

APRIL 28, 2020

The Compton City Council meeting was called to order at 5:46 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall by Mayor Aja Brown.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present – McCoy, Sharif, Brown *(Via Zoom teleconference)*
Council Members Absent – Chambers, Galvan *(Joined the meeting at 6:05 p.m.)*

Other Officials Present: D. Brown, A. Godwin, C. Cornwell

5:35 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED STREET VACATION OF A PORTION OF SOUTH OLEANDER STREET, A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY, LOCATED BETWEEN WEST ALONDRA BOULEVARD AND THE COMPTON HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS AND ADJACENT TO 417 WEST ALONDRA BOULEVARD (STREET VACATION NO. 19-001) (Item #6)

On motion by McCoy, seconded by Sharif, the hearing was opened at 5:47 p.m. by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - McCoy, Sharif, Brown
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers, Galvan

Robert Delgadillo, Senior Planner, commented that this public hearing is being held to consider a resolution approving and ordering the vacation of a portion of South Oleander Street located between West Alondra Boulevard and the Compton High School campus. The subject public right-of-way is located adjacent to 417 West Alondra Boulevard, Compton. The Compton Unified School District (CUSD), the applicant, is requesting approval of Street Vacation No. 19-001, to facilitate the Compton High School reconstruction project. The street vacation consists of a 60-foot by approximately 148-foot section of South Oleander Street located between the Compton High School campus and West Alondra Boulevard. The street vacation area is approximately 8,770 square feet in size. The proposed street vacation (abandonment) will facilitate the Compton High School campus expansion to the northwest corner of West Alondra Boulevard and South Acacia Avenue.

The proposed vacation has been reviewed by the City of Compton Public Works Department and has determined that the area to be vacated is not necessary for current or future public use and that the vacation serves the public interest and is a public benefit as it eliminates any maintenance costs and liabilities imposed on the City associated with the right-of-way. Additionally, in accordance with the provisions of the Streets and Highways Code, notice of the time and place of the public hearing was published in the Compton Bulletin on April 15, 2020 and April 22, 2020 and posted along South Oleander Street. The owner of the properties adjacent to the proposed public right-of-way vacation, CUSD, was also notified by mail.

Approval of the request will have no significant impact on municipal expenditures. The City will relinquish its future maintenance responsibility of the public right-of-way, if the street vacation is granted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING THE HEARING

City Clerk Alita Godwin informed the City Council that there were no public comments submitted regarding the public hearing.

On motion by Sharif, seconded by McCoy, the hearing was closed at 5:51 p.m. by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - McCoy, Sharif, Brown
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers, Galvan

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA MATTERS

City Clerk Alita Godwin commented that members of the public may observe this meeting via Channel 36 or via city website streaming services at www.comptoncity.org, and offer comments at this meeting telephonically by leaving a voicemail at (310) 605-6335, or electronically by emailing your comments to contactcityclerk@comptoncity.org, by 4:00 p.m., the day of the meeting. If you are an individual with a disability and need a reasonable modification or accommodation pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”) please contact the City Clerk’s Office at (310) 605-5530 or email contactcityclerk@comptoncity.org prior to the meeting for assistance.

City Clerk Godwin read the following comments into the record as submitted:

Alita Godwin indicated that her office has received over 40 public comments relating to agenda items and read the names and their stated positions:

Regarding Agenda Item Number 11 – Ordinance addressing E-cigarettes

In Favor of the Ban on E-cigarettes:

Pastor Ed Robinson, Jess, Jessie Dale, Stephanie Hernandez, Edgar Romo, Paulette Gibson, Sellie McDonald, Amber Wilburn, Amanda Staples, Dawn Franks, Michael Olivares, Katy Cisneros, Lisa Nieto, Primo Castro, Alejandro Alvarez, Susan Adams, Shannon Kozlovich, Richard Earl, Eric Batch, Ernest Wright, Veronica, Charmain Hays, Annie Tegen, Avin Brown, Shirly Gideon, Arabi Hassan, Joe Curry, Robert Ray, Ed Sanders, Francisco, Sylvia, Elvia Galarza, Elisa Villegas, Francisco Ramirez, Margarita Diaz, Maria Mata, Patricia and Noemi.

Opposed to the Ban on E-cigarettes:

Jeff
Bryson
Ricky

Charmaine Hayes, Resident of the great 3rd District “I am writing in regards to the Charter Review Committee. This committee is working diligently towards making recommendations for the council to review to be placed on the November ballot. The California League of Cities indicates that Charter Cities may use the Home Rule to supersede the state’s law. Many residents have stated that they want a 1 year residency requirement in the Charter to be eligible to run for office in Compton. Both attorney’s Brown and Clegg are of the opinion that we must follow the state law. However, the City of Redondo Beach challenged this law and won and several surrounding cities have different requirements. Inglewood and Bell, 60 Days Cerritos and Hayward, 1 year. This is what California League of Cities states, ‘Cities with voter-approved charters have additional home rule authority or supremacy over their municipal affairs, police, subgovernments, city elections, and their elected and appointed city officials and employees (art. XI, § 5). The provisions of a city charter and the ordinances adopted by a charter city prevail over general state law in areas that a court determines are municipal affairs, including the specific areas enumerated in section 5, subdivision (b) of article XI.18 As to matters of statewide concern, however, charter cities remain subject to state law.19 Therefore, whether a charter city may act independent of state general law in a particular domain, including the specific areas enumerated in section 5, subdivision (b) of article XI, depends upon a court’s determination of whether it is a municipal affair or a matter of statewide concern. I am requesting that our Compton Officials do right by the citizens of Compton and thoroughly review the law and make the peoples recommendation that 1 year residency in Compton be required. Additionally, add verification be verifiable by one of the following: * Tax Bill, previous year* 1 Year utility print out.’ It is important that we protect our city by requiring said information.”

Susan E. Adams - “1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY SUSPENSION ON THE ISSUANCE OF FIREWORKS PERMITS IN ORDER TO LIMIT THE SPREAD OF THE GLOBAL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC - I do agree to temporarily suspend fireworks permits in order to comply with distancing to limit the spread of COVID-19.

At the last Council Meeting of April 21st, there was a robust discussion about what is the right decision for our community. For many, many years, minority communities have been targeted to increase business profits for tobacco companies and businesses, while health issues increase in communities. Making a decision based on supporting a healthier Compton should be an agreeable decision for the Mayor and Council. It has been proposed that **menthol cigarettes**, which are more addictive but not healthier, should be **banned**, on grounds that race-specific marketing for a more addictive product is a social injustice. The Mayor and Council needs to look further into the future and stand-up for our youth to disallow the effects that make menthol cigarettes more appealing to young, inexperienced smokers. The health of our community is much more vital than business profit or a tobacco industry intentionally markets to youths and African-Americans/Latinos to keep current smokers addicted and attract new “replacement” smokers. Option 3 should be supported by Mayor and Council.

FY2020 CARES Act Allocations Grants:

- a. Recently, it was reported on the CARES Act Allocations Grants list, Compton received \$889,272.00. What is the plan for these funds?
- b. Dr. Dre and Jimmy Lovine donation will provide 145,000 meals to Compton citizens and coronavirus testing; I applaud them for their donation. What was the total amount given and under what non-profit or City of Compton are the funds being managed? Is there a plan to reach clinics throughout the city to assist with COVID-19 testing and what type of testing will be used? Is there a physician working with this taskforce?
- c. Last, there are a number of good non-profits that are helping with providing food to Compton citizens, how can they help with the distribution of food throughout the community?”

Cynthia Macon - “The present City of Compton administration has continued to flagrantly, across the years, limit the public's access to information and input on city council meetings by failing to install and operate the proper broadcast equipment that assures continuity and constancy. Residents have complained now for the span of three years about missing key decisions and opportunities to comment due their inability to access the council and committee meetings. Promises this and the city surveillance system would be fixed have fallen on deaf ears. The public is disenfranchised.” Today's agenda contains several items of concern, particularly item 10 which sets up a Relief Fund for the city by combining private and government donations into one account. This should not be done as there are requirements by the government as to how the money received by the city should be used, especially to help its low income residents. Helping them cannot be accomplished by distributing these funds to non-profits and churches and other through-ways and watching the money disappear. The rush to crown some persons to receive the money is indicative of the on-going corruption of this administration and associated others. Below please find a detailed breakdown of collective comments regarding today's agenda items. Please distribute a copy of this email, including the contents below, in its entirety to the entire council asap and preferably before the meeting.”

Barbara Calhoun, former City Councilmember - “When will Republic trash resume bulky waste pick up in all districts? Citizens are putting out bulky. They do not know that Republic is not doing any bulky pick up. Is the city of Compton still paying for bulky pick up? If so, can you stop paying them? They are not doing their job and still getting paid. I will be listening for the answer if you decide to answer. Thank you.”

Connie Halbig – “I have emailed you a few times about these illegal fireworks. I see you are going to stop the safe and sane. But what about those illegal ones that are going off at night now. I do believe you should bring this up tonight. And what you and council going to do about them. Some of us would like to get some rest at night. Not having these going off. Please don't be the way Craig was and put it off another year. We need to have something done now. (TONIGHT!) Also, have the Sheriffs respond the way they should when called on them going off. Also, have the Sheriff's go to the house where they are called about shooting them off and not just driving by like they did last year and doing nothing when they were told who and where. Also, implement that \$1,000 fine for those that are shooting them off. We have waited a year. Now don't let us wait till after the Elections on City Attorney and others Council members that may not see another year in Compton. We are MAD that NOTHING has been done about this as of yet. SO BRIING THIS

UP TONIGHT BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE! The house that goes up in flames may be yours. The pet that runs away or dies may be yours. The life you save may be your family's."

Robert Ray - "Item #10 - I have been saying for years that the sale and use of all fireworks should be illegal. I totally support this item and hope it remains permanent. However, in the meantime, fireworks are already being shot off almost every night in several areas of Compton and no one is doing anything about it. Why aren't these violators being prosecuted? Item #11 - I wholly support any measure that will stop the use of E-cigarettes and tobacco paraphernalia. But, who is going to enforce this new ordinance? For years I have been complaining about stores selling single cigarettes and single cans of beer but no one has done anything about it and stores are still doing it. What good is an ordinance if it is not enforced? Sheriff's Department - In the past month I have called our Compton station at least 10 times to complain about people racing ATM's up and down my street. Each time I call I am told that they would send a unit out. I have proof that a unit was never sent out. My proof is my security cameras that record every vehicle that goes past my home in any direction. My cameras have not seen a unit in almost 3 month when Deputy Owens was dealing with a neighbor. It's time for deputies to actually respond to where they are dispatched. Finally, there has been a lot of talk, but when is Compton going to open some shelters for the homeless?"

CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STREET REHABILITATION PROJECT (CIP# 13-01) AS COMPLETE, DIRECT STAFF TO FILE THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE AND AUTHORIZE THE RELEASE OF THE CONTRACTOR'S (PALP, INC. DBA EXCEL PAVING COMPANY) RETENTION (\$120,982.35) (*Approved Resolution Number 25, 250*)

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

2. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SIBRIE PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AS COMPLETE AND DIRECT STAFF TO FILE THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE (*Approved Resolution Number 25, 251*)
3. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BURRELL MACDONALD PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AS COMPLETE AND DIRECT STAFF TO FILE THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE (*Approved Resolution Number 25, 252*)
4. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SOUTH PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AS COMPLETE AND DIRECT STAFF TO FILE THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE (*Approved Resolution Number 25, 253*)

WATER DEPARTMENT

5. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON RATIFYING THE EMERGENCY EMPLOYMENT OF J.A. SALAZAR CONSTRUCTION & SUPPLY CORPORATION FOR PROVIDING EMERGENCY WATER MAIN LEAK REPAIRS AT WEST GLENCOE STREET AND WILLOWBROOK AVENUE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER (\$11,320) (*Approved Resolution Number 25, 254*)

On motion by McCoy, seconded by Galvan, the consent agenda was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Galvan, McCoy, Sharif, Brown
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers

REGULAR AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

6. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON APPROVING AND ORDERING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF SOUTH OLEANDER STREET, A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY APPROXIMATELY 60-FEET BY 148-FEET, LOCATED BETWEEN WEST ALONDRA BOULEVARD AND THE COMPTON HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS AND LOCATED ADJACENT TO 417 WEST ALONDRA BOULEVARD, COMPTON (STREET VACATION NO. 19-001)

On motion by Sharif, seconded by McCoy, **Resolution Number 25,255** entitled ‘**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON APPROVING AND ORDERING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF SOUTH OLEANDER STREET, A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY APPROXIMATELY 60-FEET BY 148-FEET, LOCATED BETWEEN WEST ALONDRA BOULEVARD AND THE COMPTON HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS AND LOCATED ADJACENT TO 417 WEST ALONDRA BOULEVARD, COMPTON (STREET VACATION NO. 19-001)**’ was adopted by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Galvan, McCoy, Sharif, Brown
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers

7. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AMENDING THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS' 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET TO TRANSFER FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH RUSH TRUCK CENTERS OF CALIFORNIA, INC. FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF PARAMEDIC AND COMAND VEHICLES (\$31,000.00)

On motion by McCoy, seconded by Sharif, **Resolution Number 25,256** entitled ‘**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AMENDING THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS' 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET TO TRANSFER FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH RUSH TRUCK CENTERS OF CALIFORNIA, INC. FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF PARAMEDIC AND COMAND VEHICLES**’ was adopted by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Galvan, McCoy, Sharif, Brown
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers

8. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AGREEMENT WITH LIFTING THE VEIL, INC. TO FACILITATE A TEMPORARY FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM AT THE KELLY PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

On motion by Sharif, seconded by McCoy, **Resolution Number 25,257** entitled ‘**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AGREEMENT WITH LIFTING THE VEIL, INC. TO FACILITATE A TEMPORARY FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM AT THE KELLY PARK COMMUNITY CENTER**’ was adopted by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Galvan, McCoy, Sharif, Brown
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers

9. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, TO BE AN AUTHORIZED AGENT TO ENGAGE WITH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AND THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (CAL OES) REGARDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR EMERGENCIES/DISASTERS

It was moved by McCoy, seconded by Sharif, that the resolution be adopted.

Councilman Galvan stated that he would not be in favor of a COVID-19 quarantine facility in Compton, adding that the City must protect our elderly community.

Councilmember Sharif questioned the City's plans to address the housing of the homeless residents who test positive for COVID-19.

Mayor Brown commented that Project Roomkey is a collaborative effort by the State, County, and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority to secure hotel and motel rooms for vulnerable people experiencing homelessness. It provides a way for people who do not have a home to stay inside to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Resolution Number 25,258 entitled 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, TO BE AN AUTHORIZED AGENT TO ENGAGE WITH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AND THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (CAL OES) REGARDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR EMERGENCIES/DISASTERS' was adopted by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Galvan, McCoy, Sharif, Brown
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers

10. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY SUSPENSION ON THE ISSUANCE OF FIREWORKS PERMITS IN ORDER TO LIMIT THE SPREAD OF THE GLOBAL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC

It was moved by Sharif, seconded by McCoy, that the resolution be adopted.

John Kelly, Vice President for Southern California TNT Fireworks, read a letter to the City Council seeking approval to place Fireworks Stands in the City of Compton.

Councilman Galvan indicated that he has received emails from the City's non-profit groups regarding the necessity for the funds received from fireworks stands, which provide crucial funding for community services and social programs for Compton residents.

Resolution Number 25,259 entitled 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY SUSPENSION ON THE ISSUANCE OF FIREWORKS PERMITS IN ORDER TO LIMIT THE SPREAD OF THE GLOBAL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC' was adopted by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - McCoy, Sharif, Brown
NOES: Council Members - Galvan
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers

11. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON
AMENDING SECTION 7-23A (TOBACCO RETAILER PERMIT) OF THE COMPTON
MUNICIPAL CODE (FIRST READING)

On motion by Sharif, seconded by Galvan, the reading of the ordinance in full was waived by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Galvan, McCoy, Sharif, Brown
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers

It was moved by Councilmember McCoy, seconded by Mayor Brown (who stepped from the Chair) to place the ordinance on first reading.

Councilmember Sharif questioned the manner in which the ordinance is presented, adding that Menthol products must be banned to protect the youth of the community.

Councilmember Sharif offered an amending motion to remove Subsection G which would approve the City Attorney's Option 3 ordinance for a total ban on flavored tobacco.

The amended motion failed by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - Sharif
NOES: Council Members - Galvan, McCoy, Brown
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers

Councilmember McCoy offered an amending motion to approve Option 2 of the ordinance as printed. Mayor Brown stepped from the Chair to second the motion which failed by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - McCoy, Brown
NOES: Council Members - Galvan, Sharif
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers

After further discussion, the City Attorney indicated that he will re-submit the ordinance for the Council's reconsideration at the next Council meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilperson Galvan offered the following communications/announcements:

- Reported that a large tree has fallen onto the canopy at Lueders park and requested that the situation be addressed as soon as possible.
- Requested that the City Attorney develop a strategy for combating illegal fireworks in the City.
- Requested that the City consider adopting a policy prohibiting COVID-19 quarantine centers in the Compton.

Councilmember McCoy offered the following communications/announcements:

- Requested that the City address the street vendors illegally operating in the evenings around the City.
- Requested that the City Manager require that the appropriate agency properly maintain the property easements on Greenleaf from Wilmington to Willowbrook and the area in front of the Alondra disposal area.
- Adjourn in memory of **Leslie Smalley**.

Councilmember Sharif offered the following communications/announcements:

- Invited the residents to join her in a Virtual Town Hall Meeting scheduled for April 30, 2020 from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.—hosted by Pacific Coast Regional SBDC—please join the meeting by visiting the following link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8324342467305738508?source=city> of compton.
- Requested a copy of the street repair and maintenance schedule for the benefit of the residents.
- Thanked all the residents and organizations that have provided food and critical supplies to the Compton community.
- Thanked City administration and the public relations teams for their wonderful work on the City's newsletter.
- Commented that she has always acted in the best interest of the citizens of Compton.


Mayor Brown offered the following communications/announcements:

- Announced that Councilmember Chambers lost her Aunt and Uncle due to the coronavirus and extended her heartfelt condolences to the Chambers Family.
- Commented that the Alameda corridor is out of control and littered with discarded debris and homeless encampments and suggested that the City take legal action to enforce the maintenance agreement and require that the area be cleaned and properly maintained.
- Invited the community to join her in a Virtual Town Hall Meeting scheduled for April 29, 2020 beginning at 2 p.m. The Zoom meeting ID Number is: 893-7140-5166. Please visit the City's website for additional information.
- Thanked Andre R. Young (Dr. Dre) and Jimmy Lovine for their very generous donations to the Compton community. Mayor Brown urged residents to be tested for COVID-19 and visit the City's website at: www.comptoncity.org to view the City's Resource Guide for further information.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Chambers, seconded by McCoy, the meeting was adjourned in memory of **Aretha Mac-Baylor, Sandra, Leslie Smalley, and Charles Booker** at 8:16 p.m. by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Council Members - McCoy, Sharif, Brown
NOES: Council Members - None
ABSENT: Council Members - Chambers, Galvan



CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON



MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY
SUSPENSION ON THE ISSUANCE OF FIREWORKS PERMITS IN
ORDER TO LIMIT THE SPREAD OF THE GLOBAL CORONAVIRUS
(COVID-19) PANDEMIC**

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") declared the coronavirus ("COVID-19") a pandemic and recommended the implementation of extraordinary policies and procedures to protect the public health and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the coronavirus pandemic presents a national, state and local public health emergency. On March 1, 2020, President Donald Trump declared that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency. On March 4, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom declared the coronavirus pandemic a state of emergency. On March 17, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 25,226 declaring a local emergency and authorizing temporary procedures to limit the spread of the global novel coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Los Angeles Department of Public Health amended and supplemented its previous order issued on March 16, 2020 to provide additional restrictions on public and private gatherings and to authorize the closure of non-essential businesses in order to curtail the further spread of COVID-19 (the "Order"). This Order applies to all cities in Los Angeles County except the cities of Pasadena and Long Beach; and

WHEREAS, the Order prohibits all public and private events and gatherings where at least ten (10) people are expected to attend at the same time. This prohibition applies to both indoor events/gatherings and outdoor gatherings that are held within a confined space; and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom issued a statement that there is no precise timeline for modifying the stay-at-home order and other COVID-19 interventions; and

WHEREAS, during the summer season which is fast approaching, the sale and discharge of fireworks are often permitted by various cities throughout the county resulting in social gatherings of people who participate in the enjoyment of watching the display of discharged fireworks; and

WHEREAS, the City's process for the issuance of permits to sell fireworks within the City commences in May of each year and concludes through June of the same year for which a license is awarded; and

WHEREAS, fireworks are often used without safety precautions in residential neighborhoods by persons surrounded by onlookers creating a situation where mass gatherings of ten (10) or more people usually occur, thus resulting in potential violations of the Los Angeles County's current Order; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, as the governing body of the City of Compton, is authorized to provide for the health, safety and welfare of persons and property within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and declares that it is in the best interest of the City to adopt policies and procedures consistent with CDC recommendations and in support of the initial and updated orders by the State and County to protect the City from dangers arising from this unprecedented pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE:

Section 1. That the City of Compton supports the recommendation by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to implement extraordinary policies and procedures to protect the public health and welfare.

Section 2. That the City of Compton continues to support the initial health orders issued by the Los Angeles Department of Public Health, including the amended order issued March 19, 2020.

Section 3. That the City of Compton continues to support Governor Gavin Newsom's executive orders related to curtailing the spread of the global coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Section 4. That the City Manager is authorized to implement a temporary suspension on the issuance of fireworks permits in order to limit the spread of the global coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Section 5. That a certified copy of this Resolution shall be filed in the offices of the City Clerk, City Manager and Fire Department.

Section 6. That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this Resolution.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2020.

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss
CITY OF COMPTON)

I, Alita Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Compton, signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on this ____ day of _____, 2020.

That said Resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS-
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS-
ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS-
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS-

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON