

CITY OF PASADENA
City Council Minutes
November 5, 2018– 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING:

Mayor Tornek called the regular meeting to order at 5:47 p.m. (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Madison)

On the order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:47 p.m. to discuss the following closed session:

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE REGARDING PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 and **CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE with Labor Negotiator** pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Employee Title and Unrepresented Employee: City Manager
City Representative: Terry Tornek

The above closed session item was discussed, with no reportable action at this time.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 6:52 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilmember Hampton.

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers:

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

Staff:

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

The Mayor reminded the public to participate and vote in tomorrow's important Statewide General Election on November 6, 2018; and announced that in recognition of Veterans Day, a celebratory event honoring those that have served in the military will be held on November 11, 2018 in front of City Hall.

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

Steve Koffroth, representing the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) of the Los Angeles County Sanitation Department, spoke on behalf of the sanitation workers, provided information on the issues facing employees because of a contract impasse with the County, and asked the City to support the sanitation workers.

Pastor Burns, Pasadena resident, spoke on the passing of George Prophet, a former Water and Power employee and community member.

Toni Mosley and Carla Sameth, Pasadena Rose City Poets, recited poetry.

Barry Allen, Pasadena resident, requested City assistance in inspecting the properties at 270, 272 and 274 Alpine Street to assist in ensuring that the owner removes debris from the properties.

In response to Mr. Allen, City Manager Mermell stated that City Code Enforcement staff will contact him and provide an update.

Steve Stafford, Pasadena resident, spoke on his experience while driving and nearly striking several Pasadena police officers who were jay walking across Colorado Boulevard; and asked for assistance in filing a complaint against those officers.

In response to Mr. Stafford, the Mayor stated that the City Manager will contact him to assist him in filing his complaint with the Pasadena Police Department.

CONSENT CALENDAR

AUTHORIZE INCREASE TO PURCHASE ORDER NO. 1191249 WITH INTELLITIME SYSTEMS CORPORATION BY \$150,000 FOR A TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED OF \$282,725 FOR ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO CONFIGURATION OF THE VIRTUAL TIMECARD INTERFACE (VTI) SYSTEM

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;
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to increase Purchase Order No. 1191249, with Intellitime Systems Corporation by \$150,000, thereby increasing the total not-to-exceed amount from \$132,725 to \$282,725; and

(3) To the extent this could be considered a separate procurement subject to the Competitive Selection Process, it is recommended that the City Council grant the contract an exemption pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC) Section 4.08.049(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

ESTABLISH A NEW CLASSIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN AND SALARY CONTROL RATE

Recommendation:

(1) Find that the action proposed in the agenda report is not a "project" as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21065 and Section 15378(b)(2) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and as such, is not subject to environmental review; and

(2) Adopt a resolution establishing a new classification of Principal Engineering Technician and setting a salary control rate. (Resolution No. 9684)

CONTRACT AWARD TO CALIFORNIA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING, INC., FOR INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT WASHINGTON BOULEVARD AND GARFIELD AVENUE AND AT MID-BLOCK OF 1790 NORTH FAIR OAKS AVENUE FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$560,000

Recommendation:

(1) Find the project proposed in the agenda report to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) State Guidelines in accordance with Title 14, Chapter 3, Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, minor alterations of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing at the time of the lead agency's determination, and find that there are no features that distinguish this project from others in the exempt class, and therefore, there are no unusual circumstances; and

(2) Accept the bid dated October 23, 2018, submitted by California Professional Engineer, Inc., in response to the project plans and specifications for the installation of New Traffic Signal at the Intersection of Washington Boulevard and Garfield Avenue and Mid-Block Traffic Signal and Crosswalk at 1790 North Fair Oaks Avenue Project, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract not-to-exceed \$560,000, which includes the base contract amount of \$477,809 and a contingency of \$82,191 to provide for any necessary change orders. (Contract No. 31338)

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: AMENDMENT TO SERVICES CONTRACT NO. 30,760 WITH THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO INCREASE THE TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT FROM \$1,100,000 TO \$1,500,000 ANNUALLY

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the project proposed in the agenda report is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) State Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment; and
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to amend the existing Contract No. 30,760 with the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD) for supplemental law enforcement services for New Year's activities by increasing the maximum annual amount by \$400,000 from \$1,100,000 to a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$1,500,000 annually commencing with the 2019 New Year's activities. Neither competitive bidding nor competitive selection is required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H), and Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(A)(3), contracts with other governmental entities.

RESIGNATION OF JULI CANAVAN FROM THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (District 7 Nomination)

RESIGNATION OF HOWARD HABERMAN FROM THE PASADENA CENTER OPERATING COMPANY BOARD (Hotel Nomination)

CONTRACT AWARD TO WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION FOR ONLINE LEGAL RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS, AS WELL AS LEGAL BOOKS AND FORMS

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule);
- (2) Authorize the City Attorney to enter into a three-year contract with West Publishing Corporation for online legal research and publications, as well as legal books and forms, in an amount not-to-exceed \$252,837. Competitive bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services; and
- (3) 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. (Contract No. 31339)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 15, 2018

The City Clerk noted an amendment to the October 15, 2018 minutes, as follows: Page 8, Paragraph 1, change the first sentence to read, "Councilmember McAustin stated that projects of 10 units or less should be subjected to a fixed fee model so that all developers pay their fair share towards affordable housing."

CLAIMS RECEIVED

Claim No. 13,183	Rohde Law Office, representing Maria Navarro	\$ 25,000.00+
Claim No. 13,184	Gladstone Garden Terrace Association	250.00
Claim No. 13,185	David Pizzano	500.00

It was moved by Vice Mayor Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Masuda, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, including the amendment to the October 15, 2018 City Council minutes, as detailed above. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Madison)

PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF THE BUILDING AT 464 E. WALNUT STREET AS A LANDMARK

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA State Guidelines Section 15308: Class 8 – Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment);
- (2) Find that the First Congregational Church at 464 East Walnut Street meets Criterion "C" for designation as a landmark pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC) Section 17.62.040 because it embodies the distinctive characteristics of a locally significant property type, architectural style and period to the City. It is a locally significant example of an ecclesiastical building designed in the Gothic Revival style by local architects H.M. Patterson and Leon Caryl Brockway;
- (3) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 464 East Walnut Street, Pasadena, California;
- (4) Authorize the Mayor to execute the attached Declaration of Landmark Designation for 464 East Walnut Street, Pasadena, California;
- (5) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder. (Resolution No. 9685)

Recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission:

At its regular meeting of July 17, 2018, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the City Council approve the designation of 464 East Walnut Street as a landmark under Criterion C of Pasadena Municipal Code Section 17.62.040.

The City Clerk opened the public hearing, and reported that 194 copies of the notice were mailed and 32 copies of the notice were posted on October 22, 2018, and that the City Clerk's Office received 1 letter in favor of the item, which was distributed to the City Council, posted online, and made part of the public hearing record.

David Reyes, Director of Planning and Community Development, provided introductory comments, and Marina Khrustaleva, Assistant Planner, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the item, and responded to questions.

Mary Ringhoff, Architectural Resources Group (representing applicant), responded to questions related to the buildings southwest structure façade.

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Mayor Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Hampton, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Madison)

It was moved by Vice Mayor Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Hampton, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Madison)

PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY AT 885 SOUTH MADISON AVENUE AS A LANDMARK

Recommendation:

- (1) Find that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA State Guidelines Section 15308: Class 8 – Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment);
- (2) Find that the single-family residence, garage, and front yard retaining wall at 885 South Madison Avenue meet Criterion "C" for designation as a landmark pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC) Section 17.62.040 because they embody the distinctive characteristics of a locally significant property type, architectural style and period to the City. They are a locally significant example of a two-story mission Revival Arts & Crafts Period single-family residential structure and original accessory structures designed by significant local architect Louis B. Easton;
- (3) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 885 South Madison Avenue, Pasadena, California;
- (4) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Declaration of Landmark Designation for 885 South Madison Avenue, Pasadena, California; and

(5) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder. (Resolution No. 9686)

Recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission:

At its regular meeting of August 21, 2018, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the City Council approve the designation of 885 South Madison Avenue as a landmark under Criterion C of Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC) Section 17.62.040.

The City Clerk opened the public hearing, and reported that 240 copies of the notice were mailed and 26 copies of the notice were posted on October 22, 2018, and that the City Clerk's Office received 1 letter in favor of the item, which was distributed to the City Council, posted online, and made part of the public hearing record.

David Reyes, Director of Planning and Community Development, provided introductory comments, and Marina Khrustaleva, Assistant Planner, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the item.

It was moved by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember McAustin, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Madison)

It was moved by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Masuda, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Madison)

PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGNATION OF THE CONDOMINIUM BUILDING AT 1000 CORDOVA STREET ("WHISPERING WATERS") AS A LANDMARK

Recommendation:

(1) Find that the designation of a historic resource is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA State Guidelines Section 15308: Class 8 – Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment);

(2) Find that the Whispering Waters condominium building at 1000 Cordova Street meets Criterion C for designation as a landmark pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC) Section 17.62.040 because it embodies the distinctive characteristics of a locally significant property type, architectural style and period and represents the work of a builder whose work is of significance to the City. It is a locally significant example of a multiple family residential building in the mid-century modern style built by builder/developer Lionel V. Mayell;

- (3) Adopt a resolution approving a Declaration of Landmark Designation for 1000 Cordova Street, Pasadena, California;
- (4) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Declaration of Landmark Designation for 1000 Cordova Street, Pasadena, California; and
- (5) Direct the City Clerk to record the declaration with the Los Angeles County Recorder. (Resolution No. 9687)

Recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission:

At its regular meeting of August 21, 2018, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the City Council approve the designation of 1000 Cordova Street as a landmark under Criterion C of Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC) Section 17.62.040.

The City Clerk opened the public hearing, and reported that 977 copies of the notice were mailed and 29 copies of the notice were posted on October 22, 2018, and that the City Clerk's Office received 14 letters in favor of the item, which were distributed to the City Council, posted online, and made part of the public hearing record.

David Reyes, Director of Planning and Community Development, provided introductory comments, and Kevin Johnson, Senior Planner, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the item, and responded to questions.

The following individuals spoke in favor of the staff recommendation and provided comments:

Meca Lynn, Pasadena resident
Lisa Vanlanduyt, Pasadena resident
Richard Green, Pasadena resident
Carmen Mayell, Pasadena resident
Fried Wilson, Pasadena resident
Susan Bloomfield, Whispering Waters
Philippa Gutridge, Whispering Waters
Jeff Trafican, Pasadena resident
Kelly Sutherland McLeod, architect for Whispering Waters
Marian White, Pasadena resident
Matt Dillhoefer, Pasadena resident
Nancy Holt, Pasadena resident
Emmanuel Gonzalez, Pasadena resident
Ana Escobedo, Pasadena resident

Jean Bradshaw, Pasadena resident, submitted literature, spoke in opposition to the staff recommendation, and reviewed previously unsuccessful attempts to designate the property as a landmark.

Vice Mayor Kennedy stated for the record: "I still do not believe that staff has adequately addressed that [as to why a previous City Council chose not to vote to support Landmark Designation], even though I am supportive of the designation as a landmark. What I would like to know at this time, again, though the record may be clear...just for the record publicly...will you state how many residents are in the complex? And of those residents how many have signed the petition to designate this particular building as a landmark designation? [And] what is the threshold of support that would be required?"

In response to Vice Mayor Kennedy's inquiry, Mr. Johnson stated, there are a total of 30 total property owners/units in the building and 21 owners/units (70%) have signed in support of a landmark designation; and there are no thresholds required for landmark designation.

Councilmember Wilson spoke in favor of the staff recommendation.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Masuda, to close the public hearing. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Madison)

It was moved by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Vice Mayor Kennedy, to approve the staff recommendation. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmembers Gordo, Madison)

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember McAustin provided a report on the meeting of the Arroyo Verdugo Communities Joint Powers Authority, where she was able to voice safety concerns to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO) representative regarding Gold Line stations and the need to revitalize the stations, with the METRO representative agreeing to provide an update on future renovations. She also reported that the representative announced METRO's intent to build a high school transportation training facility, and requested that staff research the possibility of bringing such a site to Pasadena.

Vice Mayor Kennedy spoke on the Pasadena Fire Foundation's Inaugural Gala and Fire Awards Ceremony that he and the Mayor attended on November 2, 2018, which celebrated and recognized heroes from the Pasadena Fire Department and community members.

Councilmember Hampton spoke on the need to discuss and provide funding for sound walls along parts of the 210 and 134 freeways.

ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

Terry Tornek, Mayor
City of Pasadena

City Clerk