

# CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE

## City Council Minutes

### Adjourned Regular Meeting – May 15, 2014

*These minutes reflect the order in which items appeared on the meeting agenda and do not necessarily reflect the order in which items were actually considered.*

An Adjourned Regular Meeting of the San Clemente City Council was called to order on May 15, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California, by Mayor Pro Tem Hamm.

**PRESENT**           BAKER, DONCHAK, EVERT, HAMM, MAYOR BROWN\*

\*Arrived at 4:12 p.m.

**ABSENT**            NONE

**STAFF PRESENT**   Pall Gudgeirsson, City Manager; Erik Sund, Assistant City Manager;  
Joanne Baade, City Clerk; Laura Campagnolo, Deputy City Clerk.

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### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Baker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 1.     **Presentation of the City's Fiscal Year 2014 Third Quarter Financial Report**

Report from the Assistant City Manager concerning the City's Fiscal Year 2014 Third Quarter Financial Report.

Assistant City Manager Sund summarized the FY 2014 Third Quarter Financial Report. A hard copy of Mr. Sund's presentation, entitled "3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report as of March 31, 2014", is on file with the City Clerk; noted that the Performance Measures are now available and copies have been placed on the dais.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER EVERT, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM HAMM, CARRIED 5-0, to receive and file the City's Fiscal Year 2014 Third Quarter Financial Report.

**2. City Council Workshop Concerning the Fiscal Year 2015 City Budget**

Report from the City Manager concerning the City's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2015.

City Manager Gudgeirsson provided introductory comments and presented the FY 2015 budget video.

Assistant City Manager Sund narrated Slides 2 through 8 of a PowerPoint presentation concerning the FY 2015 budget that is on file with the City Clerk. Additionally, Mr. Sund responded to Council inquiries and reviewed the budget schedule.

Finance Manager Vincent continued the PowerPoint presentation by reviewing Slides 9 through 33.

Principal Civil Engineer Knatz narrated a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Capital Improvement Program". A hard copy of Mr. Knatz' PowerPoint, dated May 15, 2014, is on file with the City Clerk.

During the course of discussion, individual Councilmember(s) expressed opinions as follows. The below statements do not necessarily reflect Council consensus.

- Council requested copies of the report that identified San Clemente as one of the 100 safest cities in the country.
- The library should be highlighted in the budget as a CIP project, even though funding was allocated for the project in FY 2014.
- The Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan should be integrated with Lucy.
- Voiced concern that the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan is expected to cost \$150,000 and questioned whether alternatives are available to conduct the work for a lower cost.
- Requested copies of Beaches, Parks and Recreation expenditures as far back as possible, using like-for-like dollars.
- Requested that the Negocio property debt information be included in the Debt Service Fund section of the budget document.
- Staff is to break out Marine Safety costs, in conjunction with Police and Fire Services, within the Financial Overview section of the budget.
- Staff is to determine where and when accidents happen as compared to the locations where deputies are issuing citations. The purpose is to help ascertain whether a measurable benefit is achieved when deputies are stationed in a particular area to enforce moving violations.
- Perhaps the Deputy II Motorcycle position could be funded from one-time savings resulting from the elimination of the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan (\$150,000) and the Historic Resources Survey (\$15,600), with

the understanding that Council would have the discretion to defund the Deputy II Motorcycle position next year, if desired.

- Suggested that it may be appropriate to provide a portal from the City's new website that would allow people to complete a customer satisfaction survey on line.
- Staff should investigate whether grants are available to help fund the design of the Beach Pedestrian Trail Extension.
- Staff should communicate with the OCTA to determine the feasibility of the Authority funding the beach trail extension for safety reasons.
- Staff should develop a timeline that includes key milestones for the Beach Pedestrian Trail Extension project.
- The Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan should include the beach trail to determine the level of citizen interest in the project.

Assistant City Manager Sund reviewed the FY 2015 Decision Packages and Police Services FY 2015 Defunded Positions, as contained in Slides 37-45; responded to Council inquiries.

MOTION BY MAYOR BROWN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER BAKER, **FAILED 2-3** (COUNCILMEMBERS DONCHAK AND EVERT AND MAYOR PRO TEM HAMM VOTING NOE), to accept the Police Services defunded positions as presented, for a total savings of \$457,261.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER EVERT to support the Police Services defunded positions as presented, with the exception of the Deputy II Motorcycle position. Further, that savings be found elsewhere in the budget document to accommodate the net cost of the Deputy II Motorcycle position (i.e., \$227,406 cost minus the \$70,000 in revenue that the position would likely generate in citation revenue). **THE MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.**

Council requested that Staff report back as to where budget cuts could be made in order to fund one of the Deputy II positions that are proposed to be defunded.

### **Public Commentary**

Marci Mednick, San Clemente, urged the City to help fund a Wellness Center on the campus of San Clemente High School; spoke in support of Susan Parmelee and voiced concern that 300 people die in Orange County annually from drug overdoses.

Christy Mednick, San Clemente, spoke on the self-destructive behavior facing some of her fellow students (e.g., drugs, alcohol, and cutting) and opined that they need professional help and intervention. Ms. Mednick read a statement from Erin Dollar (who was unable to attend the meeting) about the book "Ordinary People", that details a high school student's recovery from a suicide attempt.

Angie Tisdale, Health Teacher at San Clemente High School, commented on the struggles facing students; noted that she is not a counselor and opined that a Wellness Program is needed; commented that it has been beneficial to have Susan Parmelee on campus.

Kathleen Kaiser, San Clemente, explained the problems that her son faced during his high school years; suggested that her son would have benefitted from a Wellness Center, since it would have provided professional resources and creative solutions.

During the course of discussion, Council made budget decisions as follows:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Movies in the Park	City is to provide \$2,300 in funding for Movies in the Park. Staff is to ask the Friends of the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission if it wishes to support the project.
Summer Concerts in Parks	Funding declined.
Symphony in the City	Funding declined.
Good Neighbor Funding	Funding declined. (See motion on Page 5 of these minutes.)
Additional Downtown Business Association (DBA) Support	Council deferred action on this item and requested that a DBA representative attend the next Council meeting, and that the San Clemente Historical Society provide input either in person or in writing, to provide details relating to the requested funding. Council expressed an interest in learning the breakdown of costs, whether the DBA and Historical Society will also provide funding, funding history, possible alternative funding options, identification as to how many bulb-outs have been completed to date and how many are left to complete.
Customer Service Survey	Funding declined, but Staff was directed to develop web applications to enhance the outreach effort.

Beach Pedestrian Trail Extension (Design Costs)

Council requested the following information before making a decision at its meeting of June 17, 2014 on funding for the Beach Pedestrian Trail Extension: 1) Investigate possible grant funding; 2) Direct Staff to communicate with the OCTA about possibly funding the project for safety reasons; and 3) Direct Staff to develop a timeline that includes key milestones for the trail extension project (including best and worst-case scenarios).

Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Council discussed whether the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan should be funded at a cost of \$150,000. Council ultimately did not take action to remove the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan from the FY 2015 budget.

Historic Inventory Survey

Funding declined.

Except as otherwise noted in these minutes, Council approved the Decision Packages that were built into the budget.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER EVERT to support the Wellness Program at a cost of \$10,000. **THE MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.**

Council determined that a freeze should be placed on new social service program applications to enable the next six months to be used to re-evaluate the City's policy on social service funding from both a philosophic and fiscal standpoint.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY MAYOR BROWN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER BAKER, CARRIED 5-0, to adjourn at 8:56 p.m. The next Regular Council Meeting will be held on May 20, 2014 in the Council Chambers, located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California. Closed Session items will be considered at 5:00 p.m. The public business session will commence at 6:00 p.m.



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MAYOR of the City of  
San Clemente, California



CITY CLERK of the City of  
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