REGULAR MEETING OF THE

CITY COUNCIL, CULVER CITY

HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD,

AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CULVER CITY

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD

CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

April 8, 2019 5:30 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Small called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at $5:30\ p.m.$ in the Mike Balkman Chambers at City Hall.

Present: Thomas Small, Mayor

Meghan Sahli-Wells, Vice Mayor Göran Eriksson, Council Member

Alex Fisch, Council Member Daniel Lee, Council Member

Note:

The City Council also sits as Members of the Governing

Board(s) convened as part of the meeting.

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Closed Session

The City Council recessed to Closed Session to consider the following item:

Conference with Labor Negotiators City Designated Representatives: City Manager John Nachbar; Assistant City Manager Serena Employee Organization: Culver City Employees Association; Culver City Management Group; Culver City Police Officers Association; Culver City Fire Fighters Association; Culver City Police Management Group; Culver City Fire Management Association; Executive Management Employees Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

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Reconvene

Mayor Small reconvened the regular meeting of the City Council at 6:35 p.m. with all Council Members present.

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Recognition Presentations

Item R-1

CC: Presentation of a Proclamation Designating April 8, 2019 as "Arbor Day"

Mayor Small presented the proclamation designating April 8, 2019 as "Arbor Day."

Eric Mirzaian, Maintenance Operations Manager, discussed calls related to trees; the Urban Forest; maintenance; the number of trees in the City; benefits of the trees; and he thanked the City Council for the honor.

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Item R-2

CC: Presentation of House Keys and Commendations to the First-Time Homeowners at the Habitat for Humanity Globe Project

This item was deferred to later in the meeting.

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Item R-3

CC: Presentation of a Commendation to Jamie and Bob Wallace in Recognition of Their Dedication to the Backpacks for Kids Program and Service to the Culver City Community

Council Member Eriksson presented a commendation to Jamie and Bob Wallace in recognition to their dedication to the Backpacks for Kids Program and for their service to the Culver City community.

Jamie Wallace discussed the origin and growth of the program and she thanked those who donate to keep it going.

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Item R-4

CC: Presentation of a Proclamation Designating April 2019 as "DMV/Donate Life California Month 2019"

Council Member Fisch presented a proclamation designating April 2019 as "DMV/Donate Life California Month 2019."

Representative Evangelina Perez discussed her work volunteering; thanked the City for the recognition; reported on the passing of her son 20 years ago and the people he was able to help with his organs; discussed her work with the Hispanic community; and other cities that have presented proclamations to the program.

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Recess

Mayor Small called a brief recess at 6:52 p.m.

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Regular Session

Mayor Small reconvened the meeting of City Council and convened the meeting of the Culver City Housing Authority Board, the Culver City Parking Authority, and the Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board at 7:02 p.m. with all Council Members present.

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Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

John Nachbar, City Manager, led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Scott Bowling.

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Closed Session Report

Mayor Small indicated nothing to report out of Closed Session.

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Community Announcements by City Council Members/Information

Items from Staff

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, reported that applications were being accepted to fill upcoming vacancies on various Boards, Committees and Commissions noting that additional information was available through the City website or from the City Clerk's office and applications would be accepted until May 22.

Scott Bixby, Police Chief, introduced three new police officers, and praised Police Officer Brian Cappell for his lifesaving efforts to free an obstruction from the airway of a 10-month-old baby.

Mayor Small thanked Officer Cappell and Chief Bixby.

Fire Department staff discussed the 2019 Community Risk Assessment and Standards of Coverage document.

Jeremy DeBie, Culver City Fire Marshal, reported on the Fire Department response to an incident involving an oil leak at the Oil Field on April 1.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding the response of Sentinel Peak Resources; timing; condition of the pipes; testing; causes of the leak; corrosion; inspection of other pipes; clarification that the pipe was connected to an active well; the mixture of oil and water; and staff agreed to post the county report to the City website once it is received.

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Item R-2

CC: Presentation of House Keys and Commendations to the First-Time Homeowners at the Habitat for Humanity Globe Project

Dr. Frances Waltman Rosenau, Presbyterian Church, discussed advocacy of the project by the church and she introduced the Park and Powell families who will be living in the Globe project.

Council Member Lee presented a commendation to the Powell family.

Jamil Powell thanked the City for the opportunity.

Mayor Small presented the Powell family with symbolic keys to their new home.

Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator, presented a welcome mat and a starter homeowner gift pack to the Powell family.

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells presented a commendation to the Park family.

Chae Park discussed Korea, the United States and the Korean War, and he thanked the City for their help.

Mayor Small presented the Park family with symbolic keys to the City.

Erin Rank, Habitat for Humanity, thanked the City for their efforts on the site noting that there would eventually be 8 more families with homes as part of the project.

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Community Announcements by City Council Members/Information Items from Staff (Continued)

Council Member Lee reported attending the Water Now Conference in Boston and he suggested outfitting sewer drains to produce emergency electricity; he discussed climate resilience; disaster recovery; and the passing of Herb Rosenberg.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT WHEN THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED, THAT IT BE ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF HERB ROSENBERG.

Council Member Fisch invited everyone to attend a panel discussion on the Past, Present and Future of Housing in Culver City on April 23 at Veterans Memorial Building hosted by the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission and the Committee on Homelessness; discussed living with the legacy of past decisions; racism; equity; and he noted the timeliness of the discussion.

Council Member Eriksson reported attending the reception of the Finnish Consul General; noted that Finland was declared the World's Happiest Country by the United Nations; discussed an article in the Wall Street Journal by the former head of Nokia; and he reported hosting his first meeting with the National League of Cities Aviation Committee.

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells discussed the legacy of Herb Rosenberg; Children's Earth Day at Star Ecostation on April 7; she noted that fliers were at the back of Council Chambers for the rental of sanitation recycling trucks for children's parties; and she announced an upcoming Youth Forum at West Los Angeles College on April 16.

Mayor Small announced the State of the City event at Robert Frost Auditorium on April 9; discussed the partnership with the Chamber of Commerce and the School District; planned activities; he presented a preview of the short film, Culver City: Forward Motion; and he announced a Town Hall commemorating the 20th Anniversary of Columbine on April 20 at Robert Frost Auditorium.

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Joint Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Dr. Janet Hoult, Culver City Poet Laureate, discussed National Arbor Day; her family's commitment to offsetting their urban footprint by planting trees; the commitment of the City to nurture the Urban Forest; and she read a poem about trees in Culver City inspired by the Joyce Kilmer poem and the recent performance of the Culver City Symphony Orchestra.

Mike Harriel, Southern California Gas, applauded Culver City for supporting Energy Upgrade California and asked the City to adopt a resolution regarding balanced energy; discussed renewable resources as the key to reaching climate goals; wind, solar, renewable and traditional natural gas; replacing traditional gas with renewable natural gas (RNG); greenhouse reductions; continued work to implement the power to gas process; carbon capture and utilization; reaching a net zero carbon energy future; and he asked Culver City to consider a balanced resolution noting that he had additional information available for a future presentation.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding sending the matter to the Sustainability Subcommittee; recycled natural gas; the cap; the higher target for renewables; carbon capture; pilot programs; technology in place; and an article in the LA Times discussing the pros and cons of RNG vs. electrification.

Les Greenberg discussed the longstanding problem of Culver City employees using Culver City issued credit cards; the overriding of restrictions by supervisors; employee purchases of equipment forbidden by procedure; tagging or tracking of assets under \$5,000; he cited specific expenses in question; discussed suspicious purchases; expressed concern that no one has investigated the abuses; he suggested that cardholders be instructed to read City policy and that those cardholders who have not been approved return their cards; and he wanted to see the issue agendized for public discussion.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding having the subcommittee in Item A-2 discuss the item; subcommittee review of staff recommendations; and the scope of the subcommittee.

David Coles, Bike Culver City, presented a petition introduced at CicLAvia requesting that the City Council add an agenda item to discuss completion of an active transportation network providing complete connectivity by 2020 for cyclists and pedestrians; he discussed the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan; the budget; the will of the public; he asked for serious action and commitment to realize the safe streets vision for Culver City; and he provided the petition to the City Council.

Mary Daval asked for support of the petition; discussed feedback received; new people coming into the City; safety; accommodating all users; the need for a complete, connected network; and she noted that studies show that people and businesses thrive where bike lanes are installed.

David Haake discussed the oil spill on April 1; previous oil spills; concern that operations are continuing; the aging infrastructure; he encouraged the City Council to seek a full report on what happened and why it happened; discussed assessing the risk to the community; actions implemented to reduce risk and prevent future spills; pollution in the environment; and effects of toxic chemicals on health.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding information on the Inglewood Oil Field webpage; the LA County Hazmat report; availability of information on the Culver City website; and encouragement for anyone concerned to attend the

meeting of the Oil and Gas Subcommittee once the report comes out.

Khin Khin Gyi read from a report describing the incident; noted it was the second incident within 5 months; and she requested that City Council require inspection, replacement, update and review of all alarm systems before resuming any oil operations.

Fire Department staff agreed to furnish a timeline in list form of instances when the Fire Department has had to intervene in events regarding the Oil Field.

Monica Embrey, Sierra Club, thanked the Fire Department for their response; discussed serious concerns; the legacy of failures; daily pollution created by the Oil Field; global impacts; she expressed concern that the spill made it to the storm drain; asked for a comprehensive analysis; questioned when the five year periodic review of the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District would be updated; and she asked that actions be taken to protect the health, safety and wellbeing of the community.

Dr. Terry Silberman expressed concern about the recent oil spill on April 1; urged the City Council to conduct an investigation with outside experts; discussed leaks of toxic compounds into the air and water; resulting health effects; potential risks to the community; she echoed comments of previous speakers; she asked for an investigation of systemic issues; and she wanted to see the Oil Field shut down as soon as possible.

Michelle Weiner urged the City Council to see the spill as a pattern of behavior with the operator; agreed that the Oil Field should be shut down until appropriate measures are taken; she discussed bicycle connectivity; the Downtown Connector; action plans coming to fruition; the need to make full connectivity a priority; she echoed comments of the previous speaker on the subject; and she asked that connectivity be made a priority in the budget.

Disa Lindgren echoed previous comments made about the Oil Field; felt that shutting down the Oil Field was the real solution; she discussed bicycle riding in Culver City; reported that people do not feel safe walking and biking in Culver City; and she wanted to see connectivity made a priority.

Art Nomura discussed the commitment made by the 2010 City Council with regard to bicycle infrastructure; he reinforced

comments made by David Haake and Mary Daval; felt a safe, inclusive bicycling network should be implemented immediately; discussed traffic congestion; increased pollution; increasing costs to implement changes; support from the community; CicLAVia; the need to build the infrastructure to encourage people to ride; and he wanted Culver City to be a more livable place.

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Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, indicated that there were 13 pieces of correspondence received regarding Item A-3.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ERIKSSON AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE AND FILE CORRESPONDENCE.

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells received City Council consensus to discuss bike infrastructure on a future agenda.

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Consent Calendar

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS C-1 THROUGH C-8 AND C-10.

Item C-1

CC:HA:SA - Approval of Cash Disbursements for March 9, 2019 to March 29, 2019

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD: APPROVE CASH DISBURSEMENTS FOR MARCH 9, 2019 TO MARCH 29, 2019.

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Item C-2

CC:HA:SA - Approval of Minutes for the Regular City Council Meetings on March 11, 2019 and on March 18, 2019

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD: APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ON MARCH 11, 2019 AND MARCH 18, 2019.

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Item C-3

CC - Adoption of a Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Annual Assessments for the Sewer User's Service Charge and Ordering the Preparation of the Engineer's Report, Thereon for Fiscal Year 2019/2020

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT THE RESOLUTION INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SEWER USER'S SERVICE CHARGE AND ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF THE ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020.

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Item C-4

CC - Adoption of a Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Annual Assessments for the Landscape Maintenance District Number 1 and Ordering the Preparation of the Engineer's Report Thereon for Fiscal Year 2019/2020

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NUMBER 1 AND ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF THE ENGINEER'S REPORT THEREON FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020.

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Item C-5

CC - Adoption of a Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Annual Assessments for the Higuera Street Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District and Ordering the Preparation of the Engineer's Report Thereon for Fiscal Year 2019/2020

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE HIGUERA STREET LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT AND ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF THE ENGINEER'S REPORT, THEREON FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020.

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Item C-6

CC - Approve a Professional Services Agreement with Duke's Root Control, Inc. to Provide Root Control Services on City-owned Sewer Main Lines

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. APPROVE A THREE-YEAR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL, INC. TO PROVIDE ROOT CONTROL SERVICES ON CITY-OWNED SEWER MAINS; AND,
- 2. AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TO EXERCISE THE TWO ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR OPTIONS FOR RENEWALS; AND,
- 3) AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND
- 4) AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SUCH DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

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Item C-7

CC - (1) Approval of an Amendment to the Existing Professional Services Agreement with Castlerock Environmental, Inc. in an Additional Amount Not-to-Exceed \$18,890.00 for Mold Remediation in the Restroom of the Senior Center; and (2) Authorize the City Manager to Approve Additional Amendment(s) to the Agreement for Contingencies in an Additional Amount Not-To-Exceed \$1,889.00

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CASTLEROCK ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. FOR RESTROOM MOLD

REMEDIATION AT THE SENIOR CENTER IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO- EXCEED \$18,890.00; AND,

- 2. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT(S) TO THE AGREEMENT FOR CONTINGENCIES IN AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$1,889.00; AND,
- 3. AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND,
- 4. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SUCH DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

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Item C-8

CC - Adoption of a Resolution in Support of Energy Upgrade California, an Initiative to Empower Californians to Become Energy Stewards

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: ADOPT A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ENERGY UPGRADE CALIFORNIA, AN INITIATIVE TO EMPOWER CALIFORNIANS TO BECOME ENERGY STEWARDS.

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Item C-10
(Out of Sequence)

CC - Receive and File the Measure Y Sales Tax Status Report as Approved by the Finance Advisory Committee

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL: RECEIVE AND FILE THE MEASURE Y SALES TAX STATUS REPORT AS APPROVED BY THE FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

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Item C-9

CC - Approval of an Amendment to the Existing Interim Operating Agreements with Bird Rides, Inc. (Bird) and Neutron Holdings, Inc. (Lime) Through June 30, 2019

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following member of the audience addressed the City Council:

Josh Gray, Spin, provided background on the organization; discussed procedures; safety; responsible scaling; and he asked the City Council to consider Spin as an additional operator.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding providing information to the public; data received; the scooter share website; subcommittee meetings; a request for detailed reports to the City Council like the subcommittee receives to enable the City Council to provide policy direction before expansion is considered; placing the focus on public benefit; increasing the mobility network in a safe and protected way; green lanes; underperformance on the operators; support for scooters; working out issues; improvements to change the nature of the operating agreement; timing; the extension; and staff agreed to return with an update at the next City Council meeting.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING INTERIM OPERATING AGREEMENTS WITH BIRD AND LIME, EXTENDING EACH AGREEMENT THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019;
- 2. AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW/PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND
- 3. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SUCH DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

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Public Hearing

None.

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Action Items

Item A-1

CC - (1) Creation of the Municipal Fiber Network Ad Hoc Subcommittee; and (2) Appointment of Two City Council Members Thereto Jesse Mays, Assistant to the City Manager, provided a summary of the material of record.

Discussion ensued between staff and the City Council regarding the experiences of the City of Stockholm; economic development; community benefit; equity; offering high capacity broadband to residents; pricing; money spent so far; the need to produce benefits; and Council Members Lee and Eriksson volunteered to serve on the subcommittee.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FISCH, SECONED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. CREATE THE MUNICIPAL FIBER NETWORK AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE; AND,
- 2. APPOINT CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS GÖRAN ERIKSSON AND DANIEL LEE THERETO.

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Item A-2

CC - (1) Creation of a City Council Ad Hoc Subcommittee to Work with City Staff to Review the Moss Adams, LLP Internal Audit Reports and Review Staff's Recommendations for Improvements to the City's Internal Controls; and (2) Appointment of Two City Council Members Thereto

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Paulette Greenberg discussed the Request for Proposals (RFP) issued by the City to set up a fraud, waste and abuse hotline; the response of the former City Council to her request that a hotline be set up; best practices for fighting fraud, waste, and abuse; the value of hotlines; other cities with hotlines in place; transparency and communication; and she questioned why Culver City has failed to follow through.

Les Greenberg echoed the comments of the prior speaker; congratulated the City Council for beginning to take action on issues that previous City Councils had failed to do; discussed the need to establish a system of effective internal controls and enterprise risk assessment; length of time to achieve goals; actions of other cities; he wanted the subcommittee to be

authorized to investigate and publicly report why effective controls were not implemented back in 2015, why an enterprise risk assessment report has not been provided, and who is responsible for the lack of effective formal controls; and he provided Council Members with his findings noting that the information had been posted on his website.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding focusing on future internal controls and robust transparency; the intent to move things forward as quickly as possible; review of what staff presents; and suggested courses of action.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SAHLI-WELLS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. CREATE A CITY COUNCIL AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE TO WORK WITH CITY STAFF TO REVIEW THE MOSS ADAMS, LLP INTERNAL AUDITING REPORTS AND REVIEW STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY'S INTERNAL CONTROLS; AND,
- 2. APPOINT MAYOR THOMAS SMALL AND COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX FISCH THERETO.

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Item A-3

CC - (1) Presentation and Discussion Regarding the Proposed Installation of Informational Kiosks in the Public Right-Of-Way, and (2) Direction to the City Manager as Deemed Appropriate

Pete Scanlon, IKE Smart City, provided a presentation regarding the proposed installation of informational kiosks in the public right of way; discussed interactivity and immersion; working with cities, Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) and Chambers of Commerce; integration and incorporation of ideas; providing benefits to cities and community members; the initial intent to provide information on transportation; delivering social equity; closing the digital divide; shelter information; job availability information; social services; arts, restaurants and culture; featured destinations; placement; and outreach.

Andy Weissman discussed work to gain community input and support; outreach; he felt the technology was in line with where

the City wanted to go; and he discussed willingness to work with the City to bring the project to fruition.

Mayor Small invited public comment.

The following members of the audience addressed the City Council:

Scott Bowling, Exceptional Children's Foundation, discussed decisions shaping the community; the new generation of residents; access; cultural identity and community pride; success of the program in Denver; and he expressed support for bringing IKE to Culver City.

Darryl Menthe reported that the Downtown Business Association (DBA) had not had a chance to consider the agenda item; he spoke as a private citizen expressing opposition to the proposal; discussed a previous proposal rejected by the DBA; small format digital billboards; the value of the entitlements being sought; the amount of time ads are shown vs. the amount of time information is being sought; placing national advertising campaigns in front of local businesses; potential revenue; the lucrative monopoly being sought; impacts to quality of life; size of the installation; and he felt the process was being gone about backwards.

Colin Diaz, Chamber of Commerce, discussed the benefits of IKE; the demonstration at Fiesta La Ballona; bringing the City together; uniformity of branding; wayfinding through all areas of the City; larger businesses coming into the City; support for small businesses; cities that have utilized IKE in the past; and he indicated that the Chamber of Commerce supported the proposal.

Craig Hodgetts provided background on himself; discussed changes in the urban environment; connecting small businesses to media in the City; Parisian kiosks in the 19th century; transparency; he felt the kiosks would create an intimacy and rapport with the citizens of the City; and responding to inquiry, he clarified that he is currently working as an architect with Orange Barrel Media, the parent company for IKE.

Dr. Ira Diamond expressed support for the implementation of IKE in Culver City as he felt the technology would engage residents, businesses and visitors; discussed the benefit of including Homeless Resource Card information on the kiosk; accessing resources and submitting information through the kiosks to begin

the coordinated entry process; posting volunteer opportunities for non-profits; volunteerism and engagement; Earthquake Preparedness month; Water First; spreading information and increasing participation; and he felt IKE could be a great model of the smart city of the future.

Disa Lindgren indicated that she had not heard about the project before; expressed concern that the kiosks would not provide community benefit commensurate with what is being taken; concern with a commercial, for-profit enterprise taking public right of way; she noted that people have smart phones to access information; discussed privacy violations and the kiosk cameras; ethics of the parent company; she urged the City to look for alternative ways to present information to the community; and she expressed strong opposition to the proposal.

Tom Wulf, Lowe Enterprises, expressed support for the kiosks and the program; discussed the importance of creating place and driving connectivity within the City; benefits to visitors and residents; and remaining at the forefront of technology.

Michelle Weiner expressed opposition to the proposal; noted that smart phones provide the same services; observed that building community is a strong value but large billboards do not do that; she applauded those who stand up against digital billboards in the City; discussed obstructions in the already crowded right of way; the actions of Santa Monica to help visitors; privacy concerns; surveillance; Fourth Amendment rights; and she asked the City Council to proceed cautiously.

Debbie Wallace supported the kiosks in the non-residential areas of Fox Hills to provide useful information to people.

Len Dickter discussed the unintended consequences of limiting advertising; small businesses; involvement in early meetings with regard to promoting cultural events in the City; turning the kiosks into art installations; national advertisers vs. local businesses; wayfinding in Culver City; orientation technology; placement; he indicated that he is an advertising executive; and he felt that IKE would be a community minded partner.

Jeremy Green, City Clerk, read written comments submitted by:

Denice Renterra Aura Walker Jamie Wallace

Michael Laase

Todd Tipton, Economic Development Director, clarified the intent of the agenda item.

Discussion ensued between Mr. Scanlon and Council Members regarding number and dimensions of the proposed kiosks; minimum number of kiosks in order to deploy; security cameras; the pedestrian counting feature; traffic patterns; dwell time; density of people; information input into the kiosks; information transfer; data storage; and third party involvement.

Additional discussion ensued between Council Members regarding innovation; technology; history of kiosks in cities; advertising edging into art; precedent; public/private partnerships; the inadequacy of wayfinding in southern California; locations; stakeholders in the area; financial repercussions; whether an RFP should be issued; taking a deeper, objective look; the Smart Cities subcommittee; research on experiences of other cities; pros and cons; work done by the IKE team over the past two years; development; integration; a suggestion for a trial period; public workshops; the feeling that it is premature to make a decision with the information provided so far; 5G integration; congested sidewalks; right of way; collocation; number of kiosks in the City; concerns regarding advertising; revenue and profit sharing; resident objections to billboard and digital advertising; privacy concerns; the photo booth feature; place-making; sharing on social media; which events get posted; concern with the large size; customization; subcommittee consideration of an RFP; concern with the commercialization of public space; approaching the proposal as a commercial endeavor; the scooter issue and public space; the need to commit to a term; whether others would have to be allowed to advertise in similar ways; value of the kiosks based on placement; the downtown area as an open mall; willingness to let staff to look into the details; value of the right of way; the revenue model; minimum sidewalk width; the limited number of feasible locations; active use vs. passive use; the work of previous City Councils; the 1996 billboard ordinance; elimination of blight and promotion of revitalization; the small town charm of Culver City; the proposal for digital billboards with the Entrada project; differences between Denver and Culver City; concern that investigating the proposal goes against what the City has worked for over many years and gives the company the impression that the City supports the kiosks; concern that the proposal is misleading; clarification that passive time means advertising time; the Fox Hills billboard issue; concern

with spending time on the proposal with so many other things going on; the highly litigated commercial endeavor; the amount of money involved; the difficulty of getting bus shelters; the responsibility of the City to use public space wisely and not take it away for advertisements; security and privacy issues; the unsolicited nature of the proposal; public right of way needed for bikeshare; energy consumption; visibility concerns; existing street infrastructure; value of and competition for public space; demonstrations presented to the public vs. the reality of the project; the need for public conversation regarding advertising; the value of digital wayfinding as part of City infrastructure that does not involve advertising; real time bus information; investment already made by the City in to wayfinding; whether it is productive to have someone against the proposal serve on the subcommittee; representing a multiplicity of opinion; technical aspects; and representing the community interest.

MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEE AND SECONDED BY MAYOR SMALL THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. RECEIVE A PRESENTATION AND HAVE A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE INSTALLATION OF INFORMATION KIOSK EXPERIENCE (IKE) KIOSKS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY; AND
- 2. SEND THE TOPIC OF IKE TO THE SMART CITIES SUBCOMMITTEE FOR ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: ERIKSSON, FISCH, LEE, SMALL

NOES: SAHLI-WELLS

Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells indicted that she was voting against the item as she did not feel that matter should move forward, but she was willing to discuss the matter on the Smart Cities subcommittee.

Mayor Small felt the issue was an opportunity to demonstrate legislative integrity; he indicated that there would be a thorough and impartial inquiry within a reasonable time; and he discussed the outreach efforts of IKE.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council Members regarding staff time and the need to discuss timing with the subcommittee.

Public Comment - Items Not on the Agenda

Mayor Small invited public comment.

No cards were received and no speakers came forward.

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Items from Council Members

None.

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Council Member Requests to Agendize Future Items

Council Member Fisch received City Council consensus to agendize a discussion of endorsing AB 31 which would remove sales and use taxes menstruation products.

Discussion ensued between Council Members regarding support for the Bill vs. implementation in Culver City whether or not the state passes the Bill.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 10:35 p.m., the City Council, Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board, and Culver City Housing Authority Board adjourned in memory of Herb Rosenberg to April 22, 2019.

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Jeremy Green

CITY CLERK of Culver City, California
EX-OFFICIO CLERK of the City Council and SECRETARY of the
Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency
Board, and Culver City Housing Authority Board
Culver City, California

THOMAS SMALL

MAYOR of Culver City, California and CHAIR of the Successor Agency to the Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board, and Culver City Housing Authority Board