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CITY OF PASADENA  
City Council Minutes  
April 28, 2023 – 9:00 A.M.  
Pasadena Conference Center  
Conference Room 211  
300 East Green Street, Pasadena, CA 91101

**Teleconference Location:**

Residence  
52300 Ross Avenue  
La Quinta, CA 92253

**OPENING:** Mayor Gordo called the special meeting to order at 9:18 a.m.  
(Absent: Councilmember Madison)

**ROLL CALL:**  
Councilmembers: Mayor Victor M. Gordo  
Vice Mayor Felicia Williams  
Councilmember Tyron Hampton  
Councilmember Justin Jones  
Councilmember Jason Lyon  
Councilmember Steve Madison (Arrived at 9:41 a.m.)  
Councilmember Gene Masuda  
Councilmember Jessica Rivas

Staff: City Manager Miguel Márquez  
City Attorney/City Prosecutor Michele Beal Bagneris  
City Clerk Mark Jomsky

**CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP ON STRATEGIC PLANNING,  
INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: DISCUSSION OF CITY  
COUNCIL'S CORE PRINCIPLES AND PRIORITIES, AND AS  
THEY ARE RELATED TO THE CITY'S BUDGET, PAVEMENT  
MANAGEMENT, AND OTHER ITEMS REGARDING PRIORITIES  
IDENTIFIED BY THE CITY COUNCIL**

Councilmember Madison arrived at 9:41 a.m. The Mayor introduced Susan Berk, consultant facilitator, who led the City Council in their workshop.

Councilmember Hampton left the meeting at 11:24 a.m. The City Council and City staff participated in a discussion regarding the status and overview of the City's budget and fiscal challenges, a presentation on "Deep-Dive" problem-solving approaches including a presentation made by Tony Olmos, Director of Public Works, on City streets, paving, and work prioritization needs, an overview of ten recommended topics for a "Deep Dive" review, and direction to staff on the topics to be brought forward to future Council meetings in the "Deep Dive" format.

The City Council recessed at 12:06 p.m.

The City Council reconvened at 12:49 p.m. The City Council discussed additional topics to be considered for "Deep-Dive" presentations by City staff, including implementation of a Community Benefit Agreement policy as part of future development agreement approvals, retention strategies for keeping

affordable housing in the City, review of strategies to address homelessness (shelters, interim housing, etc.), review and consideration of community policing/de-escalation/training policies for the Police Department; and strategies to address drugs and gun violence occurring in the City (review of Police Department staffing levels, use of Park Ranger/Park Safety Specialist positions).

Following discussion, the City Council conceptually discussed the need for a follow-up workshop focused on the topic of how the City Council can work better as a body. Mark Jomsky, City Clerk, stated that a possible date for such a special workshop meeting could take place on Monday, July 31, 2023 and could occur at the Rose Bowl stadium as an alternative venue.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On order of the Mayor, the special meeting of the City Council adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

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Victor M. Gordo, Mayor  
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:

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City Clerk