

CITY OF SAN CLEMENTECITY COUNCIL MINUTESADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 11, 1986

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 William C. Mecham.

PRESENT: Council Members - DIEHL, LIMBERG AND MECHAM

ABSENT: Council Members - CARR, AND KOESTER

Also Present: James B. Hendrickson, City Manager
Myrna Erway, City Clerk

Fiscal Year 1986-87 Budget Review

The City Manager presented an overview of the General Government budget and the miscellaneous funds to be reviewed at this meeting as outlined on the agenda.

Special Presentation

Mayor Mecham presented a City plaque to Fire Marshall Gary Carmichael for service to the City from August 1971 to June 1986. Mr. Carmichael will be leaving the City to assume the position of Fire Chief for the Carmel Valley Fire District.

General Government Budget

The Assistant to the City Manager reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 1986-87 budget for the City Council and City Manager, outlining the major goals, priorities, and changes. Advised the responsibilities in the areas of recruitment, risk management and community relations have increased and 31 full-time positions have been added over the past few years. Recommended adding a Senior Administrative Analyst position, upgrading the position of Assistant to the City Manager to Assistant City Manager, establishment of a new employee assistance program, and remodeling improvements and relocation of the Community Development Department to an off-site leased facility.

City Clerk Department

The City Clerk outlined the major goals and objectives for the coming year, reviewed the Departmental budget, and requested a funding allocation for a computerized records management/records retention program.

Finance Department

The Finance Director reviewed the Finance Departmental budget, advising there are no major changes in the financial management program for the coming year. Councilman Limberg commended the Finance Director for the improvements in the Finance Department.

City Treasurer

The City Treasurer reviewed the budget, advising of the goal to strengthen the data handling capabilities in the coming year. Council commended the City Treasurer for the performance of his responsibilities as City Treasurer.

City Attorney

The Assistant to the City Manager recommended retaining the firm of Rutan and Tucker and maintaining the same service level, increasing the retainer fee from \$3,800.00 a month to \$3,950.00 a month, and increasing the non-retainer hourly fee from \$100.00 to \$105.00 an hour, effective July 1, 1986, and increasing the hourly fee to \$110.00 an hour, effective January 1, 1987. The City Manager cited the firm of Rutan and Tucker as an outstanding municipal law firm with approximately 100 attorneys and other specialists on staff. Noted the responsiveness of City Attorney Jeff Oderman who is available to staff four hours per week and attends all City Council meetings. An Assistant City Attorney attends all Planning Commission meetings. Credited Mr. Oderman with decreasing litigation against the City; stated the non-retainer fee is well below the standard rate. Council commended the service provided by City Attorney Jeff Oderman.

Recessed at 8:10 p.m. and reconvened at 8:20 p.m. with all members present except Councilmembers Carr and Koester.

Del Mar Beautification and Reconstruction Project

The City Manager reviewed the alternatives available to fund Phase II of the project as outlined in the Administrative Report dated June 3, 1986 which was also provided to all affected individuals. The City Attorney, responding to Council, advised it would be legally permissible to make certain findings in order to fund Phase II from the existing RDA funds.

Lincoln Rosay, Downtown Businesses Association President, requested that funding be appropriated for the next fiscal year to complete the Del Mar Beautification and Reconstruction Project. Approximately 50 business representatives were present at the meeting in support of completion of the project in this next fiscal year. Bertha Henry Taylor stated approximately half of the eligible businesses on Del Mar have committed to upgrading their property frontages. The remaining property owners will be contacted. Bernard Beckerlegge, President, San Clemente Beautification Committee, recommended decorative trash containers be installed on Del Mar similar to those contributed by the Committee for use at the Community Center. Stated his committee would be willing to landscape and maintain one of the bulbouts and recommended that various other civic organizations consider maintaining and planting other bulbouts.

MOTION BY MAYOR MECHAM, SECOND BY COUNCILMAN DIEHL, CARRIED 3-0 to direct staff to allocate \$348,400.00 in the FY 1986-87 budget to fund completion of the entire Del Mar Beautification and Reconstruction Project. Mayor Mecham recommended that a different type of tree be planted on Del Mar. Councilman Limberg recommended placement of a bulletin board on Del Mar to advertise community events.

Miscellaneous Funds

The Assistant to the City Manager and the Finance Director reviewed the funding for the miscellaneous funds.

Funding Requests from Outside Organizations

MOTION BY MAYOR MECHAM, SECOND BY COUNCILMAN LIMBERG, CARRIED 3-0 to allocate \$2,400.00 to the South Orange County Community Services Program.

MOTION BY COUNCILMAN LIMBERG, SECOND BY COUNCILMAN DIEHL, to allocate \$1,000.00 to the San Clemente Ocean Festival. Councilman Diehl favored allocating \$2,000.00 this year and appropriating no funding for next year. SUBSTITUTE MOTION BY MAYOR MECHAM, SECOND BY COUNCILMAN DIEHL, CARRIED 3-0 to allocate \$2,000.00 to the San Clemente Ocean Festival.

MOTION BY COUNCILMAN DIEHL, SECOND BY COUNCILMAN LIMBERG, CARRIED 3-0 to allocate \$28,500.00 for the San Clemente Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Mecham requested staff to advise the San Clemente Seniors of the need to review the overall funding request of \$17,131.00 and to provide the information to staff; recommended this matter be considered by the full Council at the meeting of June 18.

Council was provided a memorandum from the City Manager regarding the cost of reinstatement of positions deleted in the Water and Sewer Divisions. Council deferred final action on this matter to the meeting of June 18 so that all Council members could determine whether to increase rates since it will affect the entire community.

Belt Press

Staff advised that the down time of the present equipment at the sewer plant is increasing rapidly and that no backup equipment is available.

MOTION BY MAYOR MECHAM, SECOND BY COUNCILMAN LIMBERG, CARRIED 3-0 to authorize the purchase of a sludge dewatering belt press package at an estimated cost of \$615,000.00.

Commission/Committee Compensation Increase

MOTION BY MAYOR MECHAM, SECOND BY COUNCILMAN LIMBERG, CARRIED 3-0 to compensate the commissions and committee as follows: the Planning Commission is to receive \$60.00 per meeting, not to exceed \$120.00 per month for attendance; the Community Design Commission is to receive \$30 per meeting, not to exceed \$60.00 per month for attendance; the Parks and Recreation Commission is to receive \$30 per meeting, not to exceed \$60 per month for attendance; and the Golf Committee is to receive \$30 per meeting, not to exceed \$30.00 per month for attendance.

Offshore Oil Drilling Moratorium

The City Manager advised that continued lobbying from the City could be helpful.

MOTION BY MAYOR MECHAM, SECOND BY COUNCILMAN DIEHL, CARRIED 3-0 to appropriate \$2,100.00 from the fiscal year 1985-86 contingency reserve for two trips to send two representatives to Washington, D.C. to lobby Congress relative to offshore oil drilling.

MOTION BY COUNCILMAN DIEHL, SECOND BY MAYOR MECHAM, CARRIED 3-0 to appropriate \$6,000.00 in the FY 1986-87 budget for potential trips to Washington, D.C. to lobby regarding offshore oil drilling and to appropriate \$800.00 in the FY 1986-87 budget to retain the City's lobbyist.

Legal Defense Funding - Growth Limitation Initiative

MOTION BY MAYOR MECHAM, SECOND BY COUNCILMAN DIEHL, CARRIED 3-0 to appropriate an additional \$35,000.00 to Account No. 43460 for the defense of litigation against the Limited Growth Initiative.

ADJOURNMENT

The adjourned regular meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held June 18, 1986 at 7:00 p.m.

City Clerk and ex-officio
Clerk of the City Council

Mayor and President
of the City Council

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