

**WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Pacheco called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** M/Pacheco led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: M/Pacheco, MPT/Ching, C/Freedman, C/Tragarz, C/Wu  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

Also present: City Manager Wishner; Assistant City Manager Weiner; Assistant City Manager Rooney; Administrative Services Director Ogawa; City Attorney Leibold; Finance Officer Cortez; Deputy Community Services Director Jensen; Community Services Superintendent Barcelo; City Planner Carlson; Senior Planner Vasquez; Senior Management Analyst Layman; Senior Management Analyst Guerra; Public Information Officer Maio; Administrative Assistant Markel; and City Clerk De Dios

**INVOCATION – NON-DENOMINATIONAL:** Pastor Terry Khor from Can2 Church led the invocation.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- **Black History Month Presentation**

Local community members and Walnut High School students shared that the City of Walnut will be posting videos from a series celebrating Black History Month.

M/Pacheco introduced the committee members and thanked them for their participation on the project. He presented a proclamation designating the month of February, Black History Month.

Committee members Layla Abou-Taleb, Dr. Donna Hunter, Elvonne Vance, William Harrison, Mansfield Collins, and Marc Saunders shared information on the project and thanked everyone that participated.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:**

Evan Kramer, representative for Senator Josh Newman, introduced himself and offered his services the community.

CC/De Dios read Wayne Breitkruetz’s email into the record expressing concerns regarding unfunded pension liability.

Vijay Vakil expressed concerns regarding the city budget.

Daniel Tashroudian expressed support for preserving the area at the former Brookside Equestrian Center.

Abigail, field representative for Representative Young Kim, introduced herself and offered her services to the community.

There being no further input, it was unanimously moved by Council to close oral communications. Motion carried.

**MINUTES**

1. **Approval of the January 13, 2021 Study Session Minutes**
2. **Approval of the January 13, 2021 City Council Minutes**

**MOTION ON ITEMS 1 & 2**

*C/Wu made a motion to approve Items 1 & 2; seconded by C/Freedman. Motion carried by the following voice vote:*

<i>AYES:</i>	<i>COUNCILMEMBERS: Ching, Freedman, Pacheco, Tragarz, Wu</i>
<i>NOES:</i>	<i>COUNCILMEMBERS: None</i>
<i>ABSTAIN:</i>	<i>COUNCILMEMBERS: None</i>
<i>ABSENT:</i>	<i>COUNCILMEMBERS: None</i>

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

3. **Resolution No. 21-02 – Selection of Projects for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022 (47<sup>th</sup>) Program Year of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

1. Open the Public Hearing;
2. Hear the Staff Report;
3. Solicit input relative to the FY 2021-2022 (47<sup>th</sup> Year) CDBG Program;
4. Close the Public Hearing;
5. Adopt Resolution No. 21-02, approving the 2021-2022 (47<sup>th</sup> Year) CDBG Program as follows:
  - a. Housing Rehabilitation (\$99,462.40)
  - b. Senior Activities (\$24,865.60); and
6. Authorize the City Manager or designee to prepare, execute, and submit the Planning Summary, Agreements, and all required documents for the 2021-2022 (47<sup>th</sup> Year) CDBG Program.

M/Pacheco opened the public hearing.

SMA/Guerra presented a staff report.

**MOTION ON ITEM 3**

*C/Freedman made a motion to adopt Item 3; seconded by M/Pacheco. Motion carried by the following voice vote:*

**AYES:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: Ching, Freedman, Pacheco, Tragarz, Wu*  
**NOES:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*  
**ABSTAIN:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*  
**ABSENT:** *COUNCILMEMBERS: None*

**COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR:**

4. **Resolution No. 21-03 - A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$972,455.01, Demand No. 162047 through No. 162116, Both Inclusive**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 21-03.

5. **Request for Appropriation: “Basic Boxes 4U” Program for Seniors**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

1. Appropriate \$27,814 from CDBG reserves, into expenditure account 12-5222-6216 (CDBG – Basic Boxes 4U), for the “Basic Boxes 4U” Senior Program; and
2. Appropriate \$27,814 from CDBG, into revenue account 12-0000-3620 (CDBG), for the “Basic Boxes 4U” Senior program.

**6. Request to Accept Donations of \$600 from the Office of Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis and Appropriate the \$600 to be used for the Basic Box Program**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

1. Accept the donations from District One Office (Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis); and
2. Appropriate the funds to Senior Services (\$600 to account #01-9696-6227).

**8. Parks and Recreation Commission Appointment**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council confirm the nomination and appoint Jodi Lynn Lepp to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

**9. Notice of Decision – January 20, 2021 Planning Commission Meeting**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

1. Receive and File the “Notice of Decision” by the Commission at its January 20, 2021 Meeting, for the following Project:
  - a. Site Plan Case/Architectural Review (SPC/AR) 2021-003.

**MOTION ON ITEMS 4 - 6, 8, & 9**

*C/Wu made a motion to adopt Items 4 - 6, 8, & 9; seconded by C/Tragarz. Motion carried by the following voice vote:*

**AYES:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *Ching, Freedman, Pacheco, Tragarz, Wu*  
**NOES:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*  
**ABSTAIN:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*  
**ABSENT:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*

**ITEM PULLED FOR DISCUSSION:**

**7. Approval of Purchase Order to RKA Consulting for Updating the Required Storm Water – Reasonable Assurance Analysis**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council authorize staff to issue a Purchase Order to RKA Consulting Group in the amount of \$75,000 for updating the required Reasonable Assurance Analysis (RAA).

CSS/Barcelo presented a staff report.

Discussion took place amongst Council and staff regarding contract costs, funding, and bid details.

**MOTION ON ITEM 7**

*C/Wu made a motion to approve Item 7; seconded by C/Tragarz. Motion carried by the following voice vote:*

**AYES:**            **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *Ching, Freedman, Pacheco, Tragarz, Wu*  
**NOES:**            **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*  
**ABSTAIN:**        **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*  
**ABSENT:**         **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR:**     None scheduled.

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION/TRANSACTION ITEMS:**    None scheduled.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF):**

**A. Councilmembers’ report on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency**

C/Wu shared that he attended a San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments meeting.

C/Freedman stated that she attended the League of California Cities New Councilmember Academy.

**B. Individual Members’ comments and updates**

C/Freedman asked staff for an update on establishing a cap for delivery service fees in the city. ACM/Weiner stated that an item would be brought to Council in February.

C/Freedman shared that she appointed Jodi Lepp to the Parks and Recreation Commission. She also shared information regarding the Great Kindness Challenge.

C/Tragarz congratulated Parks and Recreation Commissioner Lepp.

**COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS:**     None.

**RECESS TO THE MEETING OF THE WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Authority Chair Pacheco called the meeting to order at 7:58 p.m.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY:**

There being no one present wishing to speak during oral communications, it was unanimously moved by the Authority to close oral communications; motion carried.

**AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- 10. Resolution No. 21-01 WHA – A Resolution of the Walnut Housing Authority Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$42,550.62 Demand No. 100399 through No. 100399, Both Inclusive**

**Recommendation:** That the Authority adopt Resolution No. 21-01 WHA.

**MOTION ON ITEM 10**

*AM/Wu made a motion to adopt Item 10; seconded by AM/Freedman. Motion carried by the following voice vote:*

**AYES:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *Ching, Freedman, Pacheco, Tragarz, Wu*  
**NOES:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*  
**ABSTAIN:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*  
**ABSENT:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*

**AUTHORITY DISCUSSION/TRANSACTION ITEMS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY LATE BUSINESS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY ADJOURNS TO CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**CLOSED SESSION:** None scheduled.

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**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the City Council adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED this 10th day of February 2021.**

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Bob Pacheco, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

PREPARED BY:

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Ray Markel, Administrative Assistant