

CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE

Adjourned Regular City Council and Adjourned Regular Redevelopment Agency Joint Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2007

An Adjourned Regular Meeting of the San Clemente City Council and San Clemente Redevelopment Agency was called to order on May 21, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

ANDERSON, DONCHAK, EGGLESTON,
KNOBLOCK, MAYOR DAHL

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

NONE

RDA DIRECTORS PRESENT

ANDERSON, DONCHAK, EGGLESTON,
KNOBLOCK, CHAIRPERSON DAHL

RDA DIRECTORS ABSENT

NONE

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager/RDA Executive Director
Scarborough; Pall Gudgeirsson, Assistant City
Manager; Myrna Erway, City Clerk/RDA
Secretary; Joanne Baade, Deputy City Clerk

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FISCAL YEAR 2007-08 CITY/RDA BUDGET

Review and consideration of the proposed FY 2007-08 City/RDA budget.

City Manager/Executive Director Scarborough narrated a PowerPoint presentation entitled "FY 2007-08 Proposed Budget", focusing on FY 2006-07 accomplishments and the FY 2007-08 Vital Few Priorities; responded to Council/RDA inquiries.

Assistant City Manager Gudgeirsson continued the PowerPoint presentation by providing an overview of the proposed FY 2007-08 City and RDA budgets. During the course of his presentation, Mr. Gudgeirsson reviewed anticipated revenues and expenditures for various funds and responded to Council/RDA inquiries.

A hard copy of the PowerPoint presentations provided by City Manager/RDA Executive Director Scarborough and Assistant City Manager Gudgeirsson are on file with the City Clerk.

Finance and Administrative Services and General Government

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM ANDERSON, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER EGGLESTON, CARRIED 5-0, to approve the Finance and Administrative Services and General Government budgets as presented.

Public Safety (Police and Fire)

In response to Council inquiry, Lt. D'Auria explained that the Department is requesting an Investigator position, as opposed to another patrol deputy, because of the existing shortage in investigative staff (due to the reassignment of investigative staff to patrol duty in prior years); reviewed proactive measures being pursued to reduce graffiti.

Division Chief Pierce responded to Council inquiries relative to the proposed Fire Services budget and identified fire prevention practices that are especially beneficial during drought conditions.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KNOBLOCK, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM ANDERSON, CARRIED 5-0, to approve Public Safety (Police and Fire) Decision Package #1 (i.e., the Investigator position).

Community Development

Community Development Director Holloway provided an overview of the proposed Community Development Department budget for FY 2007-08 and responded to Council inquiries.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DONCHAK, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER KNOBLOCK, CARRIED 5-0, to approve the Community Development Department budget as proposed.

Public Works/Economic Development

Public Works/Economic Development Director Lund provided an overview of the proposed Public Works/Economic Development Department budget for FY 2007-08 and responded to Council inquiries.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DONCHAK, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER KNOBLOCK, CARRIED 5-0, to approve Public Works Decision Packages Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 (i.e., Annual Street Light Replacements, Flooring Replacement at Corporation Yard Building A, CAD Computer Workstation and Asphalt Roller).

Enterprise Funds

Public Works/Economic Development Director Lund reviewed the proposed Enterprise Funds budgets for FY 2007-08 and responded to Council inquiries.

Council noted the importance of educating the public as to the reason that the clean ocean fee is proposed to remain the same when the program cost is being reduced from \$3.1 million to \$1.8 million.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM ANDERSON, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER DONCHAK, CARRIED 5-0, to approve the Enterprise Funds, Water and Sewer budgets as presented.

Other Funds (Gas Tax and Fleet)

Public Works/Economic Development Director Lund reviewed the proposed Other Funds budgets for FY 2007-08 and responded to Council/Director inquiries.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER/RDA DIRECTOR DONCHAK, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM/RDA VICE CHAIR ANDERSON, CARRIED 5-0, to accept Decision Packages Nos. 13, 14, and 15 (Traffic Signal System Hardware and Software, Tire Changer and Vehicle Lift).

Beaches, Parks and Recreation

Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director King provided an overview of the proposed Beaches, Parks and Recreation Department budget for FY 2007-08 and responded to Council inquiries.

In response to Council inquiry, Staff advised that funding is included in the proposed budget document for the installation of perrons on the slope adjacent to Parque Semper Fi; provided an update on the beach signage program, noting that Staff intends to install signage at the entrance to the pier during FY 2007/08.

In response to Council inquiry, Staff advised that one quote has been received thus far to install doors on restroom facilities in an ADA-compliant manner, noting that the cost quoted is \$61,000 (i.e., 15 restroom facilities at approximately \$4,100 each); related that the Parks and Recreation Commission has recommended that funding for restroom doors be included in the FY 08/09 budget, but noted that funding can be added to the FY 07/08 budget if Council chooses.

Staff agreed to provide Council with tray memos that address the following: 1) beach maintenance enhancement; 2) installation of stall doors at City restrooms; 3) needs assessment relative to a restroom at Linda Lane; and 4) suggestions to encourage dog owners to utilize the dog park that is appropriate for the size of their animal.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KNOBLOCK, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM ANDERSON, CARRIED 5-0, to approve the decision packages proposed by the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Department, with the exception of Decision Package No. 5 (Professional Ball Field Inspection - \$5,000). Additionally, funding in the amount of \$61,000 is to be included to accommodate the installation of stall doors in City restrooms.

Municipal Golf Course Budget

Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director King reviewed the proposed budget for the Municipal Golf Course.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM ANDERSON, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER EGGLESTON, CARRIED 5-0, to approve the Municipal Golf Course budget and decision packages as proposed.

MEETING RECESSED

Council/RDA Board recessed at 9:00 p.m. and reconvened at 9:05 p.m., with all members present.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (PART ONE)

Charles Mann, San Clemente, urged that Council not sell City assets to pay expenses and emphasized the importance of the City living within its means; stated that he views bonds as another form of tax, but explained that he would support the utilization of general obligation bonds to purchase open space.

Capital Improvement Program

Public Works/Economic Development Director Lund narrated a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Capital Improvement Program". A hard copy of Mr. Lund's presentation, dated May 21, 2007, is on file with the City Clerk.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM/RDA VICE CHAIR ANDERSON, SECOND BY MAYOR/RDA CHAIR DAHL to approve the Capital Improvement Program budget as presented.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER/RDA DIRECTOR DONCHAK, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER/RDA DIRECTOR KNOBLOCK, **FAILED 2-3** (COUNCILMEMBER/RDA DIRECTOR EGGLESTON, MAYOR PRO TEM/RDA VICE CHAIR ANDERSON AND MAYOR/RDA CHAIR DAHL VOTING NOE), to approve the Capital Improvement Program with the deletion of the following capital projects: Civic Center, Downtown Senior Center, and La Pata/Vista Hermosa Park Phase I.

THE ORIGINAL MOTION WAS VOTED ON AND CARRIED 3-2 (COUNCILMEMBERS/RDA DIRECTORS DONCHAK AND KNOBLOCK VOTING NOE).

During the course of the meeting, individual Councilmembers/RDA Directors expressed the following suggestions/comments. The items listed below do not necessarily reflect Council/RDA consensus:

1. The City should consider bond financing (as opposed to selling City assets) as a means to fund gaps in funding projects, such as the coastal trail and La Pata/Vista Hermosa Park.
2. The City should analyze the possibility of outsourcing certain services. The analysis should include areas that are not currently outsourced as well as services that are presently outsourced to determine if re-bidding could prove cost effective.
3. It is preferable for the City to sell unneeded assets to fund needs than to borrow money to fund needs.
4. The City should consider utilizing the nine acres at the intersection of La Pata and Vista Hermosa for work force housing.
5. Staff should investigate whether certain technological needs (such as scanning and indexing of building permit records) could be combined to obtain more-competitive bids.
6. That Staff provide cost figures to increase the level of beach maintenance from the current Level C to a Service Level A or B.
7. That Staff segregate capital improvement project funding from maintenance funding in future budgets.
8. Staff is to report back to Council relative to the type of replacement pedestrian lights that will be installed along El Camino Real.
9. That Staff report back re the possibility of utilizing Sheriff's Department personnel (e.g., Community Services Officers) to perform the park ranger functions identified in the decision package for the Education/Enforcement Program.

10. The traffic circle at El Camino Real and Avenida Pico requires aesthetic improvements. Staff advised that improvements will be made, but noted that the improvements will require coordination with The Lab.
11. Focus should be given to improving lighting, streetscape, etc. in the Pier Bowl redevelopment area. Staff is to develop a strategy (for presentation to Council/RDA in June 2007) to enhance the Pier Bowl area.
12. Staff is to develop a City Hall relocation schedule for Council consideration in June 2007.
13. The slope in front of the Casa Romantica is receding. Consequently, Council directed that Staff determine the maintenance obligations of the City and Casa Romantica Foundation as per the lease agreement.
14. Staff is to agendize a formal sidewalk tile policy to ensure consistent implementation.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (PART TWO)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY MAYOR/RDA CHAIR DAHL, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM/RDA VICE CHAIR ANDERSON, CARRIED 5-0, to adjourn at 10:00 p.m.

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held on June 5, 2007 in the Council Chambers, located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California. Closed Session items will be discussed at 6:00 p.m. The General Session will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The next Regular Redevelopment Agency Meeting will be held on June 5, 2007 in the Council Chambers, located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California. Closed Session items will be discussed at 6:00 p.m. The General Session will begin at 7:00 p.m.

CITY CLERK of the City of
San Clemente, California

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Clemente Redevelopment Agency

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