MINUTES OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2021 – 5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER - The Study Session was called to order by Mayor Stephens at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom Webinar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Mayor Stephens.

ROLL CALL

Present by Zoom: Council Member Chavez, Council Member Gameros, Council Member

Harlan, Council Member Harper, Council Member Reynolds, Mayor

Pro Tem Marr (Arrived at 5:10 p.m.), and Mayor Stephens.

Absent: None.

STUDY SESSION ITEM:

1. FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 PROPOSED OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET STUDY SESSION

Presentation by Ms. Molina, Finance Director.

Public Comments:

Hank Castignetti, spoke in support of the Fairview Park recommendations.

Kim Hendricks, Costa Mesa, spoke in support of the Fairview Park recommendations.

Discussion ensued on filling the vacant positions, adopting a balanced budget, the use of disaster funds, the scope of work for the proposed Assistant City Manager position, part time positions, infrastructure funding and meeting the goals, the additional personnel for Measure Q, challenges over the past 5 years, the funds spent on the sober living homes litigation, Catholic Workers Lawsuit and the new homeless shelter, the fee update study, recurring positions and pension costs, youth activities and exploring grants, the potential use of reserves and disaster funds, and investment in the Costa Mesa Golf Course.

ACTION:

City Council reviewed options and provided direction on the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Proposed Operating and Capital Improvement Budget to staff in advance of final adoption at the June 15, 2021 City Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Stephens adjourned the Study Session at 7:12 p.m.

Minutes adopted on this 20th day of July, 2021.

John Stephens, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Green, City Clerk