

CITY OF PASADENA
City Council Minutes
January 11, 2021 – 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 Gordo called the special meeting to order at 2:09 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Wilson.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Victor M. Gordo
Councilmembers: Vice Mayor Andy Wilson
Councilmember Tyron Hampton
Councilmember John J. Kennedy
Councilmember Steve Madison
Councilmember Gene Masuda
Councilmember Felicia Williams

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

CEREMONIAL MATTERS Chief of Police John Perez introduced and welcomed the new Sergeant-at-Arms, Sergeant Mark Mendenhall, and extended appreciation to Sergeant Tom Blanchard for his service.

Mayor Gordo and Steve Mermell, City Manager, recognized the following employees with 35 and 40 years of service for their dedication and commitment to the City:

David Jones, Pasadena Water and Power (40 years of service)
Maria Fernandez, Planning and Community Development (35 years of service)
Corporal Derrick M. Carter, Police Department (35 years of service)
Sergeant Bobby C. Lomeli, Police Department (35 years of service)
Chief John E. Perez, Police Department (35 years of service)

Mayor Gordo provided introductory comments, and Mark Jomsky, City Clerk, spoke on the City's redistricting efforts, announced that the redistricting task force will soon be constituted, and provided information on the selection process of the task force; and responded to questions.

Mayor Gordo announced that the application to serve on the Community Policer Oversight Commission (CPOC) will be available on the City's website, and can also be obtained by contacting the Mayor's Office; and stated that a discussion on the CPOC will be

agendized at the January 25, 2021 City Council meeting; and responded to questions.

Mayor Gordo 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.

Councilmember Madison requested that the City Council meeting be adjourned in memory of Ms. Wendy Gordon, Pasadena resident; and Rev. George Regas, who served as rector at All Saints Episcopal Church.

Councilmember Kennedy requested that the City Council meeting be adjourned in memory of Mr. George Monroe Taylor, Jr., Chief Social Worker at Veterans Administration Hospital System. He also spoke on and condemned the January 6, 2021 riot/assault on the Nation's Capital building, and requested that the City Council meeting be adjourned in memory of those police officers who lost their lives protecting the Nation's Capital.

SPECIAL ITEM – COVID-19

Councilmember Hampton connected to the meeting at 2:32 p.m.

COVID-19 UPDATE ORAL REPORTS FROM PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER AND DR. LORI MORGAN, PRESIDENT OF HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL

Steve Mermell, City Manager, provided introductory comments, Dr. Lori Morgan, President of Huntington Hospital, presented a PowerPoint presentation on California and Pasadena recent trends related to COVID-19, data on Huntington Hospital patients, and Los County COVID-19 hospitalization projections; Dr. Ying Ying Goh, MD, Director of Public Health, expressed concerns with the current extreme surge in COVID-19 positive cases, provided information on how the allocation of the COVID-19 vaccination occurs, as well as on the Public Health Department's plans and outreach in administering the COVID-19 vaccine to the community and staff; and responded to questions. Dr. Kimberly Shriner, provided information on the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine; and responded to questions.

Councilmember Madison suggested that staff consider implementing a mandatory vaccination policy for City employees, particularly those that interact with the public, such as first responders.

Councilmember Kennedy asked staff to ensure City healthcare workers, temporary or otherwise, reflect the community. He suggested hiring well-known individuals from the community, including those within the ecumenical community to ensure the leaders of those communities understand the facts related to the importance of ensuring the community is COVID-19 vaccinated. He

asked staff to provide an update on possible COVID-19 vaccine candidates AstraZeneca, Janssen and Novavax.

Councilmember Hampton thanked Dr. Goh and her staff for prioritizing the City's most vulnerable population to be given the COVID-19 vaccination and spoke on the need to administer the vaccination to grocery workers as soon as possible. He clarified to the public that the Huntington Hospital is a private facility.

Councilmember Williams spoke on the need to address the larger public policy on COVID-19 and requested that at future COVID-19 updates information is provided on businesses that have closed, jobs and homes that have been loss during the pandemic, data on the number of students not attending on-line classes, and an update on the impacts to the Pasadena Convention Center; and a more comprehensive COVID-19 update. She proposed that these types of health updates related to COVID-19 are presented to the Public Safety Committee, economic impacts of COVID-19 are presented to the Economic Development and Technology Committee, and the budget impacts related to COVID-19 are presented to the Finance Committee.

Mayor Gordo responded that he is working with staff to discuss agenda items for the City Council and City Council committees; and requested that Ms. Williams provide the list of economic data she would like updates on to the City Manager and City Clerk.

Vice Mayor Wilson spoke in support of a City dashboard with detailed information related to vaccine inventory, distribution, and accessibility.

Mayor Gordo stated that he would reach out to the Mayors of Los Angeles and Long Beach to advocate to State leaders regarding needed changes to the COVID-19 vaccination distribution phases. He requested an update on staff's COVID-19 vaccination outreach plan, including any anticipated language barrier concerns.

In response to Mayor Gordo's inquiry, Dr. Goh stated that she would confirm if medical providers who are seeking the COVID-19 vaccination from the Public Health Department to provide to their patients, must accept both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccination.

City Clerk Jomsky read aloud comments requesting additional information on COVID-19 vaccinations, provided comments/suggestions on the matter from the following individuals:

Ken Perry, Pasadena resident

Dwight Joel Mellema, Pasadena resident

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE ORDER WITH SSP INNOVATIONS, LLC ("SSP") FOR THE UPGRADE OF A MOBILE GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEM AND THE ASSOCIATED ENTERPRISE SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR THE PASADENA WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT ("PWP") FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$194,413

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 for the action;
- (2) Authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order ("PO") contract without Competitive Bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(C), contracts for labor, material, supplies, or services available from only one vendor, with SSP for the upgrade of a mobile Geographical Informational System ("GIS") and the associated enterprise software license agreement for a total amount not-to-exceed \$194,413, which includes a base contract amount of \$132,533 for the first three years, three optional one-year extensions for software license agreements in the amount of \$15,000 per extension, and a contingency amount of \$16,880, to provide for any necessary change orders; and (Contract No. 31958)
- (3) It is further recommended that the City Council grant the proposed PO 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.
(*Note to Legislative File: this item was processed as a Contract*)

AUTHORIZE A SERVICE CONTRACT WITH ATI RESTORATION, LLC FOR ASBESTOS, LEAD, AND MOLD ABATEMENT SERVICES AT VARIOUS WATER AND POWER FACILITIES

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(9); and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Class 1 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; and
- (2) Accept the bid dated October 1, 2020, submitted by ATI Restoration, LLC in response to Specifications LD-20-04; reject all other bids received; and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract not-to-exceed \$400,000 over a period of five years. The

contract would include the option of two (2) one-year extension periods not-to-exceed \$80,000 each period, subject to the approval of the City Manager. If both options are exercised, the total contract amount would be \$560,000. (Contract No. 31956)

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH ACCO ENGINEERED SYSTEMS, INC. FOR THE LABOR AND MATERIALS TO REPLACE THE GT-3 CHILLER COMPRESSOR #2

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 15301, Existing Facilities; and Section 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; and
- (2) Accept the bid dated October 27, 2020, submitted by ACCO in response to Specifications to furnish labor and materials to Remove and Replace GT-3 Chiller Compressor #2; reject all other bids, and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract with ACCO for an amount not-to-exceed \$269,570 which includes a base contract amount of \$245,070 and a 10% contingency of \$24,500 to provide for any unforeseen change orders. (Contract No. 31957)

CONTRACT AWARD TO PAVECO CONSTRUCTION INC., TO FURNISH LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR UTILITY AND MISCELLANEOUS STREET REPAIRS

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 CEQA 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 this action; and
- (2) Accept the bid dated November 3, 2020, submitted by Paveco Construction Inc., ("Paveco") in response to Specifications WD-20-17; reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract not-to-exceed \$2,000,000 for an initial period of one year with an option for two additional one-year terms at \$2,000,000 per year subject to the approval of the City Manager. If the two additional one-year terms are exercised, the total contract amount will be \$6,000,000. (Contract No. 31968)

Item discussed separately

AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR WEATHER-ACTIVATED MOTEL VOUCHERS TO SERVE PEOPLE EXPERIENCING UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS

Item discussed separately

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$118,098 TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES AND ASSISTANCE TO

PASADENA HOUSEHOLDS AT RISK OF FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH LINKEDIN LEARNING FOR ONLINE EMPLOYEE TRAINING SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$79,443

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) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a three (3) year contract, as the result of a competitive selection process as specified by Section 4.08.047 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, with LinkedIn Learning for an amount not-to-exceed \$79,443. Competitive bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F), contracts for professional or unique services. (Contract No. 31970)

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY ("SCPPA") FOR THE PURCHASE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FROM COSO GEOTHERMAL POWER HOLDINGS, LLC

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); and
- (2) Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract without competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002 (H) Contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, material, supplies, or services, and PMC Section 4.08.049(A)(3) Contracts with other governmental entities, with SCPPA for the purchase of renewable energy and capacity from Coso Geothermal Power Holdings, LLC, for a total of up to 20.46 megawatts ("MW") for Pasadena, for a term of 20 years beginning January 1, 2022. (Contract No. 31954)

Recommendation of the Municipal Services Committee: On January 5, 2021, the MSC approved the staff recommendation to enter into a 20 year contract with SCPPA for the purchase of renewable energy from Coso Geothermal Power Holdings, LLC. Below are points of clarification requested by the MSC, for the City Council meeting. Pasadena Water and Power ("PWP") will only pay for the energy actually received, at the rate of \$69 per megawatt hour ("MWh"). During the first five years, PWP will not be taking any energy and hence will not be liable for any payments for the first five years. In addition, PWP is well positioned to meet or exceed the state's renewable portfolio standard ("RPS"), up to calendar year 2022. Future RPS requirements will be met through a variety

of short term and long term renewable resources that best fit PWP's energy and RPS needs. Lastly, the contract price and other terms are competitive for a baseload (a resource that generates energy at a steady rate, at all times of the day) renewable resource, as compared to similar resources such as biomass, landfill gas and small hydro-electric.

Vice Mayor Wilson summarized the staff report, and reported that MSC reviewed the item and supports the staff recommendation.

**RESIGNATIONS,
APPOINTMENTS, &
REAPPOINTMENTS**

RESIGNATION OF ROBERT CLINTON FROM THE CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION (District 2 Nomination)

RESIGNATION OF AARON MILAM FROM THE RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION (District 2 Nomination)

RESIGNATION OF PEGGY BUCHANAN FROM THE SENIOR COMMISSION (Agency Nomination)

RECOGNIZE VACANCY CREATED ON THE ARROYO VERDUGO COMMUNITIES JPA GOVERNING BOARD WITH THE CONCLUSION OF MARGARET McAUSTIN'S TERM ON THE PASADENA CITY COUNCIL AND APPOINTMENT OF ANDY WILSON AS THE CITY OF PASADENA'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ARROYO VERDUGO COMMUNITIES JPA GOVERNING BOARD (City Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF VICTOR M. GORDO AS THE CITY OF PASADENA'S ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ARROYO VERDUGO COMMUNITIES JPA GOVERNING BOARD (City Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF VICTOR M. GORDO TO THE GAMBLE HOUSE ADVISORY BOARD (City Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF STEVE MADISON TO THE ROSE BOWL OPERATING COMPANY BOARD (City Council Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF VICTOR M. GORDO AS THE CITY OF PASADENA'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS GOVERNING BOARD (City Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF FELICIA WILLIAMS AS THE CITY OF PASADENA'S ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS GOVERNING BOARD (City Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF HOWARD TAN TO THE RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION (District 1 Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF ADRIENNE BASS TO THE LIBRARY COMMISSION (District 2 Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF JULIANNA DELGADO TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION (District 2 Nomination)

APPOINTMENT OF MAURA HARRINGTON ROGGERO TO THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (District 6 Nomination)

Item removed from agenda

~~**REPORT ON ACTION BY NEWLY ELECTED MAYOR VICTOR M. GORDO TO VACATE SEATS NOMINATED BY THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR ON THE ACCESSIBILITY AND DISABILITY COMMISSION, COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN, HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, NORTHWEST COMMISSION, PLANNING COMMISSION, AND RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2.45.050**~~

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 26, 2020
November 2, 2020
November 9, 2020
November 16, 2020

CLAIMS RECEIVED

Claim No. 13,654	Gavril T. Gabriel, Attorney, representing Johnny Trang	\$ 25,000.00+
Claim No. 13,655	Allstate as subrogee for Judith Van Vleet	4,058.18
Claim No. 13,656	Stan Dorobek	Not stated
Claim No. 13,657	Corey W. Glave, Attorney at Law, representing Jaime Robison	1,000,000.00+
Claim No. 13,658	Mercury Insurance as subrogee for Trevor Patterson	4,039.55
Claim No. 13,659	Cohen & Marzban Law Corporation, representing April McCullough	25,000.00+
Claim No. 13,660	Jennifer Gorman	1,925.00
Claim No. 13,661	Maria Maldonado	2,100.00
Claim No. 13,662	Michael Meacham	1,000.00
Claim No. 13,663	Thomas Altmayer	7,140.00

PUBLIC HEARING SET

January 25, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. – Zoning Code Amendments to Update Regulations Regarding Nonconforming Uses

It was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Williams, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item 6 (Authorization to Allocation Additional Funding for Weather-Activated Motel Vouchers), and

Item 7 (Authorization to Enter into a Contract with Housing Rights Center), which were discussed separately:

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

CONSENT ITEMS
DISCUSSED SEPARATELY

**AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR
WEATHER-ACTIVATED MOTEL VOUCHERS TO SERVE
PEOPLE EXPERIENCING UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS**

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;

(2) Authorize an additional transfer of \$66,500 in Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) funding from the Department of Housing's Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget to the Public Health Department's Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget to provide weather-activated motel vouchers to people experiencing homelessness; and (Budget Amendment No. 2021-24)

(3) Authorize the amendment to Contract No. 31552 with Union Station Homeless Services to increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$56,503 to provide weather-activated motel vouchers to existing clients who are experiencing unsheltered homelessness for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$285,648. (Contract No. 31552-1)

City Clerk Jomsky reported that a number of letters and emails providing comments/suggestions on the need for the City to provide bad weather shelter services, the City's health protocols, and support for the expansion of the motel voucher program to serve as an alternative bad weather shelter solution, which were distributed to the City Council, posted on-line, and made part of the public record from the following individuals:

Sonja K. Berndt, Pasadena Resident

Jill Shook, Pasadena Resident

Anthony Manousos, Co-founder of Making Housing and
Community Happen

He also read aloud comments providing suggestions on the need for the City to provide bad weather shelter services, support for the expansion of the motel voucher program to serve as an alternative bad weather shelter solution, and allow the use of FEMA trailers to house those in need, from the following individuals:

Franz Silver, Los Angeles resident

Alec Reyes, Monrovia resident
Tiffany Tomaszewski, Pasadena resident
Zoe Ives, Pasadena resident
Brandon Ives, Pasadena resident
Joanne Long, Pasadena resident
Dan, Pasadena resident
Raquel, Pasadena resident
Ferne Hayes, Pasadena resident
Sonja K. Berndt, Pasadena resident
Anthony G. Manousos, Pasadena resident
Connie Millsap Tamkin, Monrovia resident
Allison Henry, Pasadena resident
Jill S. Shook, Pasadena resident

City Manager Mermell provided information on the City's use of FEMA trailers in the City; and responded to questions. William Huang, Director of Housing, provided information on the nearest bad weather shelter (Loma Alta Park Weather-Activated Shelter) located in Altadena, and responded to questions.

Councilmember Hampton advocated for City staff to provide assistance to individuals in the City who are the most vulnerable, especially seniors with underlying conditions, with motel vouchers during bad/cold weather events.

Mayor Gordo stated that he, along with Mayors throughout the region, will lobby state elected officials for additional support for cities to provide shelter for homeless individuals.

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

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

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH
HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$118,098 TO
PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES AND ASSISTANCE TO
PASADENA HOUSEHOLDS AT RISK OF FALLING INTO
HOMELESSNESS**

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;

- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Housing Rights Center in the amount of \$118,098. 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. 31959)

City Clerk Jomsky reported that Jill Shook and Anthony Manousos, Pasadena Residents, submitted emails in favor of the staff recommendation and advocating for additional funding for legal services to Pasadena households, which was distributed to the City Council, posted on-line, and made part of the public record.

He also read aloud comments in favor of the staff recommendation, advocating for additional funding for legal services to Pasadena households, and provided comments/suggestions on matter from the following individuals:

Sonja K. Berndt, Pasadena resident
Anthony G. Manousos, Pasadena resident
Ferne Hayes, Pasadena resident
Connie Millsap Tamkin, Monrovia resident
Jill S. Shook, Pasadena resident

Councilmember Hampton requested an update on the City's Rental Assistance Program. Mayor Gordo responded that an update on the City's Rental Assistance Program will be agendized at a future Economic Development and Technology Committee meeting.

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

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

PUBLIC HEARING

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Find that the proposed project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15308, Class 8, of the CEQA guidelines pertaining to actions by regulatory agencies for the protection of the environment. The proposed amendments strengthen and clarify existing regulations that apply to the protection of historical resources;

(2) Find that the proposed Zoning Code Text Amendments are in conformance with the goals, policies, and objectives of the General Plan;

(3) Find that the proposed Zoning Code Text Amendments would not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or general welfare of the City; and, therefore

(4) Recommend that the City Council approve the proposed Zoning Code Text Amendments to the Historic Preservation Ordinance as specified in the agenda report.

Recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission:

On August 4, 2020, the Historic Preservation Commission held a public hearing to review the proposed amendments and adopted CEQA and Zoning Code Text Amendment findings with the following recommendations:

1. Demolition of garages should be changed from a minor project to a major project.
2. In all cases where documentary, pictorial or physical evidence is mentioned, language should be included to allow use of a similar building designed by the same builder or architect as evidence.
3. In all cases where reports from a qualified professional are required, language should be included requiring the preparation of the reports to be managed by the City and paid for by the applicant, to ensure that the reports are objective and unbiased.
4. The process for rescinding or amending a Conservation Plan should be simplified to eliminate the requirement for written support from a majority of property owners in the district and, instead require public notification of required public hearings to be sent to all property owners in the district.
5. The Zoning Administrator should be the review authority for the proposed new incentive regarding alternative front lot line determination.
6. An additional incentive allowing tandem parking by right when converting a historic residential building to a non-residential use should be included.
7. Staff should continue to explore monetary fines for violations of the Historic Preservation Ordinance, to their maximum extent allowed by law.
8. Staff should continue to pursue enhancements to the Occupancy Inspection Program to ensure that new property owners are informed of historical designations upon purchase of historically designated properties.
9. Section 17.62.030.A ("Review of applications for Certificate of Appropriateness") should remain in its current locations and "Certificate of Appropriateness" should be removed from the title, as there are provisions within this section that

apply to other review processes identified in the Historic Preservation Ordinance.

10. A reference to the Zoning Code Glossary should be included in Section 17.62.030 and the Glossary definitions that are currently listed under the term "historic preservation" should remain in their current location and the definitions should be reviewed to align with other Zoning Code Glossary definitions.

A brief analysis of the HPC's recommendations are discussed in the appropriate location by topic area.

Recommendation of the Planning Commission: On September 23, 2020, the Historic Preservation Commission held a public hearing to review the proposed amendments, including responses to the HPC's comments listed above, and adopted CEQA and Zoning Code Text Amendment findings as recommended by staff, with no additional recommendations. In response to public comments, staff verbally clarified certain amendments and those clarifications have been incorporated into the agenda report.

City Clerk Jomsky opened the public hearing; reported that the public hearing notice was published in the Pasadena Journal and Pasadena Press on November 26, 2020, December 3, 2020, and December 10, 2020. He reported that a number of letters and emails providing comments/suggestions on the item, were received by the City Clerk's office, which were distributed to the City Council, posted on-line, and made part of the public record from the following individuals:

Julianne Polanco, State Historic Preservation Officer
Susan N. Mossman and Andrew Salimian, Pasadena Heritage
Bryan Reese, Bungalow Heaven Neighborhood Association
Steven A. Preston and Janet Whaley, Pasadena residents
Julianna Delgado, Bungalow Heaven Neighborhood Association
Lorraine Montgomery, residence not stated
Matthew Gelfand, Californians for Homeownership
Miranda Ullrich, residence not stated

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

City Clerk Jomsky read aloud comments and suggestions on the matter from the following individuals:

Dr. Julianna Delgado, Pasadena resident
Paul Yamashita, Pasadena resident
Nina Chomsky, Pasadena resident
John Ripley, Pasadena resident

Tina Miller, Pasadena resident
David Delgado, Pasadena resident
Carla St.Romain, Pasadena resident
Nadine Ishizu, Pasadena resident
Bryan Reese, Pasadena resident
John S. Miller, Pasadena resident
Matthew Gelfand, Californians for Homeownership
Andrew Salimian, Pasadena Heritage

Councilmember Williams spoke in favor of the staff recommendation and proposed the following 3 amendments to the staff recommendation:

1. Per the Pasadena Heritage letter, major projects would include non-contributing properties and on Item "g", on page 7 of the agenda report be amended to read, "Substantial removal or replacement (more than 25%) of exterior cladding on a primary or street-facing elevation or substantial removal or replacement (more than 50%) of all exterior cladding;"
2. Related to the Conservation Plan, page 10, third paragraph, remove the second bullet point, "The proposed amendments would not create further inconsistencies between the Conservation Plan and the Historic Preservation Ordinance;" and
3. Related to language in the Mansionization Ordinance, that non-contributing properties should still be subject to mansionization requirements in a Landmark District, amend the definition of "Major Projects," page 6 of the agenda report, item "e", to include the following language, "any changes to non-contributing resources in a designated landmark or historic district be subject to the mansionization ordinance."

Mr. Reyes stated staff's agreement on suggestion No. 2 detailed above; staff is recommending for projects that require substantial removal along the front façade require a Certificate of Appropriateness and that due to the many different types of buildings and façade configurations in the City, the language be retained as proposed; responded that staff believes the best process for a successful mansionization ordinance is to utilize the Certificate of Appropriateness process, which provides the greatest ability for staff to ensure neighborhood compatibility; and suggested that staff could return in one year with information regarding these changes to determine if the staff recommendation related to the amended Historic Preservation Ordinance is working properly or should be further amended.

Vice Mayor Wilson spoke in favor of Councilmember Williams' recommendations, and referenced a compatibility test (applying the mansionization standard as opposed to the Certificate of Appropriateness process) related to mansionization, and that an item be agendaized at the Historic Preservation Committee to avoid competing jurisdictional questions.

Councilmember Kennedy spoke in favor of the staff providing an update in one year to determine if the proposed amendments are working properly.

Following discussion, Councilmember Williams summarized staff's actions to address her recommended amendments:

1. Staff agreed to amend item "g" (in the agenda report) to include the following language, "Substantial removal or replacement (more than 25%) of exterior cladding on a primary or street-facing elevation or substantial removal or replacement (more than 50%) of all exterior cladding;"
2. Maintain the staff recommendation regarding the requirement of substantial removal of cladding along the front façade to require a Certificate of Appropriateness, (addressing the concerns of Pasadena Heritage), with staff to return with an update/review in one year to determine whether further changes are necessary beyond the staff recommendation to strengthen these provisions; and
3. Staff to return with proposed language as part of first reading of the Mansionization Ordinance to incorporate the compatibility and size standards as part of the Certificate of Appropriateness process.

Mr. Reyes noted that staff will offer language in the ordinance (when agendaized for first reading) regarding non-contributing properties within a landmark district, which would be subject to a mansionization guidelines, and if those guidelines are exceeded, then additional findings as part of the Certificate of Appropriateness process may be required.

Councilmember Kennedy asked staff to ensure that the staff recommendation does not financially and negatively impact residents, and to determine if the City has resources to provide assistance to homeowners in need that own historic homes in the City.

City Manager Mermell stated that the Housing Department has a Single Family Rehabilitation Program and he will work with staff to determine the applicability of this program for historic homes.

Mayor Gordo also asked staff to contact organizations (i.e. Pasadena Heritage) who are interested in historic preservation to determine if grant funding may be provided to low-income homeowners for historic preservation purposes.

Councilmember Hampton spoke on the need to look at the economic impacts holistically for two income families related to mandatory historic preservation, which could cause financial hardship and create economic security issues.

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

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

Councilmember Williams asked staff to include in the one year update to the City Council, information on the economic impacts of the proposed changes, the implementation of new owner education and acknowledgement forms regarding these changes and processes, the state penalty limitations, the City's ability to provide stricter penalties, an update on the historic resource survey, and an outreach and education plan.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Madison, to approve the staff recommendation, amended as detailed above:

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

OLD BUSINESS

PREDEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW OF A 70-UNIT MIXED USE PROJECT AT 710-738 NORTH FAIR OAKS AVENUE AND 19-25 EAST ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD (HERITAGE SQUARE SOUTH)

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

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

Councilmember Kennedy requested that the developer of the project reaffirm their commitment to the City Council and community regarding local hiring and the local sourcing of construction materials related to this proposed development/project. He asked staff to provide information on the parameters regarding questions that can be asked of developers during Predevelopment Plan Reviews (PPR).

Anna Slaby, representing the developer (Bridge Housing), and Keith McCloskey, representing KTG Architecture and Planning, provided information on their ongoing commitment to uphold all of the local hiring, benefits and contracting commitments; and responded to questions.

Mayor Gordo spoke on the need to strengthen and enforce, commitments made to the City by developers for future projects, and monitor such commitments as a project proceeds through development.

City Clerk Jomsky read aloud comments in favor of the proposed project, and suggestions on the matter from the following individuals:

Anthony Manousos, Pasadena resident
Sonja K. Berndt, Pasadena resident
Rev. Connie Millsap Tamkin, Monrovia resident
Jill Shook, Pasadena Resident

In addition, he reported that two letters in support of senior housing, and provided comments on the item were received by the City Clerk's Office, which were distributed to the City Council, posted on-line, and made part of the public record from the following individuals:

Jill Shook, Pasadena Resident
Anthony Manousos, Co-founder of Making Housing and Community Happen

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

On order of the Mayor, the regular meeting recessed at 7:05 p.m. to discuss the following closed session (Absent None):

CLOSED SESSION

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

Agency Designated Representatives: Jennifer Curtis and Steve Mermell

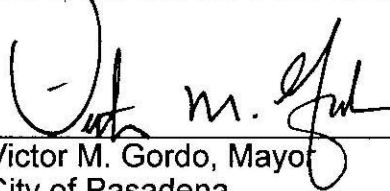
Employee Organizations: International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE); Pasadena Firefighters Association (PFFA);

Pasadena Fire Management Association (PFMA); Pasadena Management Association (PMA); Non-Represented Executive; Non-Represented Management; and Non-Represented Non-Management

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

ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Mayor, the special meeting of the City Council adjourned at 7:52 p.m., in memory of Ms. Wendy Gordon, Rev. George Regas, Mr. George Monroe Taylor, Jr.; police officers who lost their lives protecting the Nation's Capital building; and all those that are ill and have lost their lives during the COVID-19 pandemic.



Victor M. Gordo, Mayor
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:


City Clerk