

CITY OF PASADENA
City Council Minutes
June 20, 2016 – 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING:

Mayor Tornek called the regular meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.
(Absent: None)

On the order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:38 p.m., to discuss the following closed session:

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION pursuant to
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)**

**Name of Case: Rodeo Holdings v. City of Pasadena
LASC Case No.: BC 542643**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
regarding pending litigation pursuant to Government Code
Section 54956.9(d)(1)**

**Name of Case: Pasadena Police Officers Association v. City
of Pasadena
LASC Case No.: BC556464**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -
ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

**Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government
Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) (one potential case)**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -
ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

**Consideration of initiation of litigation pursuant to
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) (one potential case)**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6**

**Agency Designated Representative: Steve Mermell and
Jennifer Curtis**

**Employee Organization: American Federation of State,
County and Municipal Employees, Local 858 (AFSCME)**

The above five closed session items were discussed, with no reportable action at this time.

On the order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 7:05 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Masuda.

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers:

Mayor Terry Tornek
Vice Mayor Gene Masuda
Councilmember Victor Gordo
Councilmember Tyron Hampton
Councilmember John J. Kennedy
Councilmember Steve Madison
Councilmember Margaret McAustin
Councilmember Andy Wilson

Staff:

Interim City Manager Steve Mermell
City Attorney/City Prosecutor Michele Beal Bagneris
City Clerk Mark Jomsky

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON
MATTERS NOT ON THE
AGENDA**

Lee Wax, representing the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 858 (AFSCME), spoke on behalf of the City's AFSCME employees regarding current labor negotiations and requested fair treatment from the City.

Nile Livingston (Paul), no residence stated, spoke about the drought, wild fires, and other ills affecting the City.

The following individuals spoke on behalf of Jasmin Richards (Jasmin Abdullah) and in opposition to her recent prosecution in a Los Angeles County court case, and requested that the City discontinue any further legal actions against Ms. Richards:

Michele Dumont, White People for Black Lives
Matt Harper, La Canada resident
Miguel Guillemos, residence not stated
Paul Shirey, residence not stated
Audrey Georg, residence not stated
Matt Giltaji, Glendale resident
Dale Gronemeier, Eagle Rock resident
Stephanie Ballard, White People for Racial Justice of San Gabriel Valley

Miriam Nakamira-Quan, Los Angeles County for Wireless Reform, and Raymond Quan, Pasadena resident, spoke in opposition to California Assembly Bill 2788, Wireless Telecommunications Facilities, and asked the City to formally oppose the proposed legislation.

In response to public comment, Mayor Tornek, responded that the City has already sent correspondence in opposition to AB 2788.

David Whitehead, Pasadena resident, spoke in opposition to the 78 North Marengo Avenue property (YWCA/Kimpton project).

CONSENT CALENDAR

Item discussed separately

AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER WITH GENUINE PARTS COMPANY FOR THE PURCHASE OF AUTO AND TRUCK PARTS WITH RELATED AUTO AND TRUCK EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, SUPPLIES, AND SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$280,000 FOR ONE YEAR

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS) LEASE EXTENSION FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 721 PASADENA AVENUE

Recommendation:

(1) Find the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines Section 15301(h), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment; and

(2) Authorize the Interim City Manager to extend the lease agreement between the City of Pasadena and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the property located at 721 Pasadena Avenue (Community Gardens) for an additional five years.

Item discussed separately

AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH SEAGRAVE FIRE APPARATUS, LLC, FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE AERIAL LADDER TRUCK FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$1,300,000

AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH EMERGENCY VEHICLE GROUP, INC., FOR PURCHASE OF ONE RESCUE AMBULANCE FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$276,323

Recommendation:

(1) Find that this action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;

(2) Authorize a purchase order with Emergency Vehicle Group, Inc., (EVG) for the purchase of one rescue ambulance in an amount not-to-exceed \$276,323. Competitive Bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H), contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, materials, supplies or services; and

(3) It is further recommended that the City Council grant the proposed contract an exemption from the Competitive Selection process pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION TO ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT MITIGATION PROGRAM
Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the tree plantings proposed in the agenda report are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15304(b) (Minor Alterations to Land – New Landscaping); and
- (2) Adopt a resolution authorizing submittal of a grant application to the Environmental Enhancement Mitigation Program for the planting of trees at various locations along the City streets, City parks and City facilities. (Resolution No. 9506)

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BURNS & MCDONNELL COMPANY, INC., TO CONDUCT AN ASSESSMENT OF THE ENERGY PORTFOLIO RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$139,150
Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the proposed contract is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule); and
- (2) Authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into a contract, without competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter 1002(F), Contracts for Professional or Unique Services, with Burns & McDonnell Company, Inc., ("Burns & McDonnell") to conduct an independent compliance assessment of the Water and Power Department's energy portfolio risk management program for an amount not-to-exceed \$139,150, which includes the base contract amount of \$126,500 and a contingency of \$12,650 to accommodate any necessary change orders. (Contract No. 30653)

Item discussed separately

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH DATA TICKET, INC., FOR COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT PARKING CITATIONS

EXTEND CONTRACT NO. 30430 WITH TERMINIX INTERNATIONAL COMPANY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FOR PEST CONTROL SERVICES AND INCREASE CONTRACT VALUE FROM \$105,725 BY \$70,484 FOR A NOT-TO-EXCEED

AMOUNT OF \$176,209 FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD AND INCLUDE THE TWO ONE-YEAR EXTENSIONS TO BE COMPLIANT WITH BID SPECIFICATIONS

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that this action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment; and
- (2) Authorize the Interim City Manager to extend Contract No. 30430 with Terminix International Company Limited Partnership for pest control services for two one-year periods for an amount not-to-exceed \$35,242 per year. (Contract No. 30430-1)

AMENDMENTS TO FISCAL YEAR 2016 ADOPTED BUDGET AND AMENDMENTS TO FISCAL YEAR 2017 ADOPTED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;
- (2) Amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Adopted Budget; and
- (3) Amend FY 2017 Adopted CIP Budget as detailed in the agenda report. (Budget Amendment 2016-32)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: ALLOCATION OF \$50,000 FROM THE PASADENA ASSISTANCE FUND FOR PUBLIC/HUMAN SERVICE PROJECTS

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the recommended action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines per Section 15061(b)(3), the "General Rule" that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment; and
- (2) Approve the allocation from the Pasadena Assistance Fund (PAF) in the amount of \$50,000 for 2016-18 human/public service activities. (Please see the June 27, 2016 City Council meeting minutes regarding a correction/clarification on this item)

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH TTG ENGINEERS, STANTEC, POWER-TECH ENGINEERS, VTA CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND WORLEYPARSONS GROUP FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

Recommendation:

(1) Find that the proposed action is not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") as defined in Section 21065 of CEQA and Sections 15060(c)(2), 15060(c)(3), and 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines and, as such, no environmental document pursuant to CEQA is required for the project;

(2) Authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into a contract, without competitive bidding pursuant to the City Charter Section 1002(F), Contracts for Professional or Unique Services, with TTG Engineers which bid on Consulting Services, Electrical Design Services and Civil Engineering in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000 or for four years, whichever occurs first (Contract No. 30643);

(3) Authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into a contract, without competitive bidding pursuant to the City Charter Section 1002(F), Contracts for Professional or Unique Services, with Stantec which bid on Consulting Services, Electrical Design Services, Civil Engineering and Vault Engineering in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,100,000 or for four years, whichever occurs first (Contract No. 30644);

(4) Authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into a contract, without competitive bidding pursuant to the City Charter Section 1002(F), Contracts for Professional or Unique Services, with Power-Tech Engineers which bid on Consulting Services, Electrical Design Services, Civil Engineering and Vault Engineering in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,100,000 or for four years, whichever occurs first (Contract No. 30648);

(5) Authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into a contract, without competitive bidding pursuant to the City Charter Section 1002(F), Contracts for Professional or Unique Services, with VTA Consulting Engineers which bid on Civil Engineering in an amount not-to-exceed \$700,000 or for four years, whichever occurs first (Contract No. 30646); and

(6) Authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into a contract, without competitive bidding pursuant to the City Charter Section 1002(F), Contracts for Professional or Unique Services, with WorleyParsons Group which bid on Consulting Services, Electrical Design Services, Civil Engineering and Vault Engineering in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,100,000 or for four years, whichever occurs first. (Contract No. 30647)

APPOINTMENT OF PAULA HANSON TO THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (City Council Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF JULIUS METOYER, JR. TO THE ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016 (District 1 Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF ALI BARAR TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016 (District 6 Nomination)

2016 BIENNIAL NOTICE OF NON-SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENTS TO CITY'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the 2016 Biennial Notice of Amendments to the City's Conflict of Interest Code which is submitted for information purposes only.

MINUTES APPROVED

May 9, 2016 (Special joint meeting)
June 6, 2016

CLAIMS RECEIVED AND FILED

Claim No. 12,660	Jacobs & Jacobs Lawyers, LLP, representing Andres Ramirez, a minor by and through his mother, Elba Hernandez	\$ Not stated
Claim No. 12,661	Southern California Gas Company	Not stated

It was moved by Vice Mayor Masuda, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, excluding Item 1 (Authorize Issuance of A Purchase Order with Genuine Parts Company), Item 3 (Authorize Purchase Order With Seagrave Fire Apparatus, LLC), and Item 7 (Authorization to Enter Into A Contract With Burns & McDonnell Company, Inc.), which were discussed separately. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

CONSENT ITEMS DISCUSSED SEPARATELY

AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER WITH GENUINE PARTS COMPANY FOR THE PURCHASE OF AUTO AND TRUCK PARTS WITH RELATED AUTO AND TRUCK EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, SUPPLIES, AND SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$280,000 FOR ONE YEAR

Recommendation:

(1) Find that this action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;

(2) Authorize a purchase order with Genuine Parts Company for auto and truck parts with related auto and truck equipment, accessories, supplies and services in an amount not-to-exceed \$280,000 for one year. Competitive Bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H), contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, materials, supplies or services; and

(3) It is further recommended that the City Council grant the proposed contract an exemption from the Competitive Selection process pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

Ara Maloyan, Director of Public Works, responded to questions regarding the bidding process and the local distributors of the Genuine Parts Company, which is located in Pasadena.

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Hampton, seconded by Vice Mayor Masuda, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH SEAGRAVE FIRE APPARATUS, LLC, FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE AERIAL LADDER TRUCK FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$1,300,000

Recommendation:

(1) Find that this action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;

(2) Authorize a purchase order with Seagrave Fire Apparatus, LLC, for one aerial ladder truck in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,300,000. Competitive Bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H), contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, materials, supplies or services; and

(3) It is further recommended that the City Council grant the proposed contract an exemption from the Competitive Selection process pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

Ara Maloyan, Director of Public Works, introduced the item and Fire Chief Bertral Washington, and Jon Trautwein, Fire Battalion Chief, responded to questions regarding the aerial ladder truck specifications, and the vendor, Seagrave Fire Apparatus, LLC.

Councilmember Hampton requested a copy of the Pasadena Fire Department's specifications that were developed for the purchase of the Seagrave fire apparatus.

Councilmember Kennedy questioned the process and staff's due diligence in ensuring that another vendor is not able to provide the same equipment at a lesser price; and requested that the Fire Department staff conduct research on the vendor's safety status ratings and analyze deviations between the specifications provided as part of the formal bid documents dated July 9, 2015 by Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) and the City's specifications provided to the awarded vendor.

Councilmember Gordo suggested that the Public Safety Committee review the Fire Department's fleet for future costs savings.

Following discussion, by order of the Mayor, and consensus of the City Council, the item will be agendaized at the June 27, 2016 to allow staff to respond to/provide the requested information.

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH DATA TICKET, INC., FOR COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT PARKING CITATIONS

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), General Rule;
- (2) Authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into a contingency fee-based contract, without competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services, with Data Ticket, Inc., for collection of parking citations issued to out-of-state registered vehicles, as well as collection of delinquent citations for California registered vehicles for a term of three (3) years; and
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to extend the contract for up to two (2) additional terms of one (1) year each in his/her sole discretion without further City Council approval. (Contract No. 22,600)

Fred Dock, Director of Transportation, responded to questions regarding delinquency collection rates.

In response to Councilmember Wilson's concerns regarding the costs for collecting delinquent citations and whether this service can be accomplished by City staff, the Interim City Manager responded that he will consult with staff and provide an update.

Following a brief discussion, It was moved by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Vice Mayor Masuda, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING: AMENDMENT TO THE ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (2015-2016) FOR THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Recommendation: It is recommended that upon close of the public hearing the City Council take the following actions:

- (1) Find that the recommended action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines per Section 15061(b)(3), the "General Rule" that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment; and
- (2) Approve the submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development of an Amendment to the Annual Action Plan (2015-2016) for the HOME Investment Partnership Program funding.

The City Clerk opened the public hearing, reported that the public hearing notice was published on May 19, 2016 in the Pasadena Journal, and no correspondence was received by the City Clerk's office regarding this item.

William Huang, Director of Housing & Career Services, introduced the item.

Councilmember Gordo, Chair of the Economic Development & Technology Committee (EDTech), reported on the discussion and unanimous support of the Committee at a recent meeting.

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Councilmember Madison to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

It was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Councilmember Madison, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2017 RECOMMENDED GENERAL FEE SCHEDULE

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council close the public hearing and adopt the Fiscal Year 2017 Recommended General Fee Schedule.

Matt Hawkesworth, Director of Finance, introduced the item, and Michele Logan, Management Analyst, provided a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Mayor Masuda, seconded by Councilmember McAustin, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

It was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2017 RECOMMENDED SCHEDULE OF TAXES, FEES, AND CHARGES

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council close the public hearing and adopt the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Recommended Schedule of Taxes, Fees, and Charges.

Michele Logan, Management Analyst, provided a PowerPoint presentation, and responded to questions.

It was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Vice Mayor Masuda, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

Councilmember Wilson requested that staff report back on any action items approved by the Planning Commission at the upcoming workshop on residential impact fees.

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Gordo to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING

Conduct first reading of “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 10.40 BY ADDING SECTION 10.40.035 TO ALLOW FOR THE IMMOBILIZATION OF PARKED CARS; AMENDING CHAPTER 10 SECTION 10.44.010 BY ADDING SUBSECTION “D” TO ALLOW FOR AN EXEMPTION FROM THE OVERNIGHT PARKING PROHIBITION; AND AMENDING CHAPTER 10.45, SECTION 10.45.100 TO CHANGE THE METER RATE IN THE OLD PASADENA PARKING METER ZONE”

The above ordinance was offered for first reading by Councilmember Kennedy:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Hampton, Kennedy, Madison, McAustin, Wilson, Vice Mayor Masuda, Mayor Tornek
NOES: None

ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARING
(Continued)

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED FISCAL YEAR 2017 OPERATING BUDGET Recommendation: Receive public comment and continue this public hearing to each subsequent regular meeting of the City Council at 6:45 p.m., until June 27, 2016 or such other date as the City Council may determine, and, at which time, the City Council will be asked to close the public hearing and formally adopt the Fiscal Year 2017 Recommended Operating Budget.

Mayor Tornek, Chair of the Finance Committee, provided a brief summary of the budget presentations and discussion that occurred at the special Joint Finance Committee and City Council meeting held at 3:00 p.m.

Mark Jomsky, City Clerk, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the City Clerk's FY 2017 recommended department budget, and responded to questions.

Michele Beal Bagneris, City Attorney/City Prosecutor provided a PowerPoint presentation on the City Attorney/City Prosecutor's FY 2017 recommended department budget, and responded to questions.

Julie Gutierrez, Assistant City Manager, and Steve Mermell, Interim City Manager, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the City Manager's and the Successor Agency to the Pasadena Community Development Commission's FY 2017 recommended departments' budget, and responded to questions.

Councilmember McAustin suggested that the City Manager prepare and provide a citywide work plan outlining plans to address future budget shortfalls and concerns.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Gordo, seconded by Vice Mayor Masuda, to continue the public hearing for the City Manager's Fiscal Year 2017 Recommended Operating Budget, to June 27, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

OLD BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF PLACING A MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2016 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT TO REPEAL MEASURE A AND UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE NO. 5861, ADOPTED BY A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE IN 2001, THEREBY RESCINDING THE POLICY REQUIRING THE CITY OF PASADENA TO SUPPORT THE COMPLETION OF THE 710 FREEWAY

Recommendation of Mayor:

- (1) Find that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment; and
- (2) Direct the City Attorney to prepare the necessary resolutions calling a Special Election on November 8, 2016 to repeal Measure A, and any related documents in connection therewith.

Mayor Tornek provided an overview regarding the proposal to place a measure on the November 8, 2016 General Election ballot to repeal Measure A, and voiced his support on the item.

David Whitehead, Pasadena resident, expressed concerns with the associated risks in placing a measure on the November 8, 2019 General Election ballot to repeal Measure A.

Warren Haussler, Pasadena resident, stated his support for a measure to repeal Measure A.

Councilmember Gordo suggested that the City, along with surrounding cities, monitor the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO) Measure R2 expenditure plan and continue to advocate for the City of Pasadena; and that the City develop a public education campaign that includes forums and discussions explaining the potential impacts with the completion 710 Freeway project. In addition, Mr. Gordo stated that he is not prepared to support placing a measure on the November 8, 2016 General Election ballot to repeal Measure A.

Councilmember McAustin requested that staff develop a Fact Sheet on the impacts of the 710 Freeway Extension project/tunnel alternative.

Vice Mayor Masuda stated his preference to wait for Metro's action regarding the 710 Freeway Extension project prior to making a decision on placing a measure on an election ballot.

Councilmember Kennedy requested that staff invite the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Metro to attend a future City Council meeting to present information on the 710 Freeway Extension project/tunnel.

In response to various inquiries from the Councilmembers, Michele Beal Bagneris, City Attorney/City Prosecutor, stated that she would provide written information, guidance, and parameters on what can and cannot be stated in terms of the City's position on the project at community meetings.

Original Motion:

Following discussion it was moved by Councilmember Hampton, seconded by Mayor Tornek, to approve the Mayor's recommendation.

Substitute Motion:

Prior to a vote on the original motion, it was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Kennedy, to table the proposed action allowing for further study and education:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Madison, McAustin, Wilson, Vice Mayor Masuda

NOES: Councilmember Hampton, Mayor Tornek

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Councilmember Kennedy stated the following for the record, "I want it to be clear to my colleagues, the Mayor and those who are in the audience, the viewing audience, that District 3 did have a community meeting that dealt with the issues of 710 and it was well attended. The presentations that were made probably were not the best presentations, but certainly we had some of the persons Mr. Madison referred to as tribal elders, including Claire Bogaard, whom I have the upmost respect for and have not heard her use the kind of language that she levied at the folks from Metro. So that community meeting was very memorable for me and I think it was instructive in terms of getting information out to my district, and I just wanted to share that with you Mayor and colleagues."

COUNCIL COMMENTS

In response to Councilmember Kennedy's inquiry regarding the Hahamongna Watershed Park lease, Steve Mermell, Interim City Manager, responded that he is currently reviewing a draft lease agreement and will share that with the Arroyo Seco Foundation within the next few weeks.

ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 10:54 p.m.


Terry Tornek, Mayor
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:



City Clerk