

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND
SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

JUNE 18, 2019

CALL TO ORDER (00:00:12)

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Foley at 6:05 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Costa Mesa City Hall, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, California.

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (00:00:31)

Ms. Isabella Mohr

MOMENT OF SOLEMN EXPRESSION (00:02:48)

Pastor Christine Nolf, Redemption Church

ROLL CALL (00:04:30)

Present: Council Member Chavez, Council Member Genis, Council Member Mansoor, Council Member Marr, Council Member Reynolds, Mayor Pro Tem Stephens, and Mayor Foley.

Absent: None

Officials Present: Acting City Manager Tamara Letourneau, City Attorney Kimberly Hall Barlow, Economic and Development Services Director Barry Curtis, Public Services Director Raja Sethuraman, Finance Director Kelly Telford and City Clerk Brenda Green.

CITY ATTORNEY CLOSED SESSION REPORT - NONE

PRESENTATIONS - NONE

CITY ATTORNEY CLOSED SESSION REPORT – NO CLOSED SESSION HELD.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – MATTER NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA:

Nathan Searcy, Field Representative for Assemblywoman Cottie Petrie-Norris, spoke on the State Budget; invited all to a Car Seat Safety Check-up on June 29th and an Employment workshop on July 18th. (00:05:24)

Flo Martin, Costa Mesa, spoke on safety issues pertaining to Harbor Boulevard crosswalks. (00:06:42)

Cassius Rutherford, Costa Mesa, thanked City Council for their transparency. (00:08:43)
Kim Hendricks, Costa Mesa, spoke on the two vernal pools in Fairview Park. (00:10:40)

Rebecca Trahan, Costa Mesa, spoke regarding safety in her neighborhood and requested an increase in police presence and additional lighting. (00:13:47)

Donald Dumain, Costa Mesa, spoke on resident parking on Cleveland Street. (00:16:24)

Speaker, spoke on an email to Chief Sharpnack regarding the proposed budget. (00:17:41)

Speaker, spoke on an email to Chief Sharpnack and spoke on the proposed budget. (00:20:38)

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, requested a plaque in Council Chambers acknowledging Brad Long for his service to the City. (00:23:14)

Speaker, spoke on the September 23, 2016 Safety Town Hall meeting; and Mayor Katrina Foley. (00:24:42)

Speaker, spoke on saving trees at Lions Park. (00:27:12)

Speaker, spoke on the police and fire departments; the Orange County Board of Supervisors' meeting on June 25th; and widening the alleys. (00:27:51)

Cindy Black, Costa Mesa, spoke on City processes and procedures. (00:30:44)

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND SUGGESTIONS (00:33:53)

Council Member Chavez reported on attendance at the Finance and Pension Advisory Committee meeting and Pomona School Parent Institute for Quality Education graduation; meeting residents in his district; and forming a community watch. (00:34:12)

Council Member Marr thanked Dane Bora and Ashley Thomas; and invited all to Coffee with a Council Member on June 27th at the Starbucks on Baker and Fairview. (00:36:51)

Council Member Mansoor addressed the public speaker's comments regarding parking issues in his neighborhood; and spoke on the budget. (00:37:49)

Council Member Genis spoke on acknowledging Brad Long for his service to the City; West Nile virus; and publicizing citrus disease. (00:39:33)

Council Member Reynolds addressed the comments by public speakers; requested the staff report for the Harbor Soaring Society (HSS) contract; spoke on acknowledging Brad Long for his service to the City; an agenda item related to naming policy for City buildings; and requested an update on the progress and timeline for the Airway shelter. (00:42:22)

Mayor Pro Tem Stephens thanked Dane Bora; addressed the comments by public speakers; spoke on acknowledging Brad Long for his service to the City; the Costa Mesa American Little League winning the Tournament of Champions (TOC); the Independence Day Community event on July 3rd; and recognized Ms. Tammy Letourneau. (00:44:12)

Mayor Foley reported on her meeting with the Orange County Coalition of Aviation Companies; invited all to the Orange County Board of Supervisors' meeting on June 25th; reported on her meeting with Randy's Donuts and attendance at the Costa Mesa Art Walk; spoke on the contact information for people experiencing homelessness; requested the video link to the January 16, 2007 Council meeting; requested more information regarding the 20 foot wide alleys; welcomed the new externs working for the Summer in the Mayor's office; and congratulated all the graduates. (00:47:39)

REPORT – CITY MANAGER - NONE

REPORT – CITY ATTORNEY – Ms. Barlow explained why the June 18, 2019 meeting is a regular meeting and not a Study Session. (00:51:31)

CONSENT CALENDAR: NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS – 7:00 p.m. (Resolution No. 05-55) (00:53:14)

1. ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT (00:53:20)

Amber Haston, Management Analyst, presented the staff report. (00:53:34)

No public comments on this item.

MOVED/SECOND: Council Member Chavez/Council Member Marr

MOTION: Approve Resolution No. 19-27

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Member Chavez, Council Member Genis, Council Member Marr, Council Member Reynolds, Mayor Pro Tem Stephens, and Mayor Foley.

Nays: Council Member Mansoor

Absent: None

Motion carried: 6-1

ACTION:

City Council approved Resolution No. 19-27, establishing the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Appropriations Limit for the City of Costa Mesa at \$245,308,059 by using the City of Costa Mesa's population growth for population adjustment, and the California per capita income growth for inflationary adjustment.

2. FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 BUDGET DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION (00:59:19)

Kelly Telford, Finance Director, presented the staff report. (01:00:00)

Discussion ensued on the required amount under the Capital Asset Needs (CAN) Ordinance; Homeless Shelter budget; Housing Authority budget; Lead Mechanic position; park fees for the storm drain in Fairview Park; and requirements of Quimby Act fees. (01:15:16)

Council Member Genis spoke on reviewing Quimby Act fees; expensive programs with low citizen participation; and the Equipment Replacement Fund. (01:24:57)

Discussion ensued on the Fleet Services Account and Equipment Replacement Fund. (01:28:39)

Discussion ensued on the Lead Mechanic position; City-wide fee study; and the need to allocate funds for climate action plans. (01:34:14)

Discussion ensued on accounting corrections; deferral of positions and timing of recruitments; IT recruitments and the IT strategic plan; cost recovery of fees; and reducing costs. (01:34:14)

Kimberly Hall Barlow, City Attorney, spoke on streamlining City Attorney services. (01:55:10)

Discussion ensued on the Equipment Mechanic position. (01:55:56)

Discussion ensued on the Assistant to the City Manager position; Westside Restoration Project; and the Energy Services Manager position. (01:57:30)

Discussion ensued on the City Hall elevator modernization project; money spent on Capital Improvement projects; and estimates for Cannabis tax revenue. (02:00:00)

Mayor Pro Tem Stephens spoke on a voluntary contribution program when paying business license fees. (02:08:39)

Discussion ensued on business subsidies; Citywide fee study; pro-rating position; the Neighborhood Community Center; and Animal Control staff. (02:10:41)

Tamara Letourneau, Acting City Manager, spoke on recruitment efforts for dispatch. (02:19:59)

Ms. Telford explained the Vehicle Replacement Fund. (02:21:30)

City Council recessed into a break at 8:32 p.m.

City Council reconvened at 8:47 p.m.

Public Hearing opened:

Jay Humphrey, Costa Mesa, spoke on the Quimby Act; and Fairview Park. (02:27:03)

Bill McCarty, Costa Mesa, spoke on the Energy and Sustainability Services Manager position; and in support of adding the additional donation amount for the license fee. (02:30:07)

Brett Eckles, Costa Mesa, spoke on the Davis and Kaiser Field study. (02:31:14)

Ralph Taboada, Chair of the Finance and Pension Advisory (FIPAC) committee, spoke on the committee's recommendations. (02:34:23)

Phil Chipman, Costa Mesa, spoke on the Energy and Sustainability Services Manager position. (02:40:04)

Speaker, spoke on budget concerns related to the police department. (02:43:08)

Derek DeCicco, Parks, Arts and Community Services Commissioner, spoke on the commission's recommendations. (02:45:52)

Wendy Leece, FIPAC commissioner, spoke on the proposed Planning Fee Schedule. (02:49:21)

John Merrill, Costa Mesa, spoke on Capital Improvement Projects; and the budget process. (02:52:22)

Speaker, spoke on the budget; homelessness; and sober living. (02:55:22)

Speaker, spoke on a balanced budget; park fees; and the budget process. (02:58:11)

Speaker, spoke on the Chief of Staff and Management Aides positions. (03:01:11)

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, spoke on Chief Sharpnack's memo on May 10th; and spoke on the budget. (03:03:01)

Lance Herota, Costa Mesa, spoke on the Davis and Kaiser Fields. (03:06:07)

Public Hearing closed.

Discussion ensued on the Kaiser and Davis Fields. (03:13:20)

MOVED/SECOND: Council Member Genis/Council Member Mansoor (03:13:20)

MOTION: Continue the item to the June 25, 2019 Council meeting.

MOVED/SECOND: Mayor Pro Tem Stephens/Council Member Reynolds (03:13:41)

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Approve recommended action number 1, which is to approve Resolution No. 19-28, adopting the City of Costa Mesa FY 2019-20 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget, including the amendments included in the Proposed Addendum.

Mayor Pro Tem Stephens spoke on the substitute motion. (03:14:25)

Council Member Reynolds requested Mayor Pro Tem Stephens (the maker of the motion) to include the approval of the Lead Equipment Mechanic position. Mayor Pro Tem Stephens concurred. (03:15:05)

Council Member Reynolds spoke on the substitute motion. (03:15:30)

Council Member Mansoor spoke to not supporting the substitute motion. (03:17:52)

Council Member Genis spoke to not supporting the substitute motion. (03:19:40)

Council Member Marr requested Mayor Pro Tem Stephens (the maker of the motion) to add the Energy and Sustainability Services Manager position and also direction to staff to add an additional \$600,000 into the CIP for FY 2020-2021 for the design fee for the Davis and Kaiser Field study. Both Mayor Pro Tem Stephens and Council Member Reynolds (the second) concurred. (03:24:07)

Council Member Marr spoke on development fees and increasing revenues. (03:26:55)

Council Member Chavez spoke to supporting the substitute motion. (03:30:58)

Council Member Mansoor spoke against spending \$150,000 on the Energy and Sustainability Services Manager position and requested an analysis on how the position will save money. (03:33:44)

Council Member Genis spoke on firms that can do energy audits; clarified previous remarks regarding the Westside; spoke on priorities; and park fees for the storm drain. (03:37:05)

Council Member Reynolds spoke to supporting the substitute motion. (03:39:48)

Mayor Foley spoke to supporting the substitute motion with all the amendments; and thanked the Finance staff. (03:39:48)

MOVED/SECOND: Mayor Pro Tem Stephens/Council Member Reynolds

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Approve recommended action number 1 with additions. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Member Chavez, Council Member Marr, Council Member Reynolds, Mayor Pro Tem Stephens, and Mayor Foley.

Nays: Council Member Genis and Council Member Mansoor.

Absent: None

Motion carried: 5-2

ACTION:

1. City Council approved Resolution No. 19-28, adopting the City of Costa Mesa FY 2019-20 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget, including the amendments included in the Proposed Addendum and with the following additions:
 - (a) Include the approval of the Lead Equipment Mechanic position; and
 - (b) Include the approval of the Energy and Sustainability Services Manager position; and
 - (c) Direct staff to add an additional \$600,000 into the CIP for FY 2020-2021 for the design fee for the Davis and Kaiser Field study.

MOVED/SECOND: Mayor Pro Tem Stephens/Council Member Marr

MOTION: Approve recommended action numbers 2-6.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Member Chavez, Council Member Marr, Council Member Reynolds, Mayor Pro Tem Stephens, and Mayor Foley.

Nays: Council Member Genis and Council Member Mansoor.

Absent: None

Motion carried: 5-2

ACTION:

2. City Council approved Resolution No. 19-29, adopting the Development Services and Finance Department cost recovery fees; and
3. Approved the financial and budget policies included in the Preliminary Fiscal Year 2019-20 Budget; and
4. Approved the following resolutions adding the following job classifications and related pay ranges:
 - a) Fire Marshal – Resolution No. 19-30
 - b) Assistant to the City Manager – Resolution No. 19-31
 - c) Plan Check Engineer – Resolution No. 19-32
 - d) Energy and Sustainability Services Manager (Job Description and Salary Resolution to be approved at the July 2, 2019 Council meeting).
5. Approved Resolution No. 19-33, adjusting the rates of pay for part-time classifications; and
6. Directed the City Manager and Finance Department to report back to City Council by November 15, 2019 on the status of the first quarter operating results for the General Fund, provide additional recommendations on the staffing changes recommended for deferral and how to address the Police Department's operating and capital requests.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

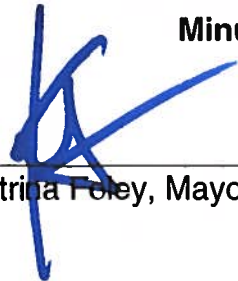
NEW BUSINESS: NONE

ADDITIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND SUGGESTIONS (03:53:33)

Council Member Genis spoke on a donation link for business licensing that Mayor Pro Tem Stephens had suggested. (03:53:33)


ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned to an Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Costa Mesa City Council to be held on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA.

Minutes adopted on this 17th day of September, 2019.



Katrina Foley, Mayor

ATTEST:



Brenda Green, City Clerk