

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA**



**MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2015
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pougnet called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Girl Scout Troop 1744, led the Pledge.

INVOCATION: Rev. Amanda Burr, United Methodist Church, led the Invocation.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmember Foat, Councilmember Mills, Councilmember Hutcheson, Mayor Pro Tem Lewin, and Mayor Pougnet.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Ready, City Attorney Holland, City Clerk Thompson.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Pougnet issued a statement regarding the recent law in Indiana, stated the City will prohibit City funded travel to Indiana, and requested the City Manager place a resolution on the next Agenda, opposing the proposed legislation.

Mayor Pougnet provided an update on the 2015 Tour de Palm Springs, announced the City of Palm Springs received the Desert Cities Energy Partnership Award, provided an update on the PSNIC 10th Anniversary Community Picnic, the Springs Shopping Center Celebration, and the Palm Springs Woman's Club Fashion Show and Fundraiser.

Mayor Pougnet announced the Palm Springs Fire Department Easter Egg Hunt and the FIND Food Bank Telethon.

Councilmember Foat provided an update on animal adoptions at the Palm Springs Animal Shelter.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION:

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. and the City Council recessed into Closed Session to discuss items on the posted Closed Session Agenda. City Attorney Holland

reported the City Council provided direction to Staff, otherwise no reportable actions were taken.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:

Councilmember Hutcheson noted his abstention on Consent Calendar Item 2.B.

Councilmember Mills requested Items 2.H., 2.J., and 2.K. be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewin requested Item 2.F. be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion.

Councilmember Foat requested Item 2.F. be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion.

ACTION: Accept the Agenda as amended. **Motion Councilmember Hutcheson, seconded by Councilmember Mills and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

1. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Councilmember Foat stated she has a business related conflict of interest with respect to Item 1.A. and a property related conflict of interest with respect to Item 1.B., would not participate in the discussion or the vote, and left Council Chamber.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewin stated he has a property related conflict of interest with respect to Item 1.A., would not participate in the discussion or the vote, and left Council Chamber.

1.A. 41st PROGRAM YEAR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) 2015-16 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND CDBG BUDGET APPROVAL, AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT GRANT NO. B-15-MC-06-0561 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$343,175, AND APPROVING SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENTS:

Dale Cook, Community Development Administrator, provided background information as outlined in the Staff Report dated April 1, 2015.

Mayor Pougnet opened the public hearing, and the following speakers addressed the City Council.

JEFFREY KRAMER, Shelter from the Storm, thanked the City Council and the Committee, outlined the programs offered by Shelter from the Storm, and requested the City Council fund the programs.

BRANDE ORR, Desert AIDS Project, outlined the programs offered by Desert AIDS Project, and requested the City Council fund the programs.

No further speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pougnet commented on local programs, recommended the City Council consider splitting the \$15,000 award to Shelter from the Storm in the amount of \$7,500 and \$7,500 to AIDS Assistance Program.

Councilmember Mills requested Staff address the eligibility of the Stroke Recovery Center, and commented on the scope of the project submitted by Desert AIDS Project.

ACTION: ACTION: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23796, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE 2015-16 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, APPROVING THE CDBG BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-16, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE PLAN AND BUDGET TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD), AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH HUD (GRANT NO. B-15-MC-06-0561) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$343,175 AND THE SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENTS." A5814.

The Ranch Recovery Center	\$80,777
Solar Panel Energy Conservation	A6668.
Desert AIDS Project	\$72,294
Emergency Preparedness Generator	A6507.
Senior Advocates of the Desert	\$15,000
Low-Income Seniors	A6667.
Fair Housing Council of Riverside	\$30,000
Fair Housing Services	A6510.
Jewish Family Service of the Desert	\$15,000
KidFirst Healthy Life Program	A6512.
Shelter from the Storm	\$7,500
Client Case Management	A6666.
AIDS Assistance Program	\$7,500
Food Voucher Program	A6671.

City of Palm Springs Dept. of Parks & Recreation \$19,987
Desert Highland Unity Center Audio Visual Improvements

City of Palm Springs Dept. of Public Works & Engineering \$50,000
Citywide ADA Curb Ramp and Sidewalk

Motion Mayor Pougnet, seconded by Councilmember Hutcheson and unanimously carried 3-0 on a roll call vote.

AYES: Councilmember Hutcheson, Councilmember Mills, and Mayor Pougnet.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Councilmember Foat and Mayor Pro Tem Lewin.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewin returned to the dais.

1.B. 750 LOFTS, LLC MIXED-USE HOTEL DEVELOPMENT ON A 1.13 ACRE PARCEL LOCATED AT 750 NORTH PALM CANYON DRIVE, ZONE C-1 / R-3 / PD 104 / RESORT COMBINING ZONE /LAS PALMAS BUSINESS HISTORIC DISTRICT, CEQA MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 23757 REGARDING THE PREVIOUS APPROVAL OF THE HISTORIC SITE CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL (HD-1) (CASE 5.1350 PDD 374 / GPA):
ACTION: 1) Table the public hearing, with no testimony at this time; 2) Continue the Public Hearing to April 15, 2015; and 3) Direct the City Clerk to post a Notice of Continued Public Hearing as required by law.
Motion Councilmember Hutcheson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lewin and unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

AYES: Councilmember Hutcheson, Councilmember Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Lewin, and Mayor Pougnet.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Councilmember Foat.

Councilmember Foat returned to the dais.

1.C. AMENDMENT TO THE PALM SPRINGS ZONING CODE RELATING TO ACCESSORY SECOND DWELLING UNITS (CASE 5.1341 ZTA):
ACTION: 1) Table the public hearing with no public testimony at this time; 2) Continue the Public Hearing to April 15, 2015; and 3) Direct the City Clerk to post a Notice of Continued Public Hearing pursuant to law.
Motion Mayor Pro Tem Lewin, seconded by Councilmember Mills and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.

1.D. HISTORIC DISTRICT DESIGNATION FOR THE POMPEII DE LAS PALMAS CONDOMINIUMS LOCATED AT 221 THROUGH 231 WEST STEVENS ROAD AND 200 THROUGH 206 CAMINO NORTE AS HISTORIC DISTRICT NO. 4 (CASE HSPB 91/HD 4):

Flinn Fagg, Director of Planning Services, provided background information as outlined in the Staff Report dated April 1, 2015.

Mayor Pougnet opened the public hearing, and the following speakers addressed the City Council.

ERIK ROSENOW, Palm Springs, provided background information on the site and the building, and requested the City Council approve the historic designation.

DALE CHRISTENSEN, Palm Springs, resident of the building and requested the City Council support the historic designation.

STEVE FUSCO, Palm Springs, provided background information on the property, and requested the City Council support the historic designation.

No further speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewin requested Staff address the differences with a historic district and site, and if the designation would affect surrounding properties.

Councilmember Mills commented on the condition of the property, and stated the property may not meet the definition for an historic designation.

Mayor Pougnet commented on the requirements for the historic designation and how the project may meet the requirements.

Councilmember Hutcheson stated the City should embrace the owner's history and perspective on the property and stated his support for the historic designation.

Councilmember Foat commented on the requirements for the designation and commented on how the property may meet the historic designation requirements.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewin commented on the support of the homeowners and the current condition of the property, and stated his support for the historic designation.

Councilmember Mills stated the homeowners support is not in the requirements for a historic designation, and the design is not up to the standards of other properties that were provided an historic designation.

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 23797, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING THE POMPEII DE LAS PALMAS CONDOMINIUMS LOCATED AT 221 THROUGH 231 WEST STEVENS ROAD AND 200 THROUGH 206 CAMINO NORTE AS HISTORIC DISTRICT NO. 4 (CASE HSPB 91/HD 4)." **Motion Mayor Pro Tem Lewin, seconded by Councilmember Foat and carried 4-1 on a roll call vote.**

AYES: Councilmember Foat, Councilmember Hutcheson, Mayor Pro Tem Lewin, and Mayor Pougnet.

NOES: Councilmember Mills.

1.E. PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PALM SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO COUNCIL CALL UP OF COMMISSION AND BOARD ACTIONS AND SUSPENSION OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES (CASE 5.1341 ZTA):

City Attorney Holland provided background information as outlined in the Staff Report dated April 1, 2015.

Mayor Pougnet opened the public hearing, and no speakers coming forward the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Foat expressed concern with a Councilmember making a statement by calling up a decision and participating in the discussion, and stated her support that a Councilmember calling up a decision should provide a reason.

Councilmember Hutcheson stated his support of the provisions and the recommendation by City Staff.

ACTION: 1) Waive the reading of the ordinance text in its entirety and read by title only; and 2) Adopt Ordinance No. 1874, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 2.06.030, 6.12.030, AND 94.10.00 OF THE PALM SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO COUNCIL CALL UP OF COMMISSION AND BOARD ACTIONS AND THE SUSPENSION OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES 6.12.030 OF THE PALM SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE." **Motion Councilmember Hutcheson, seconded by Councilmember Mills and carried 4-1 on a roll call vote.**

AYES: Councilmember Hutcheson, Councilmember Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Lewin, and Mayor Pougnet.
NOES: Councilmember Foat.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

GEORGE ZANDER, Palm Springs, praised the Palm Springs Police Department regarding the leadership position toward transgendered individuals.

MORAINO PATENCIO, Rancho Mirage, commented on the current status of the land lease for the property at Indian Canyon and Ramon.

BENJAMIN SULLIVAN, Palm Springs, commented on the current status of the land lease for the property at Indian Canyon and Ramon.

FRANK TYSEN, commented on the 750 Lofts project.

JOY BROWN MEREDITH, commented on the PSNIC 10th Anniversary Picnic, and thanked City employees who assist in Downtown.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Foat commented on the state of the businesses located at Indian Canyon and Ramon.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Ready announced the preview of the City's new website.

The City Council recessed at 8:12 p.m.
The City Council reconvened at 8:16 p.m.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Approve Items 2.A., 2.B., 2.C., 2.D., 2.E., 2.G., 2.I., and 2.L. **Motion Councilmember Hutcheson, seconded by Councilmember Mills and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

2.A. REPORT ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA:

ACTION: Receive and file Report on the Posting of the April 1, 2015, City Council Agenda. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.B. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO PURCHASE ORDER NO. 15-0652 WITH DESERT SECURITY SERVICES TO RESPOND TO VACATION RENTAL CALLS DURING CERTAIN HOURS:

ACTION: 1) Approve an amendment to Purchase Order No. 15-0652 with Desert Security Services adding \$17,000, for a total purchase order amount of \$42,000, at the stated hourly rates; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the Purchase Order. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar, noting the abstention of Councilmember Hutcheson.**

2.C. AGREEMENT WITH SO CAL LAND MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR ROADSIDE MAINTENANCE SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$81,020 (IFB 15-11):

ACTION: 1) Approve a contract services agreement with So Cal Land Maintenance, Inc., as specified in Invitation for Bid #08-15, for roadside maintenance services for an estimated monthly amount of \$6,751.67, not to exceed \$81,020.00 per year for three years with two one-year extensions upon mutual consent of City Engineer and So Cal Land Maintenance, Inc.; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. A6683. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.D. TREASURER'S INVESTMENT REPORT AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2015:

ACTION: Receive and File the Treasurer's Investment Report as of February 28, 2015. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.E. APPROVE THE COOPERATIVE PURCHASE FOR AIRPORT SEAT REPLACEMENT:

ACTION: 1) Approve the purchase of all materials, supplies, equipment and labor to replace the bottom and back seat cushions on 528 public seats at the Airport from TotalPlan, Inc. under the US Communities cooperative purchase agreement in the amount of \$96,839.67; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.G. APPROVE PARCEL MAP 36693, DOS PALMAS DEVELOPMENT LLC, FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SUNNY DUNES ROAD AND SUNRISE WAY:

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 23798, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING PARCEL MAP 36693, DOS PALMAS DEVELOPMENT LLC, FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SUNNY DUNES ROAD AND SUNRISE WAY, IN SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 4 EAST." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.I. ACCEPTANCE OF THE PALM TREE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT PROJECT (CP 13-09):

ACTION: 1) Accept the public work improvement identified as the Palm Tree Removal and Replacement Project, City Project No. 13-09, and as completed; and 2) Authorize the City Engineer to execute and file for recordation with the Riverside County Recorder a Notice of Completion for the Palm Tree Removal and Replacement Project, City Project No. 13-09. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.L. AUTHORIZE A PURCHASE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,695.98 WITH TRANE RENTAL SERVICES TO RENT A 250 TON CHILLER FOR THE AIRPORT:

ACTION: 1) Approve a Purchase Order in the amount of \$71,695.98 with Trane Rental Services for chiller rental at the Airport; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.F. APPROVE A GRANT AGREEMENT UNDER THE CITY'S SPECIAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOCUS INCENTIVE AREAS PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000 WITH PALM SPRINGS MOTORSPORTS, INC., FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6550 NORTH INDIAN CANYON DRIVE:

Councilmember Lewin outlined the program for small businesses in the City of Palm Springs.

ACTION: 1) Approve a Special Economic Development Focus Incentive Areas Program Interior Remodel Grant Agreement with Palm Springs Motorsports, Inc. in the amount of \$25,000; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. A6684. **Motion Mayor Pro Tem Lewin, seconded by Councilmember Hutcheson and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

2.H. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION TO ALLOW DOGS OFF-LEASH IN CERTAIN DESIGNATED OFF-LEASH AREAS IN DEMUTH PARK AND RUTH HARDY PARK:

Councilmember Foat commented on the Board of the Friends of Animal Shelter looking at all City regulations for animals, and requested the City Council establish an ad hoc subcommittee to review animal regulations, and stated her support for installing the dog waste stations.

Councilmember Mills suggested the City Council initiate the ordinance on a trial basis.

Mayor Pougnet recommends the City Council form a subcommittee prior to a trial period.

Councilmember Hutcheson stated his support for more study prior to acting on the proposed ordinance.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewin requested Staff address enclosing the off-leash areas.

ACTION: Appoint Councilmember Foat and Mayor Pro Tem Lewin to an ad hoc City Council Subcommittee to study animal regulations. **By unanimous consent of the City Council.**

2.J. AUTHORIZE A PURCHASE ORDER FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$47,900 WITH ALBERT A. WEBB & ASSOCIATES FOR ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC AND CEQA DESIGN SERVICES FOR BICYCLE CORRIDORS, PHASE 1 (CP 13-32):

Councilmember Mills requested Staff clarify the scope of services to include all the bicycle corridors, and recommended the scope be cut to reduce costs.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewin requested Staff clarify the direction to find a north-south route that would be safe, and if the City would have a plan to implement the study.

ACTION: 1) Authorize a Purchase Order in the amount of \$47,900 with Albert A. Webb & Associates for traffic and CEQA design services; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. A6443. **Motion Mayor Pougnet, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lewin and carried 4-1 on a roll call vote.**

AYES: Councilmember Foat, Councilmember Hutcheson, Mayor Pro Tem Lewin, and Mayor Pougnet.

NOES: Councilmember Mills.

2.K. APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH DUDEK & ASSOCIATES, INC., INTERWEST CONSULTING GROUP, INC., MWH CONSTRUCTORS, INC., WEST YOST ASSOCIATES, AND WILLDAN ENGINEERING FOR ON-CALL PUBLIC WORKS CAPITAL PROJECT CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES, AND FOR ON-CALL BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES:

Councilmember Mills commented on the on-call selection process.

Councilmember Foat commented on the materials provided.

ACTION: 1) Approve an agreement with Dudek & Associates, Inc., for on-call Public Works capital project construction management and inspection services for an initial term through June 30, 2018, subject to two additional one year extensions approved at the discretion of the City Manager; 2) Approve an

agreement with Interwest Consulting Group, Inc., for on-call Public Works capital project construction management and inspection services, and on-call building inspection services for an initial term through June 30, 2018, subject to two additional one year extensions approved at the discretion of the City Manager; 3) Approve an agreement with MWH Constructors, Inc., for on-call wastewater engineering, construction management and inspection services for an initial term through June 30, 2018, subject to two additional one year extensions approved at the discretion of the City Manager; 4) Approve an agreement with Willdan Engineering for on-call Public Works capital project construction management and inspection services, and on-call building inspection services for an initial term through June 30, 2018, subject to two additional one year extensions approved at the discretion of the City Manager; 5) Approve an agreement with West Yost Associates for on-call wastewater engineering, construction management and inspection services for an initial term through June 30, 2018, subject to two additional one year extensions approved at the discretion of the City Manager; 6) Authorize the City Manager to approve individual Task Orders and issue Purchase Orders for amounts in excess of \$25,000 for assigned on-call public works and/or building inspection services paid exclusively with developer "pass-through" fees received from construction permits or building permits pursuant to the terms of the Agreements; and 8) Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. A6685. A6686. A6687. A6688. A6689. **Motion Councilmember Mills, seconded by Mayor Pougnet and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

3. **LEGISLATIVE:** None.

4. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

4.A. APPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE AIRPORT PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENT/LANDSCAPE CONVERSION PROJECT AND AUTHORIZATION TO BID:

Marcus Fuller, Assistant City Manager/City Engineer, provided background information as outlined in the Staff Report dated April 1, 2015.

Mayor Pougnet stated this is not as grand a plan due to the cost limitation, stated his support for including the two alternatives and the further reduction of turf at the Airport.

Councilmember Foat requested Staff address the removal and replacement of the existing trees in the parking lot, and if the City Hall statue would be better located at the Airport.

Councilmember Mills commented on the phasing and the relationship to the Airport Master Plan, the additional parking provided, the improved tree replacement, the amount of turf reduction, and further explained the alternate bidding schedules.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewin stated 75% of the turf will be removed by the project, and commented on the state of water conservation in the State.

ACTION: 1) Approve plans and specifications for the Airport Parking Lot/Landscape Conversion Project; and 2) Authorize Staff to advertise and solicit bids. **Motion Councilmember Mills, seconded by Councilmember Foat and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.A. APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH BIDDING, APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH PRE-PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT, AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS ACTIONS RELATED TO THE FINANCING OF PROJECT COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE (CP 15-14):

Marcus Fuller, Assistant City Manager/City Engineer, provided background information as outlined in the Staff Report dated April 1, 2015.

Councilmember Mills thanked Staff for the diligent work, and commented on the pre-purchase authorization and the need for the pre-purchase of equipment.

Councilmember Foat requested Staff clarify the adoption of the Resolutions.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewin thanked Staff and commented on the enhancements to the community by the improvements.

ACTION: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23799, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF FUNDS REQUESTED FROM THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD UNDER THE CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND FOR THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE, CITY PROJECT NO. 15-14;" 2) Adopt Resolution No. 23800, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACT ON ITS BEHALF TO SIGN, FILE AND EXECUTE A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FOR A FINANCING AGREEMENT FROM THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD UNDER THE CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND FOR THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE, CITY PROJECT NO. 15-14;" 3) Adopt Resolution No. 23801, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FROM THE

PROCEEDS OF TAX-EXEMPT BONDS OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS FOR THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE, CITY PROJECT NO. 15-14;" 4) Waive all competitive requirements of Title 7 of the Palm Springs Municipal Code finding that AndersonPenna Partners, Inc., has demonstrated experience and expertise of providing the required financial assistance services through a competitive qualifications based selection process completed by the South Coast Water District through its Request for Proposal (Contract No. 14-04-0006); 5) Approve an agreement with AndersonPenna Partners, Inc., in the amount of \$39,220 for professional assistance in the preparation of applications forms, documents, financial and technical assistance in the submittal of a funding request to the California State Water Resources Control Board for a government loan of as much as \$30 Million from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program to finance the construction of the City of Palm Springs Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade, City Project No. 15-14; 6) Approve an agreement with Veolia Water West Operating Services, Inc., in the amount of \$2,705,496 for professional engineering and construction management services associated with the construction phase of the City of Palm Springs Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade, City Project No. 15-14; 7) Authorize the pre-purchase of selected critical mechanical and electrical equipment required for the City of Palm Springs Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade, City Project No. 15-14, and authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order to Veolia Water West Operating Services, Inc., in the amount of \$3,351,699.48; 8) Approve the plans, specifications, and working details for the City of Palm Springs Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade, City Project No. 15-14, and authorize staff to advertise for bids; and 9) Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. A6690. A6691. **Motion Councilmember Foat, seconded by Councilmember Mills and unanimously carried on a roll call vote.**

5.B. APPOINT A CITY COUNCIL AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE TO REVIEW VACANT BUILDING AND VACANT LOT REGULATIONS:

ACTION: Appoint Councilmember Hutcheson and Mayor Pro Tem Lewin to an ad hoc subcommittee to review Vacant Building and Vacant Lot regulations. **By unanimous consent of the City Council.**

5.C. APPOINT A CITY COUNCIL AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF A NEW FIRE CHIEF:

ACTION: Appoint Mayor Pougnet and Councilmember Mills to an ad hoc subcommittee for the recruitment of a new Fire Chief. **By unanimous consent of the City Council.**

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS, REQUESTS, AND REPORTS:

Councilmember Mills commented on the CDBG funding process, requested Staff address the lack of maintenance on Sunrise Way parkway, and address the homeless issues at Crossley and Sunny Dunes.

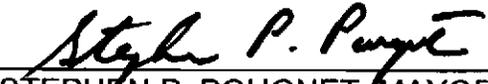
Mayor Pro Tem Lewin requested Staff address the Palm Trees on Tahquitz Canyon Way and commented on water regulations.

Councilmember Foat commented on the installation of signage in the Uptown crosswalks.

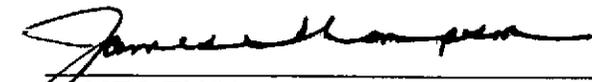
Mayor Pougnet requested Staff address two dead Palm Trees on Indian Canyon near the Bit of Country restaurant, along with a vacant lot just east of Quality Inn on East Palm Canyon, requested Code Enforcement visit 2001 Tahquitz Canyon Way for landscaping and the Rock Garden Cafe, requested Staff address the current builder directional signage, commented on Commissioner communications, and announced an upcoming Community meeting on Homeless Services.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 9:20 p.m. to Wednesday, April 15, 2015, at 6:00 P.M. Council Chamber, City Hall, preceded by Closed Session, Small Conference Room, City Hall, 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE PALM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL THIS 15TH DAY OF APRIL, 2015.


STEPHEN P. POUGNET, MAYOR

ATTEST:


JAMES THOMPSON, CITY CLERK