CITY OF PASADENA
FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
PASADENA CITY HALL
100 NORTH GARFIELD AVENUE
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER S249
APRIL 14, 2025
SPECIAL MEETING

OPENING Chair Gordo called the special meeting of the Finance Committee to order at 3:08 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Victor M. Gordo (Chair)
Councilmember Rick Cole
Councilmember Tyron Hampton (Absent)
Councilmember Gene Masuda

Staff: Miguel Márquez, City Manager
Brenda Harvey-Williams, Assistant City Manager
Arnold Lee, Chief Assistant City Attorney
James Wong, Director of Housing
Greg de Vinck, Director of Public Works
Brent Maue, Acting City Engineer
Dawn Petschauer, Storm Water Program Admin
Vic Erganian, Deputy Director of Finance/City Treasurer
Gloria Acevedo, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: It was moved by Councilmember Masuda, seconded by Councilmember Cole, to approve the March 17, 2025, and the March 24, 2025, special meeting minutes (Motion Unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Hampton)

NEW BUSINESS: **AMEND THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT'S FISCAL YEAR 2025 OPERATING BUDGET BY RE-APPROPRIATING $1,403,121 FOR THE DOOR OF HOPE DAVID AND KATHERINE LEE HOME TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROJECT**

Chair Gordo introduced the item and James Wong, Director of Housing, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

Councilmember Cole asked staff to provide the program qualification criteria, and the additional funding sources. Mr. Wong shared that the City is receiving funding from the County of Los Angeles, private donors, and organizations. The County of Los angeles is aware that the City gives priority to Pasadena residents, applicants who work in Pasadena, or previous Pasadena residents who were displaced due to economic displacement.

It was moved by Councilmember Cole, seconded by Councilmember Masuda, to approve staff's recommendation and forward the item to the City Council for consideration. (Motion Unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Hampton)

AMEND THE FY 2025 CIP BUDGET TO ADD THE WASHINGTON PARK STORMWATER PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A FUND TRANSFER AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT TO ACCEPT $12,649,271 OF COMPETITIVE SAFE, CLEAN WATER PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS

Chair Gordo introduced the item and Greg de Vinck, Director of Public Works, provided a brief overview and responded to questions.

Councilmember Cole asked for clarification on the benefits of placing water that has gone through the infiltration system back in the ground. Mr. de Vinck explained that the process of pulling water out of the storm drain, treating it, putting it through an infiltration gallery and placing it into the ground, is to improve the quality of the storm water. In the event of excess water, it is placed back into the storm drain.

Councilmember Masuda thanked Dawn Petschauer, Storm Water Program Admin, for attending many City and district four community meetings to inform the public about the project.

Chair Gordo thank staff for their efforts on this project.

It was moved by Councilmember Cole, seconded by Councilmember Masuda, to approve staff's recommendation and forward the item to the City Council for consideration. (Motion Unanimously carried) (Absent: Councilmember Hampton)

INFORMATION ONLY: **PASADENA CENTER OPERATING COMPANY FINANCIAL UPDATE**

Chair Gordo introduced the item and Vic Erganian, Deputy Director of Finance/City Treasurer, provided a brief overview.

Councilmember Masuda thanked City Manager, Miguel Márquez, for establishing the evacuation center for the Eaton Canyon Fire. Mr. Márquez thanked the Pasadena Center Operating Company (PCOC) for the tremendous work in setting up the evacuation center while the American Red Cross arrived.

Chair Gordo echoed how impressive the quick and smoothly set up of the evacuation center took place and reminded the Committee how the PCOC is a tremendous asset.

Councilmember Cole requested clarification on the PCOC transfer of Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) revenue from the City. Mr. Erganian

explained that the annual transfer is capped at the annual PCOC debt service amount plus an allowance of $500,000, the City keeps the difference.

Chair Gordo requested for the PCOC agreement related to TOT and the Tourism Business Improvement District return to the Finance Committee and the full City Council.

On the order of the Chair and consensus of the Committee, the item was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT: On the order of the Chair, the special meeting of the Finance Committee was adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mayor Victor Gordo, Chair
Finance Committee

Gloria Acevedo
Recording Secretary