

CITY OF SAN CLEMENTECITY COUNCIL MINUTESADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING - MAY 18, 1987

An Adjourned Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of San Clemente, conducted in the Council Chambers, Civic Center Building, 100 Avenida Presidio, was called to order by Mayor Veale at 7:05 p.m.

PRESENT Council Members - LORCH, RICE, MAYOR VEALE

ABSENT Council Members - LIMBERG, MECHAM

ALSO PRESENT James B. Hendrickson, City Manager; Greg Hulsizer, Assistant City Manager; Dean Porter, Finance Director; Jim Holloway, Community Development Director; Tom Dailey, Director of Fire Protection; Bill Cameron, City Engineer; Joanne Baade, Deputy City Clerk; and certain other staff members present in the audience.

1. Budget Overview by City Manager

City Manager Hendrickson provided an overview of the FY 1987/88 proposed budget; advised that 11 positions are proposed to be added, and one position is proposed to be deleted, which would increase the total number of full time City employees from 244 to 254; stated that 1) the overall 1987/88 budget declines 5.8% from the 1986/87 budget, 2) the overall General Fund expenditures declines 30%; 3) the overall General Fund revenues increases 12.7%; stated the proposed budget is balanced and fiscally sound.

Councilmember Lorch suggested the possibility of the City establishing a 5-year budget, particularly in light of Measure B.

2. Community Development Department

Community Development Director Holloway reviewed that the department's goals for 1987/88 are to 1) enter a pro-active posture; 2) reduce level of staff turn-over; 3) establish systems and procedures to assure proper implementation and follow-through of Council and Commission policies; advised that two planner positions, one civil engineer position, and one secretary position are

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proposed; reviewed proposed consulting projects, centralization of capital projects, and Community Development Department space needs.

Hal Joseph, representing the Urban Design Committee, spoke in support of funding to enable the establishment of Urban Design Guidelines.

Councilmember Lorch noted that the City of Camarillo utilizes a significant number of volunteer citizen committees; suggested that perhaps such an approach in San Clemente may reduce staff time needed for various projects.

Mayor Veale questioned whether one Code Enforcement Officer is sufficient for the City. Community Development Director Holloway responded that one Code Enforcement Officer will suffice for the coming year, but noted that additional code enforcement staff will become necessary as the City develops.

Councilmember Lorch voiced concern that additional staff should not be necessary for each new project; stated he is not convinced that current projects cannot be handled by the current staff; requested detailed justification for the proposed new positions; stated he is attuned to providing equipment to assist the current staff.

3. Fire Department

Director of Fire Protection Dailey provided an overview of the Fire Department's 1987/88 proposed budget; provided a comparison of the 1986/87 budget to the 1987/88 proposed budget; discussed the possibility of sharing a paramedic unit with the City of Laguna Beach; advised that an automatic aid agreement with the County of Orange is on the Council agenda for May 20, 1987.

Councilmember Lorch relayed his belief that a temporary fire station is needed in Rancho San Clemente.

COUNCIL RECESSED AT 9:40 P.M. AND RECONVENED AT 9:50 P.M., WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT COUNCILMEMBERS LIMBERG AND MECHAM.

Curly Snider, felt the City should be reimbursed by the State of California for emergency service provided to people in vehicles traveling on I-5.

Councilmember Rice reviewed a chart which demonstrated

the budget cost per capita of the cities in Orange County; voiced concern that San Clemente is fifth from the highest in this category.

City Manager Hendrickson pointed out that San Clemente is a full-service City; stated that to obtain a viable comparison, it would be necessary to correlate the other cities' services to those services provided by San Clemente.

Karoline Koester, 401 Via Pajaro, urged Council to reduce the budget if possible; stated small line items should be reviewed with the same intensity as large line items; voiced particular concern with the amount of funds allocated for "Travel and Training."

Councilmember Lorch voiced concern with the proposed allocations for "Dues and Subscriptions"; felt the City's "Travel and Training" funds should be consolidated in one lump sum for the City, with the understanding that staff can apply for same; spoke in support of a new word processing system; felt City employees should fill out time cards to indicate the percentage of their time devoted to various programs.

4. Adjournment

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER RICE, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER LORCH, CARRIED 3-0, to adjourn at 10:30 p.m.

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held Wednesday, May 20, 1987 at 7:00 p.m.

Sharon M. Bode  
DEPUTY CITY CLERK of the  
City of San Clemente

Wesley A. Veale  
MAYOR of the City of  
San Clemente