# CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE

## ADJOURNED REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

## March 13, 2012

An Adjourned Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. in Conference Room A of the Community Development Department building, located at 910 Calle Negocio, San Clemente, California, by Mayor Evert.

**PRESENT** 

BAKER, BROWN, DAHL, MAYOR EVERT

**ABSENT** 

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**CITY STAFF PRESENT** 

George Scarborough, City Manager; Joanne Baade, City Clerk;

Anthony Mejia, Deputy City Clerk

PRESENT FROM
CONGRESSMAN
CALVERT'S OFFICE

Congressman Ken Calvert; Jason Gagnon, Deputy District Director

## Joint Meeting with U.S. Congressman Calvert

Mayor Evert provided welcoming remarks and thanked Congressman Calvert and his staff for attending this meeting.

City Manager Scarborough explained that the City sent a letter to Congressman Calvert on February 29, 2012 that identified the City's FY 2013 Federal Appropriations requests; provided an overview of the following projects for which the City is requesting funding assistance:

- San Clemente Beach Restoration and Sand Replenishment Design Phase Amount requested \$500,000.
- 2. Safety/Quiet Zone Improvements Amount requested \$468,000.
- 3. Avenida La Pata Extension Project Amount requested \$9 million.
- 4. Recycled Water Storage and Treatment Expansion Amount requested \$2.5 million.
- 5. South Orange Coastal Desalination Project Amount requested \$15-20 million.
- 6. <u>Courtney's SandCastle Universally Accessible Playground, Phase II</u> Amount requested \$326,000.

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Congressman Calvert expressed willingness to help the City with regard to the beach restoration and sand replenishment project; stated that he supports the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) legislation, but noted that it may be delayed due to a difficult political environment in Washington, D.C.

With regard to the Safety/Quiet Zone, Congressman Calvert advised that he will determine if federal transportation funding is available and suggested that the City and County contact Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) for assistance.

With regard to the recycled water storage and treatment expansion, Congressman Calvert expressed support for recycled water projects, noting that water resources are depleting and recycling water will reduce dependence on importing potable water.

Congressman Calvert suggested that county staff research whether Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) funds are available for the Avenida La Pata Extension Project; expressed support for the Courtney's SandCastle Universally Accessible Playground, advising that he will continue to provide assistance.

With regard to the South Orange Coastal Ocean Desalination Project, Congressman Calvert stated that the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) may have an interest in supporting the desalination project rather than constructing a water pipeline from Lake Mathews to south Orange County; noted that allocating funding for the project will be difficult during this challenging and political year.

#### **Oral Communications**

None.

#### Round Table

Congressman Calvert stated that it was a privilege to serve San Clemente and other south Orange County cities; noted that his new congressional district is primarily the cities of Norco, Eastvale, Lake Elsinore, Murrieta, Temecula, Menifee, Corona, and Canyon Lake.

In response to Council inquiry, Congressman Calvert stated that he voted against the bond issue for California's High Speed Rail; opined that California and the federal government cannot afford the project; expressed hope that the state will re-evaluate its plans and will allow citizens to re-vote on the issue.

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER BAKER, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM BROWN, CARRIED 4-0, to adjourn at 10:30 a.m., to an Adjourned Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 20, 2012 in the Council Chambers, located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California. The Water and Wastewater Utilities Cost-of-Service Study Workshop will begin at 4:00 p.m. Closed Session items will be discussed at 5:30 p.m. The General Session will commence at 6:00 p.m.

CITY CLERK of the City of San Clemente, California

MAYOR of the City of San Clemente, California

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