

MINUTES

REGULAR PALM DESERT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2019

CIVIC CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBER

73510 FRED WARING DRIVE, PALM DESERT, CA 92260

I. CALL TO ORDER - 3:00 P.M.

Mayor Weber convened the meeting at 3:02 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Councilmember Jan C. Harnik
Councilman Sabby Jonathan
Councilmember Kathleen Kelly
Mayor Pro Tem Gina Nestande
Mayor Susan Marie Weber

Also Present:

Lauri Aylaian, City Manager
Robert W. Hargreaves, City Attorney
Andy Firestine, Assistant City Manager
Rachelle D. Klassen, City Clerk
Lori Carney, Director of Administrative Services
Russell Grance, Director of Building & Safety
Ryan Stendell, Director of Community Development
Martin Alvarez, Director of Economic Development
Janet M. Moore, Director of Finance/City Treasurer
Bo Chen, City Engineer
Stephen Y. Aryan, Risk Manager
Ty Davis, Division Chief, Palm Desert Fire/Riverside Co. Fire Dept./Cal Fire
Mike Beverlin, Battalion Chief, Palm Desert Fire/Riverside Co. Fire Dept./Cal Fire
Lt. Matt Martello, Asst. Chief, Palm Desert Police/Riverside Co. Sheriff's Dept.
Grace L. Rocha, Deputy City Clerk

III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - A (CLOSED SESSION ITEMS)

MR. SHEVY AKASON, Impatiens, Palm Desert, approached the City Council to address the recent fines imposed by the City of Palm Desert with regards to the short-term rental situation. He believes he was legally operating at 76088 Impatiens under Permit No. 2018-0145. He paid the monthly TOT (Transient Occupancy Tax), and submitted the required paperwork. The property, by most cities definition, was being operated as a non-hosted accommodation, meaning the owner or authorized agent is not required to reside in the vacation rental unit. Often with these types of units, the permit transfers with the property and not with the owner. The permitting of this home occurred when John Burns acquired the property, and it would occur again at the time of the renewal. As part of the negotiations with the sale of the property, in which he was the listing agent, the buyer Dale Downing purchased the home primarily as a 2nd home and not as an investment or vacation rental. He agreed to honor the current bookings, by blocking a majority of the season for his family. He said Mr. Downing agreed to short-term rent the home primarily because he didn't want to ruin people's planned vacations. He went on to say there was no required City inspection or process, both the buyer's agent Melodee Berkee (State License No. 00551747) with Windermere Homes & Estates, and himself, believed they were legally operating the property under STR Permit No. 2018-0145 with an expiration date of April 30, 2020, adding it was a valid use of the home. The contract between Mr. Burns and Mr. Downing was being honored up until Mr. Downing received a cease-and-desist letter, which he learned about on August 2, 2019, six weeks after the close of escrow. At that time, they obtained the short-term rental application paperwork and submitted it immediately to the City, but were then notified they were not able to obtain a permit, because in the previous weekend a \$10,000 fine was issued for not having a valid permit. He reiterated they were unaware they were not allowed to operate under the existing permit until the cease-and-desist letter was issued. In his opinion, this was an administrative error. He said no one was hurt by their actions, and the only person affected was him for hundreds of dollars, stating Mr. Downing now wishes he never bought the property. Now lawsuits are being thrown into the mix, which he believes was due to a simple administrative error. He doesn't believe it was the intent of the City Council to penalize someone for not understanding the paperwork, because now they are faced with a \$5,000 fine and lawsuit. He provided a copy of his statement, a check for his TOT, and other related documents to the City Clerk.

Mr. Hargreaves noted that one of the items being discussed under potential litigation is the administrative process of the respective property, 76088 Impatiens Circle, owner being Dale Downing Trust.

IT Manager Clay Von Helf reported the AV/Video upgrades are about 95% complete, and with a few more tweaks and finalization to the microphones, it will all be done by the next meeting. He thanked the City Council for being patient with the upgrades and having to hold their past two meetings in less than ideal situations. He provided a demonstration of the new high resolution video screen, which is amazing.

IV. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Request for Closed Session:

A. Conference with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8:

1) Property: SEC Fred Waring Drive/San Pablo Avenue
(APNs 627-101-002, -017, -033, -061, -062), Palm Desert

Negotiating Parties:

Agency: Lauri Aylaian/Martin Alvarez/Wayne Olson/
City of Palm Desert

Property Owner: City of Palm Desert

Under Negotiation: x Price x Terms of Payment

2) Property: Lease Property - McCallum Theatre
73000 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert

Negotiating Parties:

Agency: Lauri Aylaian/Janet M. Moore/City of Palm Desert/
Successor Agency to the Palm Desert
Redevelopment Agency

Property Owner: Desert Community College District

Under Negotiation: x Price x Terms of Payment

B. Conference with Legal Counsel regarding existing litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1):

1) Lorraine Salas and Karina Quintanilla v. City of Palm Desert,
Riverside County Superior Court, Case No. PSC 1903800

C. Conference with Legal Counsel regarding significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2):

Number of potential cases: 2

D. Public Employment pursuant to Government Code Section 54957:

Title of Position: City Manager

With City Council concurrence, Mayor Weber adjourned the meeting to Closed Session of the City Council at 3:15 p.m. She reconvened the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

V. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING - 4:00 P.M.

A. REPORT ON ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION.

The City Council recessed the Closed Session and will reconvene it after today's regular meeting agendas are concluded, then make any announcements needing to be made at that time.

**VI. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - Palm Desert Youth Committee Member
Teana Ross**

VII. INVOCATION/INSPIRATION - Councilman Sabby Jonathan read a letter from a resident, thanking Officer Aceves for assisting an elderly woman when her car broke down. The letter states Officer Aceves went above and beyond the call as he not only waited until the tow truck arrived, but drove her home and helped her with the groceries. She also states she will always remember his kindness and prayed to God to please protect him and all the brave officers. Councilman Jonathan stated Officer Aceves couldn't be here this evening, but the City Council thanks him, and may everyone be inspired by his actions.

VIII. AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION DECLARING SEPTEMBER 2019 AS "NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH" IN THE CITY OF PALM DESERT.

On behalf of the City Council, Mayor Weber presented the proclamation to Greg Papazian, Emergency Services Coordinator with the Riverside County Emergency Management Department.

B. COACHELLA VALLEY DISASTER PREPAREDNESS NETWORK PRESENTATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

Mr. Tony Ferrara, President of the Coachella Valley Disaster Preparedness Network (CVDPN), stated they are a nonprofit organization in the Valley. He is joined by the Board Vice President Carla Sullivan-Dilley, and Board Secretary Kristine Beckman-Hennigan. Their main goal is to prepare the citizens of the Coachella Valley through training, education, and networking opportunities. He went on to provide a 3-minute PowerPoint presentation, which was included in City Council agenda packet and is of record in the City Clerk's Office. He said their organization is looking to potentially partner with the City of Palm Desert, as they have determined it is appropriate to do so

with all cities in the Coachella Valley. He proposed meeting with the City Manager, Mayor Weber, and one other Councilmember, including Greg Papazian, the City's Emergency Coordinator, who does an outstanding job.

C. PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER 2019 AS "FIRE PREVENTION & MINI-MUSTER MONTH" IN THE CITY OF PALM DESERT.

On behalf of the City Council, Mayor Weber presented the proclamation to Mr. Mike Lewis, representing the Palm Desert Historical Society and Battalion Chief Michael Beverlin with Cal Fire.

Mr. Lewis thanked the City Council for the recognition, noting the Historical Society created the Mini-Muster Program in conjunction with Desert Sands Unified School District, Cal Fire, and the City of Indian Wells. He said 3rd grade students are taught fire safety and awareness through field exercises at the five local schools. They appreciate the City support, stating it takes volunteers, school educators, the rotary, Photos Express, and others who contribute to make the program possible.

Chief Beverlin expressed his appreciation for the support they receive from the City Council, the City, and all the local schools, stating it wasn't like this everywhere else; therefore, the children here truly benefit from the program.

D. PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER 6 - 12, 2019, AS "FIRE PREVENTION WEEK" IN THE CITY OF PALM DESERT.

On behalf of the City Council, Mayor Weber presented the proclamation to Battalion Chief Michael Beverline from the Riverside County Fire Department/Cal Fire.

Chief Beverlin thanked the City Council for the recognition, stating Fire Prevention Week is a national event that garners participation by all fire departments and all cities. The main goal is to make everyone aware there are preventable causes like death and fire at residential structures. He encouraged everyone to go home and check their smoke detectors, making sure they are working, and also practice how to escape from the home in the event of a fire.

IX. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - B

MS. BARBARA TEBEAU, Davis Road, Palm Desert, believes there should be a standard for how high outside security cameras can be installed. She said people that have two story homes or higher have cameras that can see into private yards, adding she's concerned about her privacy in that currently

her neighbor's camera looks straight into her yard. She said security cameras can be installed lower without having to look into other yards.

MR. WALLY MELENDEZ, approached the City Council with his recurring concern over not having a world-class library in the City of Palm Desert, stating the City shared a dilapidated building with College of the Desert. Secondly, he felt the City's landscapers should be recognized once in a while, because without them there wouldn't be any plants and/or oxygen, making it possible for people to breathe. He noticed that since President Trump's Administration has come in, there are fewer landscaping laborers.

MS. LISA FORD, Buckboard Trail, Palm Desert, thanked the City Council, specifically Mayor Pro Tem Gina Nestande and Councilman Sabby Jonathan for their support of the Zero Prostate Cancer Run/Walk event that took place on September 14. She said the event was hugely successful, and it was an opportunity to bring out individuals representing the healthcare, school district, and encouraging community involvement. The event raised more than \$60,000 with \$35,000 in total sponsorship, individual peers raised nearly \$12,000, and the event received in-kind from local sponsors as well. There were more than 250 participants and their goal was 250, so they did well. The event had 20 amazing survivors, including one that came from Canada who is an actor, and he was genuinely thrilled to be in Palm Desert. The event would not have happened if the City had not offered the venue at the Civic Center Park, stating staff was so supportive, on par, and available to anyone needing assistance. Lastly, she was proud of Mayor Pro Tem Gina Nestande's twins, Molly and Savannah, for running in the Female 1 and Female 2 categories. She said organizers are already planning for next year, September 26, 2020, and hoping to get the City Council engaged again.

MR. JOE GAUGUSH, Broken Arrow Trail, Palm Desert, said he took issue with the comment made previously by Mr. Wally Melendez that the Palm Desert Library is horrible, because he visits it five or six times a week. He said the staff and volunteers there are wonderful people and it's a good facility. He asked Council not to let one man's opinion run the library into the ground, because it wasn't as claimed.

X. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS & REMARKS TO THE COMMUNITY

A. Councilmember Jan C. Harnik Committee Reports and General Comments.

1. Mobility 21 Summit - she will be attending the Summit on Friday, September 27, 2019.

2. Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) - reported the Commission has been working continuously, making sure transportation funding needs are met, including the rail system, which has a lot of public support.
 3. Positive Feedback from the Community - with the passing of the CV Link Project, she has received positive comments supporting the vote and glad the City is moving forward. She also received a couple of calls when all the flags were up on El Paseo, with how beautiful and inspirational it was to see that on the street. Additionally, residents have told her how much they appreciated the budget pie charts on the back of the City's *BrightSide* Newsletter, showing the City's expenditures and revenue.
- B. Councilman Sabby Jonathan Committee Reports and General Comments.
1. Zero Prostate Cancer Run/Walk - thanked Lisa Ford for choosing Palm Desert to hold the event and making an effort to raise money and awareness of prostate cancer. He thanked Mayor Pro Tem Nestande for nudging him into participating in the run. He noted City Manager Lauri Aylaian also ran the event.
 2. Desert Community Energy - reported that at the meeting of September 16, the board selected Lift to Rise, one of five applicants, to implement CARE(California Alternate Rates for Energy) and FERA (Family Electric Rate Assistance) Programs. This is about doing outreach to qualified families and making them aware of these programs. He said rate reductions of 30% are possible on utility bills to qualified families. A contract with Lift to Rise will reach out to 3,000 households in participating cities, Palm Springs, Cathedral City, and Palm Desert.
 3. Eastern Riverside Emergency Operation Center - thanks to Risk Manager Stephen Aryan who arranged a tour of this facility, because he didn't know it existed or what it did. He felt better about what might happen in any kind of natural or man-made disaster, because these folks are prepared and coordinated.
 4. Homelessness Committee - reported the contract with Path of Life was extended for four months until October 31, 2019. A Request for Proposal was sent out to replace Path of Life, giving them an opportunity to submit a bid. The Committee is focusing its efforts and resources on the western end of the Coachella Valley, specifically, Palm Springs, Desert Hot Springs, and Cathedral City. In the budget, there is a \$10 million allocation to the City of Palm Springs, and they continue to be a part of the Coachella Valley efforts, so the way they

utilize those funds will be consistent and supplementary to what CVAG is doing. The Committee is waiting to see how the \$10 million will be utilized before it commits its resources. Along the same lines, with the Palm Desert Homelessness Initiative, he met with Management Analyst Chris Gerry and reviewed a progress report, which has since been made available to the City Council. Prior to the initiative, there was a meeting with all the partners and stakeholders, and the second meeting will be on November 6 at 10:30 a.m. to review that progress, ensuring everyone is coordinated and cooperating, and working efficiently and as effectively as possible. He's hoping there will be exciting news to report to the City Council after that meeting.

C. Councilmember Kathleen Kelly Committee Reports and General Comments.

1. Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) - explained this was the State's determination to outfit housing units, which should be created over an eight-year period. Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) said it will be responsible for a portioning of the target numbers in the region to specific cities and released three possible Options 1, 2, and 3 for doing so. This is consequential, because the legislature and the Governor have made proposals for penalizing cities that don't meet the targeted goals. This week she listened to the big reveal from SCAG staff as to the specific apportionment method they are recommending, and it's making its way through the system through the SCAG Regional Council, where thankfully she and Councilmember Harnik will sit, which will come up at the November meeting. There are three takeaway's, as far as the methodology is concerned, the first is that the tool will be updated, enabling cities to see exactly how the use of this methodology will play out for Palm Desert. The second takeaway is that this is a hybrid proposal, which takes elements from each of the three options, but it seems to take more elements from Option 1 and 2 than it does from Option 3. Therefore, she and staff's estimate the impact to Palm Desert will be closer to the Option 1 and Option 2, which is in the 3,000 range rather than the 5,000 range. In response to comments, the currently proposed method does shift the apportionment toward job centers and toward the west, where there are greater concentrations of population. She was impressed with the thoughtfulness of the proposal, which seems to take into account all the considerations that had been brought up.

D. Mayor Pro Tem Gina Nestande Committee Reports and General Comments.

None

- E. Mayor Susan Marie Weber Meeting Summaries Report for the Period of August 31 - September 13, 2019.

With City Council concurrence, the Meeting Summaries Report was received and filed.

1. Coffee with the Mayor - she is continuing the tradition started by former Mayor Sabby Jonathan of meeting with the residents. She has been at HOA's and assisted living facilities to reach out to the community, and they are appreciative that staff is there as well. Residents like knowing what is going on in the City and with public safety. At these meetings, she continues to encourage residents to apply for the City's committees and commissions, adding Council will start interviewing in December. The Committees and Commissions Application can be found online on the City's website: cityofpalmdesert.org.

- F. City Council Requests for Action.

1. Halloween Weekend 2020 - Mayor Pro Tem Gina Nestande reported the Palm Desert Chamber of Commerce is planning their event for 2020, and she wants to make sure construction in that area won't be an issue. She asked Director of Public Works to coordinate with the Chamber.

- G. City Council Consideration of Travel Requests/Reports.

None

XI. STAFF REPORTS AND REMARKS

- A. City Manager

1. City Manager's Meeting Summaries Report for the Period of September 3-13, 2019.

With City Council concurrence, the Meeting Summaries Report was received and filed.

2. Personnel Update: Office Specialist Jessika Peltz was hired for the Finance Department. She comes from the U.S. Department of Interior Office of the Special Trustee for Native Americans, and prior to that position, she was with College of the Desert where she administered the Federal Student Loan Program. She is a longtime resident of the Coachella Valley and is raising her family here. She is also a graduate of Cal State San Bernardino, Palm Desert Campus.

3. District Attorney's Liaison - Ms. Aylaian introduced Deputy District Attorney Molly Tucker, who is with the District Attorney's Office. The District Attorney notified all the local cities to say they are assigning a liaison to each city or community, which to her knowledge, at least in her tenure, has not been done before. Prior to this notification, there was almost no interaction with their office, but as of lately, she's had reasons to coordinate with Ms. Tucker, and she's been very helpful, adding she appreciates that availability.

Ms. Molly Tucker offered that she will be available to the City Council and staff, so whatever she can relay and/or provide, she is more than willing to assist. She provided her business card, which has her email address and contact information.

B. City Attorney

None

C. City Clerk

None

D. Public Safety

1. Fire Department

None

2. Police Department

None

XII. CONSENT CALENDAR

PALM DESERT CITY COUNCIL

- A. MINUTES of the Regular City Council Meeting of September 12, 2019.

Rec: Approve as presented.

- B. CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY TREASURY - Warrants Dated 8/30/2019, 9/6/2019, and 9/13/2019.

Rec: Approve as presented.

- C. CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY/HOUSING TREASURIES - Warrant Dated 9/6/2019 (**Joint Consideration with the Palm Desert Housing Authority - Item P below**).

Rec: Approve as presented.

- D. APPLICATION FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE by ARZ Ventures, Inc., 74855 Joni Drive, Suite 4, Palm Desert.

Rec: Receive and file.

- E. APPLICATION FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE by Circle K Stores, 44775 San Pablo Avenue, Palm Desert.

Rec: Receive and file.

- F. APPLICATION FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE by Kaiser Grille Palm Desert, 74040 Highway 111, Building A, Suite G1, Palm Desert.

Rec: Receive and file.

Received and filed. 4-0-1 (AYES: Jonathan, Kelly, Nestande, and Weber; NOES: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAINED: Harnik)

- G. CITY COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES.

1. Art In Public Places Commission Meeting of July 10, 2019.
2. Library Promotion Committee Meeting of February 20, 2019.
3. Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting of June 4, 2019.

Rec: Receive and file.

- H. RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - 76A - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Palm Desert, California, Approving a General Plan Amendment, Reclassifying Painters Path from a "Local Street" to an "Enhanced Secondary Roadway," and Accepting an Addendum to the Certified Environmental Impact Report for the CV Link Project, Case No. GPA 19-0001 (City of Palm Desert, Applicant).

Rec: Waive further reading and adopt.

Adopted Res. No. 2019 - 17A. 4-0-1 (AYES: Harnik, Jonathan, Kelly, and Nestande; NOES: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAINED: Weber)

- I. REQUEST FOR RATIFICATION of Contract No. A37731 – Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. A37730 with Quinn Company, Inc., for Generator Preventive Maintenance Services in the Amount of \$46,551.

Rec: By Minute Motion: 1) Ratify Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. A37730 with Quinn Company, Inc., City of Industry, California, in the amount of \$46,551 for Fiscal Year 2019-2020; 2) authorize extra work and services up to \$15,000 for FY 2019-2020; 3) authorize City Manager to execute the second extension and all related documents, including extra work and services up to \$15,000, for FY 2020-2021, when and if deemed appropriate by staff – funds are available in R/M Buildings, Account Nos. 1104330-4331000 - Corporation Yard, 1104340-4331000 - City Hall, and 2304220-4331000 - Fire Stations.

- J. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL of Alcohol Concessions at the 2019 Fall Concerts in the Park.

Rec: By Minute Motion, approve a temporary waiver of Palm Desert Municipal Code Section 11.01.080(W) - Possession/Consumption of Alcohol on City-owned property, pursuant to P.D.M.C. Section 9.58.040 for the 2019 Fall Concerts in the Park.

- K. CONSIDERATION of a Temporary Waiver of Palm Desert Municipal Code Sections 9.58.010 and 9.58.020 - Consumption and Possession of Alcoholic Beverages on Public Property - at the Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert Located at 72567 Highway 111 for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert, Applicant).

Rec: By Minute Motion: 1) Approve a temporary waiver of P.D.M.C. Sections 9.58.010 and 9.58.020 - Consumption and Possession of Alcoholic Beverages on Public Property - for the Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert to hold up to 18 events during FY 2019-2020; 2) authorize City Manager to execute California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control permits, as required.

- L. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL of Out-of-State Travel for Director of Economic Development to Attend the 2019 Broadband Communities Conference - October 30-31, in Washington, DC.

Rec: By Minute Motion, approve the out-of-state travel for Director of Economic Development to attend the 2019 Broadband Communities Conference from October 30-31 in Washington, DC – funds are available in Account No. 1104430-4312000.

- M. MINUTES of the September 12, 2019, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Successor Agency to the Palm Desert Redevelopment Agency.

Rec: Approve as presented.

- N. CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AGAINST SUCCESSOR AGENCY TREASURY - Warrants Dated 9/6/2019 and 9/13/2019.

Rec: Approve as presented.

PALM DESERT HOUSING AUTHORITY

- O. MINUTES of the Housing Authority Meeting of September 12, 2019.

Rec: Approve as presented.

- P. CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY/HOUSING TREASURIES - Warrant Dated 9/6/2019 (**Joint Consideration with the Palm Desert City Council - Item C above**).

Rec: Approve as presented.

- Q. HOUSING COMMISSION MINUTES for the Meeting of July 10, 2019.

Rec: Receive and file.

Councilmember Harnik noted she would be ABSTAINING on item F and Mayor Weber said she would ABSTAIN on item H.

Upon motion by Nestande, second by Kelly, and 5-0 vote of the City Council, the remainder of the Consent Calendar was approved as presented (AYES: Harnik, Jonathan, Kelly, Nestande, and Weber; NOES: None).

XIII. CONSENT ITEMS HELD OVER

None

XIV. RESOLUTIONS

- A. RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - 77 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM DESERT, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A POLICY ON COMMUNITY EVENT SPONSORSHIPS.

Councilmember Harnik moved to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2019 - 77. Motion was seconded by Kelly and carried by a 5-0 vote (AYES: Harnik, Jonathan, Kelly, Nestande, and Weber; NOES: None).

XV. ORDINANCES

- A. For Introduction:

None

- B. For Adoption:

None

XVI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. INFORMATIONAL REPORT ON PROPOSED SCULPTURES MAIZ GODDESS, STANDING FIGURE, AND BIG SKULL AND HORN IN TWO PARTS IV FOR DISPLAY IN THE FAYE SARKOWSKY SCULPTURE GARDEN AT THE PALM SPRINGS ART MUSEUM IN PALM DESERT LOCATED AT 72567 HIGHWAY 111 (Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert, Applicant).

Management Analyst Amy Lawrence noted the staff report to receive and file the informational report for three sculptures to be installed in the Faye Sarkowsky Sculpture Garden at the Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert. Per the Lease Agreement with the Museum, the City is responsible for paying honorariums for each sculpture, including the associated installation costs. Funding for the costs was included as part of the 2019/2020 Budget.

Mayor Weber pointed out that the Art In Public Places (AIPP) Commission reviewed the staff report and was enthusiastic about it.

Councilmember Kelly moved to, by Minute Motion, receive and file informational report on proposed sculptures' *Maiz Goddess, Standing Figure, and Big Skull and Horn in Two Parts IV* for display in the Faye Sarkowsky Sculpture Garden at the Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert – no further action is required at this time. Motion was seconded by Harnik.

Councilman Jonathan said the City Council has met the new Director of the Museum, and with these sculptures going in, it occurred to him that it would

be nice to meet with him at the facility, giving him a chance to showcase the sculptures and an opportunity to get to know each other. Additionally, allowing the City Council to convey its hopes and goals for that facility.

Mr. Lawrence agreed to followup on the suggestion.

Mayor Weber called for the vote and the motion carried by a 5-0 vote (AYES: Harnik, Jonathan, Kelly, Nestande, and Weber; NOES: None).

XVII. CONTINUED BUSINESS

None

XVIII. OLD BUSINESS

None

XIX. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

XX. ADJOURNMENT

With City Council concurrence, Mayor Weber adjourned the meeting to the recessed Closed Session at 5:15 p.m., City Clerk Rachelle Klassen reconvened the meeting at 6:24 p.m., with no reportable action, and immediately adjourned.

SUSAN MARIE WEBER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

RACHELLE D. KLASSEN, CITY CLERK
CITY OF PALM DESERT, CALIFORNIA