.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Cervantes and seconded by Councilmember Perry to (1) determine that Planning Case PR-2025-001793 (Zoning Text Amendment) is exempt from further California Environmental Quality Review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule), as it can be seen with certainty that approval of the project will not have an effect on the environment; (2) approve Planning Case PR-2025-001793 (Zoning Text Amendment) based on the findings summarized in the Planning Commission Staff Report; and (3) introduce and subsequently adopt the attached Ordinance amending Title 19 (Zoning Code) of the Riverside Municipal Code. The motion carried unanimously.

Whereupon, an Ordinance entitled "Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Numerous Sections of Titles 19", was presented and introduced.

FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 MASTER FEES AND CHARGES SCHEDULE AMENDMENT - TITLE 16 - SELF-CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FEES AND CHARGES - RESOLUTION - ORDINANCE ADOPTED

Public Hearing was called for proposed fees and charges; charges; adopt a Resolution amending the City's Master Fee Schedule adding three Building Plan Check Self Certification Fees, Adopt an Ordinance amending Title 16 of the Riverside Municipal Code by adding sections 16.04.430, 16.06.050, 16.08.100, and 16.14.030 regarding the Plan Check Self Certification Program. No one spoke on the matter. The public hearing was officially closed.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Cervantes and seconded by Councilmember Perry to (1) adopt a Resolution amending the City's Fees and Charges



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Schedule to add three (3) Building Plan Check Self-Certification fees: (1) Design Professional Program Application Fee, (2) Design Professional Program Renewal Fee; and (3) Project Application Fee; and (2) adopt an Ordinance amending Title 16 of the Riverside Municipal Code by adding sections 16.04.430, 16.06.050, 16.08.100, and 16.14.030 regarding the Plan Check Self-Certification Program. The motion carried unanimously.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 24319 of the City Council of the City of Riverside, California, Amending the City's Master Fees and Charges Schedule as set Forth in Resolution No. 21960, as Amended, Providing for Adjustment to the Building Plan Check Fee and Charge to Establish Self-Certification Program Fees and Charges, and Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Amend the Master Fees and Charges Schedule, was presented and adopted.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Ordinance No. 7742 of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Title 16 of the Riverside Municipal Code by Adding Sections 16.04.430, 16.06.050, 16.08.100 And 16.14.030 Regarding the Plan Check Self-Certification Program, was presented and adopted.

### **CLOSED SESSIONS**

The Mayor Pro Tem and City Council adjourned to Closed Session at 4:02 p.m. pursuant to Government Code (1) §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; (2) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Frank Gandara v. City of Riverside, Superior Court Case No. CVRI2502998; (3) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Alyssah Lim v. Jose Terriquez, et al., Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVRI2500254; (4) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning Estate of Joseph Tracy IV, et al. v. City of Riverside, United States District Court Case No. 5:23-cv-2641; (5) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning City of Riverside v. MDC Coastal, LLC, Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVRI2503152; (6) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning City of Riverside v. Sun Trust,



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Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVRI2501973; (7) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning City of Riverside v. John Dingler, Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVRI2502030; (8) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning City of Riverside v The Patrician Group, Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVRI2502030; (9) §54956.8 to instruct City's Negotiator, Charles M. Futrell, regarding price and terms of payment for the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of Freeway signs at 215 North of Columbia Avenue, 91 West of Arlington Avenue, 60 East of 215/60 Interchange, 215 South of 215/60 Interchange, 91 South of University Avenue, 14th Street at Vine, Indiana Avenue at Madison Street, Magnolia Avenue at Brockton Avenue, Tyler Street at Diana Avenue, Van Buren Boulevard at Indiana Avenue, by Lamar Advertising Company; C. Todd Porter, Negotiator; (10) §54956.9(d)(2) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning anticipated litigation regarding one case; (11) §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; (12) §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; (13) §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; (14) §54957 for recruitment of City Attorney by City Council; and (15) §54957 and 54957.6 for performance evaluation of City Clerk and 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 unrepresented employee.

Mayor Pro Tem Conder and City Council reconvened at 7:04 p.m. with Mayor Pro Tem Conder presiding and all Councilmembers present.



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### **COMMUNICATIONS**

#### CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSIONS

City Attorney Rebecca Reimbold-McKee announced there were no reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

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

Councilmember Mill requested that at the next City Council meeting on October 28, 2025, a report be brought forward waiving Sunshine Ordinance for reconsideration of the matter regarding Testing Laboratory Commercial Cannabis Business Permit Procedure Guidelines and amendments to the City's Fees and Charges Schedule providing for a Cannabis Testing Laboratory Application discussed on August 19, 2025.

The City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DONESIA GAUSE City Clerk