City of Inglewood
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MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Madam Clerk, could you Call the roll? Could we stand for the pledge of allegiance? Right hand over your heart.

(ALL RECITE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE)

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Mr. Field, when you dial, dial in Mr. Franklin.

MAN 1: Where would he go?

MAN 2: Kidnap.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Because seriously, he's usually on time. That's why I'm saying, he could have fallen or something. Madam Clerk, would you call the roll?

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Yes, Mayor. A quorum is present or the City Council and Successor Agency.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Any persons wishing to address City Council, Successor Agency on any item on today's agenda other than public hearing, may do so at this time. Hearing no comment, PH-1.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Public hearing to consider an ordinance amending the Inglewood Municipal Code to establish policies for short-term rentals.
MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Continue the public hearing to May 26, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Consent Calendar Items 2 and 3.

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: So moved.
COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Second.
MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Madam Clerk?

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Council Members Dotson?

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: I just knew it.
COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: Aye.
MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: There he goes.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Council Member Padilla?

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Aye.
CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Morales?
COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: Aye.
CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Franklin?
COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Aye.
CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Mayor Butts?
CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Staff report recommending approval of the Fourth Amendment to
CEQA Funding Agreement Number 18-055 with Murthy

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Okay, then it's pulled because the report is no longer -- we don't have the staff report. Okay, so DR-1 is pulled. DR-2?

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Staff report recommending approval to develop and staff a Housing Protection Department.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Move Items 1, 2, 3 and 4.

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Second.

COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: Second.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: I believe there were going to be some amendments.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Second.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Staff report.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: It's okay. Oh, go ahead. It's up to you.

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: It's not needed.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Second.

Madam Clerk?
CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Council members Dotson?

COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Padilla?

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Morales?

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Franklin?

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Mayor, I wanted to comment on this item.


COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: I just simply want to make sure that based upon the ordinance that it's -- the employees that are coming on board will be transitional employees, not permanent, and that the program is set for December 31, 2024. So that's the ten-year expiration period.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: 2024 is not ten years.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: I'm sorry --

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: It's a five-year.
MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Okay, okay --

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Okay.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: So first of all --

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: I'm going by what's in this.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Go ahead, Yakema, because I don't know that we're going to guarantee that but they will be transitional to start, but go ahead.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Yes.

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST YAKEMA DECATUR: Okay, so the ordinance -- the Council's intent when the permanent ordinance was adopted was that, after receiving input from tenants and landlords, that the three percent cap would be for five years, and then after that it would be -- we would allow what state allows. State goes until 2030, so it's my intent --

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Well, wait, let me finish this. Our intent is that rent stabilization is something that's going to go on into the future, so I mean, to say that this is a
ten-year program, I think it's very destabilizing and disheartening for people that live here right now. Because if you allow rents to go up, 10, 12, 14 percent after ten years, you're going to be in the same situation that you are now.

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Mayor, but my understanding was that we had, when we approved it, we didn't approve it with this stipulation that it would continue after the ten years. What we said is after the five years, it would then revert to the state, and there was no discussion about after ten years what we would do.

And so I think what Councilman Franklin, and I'll let him speak on this, is that we're -- the thought is that this continues to go -- and we can revisit it in year eight or nine, or whatever, right?

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Absolutely.

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Whoever's on the council at that time can revisit it. But what we're saying is just up front that the employees that would be coming on would be transition.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: And I
agreed with that.

CITY ATTORNEY KENNETH R. CAMPOS: Any Mayor, if I may comment, reading from the section at E, this section shall remain in effect only until December 31, 2024, and at the end of that date is repealed. So it can't be --

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: 2024?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST YAKEMA DECATUR: Right, so they repealed the three percent, and instead of clarifying that we would then allow what state allows. So the intention is when we bring back the ordinance, it would be amended to read what your intentions.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: To reflect the state.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Yeah, that's right. That's why we're (indiscernible).

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: And comment by Councilman Morales.

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: And the key terms is what would happen is when ours effectively sunsets, which is --

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Our three percent, mm hmm.

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: 2024, it
would actually trigger the state to come in, 
because we would -- and you can correct me if I'm 
wrong when I'm done, but at that point we would 
continue to service the community with regard to 
what the current law is allowing.

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST YAKEMA

DECATUR: If we incorporate it in our ordinance. 
Otherwise there would be no point.

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: And that 
was my next thing. Do we need to take a step, 
and is that step now, or is that step in 2024?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST YAKEMA

DECATUR: I think we should do it now, when an 
amended ordinance comes back, so we can just 
clarify it then.

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: Okay, 
that's fine. I knew that that -- that was the 
moves that were, just to clarify -- and what Alex 
would, Councilman Padilla said in terms of, I 
think that that is the most accurate. 

When we made our decisions was to 
trigger to 2024 and then allow the state to 
dictate, and then at that point when that 
sunsets, we can make our own decision in terms of 
expanding it, or stopping it at that point. So I
just wanted to clarify that we're on the same page, and make sure that we address that now.

    MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: All right.
    SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST YAKEMA DECATUR: One more. Because the general fund is funding the startup costs for the department, can you include a motion that when we start collecting registration fees that the general fund can be reimbursed. That's it.
    MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Okay, hold on a second, so where's the city attorney? So is that a motion we can make right now because this is on the table?
    CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: There's already a motion and second.
    MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: See, we're going to have to -- we're going to have to redo the motion. But what I'm saying is, what she's recommending is that we right now make the motion that the general fund will be reimbursed retroactively once we collect the fees. So that's the question that's on the floor.
    CITY ATTORNEY KENNETH CAMPOS: For this item, I believe we could do that. Because that's where it should be going, to the general fund.
MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Okay, so I make, so let's --

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: So I'll do this. I'll rescind my motion.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: There you go.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: You can rescind your second, and I will amend my motion to include approval of Items 1, 2, 3 and 4 of DR-2 with the amendment and stipulation that any costs associated with this program will be reimbursed to the general fund at a later date.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: At the point that they are collected, fees are collected.

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: At the point that the fees are collected, I agree with that.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: I second, yes.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Okay, so what your seconding, though, so you're moving the entire 1, 2, 3 and 4.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Yes.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: With the --
COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Added.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Amendment.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: That's correct.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: And first and seconded. Madam Clerk, would you call the roll?

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Yes, Mayor. Councilmembers Dotson?

COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Padilla?

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Morales?

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Franklin?

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Mayor Butts?

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Aye. Thank you, gentlemen, for your clarifications.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Thank you, Yakema.

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST YAKEMA DECATUR: You're welcome.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Thank you Ms. Decatur. So now we're at DR-3.
CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Staff report recommending approval of a California tax credit allocation committee lease rider for PATH Eucalyptus located at 502-508 South Eucalyptus Avenue, Inglewood, California 90301.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Move approval.

COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: Second.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Madam Clerk?

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON:

Councilmembers Dotson?

COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Padilla?

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Morales?

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Franklin?

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Mayor Butts?


CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Staff report recommending the appointment and confirmation of two Inglewood Housing Authority Section 8 tenant participants to the Housing Advisory Commission.
COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Move items. Mayor's -- well, that's your portion.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Okay I appoint the following to the Housing Advisory Commission: Georgia G. Gist-Williams as Commissioner Number 6 and Ramsey Jones as Commissioner Number 7.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: I second the motion.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Madam Clerk, would you call the roll?

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Yes, Mayor. Councilmembers Dotson?

COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Padilla?

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Morales?

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Franklin?

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Mayor Butts?


CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Staff report recommending approval of an amendment to
Agreement Number 18-150 with Sialic Contractors, Corporation d/b/a Shannon, to increase the contract amount by an additional $332,300 for construction work performed on the Imperial Highway Improvement Project.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Move Items 1 and 2.

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Second.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Madam Clerk?

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Yes, Mayor.

Councilmembers and Successor Agency. Members Dotson?

COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Padilla?

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Morales?

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Franklin?

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Aye.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: Mayor Butts?

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Aye DR-5 and TSA-1.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: We just did that one.

CITY ATTORNEY KENNETH CAMPOS: Thank you, Mayor. We had a closed session regarding labor negotiations with Jose Cortez, the human resource director being the agency negotiator. The two bargaining groups were the IPOA and IPMA. As to that item, discussion was held, direction given to staff, and as for oral reports from the City Attorneys, there are none at this time.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: CM-1?

ARTIE FIELDS: There are no city manager reports,

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: CC-1.

CITY CLERK YVONNE HORTON: No reports, Mayor, thank you.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: CT-1?

CITY TREASURER CITY TREASURER WANDA BROWN: Residents of Inglewood, I stand before you this day to address the aforementioned March 10, 2020 agenda item from the office of the City Manager, Artie Fields. The subject, resolution to establish an investment committee, from March 10, 2020. However before I address that item, I
want to inform the residents, I was diagnosed with breast cancer several months ago. It is the most aggressive form of breast cancer. However, I serve the most powerful and aggressive God and Lord in this universe, who has assuredly assured me I will be okay.

I have three stages of treatment, aggressive chemotherapy, surgery and radiation. I'm in the final phase of chemotherapy. I'm very fatigued most of the time. This has been a challenging experience to my health. I spent two days per week for nearly ten hours at the hospital for the infusion treatment and an appointment for my oncology team. Mayor Butts, and all of the councilmembers, as well as the City Manager were informed before I began my chemotherapy treatments.

From inception of when Inglewood was incorporated in 1908, that's 112 years ago, an Investment Oversight Committee didn't exist. It is this treasurer who was elected in June of 1987 that established the first and only Investment Oversight Committee. That is not required for Government Code 53600. Let me emphasize, an Investment Oversight Committee is not required.
per Government Code 53600.

I served as Chair. The City Manager served, the finance director served, and two members from the community serve as members. I announced at a previous City Council meeting several months ago the treasurer would be accepting applications for any resident interested in serving on the Investment Oversight Committee.

However, I announced several months later the cancellation of that proposed meeting, as well as a treasurer's free income tax program for residents, city treasurer student intern program, and workshops. I completed the 15th city treasurer intern program last year. I request that the city clerk include this report in the documents for this council meeting in the event the Mayor orders my mic cut off, and not allow me to complete.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: You're definitely at time and so -- you're definitely at time. So you can include it in the --

CITY TREASURER WANDA BROWN: I said again?

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: You can
have her include it if you want, but you're
definitely at time.

CITY TREASURER WANDA BROWN: I can't

speak anymore?

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: No, you're

at three minutes.

CITY TREASURER WANDA BROWN: I'm sorry,

what's that?

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: You're --
you're done. Okay, there are no appointments,
boards and commissions. Public comment. Any
person who wishes to address the City Council on
any matter connected with City business not
elsewhere considered may do so at this time.

Hearing no comments, Mayor and council remarks.

Councilman Padilla -- Councilman Dotson?

COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: Thank

you, Mayor.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Yeah, I

felt your presence.

COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: Well, I

was hoping so. Today is a (indiscernible). So

I'd like to (indiscernible) Wanda, I will be

praying for you, and so will my wife. And so

sorry to hear about that. And (indiscernible), I
feel like I'm a part of (indiscernible). So thank you so very much, have a wonderful day.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE DOTSON: And be safe.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Thank you.

Councilman Padilla?

COUNCIL MEMBER ALEX PADILLA: Thank you, Mayor. I'd like to ask you to close in the memory of a longtime friend of the City of Englewood, business owner, just a wonderful hearted person, Jerry Friedman who passed away on May 13th. Jerry Freeman with Marvin Engineering. And so my condolences to his family and friends and he certainly is going to be missed.

I'd also like to remind everybody that next week is Memorial Weekend, or this coming weekend, so please keep in mind all our U.S. military personnel that have given the ultimate sacrifice. So when you're together with your family, please give a little extra prayer and tribute to those men and women. That being said, enjoy the rest of your week. Thank you.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Thank you.

Councilman Franklin, District 4.
COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Yes, I just echoed those same sentiments, with the closing in memory of Jerry Friedman, and Mayor, I also ask you to close in memory of Larry Aubrey, who's been a longtime District 1 Inglewood resident.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Larry Aubrey passed?

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: Yes, and that his daughter's in my council’s district, and I was given the sad news.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: When did Larry pass?

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKLIN: About two days ago.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Okay, Councilman Morales.

COUNCIL MEMBER ELOY MORALES: Mayor, I would just like to reiterate the same thoughts as to Jerry Friedman and now Mr. Larry Aubrey. Other than that, have a nice week.

MAYOR JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.: Now, I wanted to definitely give our sympathies to the City Treasurer as well. You know, I hope that everything ends up, the way it's looking right.
now.

Jerry Friedman I've known since I was 19 years old, met him in 1972 when Marvin Engineering was in the brick building at the corner, the southeast corner of Beach and Eucalyptus, and I was community service officer. And he gave me a tour of the place, and he was not the principal that he was. And just such a great asset to the community, and he will definitely be missed.

I've known Larry Aubrey since the '80s, so these are two long-term pillars of the community, and we close the meeting their name, and they'll definitely be missed. We're adjourned.

COUNCIL MEMBER RALPH FRANKIN: Thank you
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I, Sonya Ledanski Hyde, certify that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

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