

CITY OF SANTA MONICA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

APRIL 26, 2016

A regular meeting of the Santa Monica City Council was called to order by Mayor Vazquez at 5:34 p.m., on Tuesday, April 26, 2016, at City Council Chambers, 1685 Main Street.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Tony Vazquez
Mayor Pro Tem Ted Winterer
Councilmember Gleam Davis
Councilmember Sue Himmelrich
Councilmember Kevin McKeown
Councilmember Pam O'Connor (*arrived at 5:38 p.m.*)

Absent: Councilmember Terry O'Day

Also Present: City Manager Rick Cole
City Attorney Marsha Jones Moutrie
Deputy City Clerk Esterlina Lugo

CONVENE/PLEDGE

On order of the Mayor, the City Council convened at 5:34 p.m., with all members present excepting Councilmembers O'Day and O'Connor to a combined meeting with the special Council meeting concurrently taking place to consider closed sessions. Councilmember Himmelrich led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLOSED SESSIONS:

There was no one present for public comment on closed sessions.

Councilmember O'Connor arrived at 5:38 p.m.

On order of the Mayor, the City Council recessed at 5:36 p.m., to consider closed sessions and returned at 6:53 p.m., with Councilmember O'Day absent, to report the following:

1.A. Conference with Labor Negotiator.

City Labor Negotiator: Donna Peter, Director of Human Resources

**Bargaining Units: Administrative Team Associates (ATA)
Municipal Employees Association (MEA)
Public Attorney's Union (PAU)**

The City Attorney advised this item was heard, with no reportable action taken.

- 1.B. City Negotiator: Nelson Hernandez, Senior Advisor to the City Manager**
Property Address: 3221 Donald Douglass Loop South, Santa Monica, CA
What is under negotiation: A lease agreement
Owner of record: City of Santa Monica

The City Attorney advised this item was heard, with no reportable action taken.

- 1.C. City Negotiator: Nelson Hernandez, Senior Advisor to the City Manager**
Property Address: 3300 Airport Avenue, Santa Monica, CA
What is under negotiation: A lease agreement
Owner of record: City of Santa Monica

The City Attorney advised this item was heard, with no reportable action taken.

**REPORT ON MEETINGS
ATTENDED**

Pursuant to State law, Deputy City Clerk Esterlina Lugo asked Council to provide brief reports on meetings attended at the expense of the City during the past month.

Councilmembers Davis and O'Connor provided brief reports on the meetings attended. Councilmembers Himmelrich, McKeown, Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, and Mayor Vazquez stated they had nothing to report, as they did not attend any meetings this past month.

**SPECIAL AGENDA
ITEMS:**
**SANTA MONICA
INSTITUTE**

- 2.A. City Manager's Report: Santa Monica Institute**, was withdrawn at request of staff.

COMMENDATION

- 2.B. Commendation: Santa Monica High School Girls Varsity Water Polo Team CIF Division 6 Championship**, was presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

All items were considered and approved in one motion unless removed by a Councilmember for discussion.

Members of the public Denise Barton, Zoe Muntaner, Airport Commissioner Joe Schmitz, and Jonathan Foster commented on various Consent Calendar items.

At the request of Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, Item 3-M was removed from the Consent Calendar to recuse himself.

At the request of Councilmember Himmelrich, Item 3-K was removed from the Consent Calendar.

At the request of Councilmember O'Connor, Item 3-R was removed from the Consent Calendar.

At the request of Councilmember McKeown, Item 3-J was removed from the Consent Calendar.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Councilmember Davis, to approve the Consent Calendar except for Items 3- J, 3-K, 3-M and 3-R, reading resolutions by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers, McKeown, Davis, Himmelrich, O'Connor
Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, Mayor Vazquez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember O'Day

NOISE MONITORING SYSTEM

3.A. Approval of Contract for Santa Monica Airport Noise Monitoring System Equipment Upgrade and Maintenance, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Award RFP# 58 to Brüel & Kjær EMS Inc. (B&K), a California-based corporation, to provide an upgrade to Santa Monica Airport's Noise Monitoring System software, replace six permanent noise monitors, and provide maintenance and support services for the Noise Monitoring System;
2. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute Agreement No. 10289 (CCS) with Brüel & Kjær EMS Inc. (B&K), in an amount not to exceed \$358,400 for one year, with four additional one-year renewal options in the amount not to exceed \$101,325, with a 2% increase per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$776,024 over a five-year period (including a 10% contingency), with future year funding contingent on Council budget approval.

SENIOR CRIMINALIST

3.B. Authorization to execute Professional Services Agreement for Senior Criminalist, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute Contract No. 10290 (CCS) with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for the services of one Senior Criminalist to perform forensic deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) analysis and services. This

recommended award is made as an exception to the competitive bidding process pursuant to Section 2.24.080 (a) and is for a total amount not to exceed \$170,792 with four additional one-year renewal options for a total amount not to exceed \$943,734 (includes a five percent annual contingency).

BID #4232

3.C. Reject All Bids for the Purchase of Concrete Materials, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Reject all bids for Bid #4232, Furnishing and delivering Portland cement concrete.
2. Direct staff to reissue a bid in order to obtain the best bidder for Furnishing and Delivering Portland cement concrete.

BID #4222

3.D. Bid Award for the Purchase of One Paving Machine, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Award Bid #4222 to Nixon-Egli Equipment Company, a California-based company for the purchase and delivery of one Paving Machine;
2. Authorize the Purchasing Services Manager to issue a purchase order with Nixon-Egli Equipment Company for the purchase and delivery of one Paving Machine in the amount not to exceed \$191,368.

HOMELESS SERVICES

3.E. Award Contract for Homeless Multi-Disciplinary Street Team, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Award RFP# 71 to Ocean Park Community Center (OPCC), a California-based nonprofit organization, to develop and operate a Homeless Multidisciplinary Street Team.
2. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute Agreement No. 10291 (CCS) with OPCC in an amount not to exceed \$600,000 for a one-year period.

**HOMELESS
MANAGEMENT
INFORMATION SYSTEM**

3.F. Contract Modification to Add Funds for Homeless Management Information System Support, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute amended professional services Agreement No. 10068

(CCS) in the amount of \$175,000 with Alexandria Consulting, a Florida-based company, to continue Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) administration, technical support and a data needs assessment through June 30, 2017. This will result in a three-year amended agreement, with one remaining one-year option to renew, with a new total amount not to exceed \$409,925 over a four-year period with future year funding contingent on Council budget approval.

**BEACH PARKING LOT
4S**

3.G. Award Construction Contract for Beach Parking Lot 4S Access Improvements and Paving, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Award Bid# SP2426 to Sully-Miller Contracting Company, a California-based company, for the Beach Parking Lot 4S Access Improvements and Paving project.
2. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute Contract No. 10293 (CCS) with Sully-Miller Contracting Company, in an amount not to exceed \$776,704 (including a 10% contingency).
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works to issue any necessary change orders to complete additional work within contract authority.

**MEDICAL TESTING
SERVICES**

3.H. Award Agreement for Commercial Driver Medical Testing Services, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Award Request for Proposal (RFP) #61 to the Southern California Permanente Medical Group, a California-based company, for commercial driver medical testing services; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute Agreement No. 10294 (CCS) with Southern California Permanente Medical Group in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 over a five-year period with future funding contingent on Council budget approval.

**PACIFIC PARK
PYROTECHNIC
DISPLAY**

3.I. Approval of Pacific Park Pyrotechnic Display on May 26, 2016, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the Pacific Park's proposed fireworks display in conjunction with its 20th anniversary celebration and new Ferris Wheel Lighting scheme presentation.

**ANNUAL PAVING
PROJECT**

3.L. Contract Modification for The Annual Paving Project FY2014-2015, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a first modification to Construction Contract No. 10161 (CCS) in the amount of \$240,000 with All American Asphalt, Inc., a California-based company, to provide additional services and repair additional sidewalks. This would result in a new contract amount not to exceed \$1,640,300 (includes a 10% contingency).
2. Authorize the budget changes as outlined in the Financial Impacts and Budget Actions section of this report.
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works to issue any necessary change orders to complete additional work within budget authority.

MAIN STREET TRAFFIC SIGNAL

3.N. Construction Contract for Main Street Traffic Signal Modifications, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Award Bid #SMTS110 to Comet Electric, Inc., a California-based company, for the Main Street Traffic Signal Modification Project;
2. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute contractual service Agreement No. 10295 (CCS) with Comet Electric, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$276,045 (including 10% contingency).
3. Authorize the Director of Planning and Community Development to issue any necessary change orders to complete additional work within contract authority.

2300 WILSHIRE BLVD

3.O. Resolution No. 10950 (CCS) entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FINAL SUBDIVISION MAP FOR TRACT NO. 73815 TO SUBDIVIDE A PROPERTY AT 2300 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD", was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution approving Final Tract Map No. 73815 to allow a 31-unit condominium airspace subdivision consisting of 30 residential condominium units and one ground floor commercial condominium unit, at 2300 Wilshire Blvd.

ANNENBERG COMMUNITY BEACH HOUSE

3.P. Authorization to execute an agreement with the Annenberg Foundation for a grant in the amount of \$70,000 for the Annenberg Community Beach House, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of

\$70,000 from the Annenberg Foundation to support visitor service, guest experience and facility improvements at the Annenberg Community Beach House.

2. Authorize budget changes as outlined in the Financial Impacts & Budget Actions section of this report.

**PARKING STRUCTURE
NO. 5**

3.Q. Design Contract Modification for Transportation and Parking Services (TAPS) Center Project at Parking Structure No. 5, was approved.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a first modification to professional services agreement #10044 (CCS) in the amount of \$81,601 with Studio Jantzen Corporation, a California-based company, for additional design services for the Transportation and Parking Services (TAPS) Center Project at Parking Structure No. 5. This will result in a 5-year amended agreement with a new total amount not to exceed \$334,299, with future year funding contingent on Council budget approval.

MINUTES

3.S. Minutes for the City Council - Regular and Special Joint Meeting - Apr 12, 2016, were approved.

PARKING STRUCTURES

3.J. First Modification for the Parking Structure Condition Assessment, Testing, Analysis and Repair Services for Parking Structures 2, 4, 5, 9 and 10, was presented.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a first modification to professional services agreement #10148 (CCS) in the amount of \$198,950 (including a 15% contingency) with Walter P. Moore and Associates, Inc., a California-based company, for the development of construction documentation for Parking Structures 2, 4, 5, 9 and 10 and for the development of a detailed structural engineering assessment involving testing, analysis and construction documentation for repairs at Parking Structure 1. This will result in a one year amended agreement with a new total amount not to exceed \$354,950 (including a 15% contingency), with future year funding contingent on Council budget approval.

This item was pulled by Councilmember McKeown to receive clarification from staff on which parking structures are being studied, which ones are not, and to inquire if it would be worthwhile to study the parking structures that are believed to be redeveloped in the near future to obtain some idea of the comparable finances of retaining the structures versus replacing them with

something else.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Councilmember Himmelrich, to approve the staff recommendation and include parking structure 3 in the study.

Assistant City Attorney Joe Lawrence advised Council that the motion could not be voted on as stated because of Brown Act requirements relating to agenda language.

The motion was changed to give direction to staff to return, in a month, with an item that includes the additional contingency to include parking structure 3 in the study. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote with Councilmember O'Day absent.

**SANTA MONICA
TOURISM MARKETING
DISTRICT**

3.K. Santa Monica Tourism Marketing District Annual Reports, was presented.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council receive and approve the Annual Reports for Fiscal Years 2013-14, 2014-15, and 2015-16 as filed by the Santa Monica Tourism Marketing District.

This item was pulled by Councilmember Himmelrich to: question compliance of providing timely annual reports by the Santa Monica Tourism Marketing District (SMTMD); reiterate that the annual reports need to be provided at the beginning of the year; and, that the minutes and agendas for SMTMD are to be posted on their website for public access.

Motion by Councilmember Himmelrich, seconded by Councilmember Davis, to approve the staff recommendation. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers O'Connor, Himmelrich, Davis, McKeown, Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, Mayor Vazquez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember O'Day

**3214 HIGHLAND
AVENUE**

3.M. Resolution No. 10949 (CCS) entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FINAL SUBDIVISION MAP FOR TRACT NO. 70209 TO SUBDIVIDE A PROPERTY AT 3214 HIGHLAND AVENUE, was presented.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution Final Tract Map

No. 70209 for a 6-unit condominium project located at 3214 Highland Avenue.

Mayor Pro Tem Winterer was excused at 7:14 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Winterer recused himself before the item was discussed and stepped down from the dais, because of a conflict of interest due to his ownership of real estate within one hundred feet of the project.

Questions were asked of staff relating to what was at the location, expiration of application, vested tract maps, and the approval process.

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Councilmember Davis, to approve the staff recommendation. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers O'Connor, Himmelrich, Davis,
Mayor Vazquez

NOES: Councilmember McKeown

ABSENT: Councilmember O'Day, Mayor Pro Tem Winterer

Mayor Pro Tem Winterer returned at 7:20 p.m.

Councilmember McKeown stated, for the record, that his "no" vote reflects his distaste for what he observed happened to the former tenants of this property.

REORGANIZATION

3.R. Planning and Community Development Department Reorganization, was presented.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 10951 (CCS) entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA ESTABLISHING NEW CLASSIFICATIONS AND ADOPTING SALARY RATES FOR CITY URBAN DESIGNER AND PARKING MANAGER"; and
2. Authorize budget changes as outlined in the Financial Impacts & Budget Actions section of this report.

This item was pulled by Councilmember O'Connor to comment on the importance of having vision and leadership on the mobility issues and emphasized the need to have and secure a point person within the organization to continue moving the vision, leadership, and innovation forward as it relates to mobility issues.

Motion by Councilmember O'Connor, seconded by Councilmember Davis, to approve the staff recommendation. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers McKeown, Davis, Himmelrich, O'Connor,

Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, Mayor Vazquez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember O'Day

ORDINANCES:
TENANT RELOCATION ASSISTANCE

7.A. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 2512 (CCS) entitled, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA AMENDING SANTA MONICA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTERS 4.36 AND 8.100 RELATING TO MITIGATING IMPACTS TO TENANTS DURING CONSTRUCTION AND TENANT RELOCATION ASSISTANCE", was presented.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that City Council adopt the attached Ordinance.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, to adopt the ordinance, reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers O'Connor, Himmelrich, Davis, McKeown,
Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, Mayor Vazquez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember O'Day

SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

Councilmember Himmelrich was excused at 7:33 p.m.

7.B. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 2513 (CCS) entitled, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA UPDATING CHAPTER 8.106 OF THE SANTA MONICA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS AND FLASHING INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS", was presented.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that City Council adopt the attached Ordinance.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, seconded by Councilmember Davis, to adopt the ordinance, reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers McKeown, Davis, O'Connor,
Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, Mayor Vazquez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers Himmelrich and O'Day

MINIMUM WAGE ORDINANCE

Councilmember Himmelrich returned at 7:36 p.m.

7.C. Modifications to the Minimum Wage Ordinance, was presented.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council:

- 1) Introduce for first reading the attached ordinance amending Chapters 4.62 and 4.63 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code requiring a minimum wage for employees with a phased approach to reach \$15 per hour by 2020 for most businesses, and a living wage for hotel workers to reach parity with the City of Los Angeles hotel wage on July 1, 2017 for hotels;
- 2) Receive initial staff analysis of California Senate Bill No. 3 [Minimum wage; in-home supportive services; paid sick days] setting a minimum wage increase for the State of California; and
- 3) Authorize budget changes as outlined in the Financial Impacts & Budget Actions section of this report.

Members of the public Abby Arnold, Edith Garcia, Lilia Hernandez, Andre Thibodeaux, Alejandro Soschin, Frank Gruber, Carl Hansen, Hunter Hull, Jeremy Blasi, Kathy Hoang and Johnathan Foster, spoke generally in favor of the recommended action.

Motion by Councilmember Himmelrich, seconded by Councilmember McKeown, to introduce and hold first reading of the ordinance reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers O'Connor, Himmelrich, Davis, McKeown,
Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, Mayor Vazquez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember O'Day

**TEMPORARY
SIDEWALK SALES**

7.D. Adoption of Emergency Interim Ordinance No. 2514 (CCS) entitled, "AN INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY USE PERMITS FOR TEMPORARY SIDEWALK SALES UNDERTAKEN IN CONJUNCTION WITH A CITY PUBLIC STREET EVENT BY BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS AND AREAS AND BY BUSINESSES LOCATED WITHIN A SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY FOOT RADIUS OF THE CITY EVENT AND WAIVING THE FILING FEE FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMITS THAT WILL BE EXERCISED CONTEMPORANEOUS WITH AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY PUBLIC STREET EVENT BY THESE ENTITIES; DECLARING THE PRESENCE OF AN EMERGENCY", was presented.

There was no one present for public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Himmelrich, seconded by Councilmember McKeown, to introduce and hold first reading of the ordinance reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof. The motion was approved by

the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers McKeown, Davis, Himmelrich, O'Connor,
Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, Mayor Vazquez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember O'Day

STAFF
ADMINISTRATIVE
ITEMS:
OUTSIDE ADVISOR

8.A. Review and Comment on Outside Advisor John Hueston's Report with Review and Recommendations of Best Practices for the City of Santa Monica, was presented.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends Council review and comment on the "Report with Review and Recommendation of Best Practices for the City of Santa Monica" from the outside advisor, John Hueston, with his findings of city practices as they relate to accountability, transparency, responsiveness, and the highest ideals of public service, and recommendations based on local government best practices.

Questions were asked of Mr. Hueston relating to whether a violation of the City Charter occurred; how other cities have grappled with the Oaks Initiative and how have they prosecuted; prohibition of campaign contributions prior to a vote rather than after ("commencement of negotiations"); amending City Charter, Article VI, Section 610; First Amendment Rights of Councilmembers; prosecuting Oaks Initiative violations; and compliance of Oaks Initiative.

Members of the public Michael Toney, Denise Barton, Bruce Cameron, Natalya Zernitskaya, Jeremy Stutes, Art Casillas, Mary Marlow (donated time by Mark Kreiter), Elizabeth Van Denburgh (donated time by Alin Wall), Gwynne Pugh, Diana Gordon (donated time by Nancy Morse), Ellen Hannan, Andrew Hoyer, Linda Jassim, Maryanne LaGuardia, Nicole Phillis, Kent Strumpell, Craig Miller, and Frank Gruber spoke generally on the recommended action.

Councilmember O'Connor provided a statement to inform the community that she understands that hiring decisions are made by the City Manager and staff, that she should have found a better way to express her First Amendment Rights in communicating to the former City Manager, and that she hopes they will move forward as a Council and as a City in discussing the important policy issues before them as a community.

Considerable discussion ensued on topics including, but not limited to censorship, public trust, training, and the Federal Elections Law.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem

Winterer, to direct staff to: 1) examine the recommendations in the Hueston report, including the public's concerns relating to the immediate commencement of enforcement of the Oaks Initiative by utilizing a different part of the City Attorney's Office, the discussion of volunteers from non-profits to avoid inadvertently giving an exemption to non-profit developers, the concern relating to Section 2206(b) of the Hueston report on not using the language "whichever applicable," and elimination of the ability to hide behind corporate shells; and, 2) to return to Council and advise as to what can be done by ordinance and resolution and what needs to be placed on the ballot for the November 8, 2016 Election.

Motion to amend by Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, to incorporate the recommendations in the Hueston report relating to staff use of private emails, and improvements to the Oaks compliance documents in hiring practices. The motion was accepted as friendly by the maker.

The motion, as amended, was approved by the following roll vote:

AYES: Councilmembers O'Connor, Himmelrich, Davis, McKeown,
Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, Mayor Vazquez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember O'Day

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Councilmember Himmelrich, to give direction to staff to begin enforcement of the Oaks Initiative within another branch of the City Attorney's Office. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote, with Councilmember O'Day absent.

NAMING PARKS

8.B. Naming Buffer Park and Consideration of Renaming Stewart Street Park, was presented.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the City Council consider the Recreation and Parks Commission's recommendation to select Gandara Park as the official name for Buffer Park and to not recommend any change to Stewart Street Park at this time.

Members of the public Art Casillas and Christel Andersen (donated time by Mathew Davies) spoke on the recommended action.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Councilmember Davis, to change the name of Buffer Park to Ishihara Park and re-name Stewart Park as Gandara Park with direction to staff to have the opening of both parks on the same day and to include signage that will tell the story of these two residents. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers McKeown, Davis, Himmelrich, O'Connor,
Mayor Pro Tem Winterer, Mayor Vazquez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Councilmember O'Day

**COUNCILMEMBER
DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

13.A. Appointment to one unscheduled vacancy on the Arts Commission for a term ending on 06/30/2016 was continued to the June 14, 2016 meeting.

Motion by Councilmember McKeown, seconded by Councilmember Davis, to continue items 13-A and 13-B to the June 14, 2016 meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote with all members voting in favor, except for Mayor Pro Tem Winterer voting against, and Councilmember O'Day absent.

13.B. Appointment to one unscheduled vacancy on the Arts Commission for a term ending on 06/30/2018, was continued.

Continued to the June 14, 2016 meeting.

13.C. Recommendation to accept Rebecca Lantry's resignation from the Commission on the Status of Women and authorize the City Clerk to publish the vacancy, was presented.

There was no one present for public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Mayor Vazquez, to accept the resignation with regret and provide direction to staff to look into issue stated in Ms. Lantry's resignation letter relating to potential Brown Act violations.

The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote, with Councilmember O'Day absent.

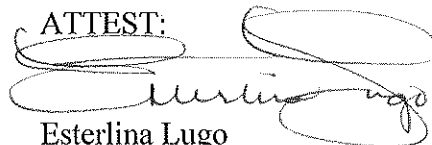
PUBLIC INPUT:

Members of the public Delorez Ramos Castellanos, Denise Barton, Art Casillas, Christel Andersen, and Johnathan Foster commented on various local issues.

ADJOURNMENT


On order of the Mayor, the City Council meeting was adjourned at 11:10 p.m. in memory of Brett Szeltzer.

ATTEST:



Esterlina Lugo
Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED:



Tony Vazquez
Mayor