

CITY OF PASADENA  
City Council Minutes  
February 10, 2020 – 5:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chamber

REGULAR MEETING

**OPENING:**

Mayor Tornek called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.  
(Absent: Councilmembers Madison, Wilson )

On the order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the following closed session:

Councilmembers Wilson and Madison arrived at 5:39 p.m. and 6:20 p.m., respectively

**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 Attorney/City Prosecutor**

**City Representative: Terry Tornek**

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

**Name of Case: Zhuang & Zhong Los Robles, LLC v. City of Pasadena, et. al.**

**LASC Case No. 19STCP03956**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 Agency Designated Representatives: Jennifer Curtis and Steve Mermell**

**Employee Organizations: Pasadena Firefighters Association (PFFA)**

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

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

**Employee Organization: Pasadena Fire Management Association (PFMA)**

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

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting reconvened at 6:38 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilmember Kennedy.

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmembers:

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

Staff:

City Manager Steve Mermell  
City Attorney/City Prosecutor Michele Beal Bagneris  
Assistant City Clerk Latasha Reese

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

The Mayor presented Patricia A. Coulter, President of the League of Women Voters – Pasadena Area Chapter, with a commendation on the Chapter's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Ms. Coulter expressed gratitude to the Mayor and City Council for recognizing their centennial celebration.

Pablo Alvarado, representing National Day Laborer Organization Network (NDLON), distributed copies of a resolution and asked that the City Council adopt the resolution pledging to monitor 2020 census data collection for breaches of confidentiality. Mayor Tornek responded that a discussion on the proposed resolution will be agendaized at a future City Council meeting. The City Council spoke on the importance of responding to the 2020 Census, thanked Mr. Alvarado for advocating for people of color, and spoke in support of agendaizing the item for discussion. Mr. Wilson asked staff to return with information on a strategy to disseminate the resolution widely.

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

Debra Johnson, Pasadena resident, commented on various issues including: safe harbor parking, accommodations for homeless individuals, and racial profiling.

Alieka Monet Marcos Townsend, Pasadena resident, expressed concerns with abusive behavior and the lack of cleanliness at the Union Station Adult Center/Shelter.

Councilmembers Kennedy and Madison requested that Code Compliance and Health staff follow up on the concerns expressed by the public speaker and schedule inspection visits. In response, City Manager Mermell stated that the appropriate staff will look into the issues that were raised.

Okeyo Jumal, Pasadena resident, expressed concerns with the location of the Jackie Robinson plaque on Pepper Street, noting that it is difficult to find, requested that additional information be added to the plaque, and also that it be moved to a more prominent location. Councilmember Kennedy provided contact information for Rochelle Branch, Cultural Affairs Manager.

Muna Busailah, representing the Pasadena Police Officers' Association, distributed literature and spoke on the Ivis Moran judgement, Police Officers Bill of Rights violations, and the need to foster employee/employer relations.

The following individuals expressed concerns and provided comments related to the termination of Fire Chief Bertral Washington:

Allen Edson, President of the Pasadena National Association  
for the Advancement of Colored People  
Kim Miles, Pasadena resident

Vice Mayor Hampton expressed concerns with the reassignment of Fire Chief Bertral Washington.

Councilmember Kennedy also expressed concerns with the reassignment; spoke on the need to determine if Chief Bertral Washington's due process rights were violated; and requested information as to whether the City Manager consulted with any member of the City Council before taking on the reassignment. He stated the following for the record, "In terms of contravening or countermanding a decision by the City Manager, what rights does the Council have and would you be able to share those rights in public to reassign the Fire Chief back in his role that he was hired to do." and "For me, if you work in a City at that executive level, a department head level you should strongly consider living here. And the Fire Chief, unlike some other department heads...and I've already hit this issue when I first came on the Council, made the decision to make a huge investment in this community, in purchasing a home and really be part of the fabric of life in Pasadena."

In response to Councilmember Kennedy's Inquires related to Chief Bertral Washington's due rights, Michele Beal Bagneris, City Attorney/City Prosecutor, responded that the City Council can discuss certain prescribed items in closed session and will research if such a discussion is appropriate.

Councilmember Gordo and the Mayor expressed concerns with any elected official inadvertently violating Chief Bertral Washington rights under general personnel policy and procedure laws, including the Fire Fighters Bill of Rights.

In response to public and Councilmembers comments, City Manager Mermell responded, that all employees have a right to privacy as it relates to their employment, including Fire Chief Bertral Washington, and therefore stated he will not comment on a personnel matter.

Beverly Shanahan, requested assistance with her eviction from the property at 230 E. California Boulevard.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH RKI ENGINEERING LLC, FOR AN UPGRADE OF THE GLENARM POWER PLANT DATA ACQUISITION AND HANDLING SYSTEM AND LONG-TERM SYSTEM SUPPORT**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find the proposed action to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and that there are no features that distinguish this project from others in the exempt class and, therefore, there are no unusual circumstances;
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract, without competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F) Contracts for professional or unique services, with RKI Engineering, LLC ("RKI"), to upgrade and support the Glenarm Power Plant continuous emissions monitoring system data acquisition and handling system ("DAHS") for an amount not-to-exceed \$164,200, or five years, whichever occurs first, with one optional extension not-to-exceed \$50,000 subject to the approval of the City Manager. If this option is exercised, the total contract amount would be \$214,200; 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. 31653)

#### **AUTHORIZATION TO EXTEND CONTRACT NO. 31330 WITH DMS FACILITY SERVICES FOR CITYWIDE HOUSEKEEPING SERVICES ON A MONTH-TO-MONTH BASIS NOT-TO-EXCEED THREE MONTHS IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$140,000 PER MONTH**

**Recommendation** It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that the contract with DMS Facility Services (DMS) for Citywide Housekeeping Services 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 the City Manager to extend Contract No. 31330 with DMS on a month-to-month basis not-to-exceed three months to perform citywide housekeeping services for an amount not-to-exceed \$140,000 per month; and

(3) Grant the proposed extension 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. 31330-1)

Item discussed separately

**AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT TRUST FOR THE LEASE OF THIRTEEN (13) VEHICLES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$535,000**

**REJECTION OF BIDS FOR CITYWIDE TREE WATERING**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council:

(1) Find that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines in accordance with Article 19, Class 1, Section 15301, Existing Facilities, Subsection (h), which exempts maintenance of existing landscaping; and

(2) It is recommended that City Council reject all bids received on December 3, 2019 in response to the Notice Inviting Bids for Citywide Tree Watering for the Department of Public Works.

**AMEND CONTRACT NO. 31433 WITH DOWNING CONSTRUCTION, INC., BY INCREASING THE NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT FROM \$4,464,816 TO \$5,384,816 FOR FURNISHING LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF DUCTILE IRON WATER MAINS IN ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council:

(1) Find that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction) and that there are no features that distinguish this project from others in the exempt class and, therefore, there are no unusual circumstances;

(2) Authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 31433 with Downing Construction, Inc., ("Downing") by increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$920,000 to complete the Orange Grove Project ("Project"). This amendment increases the contract value from 4,464,816 to \$5,384,816; and

(3) Find that it is in the public interest to amend Contract No. 31433 with Downing, as set forth above, and, to the extent such

amendment might be viewed as a separate project, which should be competitively bid, exempt this transaction from competitive bidding based on impracticality. (Contract No. 31433-1)

**FINANCE COMMITTEE: RECOGNIZE REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS OF \$44,880 TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT NUTRITION AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PROGRAM**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) (Common Sense Exemption);
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to accept and administer grant funds on behalf of the City of Pasadena; and
- (3) Amend the Fiscal Year 2020 Public Health Department operating budget by recognizing and appropriating \$44,880 in grant funds to purchase refrigeration equipment and supplies for eligible corner stores in Pasadena. (Contract No. 23,315, Budget Amendment No. 2020-24)

**RESIGNATIONS,  
APPOINTMENTS, &  
REAPPOINTMENTS**

**RESIGNATION OF DEL LILE FROM THE SOUTH LAKE PARKING PLACE COMMISSION** (At Large/District 7 Nomination)

**RESIGNATION OF SANDRA CHEN LAU FROM THE NORTHWEST COMMISSION EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 11, 2020** (District 6 Nomination)

**APPOINTMENT OF LATASHA D. JAMAL TO THE HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION** (District 1 Nomination)

**APPOINTMENT OF BRENDA MORALES TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION** (District 1 Nomination)

**APPOINTMENT OF KEVORK KEUSHKERIAN TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION** (District 4 Nomination)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

January 13, 2020  
January 20, 2020  
January 22, 2020  
January 27, 2020

**CLAIMS RECEIVED**

Claim No. 13,471	Karen Husman	Not stated
Claim No. 13,472	Fred Ching	\$ 694.00
Claim No. 13,473	Robert Ramos	317.72

Claim No. 13,474	Johnny Cooper	Not stated
Claim No. 13,475	State Farm as subrogee for Henry Lewis	8,993.78
Claim No. 13,476	Ashley McLean Emenegger	2,931.00
Claim No. 13,477	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Insurance Company as subrogee for Greta Durelli	1,205.81
Claim No. 13,478	Peter B. Salamon	1,244.70
Claim No. 13,479	Roger Barnwell Smith	25,000.00+
Claim No. 13,480	Interinsurance Exchange of the Automobile Club	6,108.64

It was moved by Councilmember Masuda, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item 3 (Authorize Purchase Order with Enterprise Fleet Management Trust), which was discussed separately. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

**CONSENT ITEM**  
**DISCUSSED SEPARATELY**

**AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT TRUST FOR THE LEASE OF THIRTEEN (13) VEHICLES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$535,000**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that this 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; and
- (2) Accept the bid dated December 3, 2019, submitted by Enterprise Fleet Management Trust ("EFM") in response to specifications for leased vehicles, reject all other bids received, and authorize the issuance of a purchase order with EFM for the lease of 13 vehicles for an amount not-to-exceed \$317,709 for an initial term of three years, with two one-year terms of \$105,903 each, subject to the approval of the City Manager without further City Council consideration. If the two additional terms are exercised the total contract would be \$535,000 for a maximum duration of five years.

Vice Mayor Hampton expressed concerns with the City consistently purchasing gas driven vehicles and spoke in favor of moving forward with purchasing all electrical vehicles in the City.

In response, City Manager Mermell responded that the Pasadena Police Department is currently moving towards an electrical fleet vehicles, as is the case with various other departments, however, in this case, the vehicles to be purchased are for police pursuit and not conducive to electric use vehicles.

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

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **AMEND PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 2, CHAPTER 2.155 TO CLARIFY CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE TERMS OF SERVICE**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council:

- (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 Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines, and as such, no environmental document pursuant to CEQA is required for this project; and
- (2) Direct the City Attorney to prepare and return within 60 days with an ordinance amending Chapter 2.155 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, clarifying terms of service for the Pasadena Community Access Corporation's Citizens Advisory Committee, to ensure consistency with terms of service for City boards and commissions.

George Falardeau, Executive Director CEO, and Chris Miller, Chief Operations Manager, representing the Pasadena Community Access Corporation, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the item; and together responded to questions.

Councilmember Gordo, Chair of the Economic Development Technology Committee, summarized the Committee's discussion on the item, and reported on the Committee's support for the recommendation.

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

## **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS**

### **AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONCESSION PERMIT NO. 11869 LOCATED AT 253 S. LOS ROBLES AVENUE**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council conduct a quasi-judicial appeal hearing and take the following action:

- (1) Adopt the Environmental Determination that the proposed project is exempt from environmental review pursuant to the guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(9); Administrative Code, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15332, Class 32, In-Fill Development Projects) and that there are no features that distinguish this project from others in the exempt class. Therefore, there are no unusual circumstances; and

(2) Uphold the Board of Zoning Appeal's decision and approve Affordable Housing Concession Permit No. 11869.

David Reyes, Director of Planning and Community Development, Talyn Mirzakhanian, Principle Planner, and Mike Bagheri, Transportation Development Manager, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the item; with all responding to questions. Laura Cornejo, Director of Transportation, responded to questions related to the Transportation's presentation on the updated California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and non-CEQA thresholds and caps; and the evaluation of cumulative impacts. Kathe Head, Managing Principal with Keyser Marston Associates, Inc. (City consultant), responded to questions related to the proposed project, base-zoning, and information contained in the comparative financial analysis.

Councilmember Madison expressed concerns with developers utilizing density bonuses to avoid providing on-site affordable housing as part of their proposed projects; and spoke on the need to contact state legislators to provide equalizing legislation that provides some concessions and considerations to cities that have aggressive inclusionary housing ordinances.

Councilmember Wilson requested that staff provide information on the updated Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) data including the methodology, and benchmarks. He also expressed concerns with information contained in the CEQA and non-CEQA analysis, particularly regarding the methodology of the analysis, which lacks cumulative impacts and the range of mitigation measures.

Councilmember Gordo expressed concerns regarding the lack of measurements for cumulative impacts. He encouraged staff to investigate ways to better measure such impacts, and requested that staff consider utilizing this information to enact mitigation measures that would require developers to work with the City to help mitigate cumulative impacts. He also expressed concerns with the amount of additional square footage of the proposed revised project, specifically the increase from 60 to 75 feet in height. He requested that staff provide the draft RHNA formula to help determine the number of new units the City must build, with the formula serving as a basis for appeal or challenge, the timeline to appeal or challenge; and that a discussion on the RHNA formula and appeal process be agendaized as soon as possible at a future City Council meeting.

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the staff recommendation and/or provided comments related to the proposed project:

Ken McCormick, Pasadena resident  
Andrew Salimian, representing Pasadena Heritage  
Nina Chomsky, Pasadena resident  
John Latia, representing Madison Heights Neighborhood Association (MHNA)  
Erika Foy, representing Livable Pasadena  
Suzie Boyer, representing MHNA  
Ryan Panzarello, Pasadena resident  
Megan Foker, Livable Pasadena

Richard A. McDonald, representing the applicant, spoke in favor of the staff recommendation; clarified information related to the project; and responded to questions. Rob Tyler, Architect with Tyler + Kelly Architecture, responded to questions related to the sites massing diagram.

Vice Mayor Hampton expressed opposition to the inclusion of rental units as part of the proposed project. He suggested that it would be more beneficial to allow for units to be sold as affordable condominium units to promote affordable homeownership. He also expressed concerns that the proposed project is not in compliance with the City's General Plan and reiterated his request to consider updates to the General Plan as soon as possible. He concluded by stating he was unable to support the project.

Councilmember McAustin spoke on the impacts that the various state legislative actions have had on the City, which are designed to increase the housing stock, addressing state housing shortages and affordability issues. She stated that she believes the project should be approved due to state legislation and to ensure that the City is meeting the requirements of state mandates. Additionally, she stated, insofar as the state is adopting laws that strip the City of its fundamental rights to self-govern and maintain local control, the City should push back against the state legislation.

Councilmember Gordo expressed concerns that the proposed project provides few affordable housing units, and noted that the high density development is going to change the character of the surrounding area, which is also inconsistent with the General Plan. He expressed his desire for the City Council to consider rejoining the Council of Governments, as they are engaged with a joint powers of authority to bring more dollars for affordable housing to Pasadena; and in favor of working with other

municipalities to push back on state legislation. He asked staff to provide additional information on the in-fill exemption so that the City Council may have a better understanding of cumulative impacts, the appropriateness of applying the exemption, and agendaize at a future City Council meeting for discussion. Lastly, he expressed concerns with the procedure that was followed on this proposed project and believes that staff is not operating within the City's established rules.

Councilmember Madison stated that he does not believe the process is procedurally flawed, but reiterated his concerns that Pasadena (with robust inclusionary zoning legislation in place) and other cities with few, if any, inclusionary zoning requirements are subject to the same density bonus legislation.

Mayor Tornek stated that he believes staff has responded to concerns and did a good job on this complicated project. He spoke on the need for the City Council to be mindful of the law, his preference that the City Council align with communities (i.e. Glendale, Burbank) who have made affordable housing efforts part of their General Plans; and spoke in favor of the staff recommendation.

Councilmember Wilson expressed concerns with the flaws on how traffic impacts are measured, and the proposed project's inconsistency with the City's General Plan. He stated that the City Council has to follow the law and the proposed project comports with the law; and for staff to amplify the City's efforts to address the critical policy issues related to state legislation, and transportation. He asked that staff work with the Design Commission to provide additional attentiveness to the project's site plan, specifically related to the tree preservation.

Councilmember Kennedy spoke in opposition to any proposed litigation against the state related to affordable housing, including legislation that provides developers with housing concessions; and stated the need for the City to abide by state legislation and rules. He also spoke on the need to agendaize at a future City Council meeting issues related to the usurpation of local control and governance by the State of California; and stated his support for the staff recommendation.

**Motion:**

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Mayor Hampton, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to reject the staff recommendation:

AYES: Councilmember Gordo, Vice Mayor Hampton  
NOES: Councilmembers Kennedy, Madison, Masuda,  
McAustin, Wilson, Mayor Tornek  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
(MOTION FAILED)

Following discussion, Richard A. McDonald, representing the applicant, responded that the developer will work with the Design Commission to explore opportunities to protect the Canary Pine.

Motion:

It was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember McAustin, to approve the staff recommendation, amended as follows, the applicant shall be responsible for the removal of existing striping and the restriping of the full length and width of Los Robles Avenue between Cordova Street and Del Mar Boulevard, per design plans provided by the City; and explore opportunities to preserve the protected Canary Pine through the Design Review Process:

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

## **REORGANIZATION OF HUMAN SERVICES AND RECREATION AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that this action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3) (Common Sense Exemption); and
- (2) Direct the City Attorney to prepare and return within 60 days with an ordinance (a) amending Chapter 2.265 of the Pasadena Municipal Code to change the name of the Human Services and Recreation Department to the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department; and (b) making conforming amendments to the respective roles and duties of this and the Public Works Department throughout the Municipal Code, as set forth in the agenda report.

**Recommendation of the Recreation and Parks Commission:**

On February 4, 2020, staff presented the proposed reorganization to the Recreation and Parks Commission. The Commission unanimously supported the staff recommendation.



City Manager Mermell presented a PowerPoint presentation on the item, and responded to questions. Brenda Harvey-Williams, Director of Human Services, responded to questions related to full-time equivalent (FTE) positions that are moving to her department.

Councilmember McAustin spoke in favor of the staff recommendation; and asked staff to consider combining the Human Services Commission and the Park and Recreation Commission into one commission.

Councilmember Gordo asked staff to ensure that all the resources currently available in the Public Works Department that are designated to complete the park maintenance functions are moved to Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department.

Vice Mayor Hampton spoke in favor of the staff recommendation.

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

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **PUBLIC HEARING: APPEAL OF BOARD OF ZONING APPEAL'S DECISION ON REVOCATION OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 5535 LOCATED AT 300 W. GREEN STREET, 100-248 S. ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD, AND 363 W. DEL MAR BOULEVARD**

It was moved by Vice Mayor Hampton, seconded by Councilmember Kennedy, to continue the public hearing to February 24, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: None)

## **INFORMATION ITEM**

### **UPDATE ON THE COMPREHENSIVE ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS AGAINST ILLEGAL CANNABIS DISPENSARIES IN THE CITY OF PASADENA**

**Recommendation:** This report is intended to provide information to the City Council; no action is required.

City Manager Mermell provided introductory comments and Michael Dowd, Chief Prosecutor, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the item and responded to questions.

Councilmember McAustin thanked staff for their diligent work on the matter.

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

Following discussion, by consensus of the City Council, and on order of the Mayor, the information was received and filed.

The following individuals expressed concerns and provided comments related to the termination of Fire Chief Bertral Washington:

Florence Anaang, representing National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)  
Pastor Burnes, Pasadena resident  
Noemi Ford, Pasadena resident

Zachary Moldof, representing "Skateboarders in Pasadena," distributed information and advocated for skate parks to be built in the City, and advised that the skate park at La Pintoresca Park needs to be updated.

Sonia Limares, Pasadena resident, introduced herself and invited the Mayor and Councilmembers to her restaurant Choza 96 located in Pasadena.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Madison requested staff to provide an update on coronavirus (COVID-19), and to determine if there are any Pasadena residents quarantined on any of the cruise ships. He also requested an update from City Attorney staff on the City's liability related to tree branches falling on vehicles and causing damage.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Following comments, on order of the Mayor, the regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 12:07 a.m.

/s/ Terry Tornek

Terry Tornek, Mayor  
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk