

CITY OF PASADENA  
City Council Minutes  
January 10, 2022 – 4:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chamber

The meeting was convened and held virtually by videoconference/teleconference.

**OPENING:** Mayor Gordo called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Interim Police Chief Cheryl Moody.

**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 Jessica Rivas  
Councilmember Felicia Williams

**Staff:** Interim City Manager Cynthia Kurtz  
Chief Assistant City Attorney Javan Rad  
City Clerk Mark Jomsky

**Ceremonial Matters** Interim Chief of Police Cheryl Moody introduced and welcomed the new Sergeant-at-Arms, Sergeant Domino Scott-Jackson, and extended appreciation to Sergeant Jacob Carey for his service.

Councilmember Kennedy and Mayor Gordo congratulated Interim Police Chief Moody on her new appointment.

**SPECIAL ITEM** **COVID-19 UPDATE FROM DR. YING-YING GOH, PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER AND DR. LORI MORGAN, PRESIDENT OF HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL**

Mark Jomsky, City Clerk, reported that six letter providing comments on Covid-19 restrictions were received by the City Clerk's Office, distributed to the City Council, posted on-line, and made part of the public record.

Dr. Ying-Ying Goh, Public Health Officer/Director of Public Health, presented a PowerPoint presentation providing information on the number of new positive cases of COVID-19 in Pasadena and nationwide; the seriousness of the COVID-19 Omicron variant; and encouraged the public who are eligible to seek COVID-19 vaccinations and the third "booster" dose. She also provided information on Pasadena's vaccination rates and available community clinics, challenges with COVID-19 testing availability, summarized new Public Health orders, and responded to questions.

Councilmember Madison requested information on the number of new COVID-19 cases reported as related to the Rose Bowl parade and game transmission rates.

Councilmember Hampton requested that Dr. Goh share with the City Council a memo she provided to him regarding administering boosters to residents of skilled nursing facilities in Pasadena.

Mayor Gordo provided information on the two current emergency orders, "Emergency Health Orders" and "Declaration of Emergency." Interim City Manager Cynthia Kurtz stated that the emergency declarations remain in effect until the City Council determines that special services being provided to the community, which are reimbursable by the federal government, are no longer needed.

Dr. Lori Morgan, President of Huntington Hospital, provided an update on COVID-19 patients in Los Angeles County and those admitted to Huntington Hospital, including those in the Intensive Care Unit. She provided information on the hospital's decision to pause elective surgery; urged the community to not visit the Huntington Hospital for COVID-19 testing since it is not operating as a testing site; and responded to questions.

Mayor Gordo asked staff to ensure local hotels are providing traveling nurses and health care workers who are working during the pandemic a discounted rate. He also requested that the City Attorney provide a memo on the substantive impacts of both the "Emergency Health Orders" and "Declaration of Emergency."

Councilmember Williams spoke in favor of agendaizing the City's Declaration of Emergency to conduct a comprehensive review of COVID-19 services and an economic report that focuses on economic impacts of COVID-19. She asked staff to provide information on the number of calls for service related to suicides, domestic abuse, and mental health, to determine how best to provide support services to the community. In addition, she requested that staff contact Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) and private schools in the City requesting data on noticeable education gaps and lower graduation numbers by ethnicity and race to better understand the pandemic impacts to students in Pasadena.

Dr. Morgan suggested that another metric to monitor is the sales of liquor in the City, which she believes has increased during the pandemic resulting in a higher rate of dependency and alcohol usage, and which likely correlates with higher suicide rates and domestic violence.

Interim City Manager Cynthia Kurtz responded that staff is currently working on the economic report that will be complete by end of February 2022. In addition, the City Council and PUSD have a

scheduled joint meeting in March 2022, and she will request that PUSD provide a report on observed student education gaps and lower graduation rates as a result of the pandemic.

The following individuals provided comments on the matter:

Ryan Forrest, Pasadena resident  
Ericka Foy, representing Protect Pasadena Kids  
Mary Forrest, Pasadena resident  
Andrew Boaz, Pasadena resident  
Adriana Bautista, Pasadena resident  
Noelle Aloe, San Marino resident  
Christine Diaz-Herrera, Pasadena resident

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

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Jacob Pierce, Monrovia resident, spoke on the need for affordable housing and advocated for rent control in the City of Pasadena.

The following individuals spoke on the need to address accountability and transparency within the Pasadena Police Department; advocated for the termination of Pasadena Police Officers (Dumaguindin, Serrano, Mulrooney, and/or Duncan) involved in the shooting of Anthony McClain, and for the timely completion of the investigation; expressed concerns with the Pasadena Police Department and their policing policies:

Allan Shay, Pasadena resident  
Hiram Cormier, Jr., Los Angeles resident  
Pastor Kerwin Manning, Pasadena resident  
Michael Williams, Pasadena resident  
Jason R., Los Angeles resident  
Heavenly Hughes, representing My TRIBE Rise  
Victor Hodgson, representing My TRIBE Rise  
Kat Ross, representing SURJ Altadena-Pasadena  
Janee Lennox, representing Black Lives Matter Los Angeles  
Adriana Bautista, representing Black Lives Matter Pasadena

In response to public comment, Mayor Gordo responded that the video related to the Pasadena Police Officer involved shooting of Devin Hall will be posted on the City's website within 24 hours.

Charles Jacobsen, Pasadena resident, spoke in support of the rezoning of land owned by churches to be permissible as "by-right" developments as a strategy to increase the number of affordable housing units in the City

Councilmember Madison expressed concerns with a public speaker's comments, "Mark my words, you guys need to do what is right for these families or we will bring fire on to you all," which he found to be troubling and potentially threatening.

Robert Monzon, representing Pasadena Management Association (PMA), advocated for the City Council to continue to negotiate the terms of the City's PMA employment contract and for the City to provide fair compensation.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Item discussed separately

**AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH 72 HOUR LLC (DBA: CHEVROLET OF WATSONVILLE/NATIONAL AUTO FLEET GROUP) FOR PURCHASE OF SIX ELECTRIC UTILITY VEHICLES, EIGHT POLICE INTERCEPTOR HYBRID SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES, ONE CHIPPER TRUCK, AND ONE ASPHALT PATCH TRUCK FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$855,306**

Item discussed separately

**AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT NO. 32092 WITH UNION STATION HOMELESS SERVICES AND CONTRACT NO. 32093 WITH SYCAMORES FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE PROVISION OF MOTEL VOUCHERS**

## **APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND THE PASADENA FIREFIGHTERS MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 809**

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

- (1) Find that the action proposed 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) Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Pasadena and the Pasadena Firefighters Management Association. (Contract No. 23,603)

## **ADOPTION OF A RETROACTIVE SALARY SCHEDULE FOR THE PASADENA FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 2, 2006 – June 29, 2014 AND A RETROACTIVE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR FIRE STAFF PREMIUM SIDE LETTER OF AGREEMENT**

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

- (1) Find that the action proposed 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;
- (2) Approve retroactive Salary Schedules for the Pasadena Fire Fighters Association (PFFA) for the period of October 2, 2006 - June 29, 2014; and
- (3) Approve a retroactive effective date of August 9, 2004 for the Fire Staff Premium Side Letter of Agreement that was previously approved on September 21, 2015. (Contract No. 21,874-1)



**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH GROOME INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, LLC, FOR THE LABOR AND MATERIALS TO REPLACE GT3 AND GT4 CO AND SCR CATALYST**

**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 December 1, 2021, submitted by Groome Industrial Services, LLC, ("Groome") in response to Specifications for the labor and materials to Replace Gas Turbine 3 ("GT3") and Gas Turbine 4 ("GT4") Carbon Monoxide ("CO") and Selective Catalytic Reduction ("SCR") Catalyst; reject all other bids; and authorize the Interim City Manager, or her designee, to enter into a contract with Groome for an amount not-to-exceed \$1,760,000, which includes a base contract amount of \$1,600,000 and a 10% contingency of \$160,000 to provide for any unforeseen change orders. (Contract No. 32206)

Interim City Manager Cynthia Kurtz provided a brief summary of the staff report; and responded to questions.

Councilmember Kennedy requested that future matters of this type be agendaized and reviewed at one of the Council Committees prior to being presented for consideration to the City Council.

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE ORDER WITH SOUTH COAST FIRE EQUIPMENT, INC., FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO REPLACEMENT 2022 PIERCE ARROW XT TRIPLE COMBINATION FIRE ENGINES FOR A TOTAL OF \$1,952,961**

**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) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase order with South Coast Fire Equipment, Inc., for the purchase of two Pierce Arrow XT Triple Combination Fire Engines in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,952,961. Neither Competitive Bidding nor Competitive Selection are required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(h) and Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(A)(3), contracts with other governmental entities.

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE ORDER WITH EMERGENCY VEHICLE GROUP, INC., FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE REPLACEMENT 2022 ROAD RESCUE ULTRAMEDIC**

**RESCUE AMBULANCES FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$1,029,844**

**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;
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase order with Emergency Vehicle Group, Inc., for the purchase of three Road Rescue Ultramedic Rescue Ambulances in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,029,844. Competitive Bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H) contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, materials, supplies or services; and
- (3) Grant the proposed contract an exemption from the Competitive Bidding process pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

In response to Councilmember Masuda's inquiry related to the City purchasing electrical fire trucks, Interim City Manager Cynthia Kurtz stated that Fire Chief Augustin is closely monitoring the availability of such vehicles and is personally committed to transitioning to an electric powered fleet.

**CONTRACT AWARD TO PACIFIC COAST ELEVATOR CORPORATION (DBA: AMTECH ELEVATOR SERVICES) FOR ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES IN A GRAND TOTAL AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$445,435 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;
- (2) Accept the bid dated November 9, 2021, submitted by Pacific Coast Elevator Corporation dba Amtech Elevator Services (Amtech) for elevator maintenance and repair services; reject all other bids received; and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Amtech for an amount not-to-exceed \$267,261 (which includes a \$24,297 contingency) over a three-year period; and
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to extend the contract for up to two additional one-year extensions, in the annual amount of \$89,087 (which includes a \$8,099 contingency period), at the discretion of the City Manager, for a maximum total contract length of five years and a grand total contract amount of \$445,435. (Contract No. 32209)

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH HUNTER CONSULTING, INC., (DBA HCI ENVIRONMENTAL & ENGINEERING) TO PROVIDE ON-CALL BIOHAZARDOUS WASTE CLEANUP AND DISPOSAL SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$137,500, FOR UP TO FIVE YEARS**

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

- (1) Find that this action is exempt from review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3), the "common sense" exemption that CEQA only applies to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment;
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract, as the result of a competitive selection process, as specified by Section 4.08.047 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, with Hunter Consulting, Inc., dba HCI Environmental & Engineering (HCI Environmental) for on-call biohazardous waste cleanup for an amount not-to-exceed \$55,000 (which includes a \$5,000 contingency to provide for any necessary change orders) for a period of two years, whichever occurs first. Competitive price bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002 (F) (contracts for professional or unique services); and
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to extend the contract for up to three additional one-year periods, each in an amount not-to-exceed \$27,500 (which includes a \$2,500 contingency to provide for any necessary change orders), at the discretion of the City Manager, provided any increases do not exceed the increase in the change in the Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County consumer's price index for the preceding 12-month period. The maximum contract term is five years and a total not-to-exceed contact value of \$137,500. (Contract No. 32223)

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH WESTERN WATER WORKS SUPPLY COMPANY TO FURNISH AND DELIVER MISCELLANEOUS WATER UTILITY MATERIALS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$1,500,000 PER YEAR FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS**

**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 project; and
- (2) Accept the bid dated November 4, 2021, submitted by Western Water Works Supply Company in response to Specification WD-21-11 to furnish and deliver miscellaneous water utility materials for the Water and Power Department ("PWP"), and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Western Water Works Supply Company in an amount not-to-exceed \$7,500,000 for five years. (Contract No. 32204)

Item discussed separately

**STATE ROUTE 710 NORTHERN STUB REPURPOSING STATUS UPDATE**

Item discussed separately

**FINANCE COMMITTEE: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH PFM FINANCIAL ADVISORS LLC FOR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR SERVICES**

**FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS, WITH TWO OPTIONAL ONE YEAR EXTENSIONS FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$250,000**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE: RECOGNIZE AND APPROPRIATE \$260,650 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S FISCAL YEAR 2022 OPERATING BUDGET RELATED TO THREE NEW GRANTS; ADD 3.25 LIMITED-TERM GRANT FUNDED FULL TIME EQUIVALENTS**

**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 project;

(2) Amend the Department of Public Health's Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Operating Budget by recognizing and appropriating \$260,650 for three new grants: California Department of Public Health – Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) Innovation Grant (\$117,015), California Department of Public Health – California Equitable Recovery Initiative (\$58,635), and L.A. Care Health Plan – COVID-19 Vaccine Incentive Grant (\$85,000); and

(3) Amend the Department of Public Health's Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Operating Budget by adding 3.25 Full-Time Equivalents (FTE), limited-term, grant funded positions: 1.0 FTE Program Coordinator I, 1.25 FTE Community Service Representative II, and 1.0 FTE Community Service Representative III. (Budget Amendment No. 2022-21)

**RESIGNATIONS,  
APPOINTMENTS, &  
REAPPOINTMENTS**

**RESIGNATION OF CRAIG CHRISNEY FROM THE OLD PASADENA PARKING MANAGEMENT ZONE ADVISORY COMMISSION (At Large Nomination/District 6)**

**RESIGNATION OF C. ROBERT KURKJIAN FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION EFFECTIVE JANUARY 12, 2022 (At Large/District 4 Nomination)**

**APPOINTMENT OF KATIE BRANDON TO THE SENIOR COMMISSION (Agency Nomination)**

**City Council/457 Deferred  
Compensation Plan  
Trustees**

**JOINT ACTION: APPROVAL TO AMEND THE CITY'S 457(B) DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN TO ALLOW FOR IN-PLAN ROTH CONVERSIONS**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council and the 457 Deferred Compensation Plan Trustees:

(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; and  
 (2) Authorize the Finance Director/Plan Administrator to sign the necessary election form documents with Empower Retirement to allow In-Plan Roth Conversions in the City's 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan.

**City Attorney**

**CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE TO ALLOW THE CITY COUNCIL, ALL OF ITS SUBORDINATE BODIES, AND ALL OF ITS NON-PROFIT CORPORATION BOARDS AND THEIR SUBORDINATE BODIES, TO MEET REMOTELY PURSUANT TO THE BROWN ACT**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council:  
 (1) Find that this action is exempt from review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the "common sense" exemption that CEQA only applies to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment; and  
 (2) Adopt a resolution of the City Council of the City of Pasadena Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings of the City Council, all City subordinate bodies, and all City non-profit corporation Boards and their subordinate bodies, for the period January 10, 2022 – February 8, 2022. (Resolution No. 9885)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

April 4, 2016  
 November 29, 2021  
 December 6, 2021  
 December 13, 2021  
 December 20, 2021  
 December 27, 2021  
 January 3, 2022

**CLAIMS RECEIVED**

Claim No. 13,798	Anabella Sulahian	\$	4,000.00
Claim No. 13,799	Michelle Nuccio		1,200.00
Claim No. 13,800	Frontier Communications		2,067.46
Claim No. 13,801	Alma Chang		1,916.67
Claim No. 13,802	Taahira Major		10,000.00+
Claim No. 13,803	Robert E. Wolfe & Kelly J. Koelker		5,000.00+

**PUBLIC HEARINGS SET**

**January 24, 2022, 5:00 p.m.** - Central Park Apartments Project: 86 South Fair Oaks Avenue

**January 31, 2022, 5:00 p.m.** – Consideration of a Substantial Amendment to Annual Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant Funds

**MOTION**

It was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Masuda, to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item 1 (Authorize Purchase Order



With 72 Hour LLC), Item 3 (Authorization to Amend Contract No. 32092 with Union Station Homeless Services and Contract No. 32093 with Sycamores.), Item 12 (State Route 710 Northern Stub Repurposing Status Update), and Item 13 (Authorization to Enter into a Contract with PFM Financial Advisors LLC), which were discussed separately:

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

**CONSENT ITEMS  
DISCUSSED  
SEPARATELY**

Councilmember Williams  
recused herself at 6:29  
p.m., due to a potential  
conflict and left the meeting.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH PFM FINANCIAL ADVISORS LLC FOR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR SERVICES FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS, WITH TWO OPTIONAL ONE YEAR EXTENSIONS FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$250,000**

**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 project; and  
(2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract, as the result of a competitive selection process, as specified by Section 4.08.047 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, with PFM Financial Advisors LLC for three years in an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000 with two optional one-year extensions not-to-exceed \$50,000 each, subject to approval of the City Manager. Competitive bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(F) (contracts for professional or unique services).

It was moved by Councilmember Masuda, seconded by Vice Mayor Wilson, to approve the staff recommendation:

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

Councilmember Williams  
rejoined the meeting at  
6:32 p.m.

**AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH 72 HOUR LLC (DBA: CHEVROLET OF WATSONVILLE/NATIONAL AUTO FLEET GROUP) FOR PURCHASE OF SIX ELECTRIC UTILITY VEHICLES, EIGHT POLICE INTERCEPTOR HYBRID SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES, ONE CHIPPER TRUCK, AND ONE ASPHALT PATCH TRUCK FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$855,306**



**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) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order to 72 Hour LLC (72 Hour) for the purchase of six electric utility vehicles (EUVs), eight hybrid sport utility vehicles (Hybrid SUVs), one chipper truck, and one asphalt patch truck in an amount not-to-exceed \$855,306 (includes \$77,755 contingency allowance). Neither Competitive Bidding nor Competitive Selection are required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H) and Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(A) (3), contracts with other governmental entities.

The following individuals provided comments and/or expressed concerns related to the staff recommendation:

Michael Williams, Pasadena resident  
Brittney Pollock, Sherman Oaks resident  
Kareena K., representing Black Lives Matter – Los Angeles  
Kate McInermy, Pasadena resident  
Hiram Cormier, Jr., Los Angeles resident  
Jason R., Los Angeles resident  
Adriana Bautista, Pasadena resident  
Sheila, representing Black Lives Matter – Los Angeles  
Oldem Denham, Pasadena resident  
Allan Shay, Pasadena resident  
Lucia P., Altadena resident

**AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT NO. 32092 WITH UNION STATION HOMELESS SERVICES AND CONTRACT NO. 32093 WITH SYCAMORES FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE PROVISION OF MOTEL VOUCHERS**

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

- (1) Find that the recommended actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3), the "common sense" provision that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 32092 with Union Station Homeless Services to increase the total contract value by \$178,200 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$260,907; (Contract No. 32092-1)
- (3) Authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 32093 with Sycamores to increase the total contract value by \$100,000 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$151,078; (Contract No. 32093-1)
- (4) Authorize the City Manager to execute future amendments to Contracts Nos. 32092 and 32093 to add additional ESG-CV funding for the provision of motel vouchers should funding become available; and

(5) To the extent the amendments could be considered a separate procurement subject to the Competitive Selection Process, grant the contracts an exemption pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC) Section 4.08.049(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served. These transactions are exempt from competitive bidding per City Charter Section 1002(F) based on contracts for professional or unique services.

Mark Jomsky, City Clerk, reported that nine letters, advocating for transparency and additional funding to provide housing for homeless individuals, were received by the City Clerk's Office, distributed to the City Council, posted online, and made part of the public record for the item.

The following individuals provided comment on the item:

Andrew Good, representing Pasadena For All  
Sonja Berndt, Pasadena resident  
Anthony Manousos, Pasadena resident  
Bert Newton, Pasadena resident  
Jill Shook, representing Making Housing and Community Happen  
Allison Henry, Pasadena resident

Councilmember Rivas reiterated the Municipal Services Committee's request for staff to provide additional information on motel vouchers.

Mayor Gordo requested that staff determine if City issued hotel vouchers might be used at other hotels in surrounding cities.

Councilmember Hampton requested that staff provide information on the ability of hotel vouchers to be used at personal residences.

#### **STATE ROUTE 710 NORTHERN STUB REPURPOSING STATUS UPDATE**

**Recommendation:** The agenda report is intended to provide information to the City Council regarding the State Route 710 North (SR710N) repurposing efforts; no action is required.

Senator Anthony Portantino, offered the assistance of his office with the ongoing negotiations with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) related to the State Route (SR) 710 Northern Stub Relinquishment; and responded to questions.

Mayor Gordo and Councilmembers Kennedy and Madison thanked Senator Portantino for his and his staff's assistance on various issues affecting the City.

Councilmember Kennedy asked Senator Portantino for his assistance in memorializing the negative impacts of the 710 Fwy that cut through and destroyed communities of color.

Councilmember Madison echoed comments related to recognizing the impacts on communities of color displaced as part of the acquisition of land by the state for the 710 Fwy stub.

*The above three Consent Calendar items were discussed concurrently.*

In response to Councilmember Hampton's inquiry related to agendizing a policy discussion on Pasadena Police Officer involved shootings and the related disciplinary action policy, Mayor Gordo responded that the matter will be agendized at a future City Council meeting in February 2022.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Hampton, seconded Councilmember Hampton, to approve Consent Calendar Item 1 (Authorize Purchase Order With 72 Hour LLC), Item 3 (Authorization to Amend Contract No. 32092 with Union Station Homeless Services and Contract No. 32093 with Sycamores.), and Item 12 (State Route 710 Northern Stub Repurposing Status Update):

AYES: Councilmembers Hampton Kennedy, Madison, Masuda, Rivas, Williams, Vice Mayor Wilson, Mayor Gordo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

**REPORTS AND  
COMMENTS FROM  
COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**Municipal Services  
Committee**

**SET A DATE OF MARCH 14, 2022 TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING FOR RECOMMENDED WATER RATE ADJUSTMENTS**

**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 project; and

(2) Set a date of March 14, 2022 to conduct a public hearing for the recommended water rate adjustments to:

- a. Increase the Commodity Charge to generate additional annual revenue of approximately \$1.5 to \$2.0 million, and increase the Distribution and Customer Charge ("D&C") to provide additional annual revenues of \$1.0 million, to be effective April 1, 2022 or as soon as practicable thereafter;
- b. Increase the Commodity Charge to provide additional annual revenue of approximately \$1.8 million, the D&C to provide additional annual revenue of \$1.0 million, and the Capital Improvement Charge ("CIC") to provide additional annual revenue of \$1.0 million, to be effective January 1, 2023 or as soon as practicable thereafter; and
- c. Amend the description of the CIC in the Water Rate Ordinance to eliminate reference to the "Water Distribution

System” and add reference to the CIC rate to be applicable to all Water System capital expenditures.

Vice Mayor Wilson, Chair of the Municipal Services Committee, provided a summary and overview of the discussion on the item by the Committee.

Jeff Kightlinger, Interim General Manager of Water and Power, introduced himself and expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve the City, City Council, staff and public as part of his interim assignment.

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

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

**PASADENA TRANSIT PARTICIPATION IN METRO GOPASS (FARELESS SYSTEM INITIATIVE) PILOT PROGRAM**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council:  
(1) Find that the following proposed actions are exempt from review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b) (3); and  
(2) Authorize Pasadena Transit to accept Metro’s K-14 GoPass during Metro’s pilot project timeline which is effective no later than February 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

**Recommendation of the Transportation Advisory Committee:**  
After reviewing and discussing Pasadena Transit’s proposed participation in Metro’s GoPass pilot project on December 9, 2021, the Transportation Advisory Committee passed the following motion:

- Support staff’s recommendation for Pasadena Transit to participate and accept the Metro K-14 GoPass effective no later than February 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

Vice Mayor Wilson, Chair of the Municipal Services Committee, summarized the discussion of the matter and highlighted the Committee’s unanimous support for the staff recommendation.

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

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

ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **EXTENSION OF URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 7384 OF THE CITY OF PASADENA PERTAINING TO CONSTRUCTION OF MULTIPLE DWELLINGS ON SINGLE-FAMILY ZONED PARCELS PURSUANT TO SENATE BILL 9**

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

- (1) Find that the Municipal Code Amendments are exempt from environmental review pursuant to provisions in Senate Bill 9 which explicitly state that an ordinance adopted by a local agency to implement provisions of SB 9 shall not be considered a project under Division 13 of the Public Resources Code (PRC) and State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 (not a project), 15301 (existing facilities) and 15303 (new construction/conversion of small structures);
- (2) 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 is necessary to allow the development of duplexes and urban lots splits on single-family (RS) zoned parcels, subject to objective development standards that are consistent with State law, in order to preserve the established character of such zones and allow sufficient time for staff to analyze impacts of additional density in areas that were not studied for such development under the General Plan and develop appropriate permanent regulations for such development; and
- (3) Adopt an urgency ordinance extending Ordinance No. 7384 to December 11, 2022.

City Clerk Jomsky opened the public hearing; reported that the public hearing notice was published in the Pasadena Press and the Pasadena Journal on December 30, 2021; and no correspondence was received by the City Clerk's Office on the item.

Rian Barrett, representing Pasadena-Foothills Realtors, advocated for robust community engagement on this matter as the City develops construction regulations related to the implementation of Senate Bill 9.

Motion:  
  
Councilmember Williams experienced technical difficulties and briefly left the meeting.

Following public comment, it was moved by Councilmember Hampton, seconded by Councilmember Madison, to close the public hearing:

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

Motion: It was moved by Councilmember Hampton, seconded Councilmember Madison, to approve the staff recommendation:

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

**ORDINANCE – FIRST  
READING**

**Conduct first reading of “AN EXTENSION OF INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA PERTAINING TO CONSTRUCTION OF MULTIPLE DWELLINGS ON SINGLE-FAMILY ZONED PARCELS PURSUANT TO SENATE BILL 9”**

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

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

**RECOMMENDATIONS  
FROM OFFICERS AND  
DEPARTMENTS**

**City Council**

**CONSIDERATION OF A CALL FOR REVIEW OF THE HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 6878 TO PERMIT THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO, NEW, DETACHED ACCESSORY STRUCTURES TOTALING 1,190 SQUARE FEET, FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 210 SOUTH SAN RAFAEL AVENUE (Councilmember Madison)**

Councilmember Madison highlighted some policy issues related to the notification process for neighbors with regard to certain projects (citing this project as an example), advocated for a longer notification period to allow for neighbors to submit concerns or questions as part of the project approval process, and recommended that notification be extended to 21 or 30 days instead of only 10 days. He stated that it is his intention to not call the matter for review, but wanted to highlight his concerns. He also stated that the additional time would allow staff to include the community concerns and comments in the staff report. In addition, he asked staff to consider additional scrutiny when development projects include two new accessory structures.

Interim City Manager Cynthia Kurtz stated that the notice requirement is at least 14 days, which provides staff with discretion regarding mailing of public notices. She stated that staff will consider the concerns and determine if it is necessary to recommend that the Pasadena Municipal Code (PMC) mailing requirement be amended to 21 days, and if deemed appropriate, will agendaize the matter at a Committee prior to bringing it forward for City Council consideration.



Councilmember Williams spoke in favor of the staff amending the PMC to provide discretion in utilizing longer noticing time periods.

Vice Mayor Wilson spoke on the City's already lengthy entitlement process and cautioned against implementing changes that might unnecessarily add additional time to the development process.

City Clerk Jomsky reported that one letter in opposition to the Call For Review, was received by the City Clerk's Office, distributed to the City Council, posted online, and made part of the public record for the item.

Jennifer Freeland, Pasadena resident, spoke in favor of not calling the matter for review.

Mayor Gordo reported that staff will provide a report related to public noticing to the Economic Development and Technology Committee.

Following discussion, on the order of the Mayor, and consensus of the City Council, the matter was not called for review.

### **Advisory Bodies**

#### **CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH AEG RELATED TO MUSIC FESTIVAL**

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

(1) Acknowledge and ratify the Rose Bowl Operating Company (RBOC) Board of Directors adopted an addendum to the Arroyo Seco Music and Arts Festival EIR adopted by the City Council on April 4, 2016; and

(2) Adopt findings to temporarily increase the number of displacement events allowed in the Arroyo Seco to accommodate the contract amendment, thereby authorizing the RBOC to host up to ten (10) music festival dates annually through December 31, 2026 with a capacity of up to 50,000 attendees daily, to be categorized as "mid-size events." (Contract No. 23,244-1)

#### **RBOC RECOMMENDATION:**

On October 29, 2021, the Rose Bowl Operating Company Board of Directors unanimously adopted an Addendum to the Arroyo Seco Music and Arts Festival EIR adopted by the City Council on April 4, 2016; authorized the General Manager of the RBOC to finalize negotiations and enter into a contract amendment with AEG for the continuation of--and modifications to--music and arts festivals and performances on Brookside Golf Course; and recommended that the Pasadena City Council adopt findings to temporarily increase the number of displacement events allowed in the Arroyo Seco to accommodate this contract amendment.

City Clerk Jomsky reported that three letters in opposition to the Rose Bowl Operating Company (RBOC) Board recommendation, was received by the City Clerk's Office, distributed to the City Council, posted online, and made part of the public record for the item.

Darryl Dunn, Chief Executive Officer at the Rose Bowl Stadium, and Steve Haderlein, President of the Rose Bowl Operating Company (RBOC), provided introductory comments, and presented a video on the 108<sup>th</sup> Rose Bowl game (college football); and Jens Weiden, Chief Revenue Officer of RBOC, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the item, with all responding to questions.

The following individuals expressed concerns with the RBOC recommendation:

Nina Chomsky, representing Linda Vista-Annandale Association  
Adriana Bautista, Pasadena resident

Vice Mayor Wilson spoke on the need for RBOC staff to provide a comprehensive report and strategic framework on addressing fiscal issues and other challenges facing the Rose Bowl, stating that it was important that the information be provided as soon as possible to provide the community with transparency on the RBOC's fiscal outlook. He stated that action to approve the recommendation should include such direction with RBOC representatives to return with the information in 90 days, including information on current and future events.

Mayor Gordo suggested that such a motion should allow for some flexibility in terms of a 90 day deadline; noting that RBOC is in active negotiations for future soccer matches/games at the Rose Bowl stadium.

Vice Mayor Wilson recommended a date no later than April 2022 for RBOC to provide the requested report and information; and asked RBOC staff to ensure the report includes various scenarios (conservative to optimistic) in terms of anticipated fiscal outlooks.

Nik Adler, representing AEG, provided information on AEG festivals with lower attendance numbers, noting that smaller audiences allow for successful events with smaller budgets; advocated for flexibility to book events with various capacity goals; and responded to questions.

Councilmember Hampton asked RBOC staff to provide quarterly data on the number of events and attendees at the Rose Bowl, and spoke in support of smaller events that do not extend beyond 50,000 attendees. He also expressed concerns with RBOC not measuring/analyzing the bass sound levels during concerts, which have a significant impact on surrounding neighborhoods. Councilmember Hampton also expressed concerns with the 108<sup>th</sup> Rose Bowl video that does not reflect Pasadena, specifically, the diversity in the community.

In response, Mr. Dunn responded that he is working with AEG to measure/analyze the bass and sound levels (decibels relative to the carrier) so the issue can be addressed by next summer.

Councilmember Williams questioned the RBOC's presentation in terms of the fiscal outlook, noting that it did not include the City's General Fund contribution needed to cover the Rose Bowl Bond debt. She spoke in support of requiring a report back to the City Council within 90 days addressing the strategic/long-term plans and strategies for the stadium, and information on fiscal projections, debt service payments, future infrastructure needs/capital improvement plans, repairs, and investments. She also asked for information on the RBOC's community benefit program (i.e. use of stadium by the City's high school students, availability of the stadium for little league games, a list of all the community events held at the Rose Bowl stadium, etc.). Lastly, the report should address residential groups concerns, such as RBOC staff to review the Arroyo Public Land ordinance; the number of displacement events allowed; the definition of a displacement event; a predictable number of displacement events in the future; a master calendar of planned events; environmental preservation of the Arroyo; noise ordinance enforcement; notice to residents regarding, and management of content of, scheduled events.

Councilmember Madison voiced strong support of the RBOC recommendation, including a partnership with AEG; and spoke on the financial challenges that the RBOC is in the process of addressing.

Councilmember Kennedy echoed concerns raised regarding the video, agreeing that the content does not correctly reflect Pasadena, or its diverse community; and requested that future video marketing tools of the stadium take such issues into account. He expressed concerns with the RBOC report, which reflects a gain in finances without including the debt service obligation. Councilmember Kennedy noted his support for the RBOC's direction to increase revenues to improve its financial standing.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded Councilmember Madison, to approve the Rose Bowl Operating Company staff recommendation, amended to direct the RBOC to report back and provide additional information to the City Council, as detailed above:

AYES: Councilmembers Hampton, Kennedy, Madison, Masuda, Rivas, Williams, Vice Mayor Wilson, Mayor Gordo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

## **INFORMATION ITEM**

### **PREDEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW OF A MIXED-USE PROJECT CONSISTING OF 193 RESIDENTIAL UNITS, 15,613 SQUARE FEET OF NONRESIDENTIAL SPACE PROPOSED AT 2025 EAST COLORADO BOULEVARD**

**Recommendation:** The agenda 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 Martin Potter, Planner, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the item, and responded to questions.

Mayor Gordo expressed concerns with the proposed project's requirement to change City infrastructure, and therefore, should receive the highest level of scrutiny.

Vice Mayor Wilson expressed concerns with the project's street vacation request of a public street, which may negatively impact residents in the area.

Mark Giles, Principal with DLR Group representing the applicant, informed the City Council that they are currently making changes to the project since receiving the City's Predevelopment Plan Review comments; and responded to questions.

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)**

The following individuals advocated for the termination of Pasadena Police Officers (Dumaguindin, Serrano, Mulrooney, and/or Duncan) involved in the shooting of Anthony McClain, spoke on the need to address accountability and transparency within the Pasadena Police Department; and expressed concerns with the Department and its policing policies and practices:

Kareena K., representing Black Lives Matter, Los Angeles  
Carolynn Ghiloni, Sierra Madre resident

## **CLOSED SESSION**

On order of the Mayor, the special meeting recessed at 9:11 p.m. to discuss the following closed session. (Absent: None)

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

**Agency Designated Representatives: Alex Souto and Cynthia Kurtz**

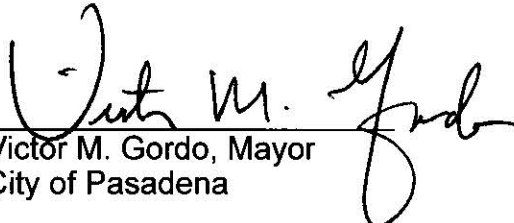
**Employee Organization: SERVICE EMPLOYEES  
INTERNATIONAL UNION (SEIU)**

**CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -  
CONSIDERATION OF INITIATION OF LITIGATION pursuant to  
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) (one potential case)**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

On order of the Mayor, the meeting of the City Council adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

  
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Victor M. Gordo, Mayor  
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk