

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA
FINANCE AND PENSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 8, 2017
4:00PM**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Fisler at 4:02 p.m. in Conference Room 1A at Costa Mesa City Hall, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, California.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chair Jim Fisler, Vice-Chair Ralph Taboada, Members John Hinson, Bob Juneman, Wendy Leece, Al Melone, Nick Peterson, Tom Pollitt, Richard Riva, Rebecca Trahan (arrived at 4:20), Anna Vrska, Sandra Genis, Mayor

Staff Present: City Manager Tom Hatch, Interim Finance Director Stephen Dunivent, Interim Assistant Finance Director Elizabeth Andrew, Revenue Supervisor Anna Baca, Management Analyst Ray Hull, Executive Secretary Kathy Ulrich

Staff Absent: Assistant Finance Director Colleen O'Donoghue

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

MEMBER'S REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND SUGGESTIONS

Ms. Vrska attended the Senator Moorlach meeting on November 2, 2017 with the Sub-Committee and City Staff.

Ms. Leece also attended meeting with Senator Moorlach on November 2; a good meeting with good answers from the Senator. Trying to solve pension problems is continuing and going to Sacramento to meet with CalPERS is always an option.

Mr. Melone thinks the new tax bill will be discriminating to seniors.

Mr. Hinson complimented Chandler Asset Management and also attended the Senator Moorlach meeting. He is not optimistic about CalPERS.

Mr. Taboada thanked Ms. Leece for setting up the meeting with Mr. Moorlach.

Mr. Fisler commented on the RFP evaluations for ambulance services.

STAFF REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND SUGGESTIONS

Mr. Dunivent informed the Committee the Open Budget Costa Mesa site was planned to go live on November 8, however it has been delayed to a date and time yet to be announced.

Mr. Hatch will schedule a TOT Sub-Committee meeting soon.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Meeting of October 11, 2017

Moved/Second: Bob Juneman / John Hinson

Ayes: Jim Fislser, Ralph Taboada, John Hinson, Bob Juneman, Wendy Leece, Al Melone, Nick Peterson, Tom Pollitt, Richard Riva, Anna Vrska

Nays: None

Abstain:

Absent: Rebecca Trahan

Motion passed: 10-0-0-1

OLD BUSINESS -

a) CHANDLER QUARTERLY ECONOMIC & INVESTMENT ACCOUNT REVIEW

Mr. Jayson Schmitt reviewed the City's Investment Report for the period ending September 30, 2017.

b) FILLED AND VACANT POSITIONS UPDATE

Mr. Hull updated the Committee on the October 31, 2017 report, and Mr. Hatch updated status of the PD graduates.

NEW BUSINESS -

a) WASTE HAULING FRANCHISE & PERMITS

Raja Sethuraman, Public Services Director and Amber Haston, Management Analyst showed a presentation about the proposed code revisions brought about by the changes to the new state monitoring and reporting regulations.

A motion by Ms. Leece and second by Mr. Fislser to approve the waste hauler revisions:

Ayes: Jim Fislser, Ralph Taboada, John Hinson, Bob Juneman, Wendy Leece, Al Melone, Nick Peterson, Richard Riva, Rebecca Trahan, Anna Vrska

Nays: Tom Pollitt

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed: 10-1-0-0

b) REPORT ON SURVEY OF OTHER FINANCE COMMITTEE ROLES

Mr. Hull provided a comparison of Finance Committees between Costa Mesa and the Cities of Newport Beach and Irvine.

Public Comment: Ms. Refakes inquired if two more Cities could be included?

c) **COMMITTEE INVOLVEMENT IN THE MID-YEAR BUDGET REPORT**

Mr. Taboada would like the Committee to be involved in the Reports earlier and would like to form a sub-committee to have information before the February City Council meeting.

Discussion regarding the Committee involvement in the process and timing of the City Budget continued.

Public Comment: Ms. Refakes would like the Committee to be involved in the process before the first Council meeting, which, at that time, would be too late for any Committee input.

OPEN DISCUSSION / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Self-Insurance Fund update
- TOT Sub-Committee
- Mid-Year Budget Review
- Budget Sub-Committee

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. to the next regular Meeting of the Finance and Pension Advisory Committee on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.



Jim Fislser, Chair



Stephen Dunivent, Interim Finance Director