# MINUTES OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA FINANCE AND PENSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE FOR ALL MEMBERS

May 21, 2020 5:00 PM

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ralph Taboada at 5:08 PM in Costa Mesa, California.

# 2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chair Ralph Taboada, Vice Chair Wendy Leece, Members, Al Melone, Robert Juneman, Tom Pollitt, Anna Vrska, Tom Arnold

Members Absent: John Hinson, Matthew Parlow

Council Liaisons Present: Mayor Katrina Foley and Mayor Pro-Tem John Stephens

Council Liaisons Absent: None

<u>Staff Present:</u> City Manager Lori Ann Farrell Harrison, Acting Finance Director Carol Molina, Assistant Finance Director Jennifer King, Executive Secretary Angle Madsen, Public Services Director Raja Sethuraman

Staff Absent: None

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment submitted via email indicating it is time for City Council to make sacrifices just like constituents are expected to do and to eliminate non-essential positions.

Public Comment submitted via voicemail regarding the financial safety of our city, pending litigations, and expenses related to Measure Y, during this time of pandemic, pending litigation by Chief Sharpnack for illegal firing, encouraged the City Manager to reevaluate financial decisions regarding relevancy and COVID-19 and our economy, indicated poor triage and that some decisions are to benefit an individual rather than our city.

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS

a. FY 2020/2021 Preliminary General Fund Revenue and Expenditures Budget

Summary: Acting Finance Director, Carol Molina, presented the FY 2020/2021 Preliminary General Fund Revenue and Expenditures Budget. At the conclusion of the presentation, Committee Members, Council Liaisons, and Staff engaged in a question and answer discussion regarding the Budget presentation.

There were no committee motions made or votes taken, however, three committee members commented that they felt the IT Strategic Plan should remain a priority and not be deferred six months, with its \$900K of savings coming from other sources.

### b. FY 2020/2021 Capital Improvement Projects

Summary: Public Services Director, Raja Sethuraman, provided an overview of FY 2020/2021 Capital Improvement Projects. At the conclusion of the information provided, Committee Members, Council Liaisons, and Staff engaged in a questions and answer discussion related to the FY 2020/2021 Capital Improvement Projects.

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# c. General Fund Balances and Reserves

Summary: Discussion of the General Fund Balances and Reserves was included in discussions of item 3a., FY 2020/2021 Preliminary General Fund Revenue and Expenditures Budget.

# 5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Ralph Taboada, Chair

Carol Molina, Acting Finance Director