

IRWINDALE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5050 N. IRWINDALE AVENUE
IRWINDALE, CALIFORNIA 91706

MARCH 10, 2021
WEDNESDAY
6:31 P.M.

The Irwindale **CITY COUNCIL** met in regular session, beginning at the above time and place.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Albert F. Ambriz, Mark A. Breceda, Manuel R. Garcia; Mayor Pro Tem Larry G. Burrola; Mayor H. Manuel Ortiz

Present: William Tam, City Manager; Theresa Olivares, Assistant City Manager; Adrian Guerra, City Attorney; Ty Henshaw, Police Chief; Arsanious Hanna, City Engineer; Eva Carreon, Director of Finance; Marilyn Simpson, Community Development Manager; Mary Hull, Human Resources Manager; Elizabeth Rodriguez, Public Works Services Manager; Brandi Jones, Senior Planner; Jeff Wagner, Information Technology Manager; Iris Espino, Economic Development Coordinator; and Laura Nieto, Chief Deputy City Clerk

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

CITY MANAGER TAM

City Manager Tam advised that Item No. 1E would be pulled from the Consent Calendar for further discussion at the request of Mayor Ortiz. Also, staff is requesting that the Reclamation Authority portion of the meeting be held before the Housing Authority portion.

COUNCILMEMBER TRAVEL REPORTS

None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

COUNCILMEMBER AMBRIZ

Councilmember Ambriz spoke on an upcoming food giveaway being planned by the Irwindale Community Foundation on March 27. He also requested an update from Chief Henshaw on current issues at Las Casitas.

CHIEF HENSHAW

Chief Henshaw reported that the security and safety of resident seniors are of utmost importance. He noted that complaints have been received about parties, unauthorized guests, and other illegal activities taking place at the Las Casitas senior apartments. He indicated that staff is working with the complex's management company, and that staff has made recommendations so that the management company could address security protocols. Officers will continue to provide extra patrols and walk-throughs of the property.

MAYOR PRO TEM BURROLA

Responding to a question by Mayor Pro Tem Burrola, Chief Henshaw stated his understanding that the cameras at Las Casitas work intermittently. Mayor Pro Tem Burrola requested to be updated once the cameras are fully functional.

COUNCILMEMBER BRECEDA	In answer to a question by Councilmember Breceda, Chief Henshaw indicated that somebody is propping the pedestrian gate open and that individuals are coming in and out of the complex.
COUNCILMEMBER AMBRIZ	Councilmember Ambriz thanked Chief Henshaw for the report, and reaffirmed the Council's deep concern for the safety and welfare of the seniors.
MAYOR ORTIZ	Mayor Ortiz also thanked Chief Henshaw for the report, and asked who would control the cameras once they are functional, to which Chief Henshaw stated that the property owner would control them. He added that the management company is also looking into remedying internet connectivity issues at the site.
MAYOR PRO TEM BURROLA	Mayor Pro Tem Burrola commended the Recreation Department staff, particularly the ones working on the COIN broadcast, for their creativity. He also requested that a survey be conducted as to which city facilities have cameras and their operational status, with a report to be presented to the Council in the future.
COUNCILMEMBER BRECEDA	Councilmember Breceda requested that cameras be installed at the Memorial Garden.
MAYOR ORTIZ	Mayor Ortiz, on behalf of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, thanked the Police Officers for being present during the funeral services of Pastor Joseph Canna. He also thanked his Council colleagues for attending the funeral services. He then stated that he has received comments from residents who indicate that they feel that their comments and questions are not being answered or followed-up on. He also stated that he is not receiving the minutes for the Parks and Recreation and Planning Commissions, and requested that the minutes be delivered to the Council once again.
CITY MANAGER TAM	City Manager Tam advised that the minutes were previously provided to the Council in their weekly updates. However, the weekly updates had been discontinued due to the pandemic. He indicated that the weekly update will be resuming and that the minutes would be included.

**INTRODUCTION OF
NEW EMPLOYEES /
PROMOTIONS**

None.

**PROCLAMATIONS /
PRESENTATIONS /
COMMENDATIONS**

CSMFO MERITORIOUS
BUDGET AWARD
PRESENTED TO THE
FINANCE DEPT.

CSMFO MERITORIOUS BUDGET AWARD PRESENTED TO THE
FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE

The presentation was made.

CERTIFICATE OF
APPOINTMENT TO
SENIOR CITIZEN
COMMISSIONER
CAROL ACOSTA

CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT PRESENTATION TO SENIOR
CITIZEN COMMISSIONER CAROL ACOSTA

The presentation was made.

**SPONTANEOUS
COMMUNICATIONS**

CARMEN ROMAN

Carmen Roman requested to discuss certain items on the agenda,
and commended staff for the wonderful work on the Memorial Garden
pavers.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda congratulated Senior Commissioner Acosta on her
appointment, complimented Recreation Manager Zepeda for the
amazing programs and activities that the department is providing, and
stated that she recognizes illegal activities being conducted at Las
Casitas, and suggested improvements to the complex's
management.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Breceda, seconded by Mayor
Pro Tem Burrola, to approve the Consent Calendar; reading
ordinances by title only and waiving further reading thereof, with the
exception of Item No. 1E, which was removed for separate
consideration. The motion was unanimously approved.

ITEM NO. 1A
MINUTES

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1) Regular meeting held February 24, 2021

ITEM NO. 1B
WARRANTS /
DEMANDS /
PAYROLL

WARRANTS / DEMANDS / PAYROLL

The warrants / demands / payroll were approved.

ITEM NO. 1C
2ND READING OF
ORDINANCE NO. 755

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ORDINANCE NO. 755
ADOPTED ON
SECOND READING

Ordinance No. 755, entitled:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 02-06 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 15990 FOOTHILL BOULEVARD (APN 8604-019-003) IN THE RELIANCE II SPECIFIC PLAN ZONE SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS AS SET FORTH HEREIN AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF; AND FINDING THE PROJECT EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT," was passed, approved, and adopted on second reading, reading by title only and waiving further reading thereof,

ITEM NO. 1D
2ND READING OF
ORDINANCE NO. 752
AND ORDINANCE NO.
753

2ND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 752 AND ORDINANCE NO. 753

ORDINANCE NO. 752
ADOPTED ON
SECOND READING

Ordinance No. 752, entitled:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE AMENDING SECTION 8.20.370 OF THE IRWINDALE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING SOLID WASTE FRANCHISES, AMENDING CHAPTERS 17.56 AND 17.58 OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING MATERIAL RECOVERY FACILITIES IN THE M-2 (HEAVY MANUFACTURING) ZONE AND ADDING SECTION 17.56.025 REGARDING DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR ALCOHOL BEVERAGE ESTABLISHMENTS," and

ORDINANCE NO. 753
ADOPTED ON
SECOND READING

Ordinance No. 753, entitled:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 02-2016 WITH ATHENS SERVICES TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS OF A MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY AND TRANSFER STATION, CONVENIENCE STORE AND PUBLIC GAS STATION ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2200 ARROW HIGHWAY (APN 8535-001-911), AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF," were passed, approved, and adopted on second reading, reading by titles only and waiving further reading thereof.

ITEM NO. 1F
REQUEST TO
APPROVE A PROJECT
REIMBURSEMENT
AGREEMENT WITH
REXFORD INDUSTRIAL
REALTY, INC.

REQUEST TO APPROVE A PROJECT REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND REXFORD INDUSTRIAL REALTY, INC. ("APPLICANT") FOR CEQA AND CITY ATTORNEY COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH A PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL BUILDING TO BE LOCATED AT 4416 AZUSA CANYON ROAD (APN 8617-004-006)

The Project Reimbursement Agreement with Rexford Industrial Realty, Inc., for the reimbursement of costs associated with all CEQA work conducted and all necessary CEQA documents prepared by the CEQA consultant selected by the City as Lead Agency and costs incurred by the City Attorney's office to process and negotiate permits, entitlements, and proposed conditions of approval of the Project, was approved.

ITEM NO. 1G
AMENDMENT NO. 1
TO CONTRACT
SERVICES AGMT.
WITH ITERIS, INC.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ITERIS, INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SERVICES FOR RELIANCE II PHASE I OFFSITE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT; P-1014

Amendment No. 1 to Contract Services Agreement with Iteris, Inc., for Professional Design Services for the preparation of the Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) for the Reliance II Phase I Offsite Improvements Project (P-1014) increasing the contract amount to \$121,870.00 (increase of \$41,940.00), was approved.

ITEM NO. 1H
AWARDS OF
CONTRACT FOR
CONSTRUCTION AND
CONSTRUCTION
MANAGEMENT AND
INSPECTION FOR
THE 2020-2021
RESURFACING
PROJECT

AWARDS OF CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION FOR THE 2020-2021 RESURFACING PROJECT; P-1026

1) The City Manager was authorized to enter into an agreement with Hardy and Harper in the amount of \$492,055 for the 2020-2021 Resurfacing Project; 2) a 20% project contingency in the amount of \$98,411 was approved to cover any unforeseeable conditions that may arise during construction; 3) the City Manager was authorized to enter into an agreement with SA Associates in the amount of \$64,000 for construction management, inspection, labor compliance oversight, and geotechnical testing services; 4) a 20% project contingency was approved for construction management in the amount of \$12,800 to cover any unforeseeable conditions that may arise during construction; and:

RESOLUTION NO.
2021-27-3239
ADOPTED

Resolution No. 2021-27-3239, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINDALE APPROVING THE BALANCE TRANSFER OF \$185,535.27 FROM THE 2019-2020 RESURFACING PROJECT TO THE 2020-2021 RESURFACING PROJECT," was adopted.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

ITEM NO. 1E
REQUEST TO
APPROVE A
PROFESSIONAL
CONTRACT SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH
PLACEWORKS, INC.

REQUEST TO APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PLACEWORKS, INC. FOR THE PREPARATION OF CEQA DOCUMENTS (INITIAL STUDY AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION OR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN APPROXIMATELY 125,475 SQUARE-FOOT SPECULATIVE CONCRETE TILT-UP BUILDING ON AN APPROXIMATELY 5.76 ACRE PROJECT SITE LOCATED AT 4416 AZUSA CANYON ROAD (APN 8617-004-006)

MAYOR ORTIZ

Mayor Ortiz spoke on the need to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Los Angeles Street and Azusa Canyon Road for safety reasons, to which City Manager Tam advised that the recommended contract will have the professional consultant study all areas of concern, including traffic safety.

MOTION

A motion was made by Mayor Ortiz, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Burrola, to approve the contract with PlaceWorks, Inc., for the preparation of an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report to be prepared in association with a land use entitlement applications for property located at 4416 Azusa Canyon Road, Irwindale, CA 91706. The motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM NO. 2A
COMPREHENSIVE
ANNUAL FINANCIAL
REPORT FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2020

COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 (Presented as a joint item of the Successor Agency, Housing Authority, and Reclamation Authority Items 2A)

DIRECTOR CARREON

Director Carreon introduced the report and presented Brian Gruber with Lance, Soll, and Lunghard, the city's auditing firm, who made a PowerPoint presentation.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda asked whether the firm also audited staff and management, as well as the Recreation Department's budget, to which Mr. Gruber advised that the audit covered all city departments and activities, with a focus on financial reporting. He added that the audit also ensures that the budget that was adopted by the Council is being reported on the city's financial statements.

CARMEN ROMAN

Carmen Roman stated her opinion that the financial documentation prepared by the Finance Department contains mistakes, and questioned the procedures that the auditing firm undertakes for its

audit, to which Mr. Gruber responded by saying that the audit includes the financial statements produced by the Finance Department, including the city's general ledger, and that the audit includes tests and verifications of the accounting methods utilized by the city.

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Breceda, seconded by Councilmember Garcia, to receive and accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Supplemental Audit Letters for the Fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. The motion was unanimously approved.

ITEM NO. 2B
RESOLUTION TO
EXTEND EXISTENCE
OF LOCAL
EMERGENCY;
RETROACTIVELY
AUTHORIZING THE
PAYMENT OF
STIPENDS TO
MEMBERS OF THE
SENIOR CITIZEN
COMMISSION

RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY REGARDING COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF STIPENDS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR CITIZEN COMMISSION FOR THE MEETING CANCELLED ON JANUARY 25, 2021

HUMAN RESOURCES
MANAGER HULL

Human Resources Manager Hull presented the report.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda stated her desire to ask questions about the city's recent audit.

RESOLUTION NO.
2021-22-3234
ADOPTED

Resolution No. 2021-22-3234, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE, CALIFORNIA, EXTENDING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC WITHIN THE CITY OF IRWINDALE PURSUANT TO IRWINDALE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.44 AND RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF STIPENDS TO MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR CITIZEN COMMISSION FOR THE JANUARY 25, 2021, MEETING CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19," was adopted, on the motion of Councilmember Breceda, seconded by Councilmember Ambriz, and unanimously approved.

ITEM NO. 2C
10-ACRE PARCEL
ON EAST SIDE
OF ALLEN DRIVE

10-ACRE PARCEL ON EAST SIDE OF ALLEN DRIVE

COUNCILMEMBER BRECEDA	Councilmember Breceda declared a potential conflict of interest with this item, recused himself from the discussion, and exited the Council Chambers at 7:20 p.m.
CITY ATTORNEY GUERRA	City Attorney Guerra advised that City Manager Tam requested that he look into an issue relating to a potential conflict of interest regarding Councilmember Ambriz. He explained that, since Councilmember Ambriz rents his home, and since this is a very broad discussion on this topic, he did not see a conflict of interest at this time, but that this would be subject to Councilmember Ambriz's final determination.
COUNCILMEMBER AMBRIZ	Councilmember Ambriz stated his preference in participating in discussing this matter.
MANAGER SIMPSON	Manager Simpson noted that this matter relates to the 10-acre parcel on the east side of Allen Drive, and provided brief background information on the site. She advised that the 10-acre site is included in the Housing Element as part of the General Plan, with a 3-acre portion of the site being planned for high-density housing, including 21 units per acre, as part of the city's Regional Housing Needs Assessment ("RHNA") cycle. She further discussed RHNA, where Irwindale is currently in its 6th cycle, and indicated that the subject site could be used for future housing in order to meet RHNA requirements or future city-facility needs. She also advised that the state enacted AB 1486, also known as the CA Surplus Land Act, in January of 2020, with an emphasis to provide affordable housing development on what they consider to be surplus lands. She noted that the legislation requires that the Housing Element report any surplus land as well as the need to send out notices for any lease or sale of surplus lands to the California Department of Housing and Community Development ("HCD"). The legislation also requires cities to allow residential development under maximum development density on surplus lands, with the units being available under a variety of affordability levels, and it restricts cities from imposing certain design or architectural requirements. She concluded that the city must consider residential use for any surplus land throughout the city and include it in the Housing Element annual progress report, which is due on April 1. She further noted that the HCD will be monitoring activities to ensure city compliance.
CARMEN ROMAN	Carmen Roman asked why residents were not notified that the city plans on making changes to the subject site, to which City Attorney Guerra corrected her by stating that tonight's discussion will not include any zoning changes or the sale of the property. Rather, the matter was raised in order to hold a broad discussion on how the property could be utilized in the future.

MANAGER SIMPSON Manager Simpson reiterated that there is no zoning change being proposed at this point. The site is currently zoned M2, Heavy Manufacturing, and the General Plan designation is industrial/business park, with a portion being designated as general. The final HCD guidelines were set for a January 2021 release, which is why the Council is being apprised with this information.

DENA ZEPEDA Dena Zepeda stated that the majority of residents prefer to utilize the site for housing, to which Manager Simpson indicated that the site was identified in the 2013 Housing Element as being designated as a potential site for future housing. Dena Zepeda requested that the residents be informed whenever this site is discussed.

COUNCILMEMBER
GARCIA Councilmember Garcia voiced concern over developers potentially wishing to take over the property to develop whatever type of housing they wish, to which Manager Simpson stated that the HCD guidelines will go out to any developers that have registered with the HCD, so it is conceivable that there will be multiple developers interested in building on this site.

COUNCILMEMBER
AMBRIZ Councilmember Ambriz stated his belief that it is imperative to further designate the entire 10 acres solely for housing as quickly as possible, and for residents to become more involved in further discussions.

MANAGER SIMPSON Manager Simpson clarified that the site has already been designated for housing in 2013 when the Housing Element was adopted. Therefore, the site would not be considered surplus land unless an alternative use for the site is identified.

COUNCILMEMBER
GARCIA Councilmember Garcia asked whether the Council would need to designate the site as housing once more, to which Manager Simpson stated that, should the Council desire to keep the site for housing, no further action is necessary. However, she also noted that a potential buyer can offer to purchase the property, though the development of the site would need to remain consistent with the Housing Element.

MAYOR PRO TEM
BURROLA Mayor Pro Tem Burrola suggested that rezoning the site for residential use would help alleviate concerns of residents that the site may be used for other purposes, to which Manager Simpson spoke on the process necessary in order to change the zoning designation.

Responding to another question by Mayor Pro Tem Burrola, City Manager Tam reiterated that three acres of the 10-acre parcel was already designated for housing in RHNA's 5th cycle. The Council also approved the use of the entire 10-acre site to be used for housing. However, he noted that, since the site is currently owned by the city and not the Housing Authority, the seven acres will technically be subject to the Surface Land Act. One option would be for the city to transfer the entire 10 acres to the Housing Authority, to be used for

housing, then the Housing Authority could control aspects of the development.

CITY ATTORNEY
GUERRA

City Attorney Guerra provided background information on the Surface Land Act and how it works. He stated that the land owned by the city is considered surplus unless deemed exempt. One of those exemptions includes land that a local agency is either exchanging for another property that is necessary for agency use, or transferring it to another local, state, or federal agency for their use. He added that City Manager Tam's suggestion to transfer the land to the Housing Authority for housing uses would be consistent with the intent of the Surface Land Act.

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Ambriz to direct staff to pursue the transfer of the subject 10-acre site to the Housing Authority for housing uses and bring a report back to the Council, and for staff to begin the process to rezone the property and amend the General Plan to designate the property as "residential".

COUNCILMEMBER
GARCIA

Councilmember Garcia suggested inviting residents to participate in the process to ensure their needs are met. He also suggested potentially developing walking trails, extending the park, or widening Allen Drive. He spoke on the importance of properly planning the site's development.

MAYOR ORTIZ

Mayor Ortiz thanked his colleagues for their comments and stated that the public should be made aware of the Council's intent so that they can provide their input.

SECOND TO MOTION

Mayor Pro Tem Burrola seconded Councilmember Ambriz's motion.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda stated her preference that the site be retained for housing.

CARMEN ROMAN

Carmen Roman spoke in favor of rezoning the property for housing.

ROLL CALL

The above-mentioned motion was unanimously approved; Councilmember Breceda absent.

COUNCILMEMBER
BRECEDA

Councilmember Breceda returned at 7:56 p.m.

ITEM NO. 2D
ACCEPTANCE AND
APPROPRIATION OF
THE 2020 LOCAL
EARLY ACTION
PLANNING GRANTS
PROGRAM (LEAP)
GRANTS PROGRAM
GRANT

ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF THE 2020 LOCAL
EARLY ACTION PLANNING GRANTS PROGRAM (LEAP) GRANTS
PROGRAM GRANT

MANAGER SIMPSON

Manager Simpson presented the staff report.

RESOLUTION NO.
2021-26-3238
ADOPTED

Resolution No. 2021-26-3238, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
IRWINDALE APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE AND
APPROPRIATION OF THE LOCAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING
GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$65,000 FOR THE USE OF
PROJECTS THAT WILL FACILITATE COMPLIANCE WITH THE 6TH
CYCLE OF THE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT,"
was passed, approved, and adopted, on the motion of
Councilmember Ambriz, seconded by Councilmember Breceda, and
unanimously approved.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

LEGISLATIVE ITEMS

ITEM NO. 4A
DEVELOPMENT OF A
LEGISLATIVE
PLATFORM FOR THE
CITY OF IRWINDALE

DEVELOPMENT OF A LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM FOR THE CITY
OF IRWINDALE

ASSISTANT CITY
MANAGER OLIVARES

Assistant City Manager Olivares presented the staff report.

CARMEN ROMAN

Carmen Roman asked about the lobbying services the city has
retained, and whether existing staff could advocate for certain
legislation. She spoke against hiring someone to advocate for
legislation, to which Mayor Ortiz corrected her by noting that the City
has not made any mention about hiring anybody.

ASSISTANT CITY
MANAGER OLIVARES

Assistant City Manager Olivares advised that the city does have a
legislative advocate that works on behalf of the city. However, the
purpose of the legislative platform is for the Council to provide clear
direction on the types of actions that the city should take in response
to legislation. She noted that, on occasions, the city is requested by
other agencies to take a stance on legislation. The legislative platform

would serve to provide direction to staff to voice on how it stands on legislative matters

CARMEN ROMAN In response to Assistant City Manager Olivares' comments, Carmen Roman asked why the city is proposing to hire another person. Assistant City Manager Olivares repeated that the city is not proposing hiring anybody for this.

DENA ZEPEDA Dena Zepeda spoke on her issues with the city's upper management and insultingly disparaged staff.

COUNCIL CONSENSUS Council consensus was reached to receive and file the report.

ITEM NO. 4B
REPORT ON PENDING
LEGISLATION REPORT ON PENDING LEGISLATION

ASSISTANT CITY
MANAGER OLIVARES Assistant City Manager Olivares presented the report.

MOTION A motion was made by Councilmember Ambriz, seconded by Councilmember Garcia, to 1) authorize Mayor Ortiz to execute and send a letter of opposition unless amended to SB 9 (Atkins) Housing Development Approvals, and 2) retroactively approve a letter executed by Mayor Ortiz in support of H.R. 1319 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The motion was unanimously approved.

MAYOR ORTIZ Mayor Ortiz apologized to Assistant City Manager Olivares and City Manager Tam for the rude comments made by a member of the public, and thanked staff for providing this valuable information.

CITY MANAGER'S
REPORT

PUBLIC INFORMATION
OFFICER ESPINO Public Information Officer Espino provided an update relating to COVID-19.

DENA ZEPEDA Responding to a question by Dena Zepeda, Public Information Officer Espino advised that employees are being encouraged, not mandated, to receive the COVID-19 vaccination.

MAYOR ORTIZ Mayor Ortiz spoke on efforts made to collaborate with the County of Los Angeles to provide vaccination assistance to local businesses and residents.

CITY MANAGER TAM City Manager Tam advised that staff will continue to adjust city operations according to county and state guidelines. He further noted that all city staff is returning to work full-time from city facilities beginning March 15.

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FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS REQUESTED BY
COUNCILMEMBERS

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



Laura M. Nieto, MMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk

Approved as submitted at the meeting held March 24, 2021.