Minutes
Redondo Beach City Council
Tuesday, June 4, 2019
Closed Session-Adjourned Regular-4:30 PM
Open session-Regular Meeting-6:00 p.m.

## **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

A Closed Session Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Brand at 4:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

### ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:

Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee, Mayor Brand

Councilmembers Absent:

None

Officials Present:

Joe Hoefgen, City Manager

Vickie Kroneberger, Chief Deputy City Clerk

### SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

At the request of Mayor Brand, the audience and Councilmembers rose to salute the flag.

### PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

# RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION at 4:35 p.m.

F.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL AND LABOR NEGOTIATOR - The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Sec. 54957.6.

### AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

Joe Hoefgen, City Manager Mike Witzansky, Assistant City Manager Diane Strickfaden, Director of Human Resources

# **EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS:**

Redondo Beach Police Officers Association; Teamsters; Redondo Beach Firefighters Association; and Management & Confidential Employees.

F.2 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR: The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Sec. 54956.8.

### **NEGOTIATOR:**

Joe Hoefgen, City Manager Mike Witzansky, Assistant City Manager Stephen Proud, Waterfront and Economic Development Director

# PROPERTY:

119 W. Torrance Blvd., Suites #2 - #12, Redondo Beach, CA 90277

(Portions of APN#: 7505-002-908)

# **NEGOTIATING PARTY:**

Nader Hamda, Evollve, Inc.

# **UNDER NEGOTIATION:**

Both Price and Terms

# F.3 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED POTENTIAL LITIGATION:

The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)

One potential case

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Emdee to recess to conduct Closed Sessions attended by City Attorney Michael W. Webb, City Manager Joe Hoefgen, Assistant City Manager Mike Witzansky, Assistant City Attorney Cheryl Park, Waterfront & Economic Development Director Stephen Proud, Waterfront and Economic Development Manager Laurie Koike, Outside Labor Negotiator Laura Kalty, and Outside Leasing Agent Brian Campbell. Motion carried unanimously.

# RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AT 6:00 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present:

Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee, Mayor Brand

Councilmembers Absent:

None

Officials Present: Eleanor

Manzano, City Clerk Michael W. Webb, City Attorney

Joe Hoefgen, City Manager

Cheryl Park, Assistant City Attorney

Diane Cleary, Minutes Clerk

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS - NONE

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to adjourn to regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

### ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING

# 6:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION REGULAR MEETING

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Brand at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

### B. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:

Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee, Mayor

Brand

Councilmembers Absent:

None

Officials Present: Eleanor

Manzano, City Clerk

Michael W. Webb, City Attorney

Joe Hoefgen, City Manager Cheryl Park, Assistant City Attorney Diane Cleary, Minutes Clerk

### C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

At the request of Mayor Brand, the audience and Councilmembers rose to salute the flag followed by a moment of silence.

### D. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Nehrenheim announced his District Meeting taking place this Saturday at the Alta Vista Community Center.

Councilmember Loewenstein announced his District Meeting taking place on June 20 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor library room from 6 to 7:30 p.m. with special guest Community Services Director John La Rock.

Councilmember Horvath announced his District Meeting taking place on June 15<sup>th</sup> in the Beach Cities Health District basement room at 9:30 a.m.

Councilmember Gran announced his District Meeting taking place this Saturday at Perry Park at 9 a.m.

Councilmember Emdee announced the grocery outlet on Artesia opening on June 6 at 9 a.m.

Mayor Brand thanked everyone for attending the Memorial Day event.

### E. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to move Item N1 immediately after public comment. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to approve the remaining agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

- F. AGENCY RECESS 6:06 p.m.
  - F.1 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY FINANCING AUTHORITY
  - F.2 REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
  - F.3 REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY CANCELLED

#### RECONVENE at 6:31 p.m.

# **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present:

Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee, Mayor Brand

Councilmembers Absent:

None

Officials Present: Eleanor

Manzano, City Clerk

Michael W. Webb, City Attorney
Joe Hoefgen, City Manager

Cheryl Park, Assistant City Attorney

Diane Cleary, Minutes Clerk

## G. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS- ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

## **BLUE FOLDER ITEMS**

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to receive and file additional materials for Agenda Item L2. Motion carried unanimously.

- H. CONSENT CALENDAR
- H.1 APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED REGULAR AND REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 4, 2019
  CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK
- H.2 APPROVE MOTION TO READ BY TITLE ONLY AND WAIVE FURTHER READING
  OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS LISTED ON THE AGENDA
  CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK
- H.3 APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CITY COUNCIL MINUTES:
  A. MARCH 19, 2019 ADJOURNED REGULAR & REGULAR MEETINGS
  B. APRIL 16, 2019 SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETINGS
  CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK
- H.4 PAYROLL DEMANDS

CHECKS 25591-25628 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,493.61, PD. 5/31/2019 DIRECT DEPOSIT 208199-208824 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,819,118.23, PD. 5/31/2019

EFT/ACH \$7,878.45, PD. 5/17/19 (PP1910) EFT/ACH \$352,489.96, PD. 5/21/19 (PP1910)

# ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEMANDS

CHECKS 89107-89275 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,043,275.43
EFT CaIPERS MEDICAL INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$353,780.59
DIRECT DEPOSIT 100002186-100002300 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$93,813.15, PD. 6/1/2019

CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

- H.5 PULLED BY COUNCILMEMBER LOEWENSTEIN FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.
- H.6 APPROVE LEASE PURCHASE SCHEDULE #810-6458532-012 WITH DELL FINANCIAL SERVICES L.L.C. (DFS) UNDER DELL MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT #6458532, CONTRACT #C09-020, FOR EMC CORPORATION (EMC) VXRAIL PRODUCTS AND SERVICES, USING THE EMC NATIONAL ASSOCIATION STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICERS (NASPO) VALUEPOINT MASTER PRICE AGREEMENT #MNWNC-109 AND THE CALIFORNIA PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM #7-15-70-34-004 BETWEEN EMC AND STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, WITH THREE ANNUAL PAYMENTS OF \$89,935.40 FOR THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$269,806.20 FOR THE TERM JULY 01, 2019 June 30, 2022.

CONTACT: CHRISTOPHER BENSON, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR

H.7 APPROVE THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH FRANKLIN HILL GROUP FOR TRANSIT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES FOR AN

ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$60,060 AND TO EXTEND THE TERM TO DECEMBER 31, 2022.

CONTACT: JOHN LA ROCK, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

H.8 ADOPT BY 4/5 VOTE AND BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-1906-036 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, AUTHORIZING CALIFORNIA, Α 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR THE TO APPROPRIATE \$20,000 FROM **EMERGENCY** MODIFICATION RESPONDER COMMUNICATIONS FUND FOR Α FIRST COMMUNICATION NETWORK.

APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SOUTH BAY REGIONAL PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A FIRST RESPONDER CONSOLE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK INCLUDING LICENSES FOR AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE CITY'S CAPITAL COSTS AND PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF ROUTINE COSTS FOR A TERM COMMENCING THE DATE OF EXECUTION UNTIL TERMINATED BY EITHER PARTY.

**CONTACT: KEITH KAUFFMAN, POLICE CHIEF** 

- H.9 PULLED BY COUNCILMEMBER GRAN FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.
- H.10 PULLED BY COUNCILMEMBER NEHRENHEIM FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.
- H.11 ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. 1906-037 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNING BOARD FOR ENHANCED INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING DISTRICT NO.1

CONTACT: STEPHEN PROUD, WATERFRONT & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Emdee to approve the Consent Calendar items as presented, with the exclusion of Items H5, H9, and H10. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Eleanor Manzano read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only which were included on the Consent Calendar.

- I. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS
- H.5 APPROVE CONTRACTS UNDER \$35,000
  - A. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH CREATIVEBUG, LLC FOR DIGITAL RESOURCE FOR THE LIBRARY FEATURING ONLINE ARTS AND CRAFTS CLASSES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,145 (PAID BY FRIENDS OF THE REDONDO BEACH LIBRARY) FOR THE TERM JULY 1, 2019 JUNE 30, 2020.
  - B. APPROVE FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH COMCATE, INC. FOR ONLINE CITIZEN REQUEST MODULE, CODE ENFORCEMENT MANAGER,

ACCESS REDONDO MOBILE APP, AND GIS ENTERPRISE APPLICATION MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$20,000 AND TO EXTEND THE TERM TO JUNE 30, 2020.

C. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH EASY READER, INC. FOR LEGAL PUBLICATIONS FOR A BUDGETED AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$22,100 FOR THE TERM JULY 1, 2019 - JUNE 30, 2020.

CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

Councilmember Loewenstein spoke on Comcate which can be used for submitting requests to the City, and encouraged people to use it.

Councilmember Emdee encouraged people to use Comcate and asked if the Microsoft version is now working. Information Technology Director Chris Benson believed this has been resolved but stated he will followup.

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Loewenstein, seconded by Councilmember Emdee, to approve:

Agreement with Creativebug, LLC for digital resource for the library featuring online arts and crafts classes in an amount not to exceed \$2,145 (paid by friends of the Redondo Beach Library) for the term July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020.

First Amendment to agreement with Comcate, Inc. for online citizen request module, code enforcement manager, Access Redondo mobile app, and GIS Enterprise application maintenance and support for an additional amount of \$20,000 and to extend the term to June 30, 2020.

Agreement with Easy Reader, Inc. for legal publications for a budgeted amount not to exceed \$22,100 for the term July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

H.9 APPROVE PUBLIC ARTWORK INSTALLATION ON DISTRICT ONE UTILITY BOX AT CATALINA AVENUE AND PEARL AVENUE BY ARTIST MARCI KLEIN

APPROVE PUBLIC ARTWORK INSTALLATION ON DISTRICT TWO UTILITY BOX AT DIAMOND STREET AND PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY BY ARTIST CHANTAL TOPOROW

APPROVE PUBLIC ARTWORK INSTALLATION ON DISTRICT THREE UTILITY BOX AT INGLEWOOD AVENUE AND 190TH STREET BY ARTIST BHAVNA MISRA

APPROVE PUBLIC ARTWORK INSTALLATION ON DISTRICT FOUR UTILITY BOX AT ARTESIA BOULEVARD AND GREEN LANE BY ARTIST PRESTON SMITH

APPROVE PUBLIC ARTWORK INSTALLATION ON DISTRICT FIVE UTILITY BOX AT MARINE AVENUE AND REDONDO BEACH AVENUE BY ARTIST KERRI STITT CONTACT: JOHN LA ROCK, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

In response to Councilmember Gran, Community Services Director John La Rock spoke on the program and approval process which has been very successful. He said the Public Art Commission has approved the second phase of installation which has been fully funded by the John Parsons Public Art Fund. He also said installation should take place about a month after approval based on the submissions received and selection process.

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to approve:

Public Artwork Installation on District One Utility Box At Catalina Avenue and Pearl Avenue by Artist Marci Klein

Public Artwork Installation on District Two Utility Box at Diamond Street and Pacific Coast Highway by Artist Chantal Toporow

Public Artwork Installation on District Three Utility Box at Inglewood Avenue and 190th Street by Artist Bhavna Misra

Public Artwork Installation on District Four Utility Box at Artesia Boulevard and Green Lane by Artist Preston Smith

Public Artwork Installation on District Five Utility Box at Marine Avenue and Redondo Beach Avenue by Artist Kerri Stitt

Contact: John La Rock, Community Services Director

Motion carried unanimously.

H.10 EXCUSE ABSENCES OF VARIOUS COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND COMMISSIONERS FROM VARIOUS COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION MEETINGS.

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

Councilmember Nehrenheim requested an Excel spreadsheet list regarding the absences of the Commissioners. City Clerk Manzano stated she will bring this back in September.

Councilmember Nehrenheim expressed concern with no quorum of the Budget and Finance Commission due to a vacancy, and said he would like to see more responsibility regarding the excuses.

Councilmember Gran also expressed concern with the Budget and Finance Commission not having a quorum.

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to excuse absences of various Committee Members and Commissioners from various Committee and Commission meetings. Motion carried, with Councilmember Nehrenheim voting no.

### J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Brand called for public comment.

Deborah Struff expressed concern with a facility in the City treating active drug users and requested this be investigated and the appropriate zoning laws and ordinances be put in place. She also presented emails from residents who have been impacted with anti-social behavior and diseases and impacts to police officers, and asked for further information on how to address these issues.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to receive and file documentation from Ms. Struff. Motion carried unanimously.

Gil Escontrias, Redondo Beach, expressed concern with impacts from the homeless to the City employees and first responders to include diseases and injuries, and long-term effects.

Ashley Roberts stated she is currently homeless and reviewed her issues and concerns being homeless. She suggested looking at the homeless differently, noting everyone's situation is unique.

Neva Gallegos, Redondo Beach, stated there are many reasons for homelessness, and expressed concern with health and safety impacts.

Dr. Andrew Lesser, District 1, thanked the RBPD for assisting with the incident at Del Amo Mall, filed a misdemeanor complaint regarding a man urinating on the plaques at Veteran's Park, reviewed areas in the City that are unsecure such as under the King Harbor sign and people setting up camp, and supported having PATH and resources.

Chris Esophus, Juanita Avenue, spoke on homelessness issues and impacts in his area, and suggested distinguishing between those who are impacting the City and those who are not.

Daniel Burns noted the homeless and transients have become an increasing issue, expressed concern with impacts to the residents in the City and asked Council to take care of it.

Eric Alstrich stated he witnessed a man urinating at a bus stop at Avenue C and PCH, stated he called the police, and asked what could have been done to clean it up. He also asked what the City is doing to make corrections and help people in the tents.

Jill Carlson, Redondo Beach, stated she has noticed an increase in ill-behavior putting residents at risk, and expressed concern with health and safety concerns. She suggested that the BCHD could address these issues, offering housing with services.

James Fessey, District 5, stated he has applied for a Commission vacancy.

Andrew Dover stated he supports PATH and the Police Department in Redondo Beach, stated he has lived in Redondo Beach his entire life, and noted a lot of people coming from other areas causing problems.

There being no one else wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

- N. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION
- N.1 APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH BAY BEAUTY LLC FOR STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENTS AT 1927 ARTESIA BOULEVARD FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,074.98 FOR THE TERM OF JUNE 4, 2019 JUNE 3, 2022.

APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH DAVID PRENTICE FOR STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENTS AT 2123 ARTESIA BOULEVARD FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,643,30 FOR THE TERM OF JUNE 4, 2019 - JUNE 3, 2022.

APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH LAJOS B. PERESZTEGY FOR STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENTS AT 2501 ARTESIA BOULEVARD FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,320.18 FOR THE TERM OF JUNE 4, 2019 - JUNE 3, 2022.

APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH RIVIERA PROPERTY MANAGEMENT FOR STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENTS AT 2308 ARTESIA BOULEVARD FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,597.25 FOR THE TERM OF JUNE 4, 2019 - JUNE 3, 2022.

APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH KIM S. REA FOR STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENTS AT 2702 ARTESIA BOULEVARD FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9,373.08 FOR THE TERM OF JUNE 4, 2019 - JUNE 3, 2022.

APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH BIJAN GIDANIAN FOR STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENTS AT 1316 AVIATION BOULEVARD FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.00 FOR THE TERM OF JUNE 4, 2019 - JUNE 3, 2022.

APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH BEACH CITIES HEALTH DISTRICT FOR STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENTS AT 2114 ARTESIA BOULEVARD FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.00 FOR THE TERM OF JUNE 4, 2019 - JUNE 3, 2022.

APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH REDONDO ARTESIA LLC FOR STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENTS AT 2401 ARTESIA BOULEVARD FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000.00 FOR THE TERM OF JUNE 4, 2019 - JUNE 3, 2022.

CONTACT: STEPHEN PROUD, WATERFRONT & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Waterfront and Economic Development Director Stephen Proud gave a presentation and discussed the following:

- Program History
- Funding Opportunities
- Tier levels
- Program Outreach and Response
  - o Outreach
    - o Response
- Proposals
  - 1927 Artesia Boulevard
  - o 2123 Artesia Boulevard
  - o 2501 Artesia Boulevard
  - o 2308 Artesia Boulevard
  - 2702 Artesia Boulevard
  - o 1316 Aviation Boulevard
  - o 2114 Artesia Boulevard
  - o 2401 Artesia Boulevard

# o Recommendation - Approve Storefront Improvement Grant Agreements

In response to Mayor Brand regarding the total value of the applications, Waterfront and Economic Development Director Proud stated the value of the 12 applications exceed the current level of funding.

Councilmember Gran thanked staff for all of their work and City Council for funding the program. He said the program is very successful and noted the owners are very grateful for the program. He supported the project and the Artesia upgrades.

Councilmember Loewenstein expressed concern with funding an awning for a massage business (Lucky Massage). Waterfront and Economic Development Director Proud explained there is excess funding in the program and replacement of awnings is a tier 1 qualifying item. He noted there is nothing in the guidelines to prohibit any type of business to apply to the program and there is no reason to exclude them.

Councilmember Emdee noted support of this program and the upgrades on Artesia Boulevard, and said this was a federal program several years ago which was discontinued, but funding was found to make this happen.

Mayor Brand noted a controversy of changing the name of Artesia, and stated money was set aside to set up a cleanup program.

Councilmember Nehrenheim stated \$200K was proposed to go into a study for budget cycle 2017 for Artesia Boulevard, but he supported \$100K for a study and \$100K for this program. He asked if any benefits from the program have been seen regarding revenue, taxes, foot traffic, reviews, etc. Waterfront and Economic Development Director Proud explained there is increased activity on Artesia Boulevard that would translate into tax revenues to the City but stated it is difficult to measure on a business-by-business nature regarding true changes.

Councilmember Nehrenheim supported the program but believed that gates, landscaping, bollards and striping of infrastructure would be safety items, not store front improvement items. Waterfront and Economic Development Director Proud explained the façade program is not just limited to the building itself and elements visible from Artesia Boulevard would be part of the larger program. Assistant City Manager Witzansky also stated anything beautifying the visual aesthetics along Artesia Boulevard would be included as part of the program.

Mayor Brand called for public comment.

Chris Olson, manager of Wireless Planet, thanked Redondo Beach for the program which will improve their storefront and stated he hoped to see traffic increase.

Carlos Rubio, Teamsters, supported the beautification of Artesia Boulevard but noted challenges regarding eliminating a Senior Park Caretaker position and taking away resources for the medians on Artesia Boulevard.

There being no one else wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to approve:

Grant Agreement with South Bay Beauty LLC for Storefront Improvements at 1927 Artesia Boulevard for the total amount not to exceed \$1,074.98 for the term of June 4, 2019 - June 3, 2022.

Grant Agreement with David Prentice for Storefront Improvements at 2123 Artesia Boulevard for the total amount not to exceed \$2,643.30 for the term of June 4, 2019 - June 3, 2022.

Grant Agreement with Lajos B. Peresztegy for Storefront Improvements at 2501 Artesia Boulevard for the total amount not to exceed \$4,320.18 for the term of June 4, 2019 - June 3, 2022.

Grant Agreement with Riviera Property Management for Storefront Improvements at 2308 Artesia Boulevard for the total amount not to exceed \$6,597.25 for the term of June 4, 2019 - June 3, 2022.

Grant Agreement with Kim S. Rea for Storefront Improvements at 2702 Artesia Boulevard for the total amount not to exceed \$9,373.08 for the term of June 4, 2019 - June 3, 2022.

Grant Agreement with Bijan Gidanian for Storefront Improvements at 1316 Aviation Boulevard for the total amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the term of June 4, 2019 - June 3, 2022.

Grant Agreement with Beach Cities Health District for Storefront Improvements at 2114 Artesia Boulevard for the total amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the term of June 4, 2019 - June 3, 2022.

Grant Agreement with Redondo Artesia LLC for Storefront Improvements at 2401 Artesia Boulevard for the total amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 for the term of June 4, 2019 - June 3, 2022.

Motion carried unanimously.

# K. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Nehrenheim disclosed discussions with Mayor Brand, the public and Budget and Finance Commissioners on Item L2.

Councilmember Loewenstein disclosed discussions with Councilmember Horvath, Mayor Brand and the public on Item L2.

Councilmember Horvath disclosed discussions with Councilmember Loewenstein, staff and the public on Item L2.

Councilmember Gran disclosed discussions with staff, the public and Councilmember Emdee on Item L2.

Councilmember Emdee disclosed discussions with staff, the public and Councilmember Gran on Item L2.

Mayor Brand disclosed discussions with staff, the public, Councilmembers Nehrenheim, Loewenstein and Gran, and staff on Item L2.

### L. PUBLIC HEARINGS

L. 1 PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS FOR THE STREET LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-1906-038 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT, AND LEVYING OF THE ASSESSMENT FOR THE STREET LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR FROM JULY 1, 2019 TO JUNE 30, 2020

### PROCEDURES:

- a. Open Public Hearing, take testimony; and
- b. Close Public Hearing; and
- c. Adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-1906-038

CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to open the Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m. and to receive and file all documents. Motion carried unanimously.

City Engineer Andy Winje gave a staff report and discussed the proposed Assessments for the Street Landscaping and Lighting District for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, and the recommendation.

Mayor Brand called for public comment.

Elizabeth Moorefield, District 2, asked about the difference between an assessment and a new tax.

There being no one else wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Public Works Director Semaan explained the assessment levied is an over-assessment and a supplemental assessment or new assessment would go through a Prop 281 process out to the voters. Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated this is an older fee and is grandfathered in but any supplement today would require a Prop 218 process.

Councilmember Gran stated there have been no changes since 1992 with approximately \$1M light, not funding the median and lighting activities appropriately as a City, and this needs to be addressed.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to close the Public Hearing at 7:46 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to approve the proposed assessments for the Street Landscaping and Lighting District for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, and adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-1906-038. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Eleanor Manzano read Resolution No. CC-1906-038 by title only.

L.2 PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 CITY MANAGER'S PROPOSED BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2019-2024 CITY MANAGER'S PROPOSED FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, AND BUDGET RESPONSE REPORTS

### PROCEDURES:

- a. Receive and file budget response reports; and
- b. Open Public Hearing, take testimony; and
- c. Continue Public Hearing to June 11, 2019

# **CONTACT:** JOE HOEFGEN, CITY MANAGER

# MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

City Manager Hoefgen and Finance Director Marni Ruhland gave a report and discussed the following:

- Budget Process
- Proposed Balanced Budget FY 2019-20
- Financial Management
  - Proactive Budget Management
  - Most Critical Recruitments Only
  - Position Deauthorizations and Reorganizations
  - Use of External Funding
  - Fee Review
  - One Time Budget Modifications
  - Use of General Fund Balance and CalPERS Reserve
- Budget Highlights Revenues
  - General Fund Revenues
    - Property Tax +5.5% \$27,850,000
    - Sales Tax -1.4% \$10,300,000
    - TOT -1.1% \$8,900,000
    - UUT -2.8% \$6,900,000
  - General Fund Revenue +1.2M
- Budget Highlights Expenditures
  - 5.0% personnel cost increase increased CalPERS Costs
  - Decision Packages to change M&O
  - ISF allocations updated each midyear
  - First year of 5-year CIP included
  - Total General Fund expenditures only +0.3% carryover eliminations
- Budget Highlights Decision Packages
  - Number 1 to 48 following budget message
  - Page xxi summary
    - One time impacts versus ongoing impacts
    - Position deauthorizations and reorganizations
    - New/increased fees
    - Use of external funds
    - Use of \$789,985 General Fund balance
    - Use of \$781,493 in CalPERS reserve
- Budget Highlights Decision Packages selected Decision Packages
- 21 Budget Response Reports
- Budget Calendar
- Recommendation

In response to Mayor Brand regarding the TOT going down, Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated this is based on forecasts and this FY's trending.

In response to Mayor Brand regarding the position being defunded and reassigned, City Manager Hoefgen stated this is a support position in the Waterfront and Economic Development Department to be relocated to the Public Works Department. He also stated the Senior Park Caretaker position is currently vacant which could be filled out of the reserve but recommended

having the position open and to have a reduced level of maintenance due to the \$2.1M increase in PERS rates. He also pointed out that no one will be displaced as part of this recommendation.

Councilmember Gran expressed concern with the property taxes only going up due to rising housing prices but everything else being even or going down. He supported the \$900M upgrades to the Galleria, but expressed concern with the underfunding of the Landscape and Lighting program. He also expressed concern with being in a serious budget year and questioned how to pay for things with the existing revenue.

Mayor Brand called for public comment.

Carlos Rubio, stated employees are partners in this process, stated they represent over 10,000 employees with 6,000 being public employees, and supported finding ways to resolve and means to find solutions. He said there will be an impact now to the medians due to no longer using blowers or pesticides, and supported keeping the Senior Park Caregiver position, believed the best scenario for the City is a worse case scenario for the employees, stated the issue is there will always be a situation, and said they are here because they want to be part of the solution.

Motion by Councilmember Loewenstein, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to extend Mr. Rubio's time. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rubio also referred to the \$485K for street sweeping, noting this amount combined with the position is over \$500K. He believed their bargaining unit is providing funding of more than \$500K to help resolve the budget issues which is a large contributions, and stated the employees want to be heard.

Eugene Solomon, Redondo Beach, questioned the budgets of the department heads and suggested asking the department heads to start justifying their budgets for 20-21. He also noted contracts going on for many years without review and leakage, and suggested going through a procurement process. He believed the average daily rate should be going up and the \$8.9M may be slightly conservative. He also said with the BID coming online, he hoped the City will be able to drive the average daily rates.

Gary Mylink, District 5, suggested the City provide a 401K plan rather than a pension plan.

City Manager Hoefgen explained the City has a contract with CalPERS which requires full-time employees and any employee above a certain threshold has to be part of CalPERS. He also said new employees not in CalPers and existing employees continuing in CalPERS would not be allowed and the cost to exit would be tens of millions of dollars.

In response to Mayor Brand, City Manager Hoefgen referred to Budget Response #18 which provides what is projected in terms of PERS rates. Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated CalPERS does not provide a separate city by city circular level of funding, but do provide an unfunded accrued liability schedule included in the BRR.

Mayor Brand reviewed the table and increases in PERS and noted American Airlines froze their pension plan.

In response to Mayor Brand, Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated it would cost hundreds of millions of dollars to exit CalPERS. He also explained as a private organization, the defined pension is likely contracted with an investment portfolio. He also said the City could not eliminate the defined benefit plan without making up the unfunded accrued liability which is the big driver of costs.

Councilmember Nehrenheim stated Manhattan Beach just improved their budget with a great line by line by departments, and suggested breaking out by department what they are asking for and why. Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated any change in the core budget is seen by form of Decision Package on any proposed modification. He also said there are summaries in the budget for M&O expenses.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim, Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated a proposed budget could not be provided in April due to timing issues. He also said the next actual expenses for the 2021 budget cycle will be received sometime this summer but it will depend on PERS.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim regarding increasing fees at the PAC, Community Services Development Director La Rock stated that PAC fee adjustments take place every other fiscal year due to taxes and making the facility rentable and attractive. He also explained the fees and revenues generated.

Assistant City Manager Witzansky explained that the community development fees pass through fees to the development community.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim regarding the median work on Palos Verdes Boulevard, Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated the plans and specs are under review by Engineering now and include a mix of plant materials. Public Works Director Semaan stated they are looking at more drought resistant plants.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim regarding impacts from the homeless issue and a captain position to deal with enforcement, Chief Kauffman explained a special operations division was formed in 2015 which was recommended based on the changing needs in the community. He said this division has grown in needs and has the most amount of change which will be tasked even more. He proposed an acting position for one fiscal year and reorganization of the entire Police Department into three bureaus rather than two, addressing homelessness and mental health clinician, PATH, Harbor interface, grants/funding, traffic bureau, community affairs and overtime funds.

In response to Councilmember Loewenstein regarding the request for an additional \$55K, City Attorney Webb said he will be tasking to define the issue of homelessness as it impacts the residents, with many contacts after hours. He said the two prosecutors will meet with the active captain to come up with strategies of impacts, and noted there will be overtime to task officers and implement. He explained Department 95 and stated people are not being represented which will be moving to Hollywood later this year. He said there is room available for drug addicts and finding bed space but insurance is required. He suggested identifying outside money to rent some bed space and work out a deal. He said drug court takes place in Inglewood, and said the missing piece is focusing on the impact to the residents. He also said not every homeless person is the same and are not all causing problems, but the City needs to do an effective job to make this determination. He also said there are services available but the people can refuse and something different needs to take place.

Councilmember Loewenstein stated there is both an education process and enforcement and questioned getting the \$145K. Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated this would be a one-time expense and can come from one-time funds.

In response to Councilmember Loewenstein regarding the skate park, Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated the current budget has carryover funds at \$40K to \$50K and any leftover would be carried over.

David Bernier stated five locations have been identified and there are different options. He said he will be bringing renderings, and the concepts are upgrades to existing facilities, parks, art features, with costs ranges from \$25K to \$30K up to \$170K. He also said there will be money coming from the Kings along with private money.

City Attorney Webb believed the Kings are through the Police Foundation. Mr. Bernier said the funding is coming directly from the Kings.

City Attorney Webb encouraged Council look at the CIP. Assistant City Manager Witzansky said staff will come back with a BRR on the 18<sup>th</sup> laying out options for Council to consider.

Mayor Brand said the problem is well-defined regarding the homeless and supported the BRR.

Allen Kleinboun, District 2, Safety Commission, suggested considering allocating an increased budget for patrol officers, noting pedestrians are getting hit, and a stronger police presence is needed.

Ilya Klinger, District 4, thanked staff for finding funding, and said the main problem is the \$2.1M CalPERS increase. He reviewed the CalPERS funding and reasons why they are in trouble, supported the skatepark, a public private partnership, encouraged being mindful of growing CalPERS expenses and to start negotiating. He said he did not support more taxes which should be handled as part of the League of Cities or on a countywide basis.

There being no one else wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

In response to Councilmember Horvath regarding the WCA Contract for additional tree trimming and having a potential BRR, and the ability to change order, Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated funding could be used for tree planting as well as trimming, supported a more proactive citywide effort and to come back with a BRR.

In response to Councilmember Horvath regarding BRR 14 for the Vehicle Replacement Fund and changing just for some vehicles or not all, Assistant City Manager Witzansky said this procedure is a more conservative appropriate way to affect the structural budget, reducing annual allocation/savings distribution. He said all vehicles but four are being recommended for some life cycle extension, with various extensions, delaying the savings program, taking out a longer term loan to save funds for the replacement. He also said staff is not including police patrol vehicles currently replaced on a four-year cycle due to them receiving heaving wear and tear in their annual driving.

Councilmember Loewenstein suggested dedicating 10% of the \$150K and carryover of \$89K for plantings at Wilderness Park. Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated 10% for plantings can be dedicated but a more modernized irrigation system is needed.

In response to Mayor Brand regarding the Southland Park Conservancy, Assistant City Manager Witzansky explained staff speaks to them continuously who have been very supportive, and said they are putting in native plants which require some irrigation. Community Development Director La Rock stated the native plants are largely drought resistant and said there is a much longer term range tree canopy plan to restore the elms and trees in the park and the water pressure must be higher. He also said there is some carryover of just over \$16K into fiscal 2020 available from the Southland Park Conservancy.

Councilmember Emdee supported the reorganization of the Police Department and the homelessness, and supported addressing the core people that are causing the problems. She noted that the Daily Breeze and LA Times both reported that 23% of the homeless this year are first-time homeless people and is definitely on the increase. She also suggested having more patrol on the ground to address issues as opposed to having captains and lieutenants.

Chief Kauffman explained that the tasked items are very complex in the division, it was newly created in 2015, has increased every year, and additional police officers cannot be funded. He suggested reorganizing the entire Police Department to create better efficiency and accountability. He said the additional \$70K in overtime funds in the BRR will be line level police officers that will address the specific problem. He also suggested putting the acting captain position in charge of all things that sit across the street at the annex to provide better fluency in the Police Department. He said this is a pilot program with one time funds for this FY, an evaluation would be done and if successful, he will be coming back to Council.

In response to Mayor Brand regarding HHH funds going toward law enforcement, Chief Kauffman stated the Police Department currently manages in the South Bay between \$350K and \$450K that comes from the county to address homelessness but this money does not come from Measure H. He also said enforcement will not solve homelessness.

In response to Councilmember Horvath regarding the methodology of the positions, Chief Kauffman said a lieutenant would take the acting captain position and then there would be a trickledown effect. He also referred to the Over Hire Program, bringing in people and keeping vacancies. He said when there is a retirement, one or two people could possibly be hired. He also said it is fairly definitive there will be three retirements coming in the next FY.

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to receive and file budget response reports and continue the Public Hearing to June 11, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

## M. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS - NONE

### O. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

City Manager Hoefgen stated he will bring back on June 18 a final report of the Strategic Plan session that took place in April.

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

## P. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS

# Q. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REFERRALS TO STAFF

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to direct staff to come back with options for handicap parking at the end of the 500 block of South Francisca Avenue. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Emdee asked about the project on Rindge and Ripley. Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated the pump station will take several more months to complete. City Engineer Winje stated work should continue until November but they plan to be out of the street by the start of the school year.

Councilmember Emdee asked about traffic mitigation on Dow and Johnston.

Mayor Brand requested staff bring back information on the housing bills taking place in Sacramento.

# R. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION - NONE

# T. ADJOURNMENT at 9:12 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Gran to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 p.m. to an

adjourned meeting to be held at 4:30 p.m. (Closed Session) and regular meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 11, 2019 in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor Manzano, City Cleri