CITY OF PASADENA City Council Minutes October 19 2020 – 2:00 P.M. City Hall Council Chamber

SPECIAL MEETING

The virtual meeting was convened pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on March 17, 2020, and was held solely by videoconference/teleconference

OPENING:

Mayor Tornek called the special meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. The

pledge of allegiance was led by Councilmember Kennedy.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Terry Tornek

Councilmembers:

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

City Clerk Mark Jomsky

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

Mayor Tornek presented a proclamation declaring October 18 – 24, 2020 as "National Friends of Libraries Week," in the City of

Pasadena.

Mayor Tornek requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of those that have suffered due to death and illness caused by COVID-19 in Pasadena, the nation and around the world.

CONSENT CALENDAR

AUTHORIZATION TO CONTRACT WITH BLAIS & ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR GRANT WRITING SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$303,450

- (1) Find that the proposed contract is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c)(2), 15060(c)(3), and 15378; as the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment; and
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract, based on a competitive selection process pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.047, with Blais & Associates, Inc., for grant writing services for three years for an amount not-to-exceed \$182,070 with the option of two one-year extensions at \$60,690 each year, subject to the approval of the City Manager, for a maximum contract term of five years and a total not-to-exceed contract value of \$303,450. (Contract No. 31912)

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH JASON ADDISON SMITH CONSULTING SERVICES AND BUREAU VERITAS, TO PROVIDE BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, BUILDING AND SAFETY DIVISION

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that the action proposed in the agenda report is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule);
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract for Building Inspection Services following a competitive selection process, pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.047 for an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000 or a three-year period, whichever occurs first, with Jason Addison Smith Consulting Services, Inc.; (Contract No. 31890)
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract for Building Inspection Services following a competitive selection process, pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.047 for an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000 or a three-year period, whichever occurs first, with Bureau Veritas; and (Contract No. 31891)
- (4) Authorize the City Manager to extend each contract for up to two additional one-year periods not-to-exceed \$100,000 per year.

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH SCOTT FAZEKAS AND ASSOCIATES AND TRUE NORTH COMPLIANCE SERVICES FOR BUILDING AND FIRE PLAN REVIEW SERVICES FOR THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, BUILDING AND SAFETY DIVISION

- (1) Find that the action proposed in the agenda report is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule);
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract for Plan Review Services following a competitive selection process, pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.047 for an amount not-to-exceed \$300,000 or a three-year period, whichever occurs first, with Scott Fazekas and Associates; (Contract No. 31892)
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract for Plan Review Services following a competitive selection process, pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.047 for an amount not-to-exceed \$300,000 or a three-year period, whichever occurs first, with True North Compliance Services, Inc.; and (Contract No. 31893)
- (4) Authorize the City Manager to extend each contract for up to two additional one-year periods not-to-exceed \$300,000 per year

Item discussed separately

AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CONNEXIONZ, LTD. FOR \$1,533,220 FOR HARDWARE, MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT FOR THE PASADENA REALTIME TRANSIT VEHICLE ARRIVAL INFORMATION SYSTEM

ADOPT A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE NEW CLASSIFICATION AND SALARY OF SUPERVISING FIRE INSPECTOR

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

- (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 the new classification of Supervising Fire Inspector and setting a salary control rate. (Resolution No. 9812)

AUTHORIZE A TIME EXTENSION ON CONTRACT NO. 31017 WITH STAPLES ENERGY FOR THE PROVISION OF COMMERCIAL ENERGY AND WATER DIRECT INSTALLATION PROGRAM SERVICES

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1: 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; and
- (2) Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to amend Contract No. 31017 with Staples Energy for the installation of energy and water-conservation devices, equipment, and services for Pasadena Water and Power ("PWP") under the Water and Energy Direct Install Program ("WeDIP"), to extend the contract expiration date by five months from February 28, 2021 until July 31, 2021 without increasing the total authorized contract amount. (Contract No. 31017-2)

Item discussed separately

CONTRACT AWARD TO MCC EQUIPMENT RENTALS, INC., FOR WATER MAIN INSTALLATIONS

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE ORDERS WITH ORGANIC PLANET TRUCK AND TRANSPORT, INC., AND WEST COAST SAND & GRAVEL, INC., TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ROCK AND BITUMINOUS MATERIALS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$701,961 AND \$373,884 FOR AN INITIAL TERM OF THREE YEARS FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

(1) Find that the proposed action is not considered a "project" subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA")

pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21065 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) Accept the bid dated September 2, 2020, submitted by Organic Planet Truck and Transport, Inc., in response to Specification WD-20-14, to furnish and deliver rock materials for the Water and Power Department ("PWP"), and authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase order with Organic Planet Truck and Transport, Inc., for an amount not-to-exceed \$701,961 for an initial term of three years, or until funds are expended, whichever occurs first; with two optional one-year terms of \$233,987 each, or until funds are expended, whichever occurs first. If the two additional one year terms are exercised, the total contract value would be \$1,169,935 for a maximum contract duration of five years; and
- (3) Accept the bid dated September 2, 2020, submitted by West Coast Sand & Gravel, Inc., in response to Specification WD-20-14, to furnish and deliver bituminous materials for PWP, and authorize the issuance of a purchase order with West Coast Sand & Gravel, Inc., for an amount not-to-exceed \$373,884 for an initial term of three years, or until funds are expended, whichever occurs first; with two optional one-year terms of \$124,628 each, or until funds are expended, whichever occurs first. If the two additional one year terms are exercised, the total contract value would be \$623,140 for a maximum contract duration of five years.

AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT VALUE OF CONTRACT NO. 31566 WITH PERCEPTIV, INC., FOR A LOCAL PUBLIC EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT CAMPAIGN ON HOMELESSNESS BY \$5,000 FOR A NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$76,250

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that the recommended 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) Authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 31566 with Perceptiv, Inc., to increase the total contract value by \$5,000 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$76,250 for a local public education and engagement campaign on homelessness. (Contract No. 31566-1)

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH FLINTRIDGE TREE CARE, INC., TO PROVIDE POWER LINE CLEARANCE TREE TRIMMING SERVICES FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT FOR A MAXIMUM CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$13,401,420

- (1) Find that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1 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; and
- (2) Accept the bid dated August 13, 2020, from Flintridge Tree Care, Inc., in response to Specifications for Tree Trimming Services for the Water and Power Department; authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract for an initial period not-to-exceed one year or until \$2,680,284 is expended, whichever comes first; authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract not-to-exceed two years or until \$5,360,568 is expended, whichever comes first, after the initial one-year period reaches completion; authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to extend the contract for up to two additional one-year terms, each not-to-exceed \$2,680,284, whichever comes first, for a maximum contract length of five years and a total contract amount of \$13,401,420. (Contract No. 31901, Budget Amendment No. 2021-25)

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH GEOSYNTEC CONSULTANTS, INC., AND WOOD RODGERS, INC., TO PROVIDE ON-CALL HYDROGEOLOGICAL SERVICES FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT

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") pursuant to 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;
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000 or four years, whichever comes first, as the result of a competitive selection process, pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.047, with Geosyntec Consultants, Inc., ("Geosyntec") to provide on-call hydrogeological services; and (Contract No. 31898)
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000 or four years, whichever comes first, as the result of a competitive selection process, pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.047, with Wood Rodgers, Inc., ("Wood Rodgers") to provide on-call hydrogeological services. (Contract No. 31903)

CONTRACT AWARD TO GOLDEN HANDS AUTO BODY, INC., FOR LIGHT TO MEDIUM DUTY COLLISION REPAIR SERVICES ON CITY-OWNED VEHICLES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$875.000 FOR UP TO FIVE YEARS

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), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment; and
- (2) Accept the bid dated September 14, 2020, submitted by Golden Hands Auto Body, Inc., (Golden Hands) for Light to Medium Duty Vehicle Collision Repair; reject all other bids received; and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Golden Hands for an amount not-to-exceed \$525,000 (which includes a \$15,750 contingency) over a three-year period with the option for two additional one-year extensions in the annual amount of \$175,000 (which includes a \$5,250 contingency), at the discretion of the City Manager, for a maximum total contract length of five years and a total contract amount of \$875,000. (Contract No. 31905)

CONTRACT AWARD TO WONDRIES FAMILY COLLISION CENTER, LLC, FOR MEDIUM TO HEAVY DUTY COLLISION REPAIR SERVICES ON CITY-OWNED VEHICLES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$300,000 FOR UP TO FIVE YEARS 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), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment; and
- (2) Accept the bid dated September 15, 2020, submitted by Wondries Family Collision Center, LLC ("Wondries Collision"), for Medium to Heavy Duty Vehicle Collision Repair; reject all other bids; and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Wondries Collision for an amount not-to-exceed \$180,000 (which includes a \$5,400 contingency) over a three-year period with the option for two additional one-year extensions in the annual amount of \$60,000 (which includes a \$1,800 contingency), at the discretion of the City Manager, for a maximum total contract length of five years and a total contract amount of \$300,000. (Contract No. 31904)

AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT NO. 31497 WITH HARVEST VILLAGE MINISTRIES, INC., TO INCREASE THE TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT BY \$85,000 FROM \$255,190 TO \$340,190 AND TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT PERIOD FOR COMMUNITY BASED ADVOCATE SERVICES FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- (1) Find that the proposed action is not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 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 City Manager to amend Contract No. 31497 with Harvest Village Ministries, Inc., to increase the contract amount by \$85,000, thereby increasing the total not-to-exceed amount from

- \$255,190 to \$340,190, and to extend the contract period through January 31, 2021 or until the contract amount is fully expended, whichever comes first; and
- (3) To the extent that this could be considered a separate procurement subject to the Competitive Selection Process, grant the contract an exemption pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code (P.M.C.) Section 4.08.049(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served. (Contract No. 31497-1)

FINANCE COMMITTEE: AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT TRUST FOR THE LEASE OF TWENTY FIVE (25) NON-ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$1,221,495

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 Common Sense Exemption that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase order, with Enterprise Fleet Management Trust ("EFM") in the amount not-to-exceed \$732,897 for an initial term of three years, with two one-year extensions of \$244,299 per year. If the two additional terms are exercised the total contract would be \$1,221,495 for a maximum duration of five years. The Pasadena Police Department conducted a competitive bid process in November 2019 for Fleet Management Services and on February 10, 2020 the City Council accepted the bid; and
- (3) Approve a journal voucher to transfer \$225,826 from the Fleet Equipment Replacement Fund to the Police Department in Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget for vehicles that are moving from the fleet equipment replacement program to a lease arrangement. (Budget Amendment No. 2021-14)

FINANCE COMMITTEE: AMENDMENTS TO FISCAL YEAR 2021 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that the proposed actions are not "projects" as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21065 and Section 15378(b)(4) and (5) of the State CEQA Guidelines and, as such, are not subject to environmental review; and
- (2) Amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Capital Improvement Program Budget as detailed in Attachment A and B of the agenda report. (Budget Amendment Nos. 2021-12, 2021-12a)

<u>FINANCE COMMITTEE</u>: AMENDMENTS TO FISCAL YEAR 2021 ADOPTED OPERATING BUDGET

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

(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) Approve amending the Fiscal Year 2021 (FY 2021) Adopted Operating Budget as detailed in the agenda report and increasing the citywide total Full-time Equivalents (FTE) by 4.00 limited term FTEs; and (Budget Amendment No. 2021-13)
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the State of California Office of Traffic Safety for acceptance of Selective and Traffic Enforcement Program Grant funds (in connection with Item No. 5). (Contract No. 23,444)

RESIGNATIONS, APPOINTMENTS, & REAPPOINTMENTS

APPOINTMENT OF ANA MARIA APODACA TO THE HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION (PUSD Nomination)

CLAIMS RECEIVED

Claim No. 13,627	Vatche Ekmekjian	\$ 3,706.01
Claim No. 13,628	Rudy Lopez and Cheryl	50.00
	Lopez	
Claim No. 13,629	Frederick Wang	473.80
Claim No. 13,630	Natasha Tavakoli	4,265.46
Claim No. 13,631	Corey Sandoval	402.58
Claim No. 13,632	Law Offices of Weber &	25,000.00+
	Weber, representing	
	Aleen Haig Arslanian	
Claim No. 13,633	Wilber & Associates o/b/o	2,211.38
	USAA as subrogee for	
	Yosio S. Jong-Velazquez	
Claim No. 13,634	Joan and Michael Dooley	4,987.00
Claim No. 13,635	Vanessa Castaneda	1,820.24

It was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Masuda, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item 4 (Authorization the City Manager to Execute a Contract with Connexionz, LTD.), and Item 8 (Contract Award to MCC Equipment Rentals, Inc.), which were discussed separately:

AYES:

Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,

Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor Tornek

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Madison

ABSTAIN: None

CONSENT ITEMS DISCUSSED SEPARATELY

AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CONNEXIONZ, LTD. FOR \$1,533,220 FOR HARDWARE, MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT FOR THE PASADENA REALTIME TRANSIT VEHICLE ARRIVAL INFORMATION SYSTEM Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that the following proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3);
- (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 Connexionz, Ltd for hardware, maintenance and support in an amount not-to-exceed \$889,503 (which includes a contingency of \$119,371) over a five-year period;
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to: a) extend the contract for one two-year option term in the amount of \$366,777 (which includes \$50,590 in contingency); b) to purchase optional hardware in the amount of \$183,927; and c) to expand the maintenance, warranty and support for a fleet of up to 60 public transit vehicles in the amount of \$93,013 with a maximum contract length of seven years and a not-to-exceed contract amount of \$1,533,220; and
- (4) 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.

Laura Cornejo, Transportation Manager, and Sebastian Hernandez, Transportation Principal Planner, provided information on the extended maintenance agreement of the proposed contract; and responded to questions.

Councilmember Wilson requested information on the amount of the initial grant funding for the deployment of the City's Transit Vehicle Arrival Information System (TVAIS), and data on the number of inquiries related to usage of the data system, as well as trends by each location. He spoke on the need for staff to consider long-term expenses related to projects that are grant funded, that include maintenance and upgrades that later become the City's financial obligation.

Following discussion, by consensus of the City Council, and on order of the Mayor, staff was directed to return with the requested information at the October 26, 2020 City Council meeting.

CONTRACT AWARD TO MCC EQUIPMENT RENTALS, INC., FOR WATER MAIN INSTALLATIONS

- (1) Find that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Section 21080.21 and State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction); and
- (2) Accept the bid dated September 28, 2020, submitted by MCC Equipment Rentals, Inc., in response to Specifications WD-21-01, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract not-to-exceed \$1,975,757, which

includes the base contract amount of \$1,796,143 and a contingency of \$179,614 to provide for any necessary change orders. (Contract No. 31921)

Gurcharan Bawa, General Manager of Water and Power, and Mitch Dion, Assistant General Manager of Water and Power, informed the City Council that staff will be presenting a detailed report on the matter, including a prioritization schedule at an upcoming Municipal Services Committee (MSC) meeting in November; provided information on the annual budget amounts designated for water segment aging pipeline replacements; and responded to questions.

Councilmember Wilson asked staff to provide a report on the prioritization of the City's water line segments that are in need of repair. He expressed concerns with five water line breakages that have occurred within two blocks of Fillmore Street, Marengo Avenue, and Altadena Drive.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember McAustin, to approve the staff recommendation:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,

Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor Tornek

NOES:

None

ABSENT: Councilmember Madison

ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: ZONING CODE AMENDMENT: SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS (RS-1, RS-2, RS-4, RS-6)

- (1) Find that the proposed Zoning Code Amendment is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15305 (Class 5, Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations) and 15308 (Class 8, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment):
- (2) Approve the Findings for Zoning Code Amendments (Attachment A of the agenda report);
- (3) Approve the proposed Amendments to Sections 17.22.040 (RS and RM-12 Residential Districts General Development Standards), 17.22.050 (RS and RM-12 Residential Districts General Development Standards), and 17.50.250 (Residential Uses - Accessory Uses and Structures) of the Zoning Code; and
- (4) Direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance within 60 days amending Title 17 of the Pasadena Municipal Code (Zoning Code) Section 17.22 (Residential Zoning Districts) and Section 17.50 (Standards for Specific Land Uses).

- Recommendation of the Planning Commission: On September 9, 2020, the Planning Commission considered proposed amendments to Section 17.22 and 17.50 of the City's Zoning Code, regulating development in single-family residential zones. The Commission voted to recommend that the City Council:
- (1) Find that the proposed Zoning Code Amendment is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15305 (Class 5, Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations) and 15308 (Class 8, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment);
- (2) Approve the Findings for Zoning Code Amendments;
- (3) Approve the proposed Zoning Code Amendments to Section 17.22 (Residential Zoning Districts) and Section 17.50 (Standards for Specific Land Uses) of the Zoning Code;
- In addition, the Planning Commission requested the following modifications:
- (4) Expand the proposed neighborhood compatibility requirements to apply to Landmark Districts;
- (5) Require story poles to demonstrate height;
- (6) Update enforcement methods and notification of projects to surrounding neighbors, including project renderings to be posted on notification boards; and
- (7) Return to Planning Commission at a later date to discuss design guidelines to address architectural compatibility.

Mark Jomsky, City Clerk, opened the public hearing; reported that the public hearing notice was published in the <u>Pasadena Journal</u> and <u>Pasadena Press</u> on October 1, 2020, October 8, 2020 and October 15, 2020.

City Clerk Jomsky reported 16 petition letters with 21 signatures in opposition to the staff recommendation, and providing comments/suggestions were received from the following individuals:

James, Pasadena resident
Joshua Calhoun, Pasadena resident
Alden Huang, Pasadena resident
Judith W. Pasadena resident
Patrice Stork, Pasadena resident
Steven Stork, Pasadena resident
Neil LaSala, Pasadena resident
Jack, Pasadena resident
Gloria K., Pasadena resident
Shannon Riboli, Pasadena resident
Bob Clements, Pasadena resident
Phil Navarro, Pasadena resident
Kiet M., Pasadena resident
Tony R., Pasadena resident

Sara Lee, Pasadena resident F. Wong, Pasadena resident Joe Chan, Pasadena resident

He also reported that a number of correspondence letters and emails expressing overall support, and providing comments/suggestions were received from the following individuals:

Dan Beal, representing West Pasadena Residents' Association (WPRA)

Mic Hansen, representing WPRA

John Latta, representing Madison Heights Neighborhood Association (MHNA)

Nina Chomsky, representing Linda Vista-Annandale Association (LVAA)

Susan N. Mossman, representing Pasadena Heritage Andrew Salimian, representing Pasadena Heritage

David Reyes, Director of Planning and Community Development, provided, and Martin Potter, City Planner, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the item, and responded to questions. Jennifer Paige, Deputy Director of Planning, provided information on the Hillside Development Permit fee; and responded to questions.

Councilmember McAustin commended staff on the graphical information provided in the staff report, which is helpful to the community providing visual context; and spoke in favor of the staff recommendation.

Councilmember Gordo expressed appreciation to staff on the informative and thorough report. He asked staff to consider how to address projects that are visible from the street in relation to the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness, especially when the visual impacts affect a homeowner's backyard view.

Mayor Tornek expressed concerns with establishing design guidelines addressing architectural compatibility for single-family homes in every neighborhood.

City Clerk Jomsky read aloud comments advocating for the preservation of residential neighborhoods, historical architectural design, and prohibiting and controlling the "mansionization" of properties, and providing suggestions on the matter from the following individuals:

James, Pasadena resident Andrew Oksner, Pasadena resident Elana McInerny, Pasadena resident Nina Chomsky, representing Linda Vista-Annandale Association Frances Morrison, Pasadena resident Mic Hansen, Pasadena resident

Councilmember Wilson asked staff to consider implementing a local design review for residential neighborhoods to create landmark or historic districts rather than a blanket design review approach. He spoke in favor of the staff recommendation, including implementing a discretionary review process for neighborhood compatibility issues, maximum allowable floor area, and requiring story poles to keep the neighbors informed of any proposed changes to a project.

The Mayor expressed concerns with an applicant who applies for a new project that does not trigger/exceed 35% of a median home size in the neighborhood, which would allow the project to proceed without a discretionary review, and also could allow the owner to return at a later date and apply for a permit as an Additional Dwelling Unit (ADU), which further adds to the allowable square footage in the residential neighborhood.

Motion:

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to close the public hearing:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,

Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor Tornek

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Madison

ABSTAIN: None

Councilmember Gordo spoke in favor of requiring additional public notification on projects, and asked that staff amend the permit requirement threshold to not to exceed 25% above the median home size in the neighborhood without obtaining a permit. In addition, he spoke on the need for as much clarity as possible related to the interplay between the state's current and future ADU regulations, and the City's existing "mansionization" legislation; and asked staff to provide a memo on the matter, as soon as possible, to guard against further encroachment by the state.

Councilmember McAustin stated that she does not support amending the threshold to 25%, as she believes the 35% threshold recommended by staff is appropriate and reasonable.

Councilmember Wilson asked staff to return in a year with data on projects that met the 35% threshold, design standards, and required amendments.

Motion:

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember McAustin, seconded by Councilmember Kennedy, to approve the staff recommendation with direction to staff to report back to the City Council in 12 months on the impacts of the approved Zoning Code amendments, including the information requested detailed above:

AYES:

Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,

Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor Tornek

NOES:

None

ABSENT: Councilmember Madison

ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARING: SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE FIVE-YEAR 2020-2024 CONSOLIDATED PLANS AND ANNUAL ACTION PLANS (2019-2020, 2020-2021) RELATED TO THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT ESG-CV FUNDS AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM FUNDS

<u>Recommendation</u>: 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 Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;
- (2) Approve the submission of a Substantial Amendment to the Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024) and the Annual Action Plans (2020-2021) to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to receive Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) funding made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Cares Act); and
- (3) Approve the submission of Substantial Amendments to the Annual Action Plans (2019-2020, 2020-2021) to HUD to increase the administration funding cap under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) as consistent with current HUD policy.

City Clerk Jomsky opened the public hearing; reported that the public hearing notice was published in the <u>Pasadena Journal</u> and <u>Pasadena Press</u> on October 8, 2020; and no correspondence was received by the City Clerk's Office on the item.

William Huang, Director of Housing, provided introductory comments, and Jennifer O'Reily-Jones, Program Coordinator II, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the item, with both responding to questions.

Motion:

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember McAustin, to close the public hearing:

AYES: Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,

Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor Tornek

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Madison

ABSTAIN: None

Motion:

It was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Vice Mayor Hampton, to approve the staff recommendation:

AYES.

Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,

Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor Tornek

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Madison

ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARING: EXTENSION OF URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 7354 OF THE CITY OF PASADENA TEMPORARILY PROHIBITING DEMOLITION AND "MAJOR PROJECTS" AFFECTING ELIGIBLE, UNDESIGNATED HISTORIC RESOURCES (See related Item No. 27)

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that, on November 18, 2019, the Council found the proposed interim ordinance exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) and 15262) because the interim ordinance does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment and because the project involves only feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions which the City has not approved, adopted, or funded, and does not involve adoption of a plan that will have a legally binding effect on later activities, and no further environmental review is necessary for this extension of the same ordinance:
- (2) Find that the proposed moratorium is consistent with the objectives and policies of the General Plan;
- (3) Find that there is a current and immediate threat to public health, safety and welfare pursuant to the standards and policies set forth in the General Plan in that the proposed interim ordinance extension is necessary to preserve eligible, undesignated historic resources; and
- (4) Adopt an urgency ordinance extending Ordinance No. 7354 to October 29, 2021 or until amendments to the Historic Preservation Ordinance are adopted, whichever occurs first.

City Clerk Jomsky opened the public hearing; reported that the public hearing notice was published in the <u>Pasadena Journal</u> and <u>Pasadena Press</u> on October 8, 2020; and no correspondence was received by the City Clerk's Office on the item.

David Reyes, Director of Planning and Community Development, provided, an oral summary of the staff report, and responded to questions.

City Clerk Jomsky read aloud comments from Andrew Salimian, representing Pasadena Heritage, in support of the staff recommendation.

Motion:

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to close the public hearing:

AYES:

Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,

Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor Tornek

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Madison

ABSTAIN: None

Motion:

It was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to approve the staff recommendation:

AYES:

Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,

Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor Tornek

NOES: None

Councilmember Madison ABSENT:

ABSTAIN: None

ORDINANCE - FIRST READING

Conduct first reading of "AN EXTENSION OF THE INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA TEMPORARILY PROHIBITING DEMOLITION AND "MAJOR PROJECTS" AFFECTING ELIGIBLE. UNDESIGNATED HISTORIC RESOURCES"

The above ordinance was offered for first reading Councilmember Kennedy:

AYES:

Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,

Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor Tornek

NOES:

None

ABSENT: Councilmember Madison

ABSTAIN: None

FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS AND COMMENTS AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH TESLA, INC., DBA TESLA MOTORS, INC., FOR THE INSTALLATION OF 20 TESLA CHARGING STATIONS IN THE CITY-OWNED BROADWAY PARKING LOT LOCATED POWER PLANT AT SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SOUTH ARROYO PARKWAY AND **GLENARM STREET IN PASADENA**

- (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";
- (2) Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute an Agreement (all documents and instruments to fulfill the Agreement),

without competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services with Tesla Motors, Inc., ("Tesla"), for a five-year term with an option for two additional five-year extensions by mutual consent, for the installation and operation of the "Arroyo Parkway Charging Depot" at the Broadway Power Plant parking lot located at 85 E. State Street, Pasadena, CA. As described in the agenda report, the agreement authorizes the City to reimburse Tesla, or receive reimbursement from Tesla, in an amount not-to-exceed \$125,000 for shared expenditures necessary to complete the project; 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. (Contract No. 31908

Recommendation of the Municipal Services Committee: At its September 22, 2020 meeting, the Municipal Services Committee recommended that the City Council approve the staff recommendation. The Committee requested that staff provide additional information related to the term and financial aspects of the recommended agreement, as well as some discussion of site access for drivers. The clarifications and additional information have been incorporated in the revised agenda report.

Marvin Moon, Assistant General Manager of Water and Power, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the item, and responded to questions. Gurcharan Bawa, General Manager of Water and Power, provided information related to the project's infrastructure and City's return on investment; and responded to questions.

Councilmember McAustin, Chair of the Municipals Services Committee, summarized the Committee's approval on the item; expressed concerns with the access to Electrical Vehicle (EV) charging stations, which she believes are somewhat convoluted, however, stated that the proposed locations are good sites for the project.

Councilmember Kennedy suggested that in order to encourage and promote residents to use EV's, staff should divide the City into four quadrants, and determine a central location in each quadrant to provide charging stations. He spoke on the need for staff to stimulate demand for EV's, and asked the Water and Power staff to agendize at a future Municipal Services Committee, or Finance Committee, to discuss a rebate program that includes \$10,000,000 budget, financed through federal and local grants, to provide \$1,000 grants to residents to purchase EV's.

Councilmember Gordo expressed concerns with EV's traveling usage through the region and the limitations on how far EV's can travel. He would like staff to track surrounding EV inventory of

surrounding municipalities, number of charging stations, and provide information how the City is coordinating with the region on this matter, to encourage other cities to provide EV charging stations.

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

AYES:

Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Masuda, McAustin,

Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor Tornek

NOES:

None

ABSENT: Councilmember Madison

ABSTAIN: None

Councilmember Madison

DIRECT THE PREPARATION OF A RESOLUTION joined the meeting at 4:41p.m. ESTABLISHING THE PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENT OF OF MEMBERS COMMUNITY POLICE **OVERSIGHT** COMMISSION

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council direct the City Attorney to prepare a resolution establishing the process, outlined in the Background portion of the agenda report, for appointment of members of the Community Police Oversight Commission.

Councilmember Kennedy, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, summarized the October 12, 2020 Committee discussion on the matter including information on the Ordinance establishing a Community Police Oversight Commission (CPOC), and responded to questions. Mayor Tornek summarized the Committee's public comment and correspondence on the item. including recommendations related to criteria of CPOC membership, and member selection; and responded to questions.

City Clerk Jomsky reported that a number of correspondence letters and emails providing comments/suggestions on the Community Police Oversight Commission selection process were received from the following individuals:

Ed Washatka, representing the Coalition for Increased Civilian Oversight (CICOPP) and Pasadenans Organizing for Progress (POP)

James Farr, Chair of the Acessibility and Disability Commission

The B.R.E.A.T.H. Justice 365 Team

City Manager Mermell provided information on staff's readiness to provide information at the direction of the City Council; and responded to questions.

Councilmember Madison expressed concerns with the lack of staff analysis in the agenda report, and requested that staff provide an assessment of best practices in relation to appointing members to serve on similar bodies providing citizen oversight of police departments.

Vice Mayor Hampton echoed concerns with the lack of staff analysis, and not incorporating the public suggestions and recommendations on the process to appoint CPOC members. He stated that the report should have come from the Public Safety Committee as he contributed to the discussion on the item at the Committee meeting when this matter was discussed.

Councilmember Masuda expressed frustration with the discussion on the CPOC selection process, as he believes it is repetitive. He stated that each Councilmember will select a CPOC member and does not believe vetting by any group/committee is required, nor that the selection should be in a public setting. He requested additional information on the proposed selection process for the 3 members originating from community-based appointed organizations. He stated his preference that assigned CPOC members cannot serve on any other Commission, Committee or Board, and nor can perspective applicants be eligible for service if they have submitted a complaint against the Pasadena Police Department or a Pasadena Police Officer.

Councilmember McAustin spoke in favor of the City Council directing staff to prepare a comprehensive staff report on the formation of the CPOC, including information on best practices from other municipalities, recommended models for the CPOC, formulation and formatting. She also suggested that the City Council direct staff to provide information on best practices regarding the Commission membership of the City's CPOC for discussion and review, as well as information related to the issue of compensation for CPOC members.

Councilmember Wilson spoke in favor of an open, public and transparent selection process of CPOP members, including the use of a selection committee, as well as appointments occurring at a City Council meeting. He also spoke in favor of directing staff to provide an analysis on best practices and information regarding selection strategies for CPOC members as soon as possible.

Councilmember Gordo echoed support to direct staff to provide an assessment on best practices on the appointment process of CPOC members. He spoke on the need for a transparent appointment process with sufficient public input, and sufficient training for CPOC members. He asked staff to provide information on other agencies at the start of their CPOC's, including qualities and criteria found to be most helpful with regard to the commission and commission

members.

City Clerk Jomsky read aloud comments providing comments/suggestions on the Community Police Oversight Commission selection process from the following individuals:

Donna Sider, Pasadena resident
Jennifer Lee, Pasadena resident
Paul Livingstone, Pasadena resident
Breathe Justice
Sonja K. Berndt, Pasadena resident
Kenichi Yoshida, Pasadena resident
Pastor Kerwin Manning, Pasadena resident
James Farr, Pasadena resident
Brad Arnold, Pasadena resident
Florence Annang, Kimberly Douglas, Kristen Ockershauser,
and Ed Washatka, representing CCICOPP and POP
Anthony Manousos, Pasadena resident
Andrea Jennings, Pasadena resident
Jill S. Shook, Pasadena resident

Councilmember Madison spoke in support of the comments from Councilmember Wilson, suggested that staff be directed to prepare a comprehensive staff report that includes the requested information as provided by other municipalities on best practices for civilian oversight models.

Following discussion, Councilmember Kennedy stated the following for the record, "The items are, each of the seven councilmembers and the mayor shall nominate one member for a total of eight members;

- Three members shall be nominated representing community-based organizations;
- Each member shall be a resident of the city;
- All nominations are subject to ratification by the city council; and
- At least 50 percent of the filled positions on the commission shall be women, if feasible."

He inquired if Councilmember Madison's suggested action assumes that all of the above items are included, as the aforementioned items are not in dispute.

In response, Councilmember Madison stated that all items pertinent to the composition of the CPOC should be considered. Each member of the City Council should be encouraged to contact staff and suggest any additional issues for review that they find important.

Following discussion, Councilmembers Gordo and McAustin also asked staff to develop rules, regulations, and criteria for CPOC members, and provide information on lessons learned from various CPOC's in California on compensation, training, background composition, criteria in terms of membership, guidance on how other municipalities determined the selection and recruitment processes, information related to community-based appointees, and return to the City Council with an update in 30-45 days.

City Manager Mermell stated that staff is able to quickly provide information from other agencies on how various CPOC's were formed, however, if the City Council is requesting that staff provide recommendations and/or assessments of the various models in other jurisdictions (in terms of best practices), staff will need the services of a consultant.

Motion

Following further discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Madison, seconded by Councilmember Gordo, to direct staff to prepare a comprehensive report, including related information and research, on best practices in the formation and the establishment of Community Police Oversight Commissions (CPOC), citing other City's models, commission membership, and selection processes; as well as the establishment of the rules and regulations for the conduct of the CPOC, with staff to include information as detailed in the discussion above:

AYES:

Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Madison, Masuda,

McAustin, Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor

Tornek

NOES:

None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO EXCLUSIVE NEGOTIATIONS

AND WITH NATIONAL COMMUNITY RENAISSANCE OF
CALIFORNIA IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF
AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT ON CITY-OWNED
REAL PROPERTY AT 280 RAMONA STREET

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

- (1) Find that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the "general rule" that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;
- (2) Approve the terms of the Exclusive Negotiation Agreement (ENA) with National Community Renaissance of California as described in the agenda report in connection with the development

of an affordable housing project on City-owned real property located at 280 Ramona Street; and

(3) Authorize the City Manager to execute, and the City Clerk to attest the ENA and any other related documents necessary to effectuate the ENA. (Contract No. 23,445)

City Manager Mermell provided introductory comments, and Jim Wong, Senior Project Manager, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the item, with both jointly responding to questions. William Huang, Director of Housing, provided information on the proposed project's funding sources; and responded to questions.

Councilmember Kennedy stated the following for the record, "This is the District that I represent on the Council, but this is an area that is critically important not to one Councilmember, but to all Councilmembers, and it has implications, not to just for today, but really, the history of our City and its Civic Center. Completing what was begun under the Bennett Plan and we as a Council have obviously already made the decision that affordable housing is critically important. Now we have an opportunity to demonstrate it once again. My preference was family housing, however, I am totally supportive of where we are today with senior housing, which is an extension of the senior housing this Council approved at Heritage I and has already approved in terms of the guideline for Heritage II, which is at Fair Oaks and Orange Grove, and the first development just north of the Church's Chicken restaurant. So with National CORE, which is National Community Renaissance of California, I think we get a proven commodity based upon some comments that were made by colleagues on the Council. The fact that I have visited Marv's Place, was thoroughly impressed with how they provide support for the residents of that facility, I think we're moving in the right direction. I think we can't go wrong. I think we are making a real strong statement, one that certainly Councilmember Margaret McAustin lives in terms of looking out for people who need clean, safe and affordable housing. She's been extremely consistent with her advocacy over the years that I have sat as her colleague seat-mate on the dais. So, at the appropriate time I would like to offer up this motion, or move this recommendation and give staff what they need to bring back to us what's necessary. I also want to commend staff for helping us to get to this place where we are today; and I would like to commend the community for being what I would call strident, overly strident in letting individual Councilmembers and staff know exactly what they believe needs to be a part of the Civic Center. I'm equally excited that soon there will be resolution across the street related to a development schedule in saving the YWCA and I would thank my

colleagues in indulging; and at the appropriate time I would move the staff recommendation."

Councilmember McAustin stated that she attended the Zoom meeting presentation by National Core, and also noted her prior personal experience with the company; and spoke in favor of the staff recommendation.

Councilmember Wilson spoke on the need for transparency and for staff to provide a timeline and schedule for the development of the project at 280 Ramona Street, so that members of the public may be involved and are informed. He also spoke on the importance of maintaining the integrity of the Bennet Plan and Civic Center. He expressed some reticence related to the project, as the proposed project is the most active civic use of the site, however, he noted that he is generally supportive of National Core as the project developer.

City Clerk Jomsky reported that a number of correspondence letters and emails advocating for affordable housing, support of the staff recommendation, or request staff to carefully consider the historic aspect of the Civic Center from the following individuals:

Areta Crowell, Pasadena resident
Donna Sider, Pasadena resident
David Drum, residence not stated
Anne Tipton, Pasadena resident
Merilie Robertson, Pasadena resident
Anthony Manousos, representing Affordable/Supportive
Housing Advocates (with 100 names noted)

Suzanne Bruins, Altadena resident

Joyce Hill, residence not stated

Bert Newton, Pasadena resident

Connie O'Donnell, Altadena resident

Rev. Connie Millsap, representing Making Housing and Community Happen (MHCH)

Susan N. Mossman and Andrew Salimian, representing Pasadena Heritage

Karen Roberson, Pasadena resident

Peter Hartgens, residence not stated

He also read aloud comments advocating for affordable housing in the Civic Center, in support of the staff recommendation, or advocating for transparency and requesting additional information on the proposed project from the following individuals:

Sonja K. Berndt, Pasadena resident

Erika Foy, Pasadena resident
Bert Newton, Pasadena resident
Margaret Lee, Pasadena resident
Allison Henry, Pasadena resident
Ferne Hayes, Pasadena resident
Marsha Rood, Pasadena resident
Joe and Pepi Feinblatt, Pasadena resident
Ed Washatka, Kimberly Douglas, Lorynne Young and Rick
Cole, representing Pasadenans Organizing for Progress
Housing Justice Committee
Anthony Manousos, representing MHCH
Jill S. Shook, Pasadena resident

Councilmember Gordo spoke on the need for a different process related to the south parcel, and requested that staff present an outline regarding public input and participation opportunities.

Mayor Tornek spoke in favor of the staff recommendation and the appropriate use of affordable housing in the Civic Center; and thanked the staff and development team for their work on the matter.

Councilmember Wilson asked that the developer, National Core, take into account and appreciate the historic and architectural significance of the project site.

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

AYES:

Councilmembers Gordo, Kennedy, Madison, Masuda,

McAustin, Wilson, Vice Mayor Hampton, Mayor

Tornek

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

Councilmember McAustin asked staff to determine how the public may be able to submit live public comment once the City Council returns to in-person meetings in order to avoid the public having to wait hours in the Council Chambers.

Vice Mayor Hampton suggested that the City Council hold their meetings outdoors; and requested that COVID-19 briefing updates, related to local businesses be part of the weekly City Council agendas until the pandemic ends. He stated that he forwarded a copy of a letter from various municipalities to Governor Gavin Newsome advocating for the reopening of schools, and asked the City Council to consider joining the advocacy effort. Vice Mayor

Hampton requested that the City's Local Hiring Ordinance be updated and agendized at a future Economic Development and Technology Committee meeting for consideration.

City Manager Mermell responded that Dr. Ying Ying Goh, Director of Public Health and Health Officer, will provide an update at the next City Council meeting.

Councilmember Gordo asked staff to provide an update on the interim and long-term plans related to virtual and in-person City Council meetings, and provide information on how to best assist members of the public with their meeting participation.

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 7:25 p.m. to discuss the following closed session (Absent Councilmember Madison):

Councilmember Madison recused himself due to a potential conflict and disconnected from the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF INITIATION OF LITIGATION pursuant to Government

Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) (two potential cases)

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

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 not discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Following closed session discussion, on order of the Mayor, the special meeting of the City Council adjourned at 8:55 p.m., in memory of all those that are ill and have lost their lives during the COVID-19 pandemic.

/s/ Victor M. Gordo
Victor M. Gordo, Mayor
City of Pasadena

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ATTEST:

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