

MINUTES

**JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
OF THE CITY OF DUARTE
BUDGET WORKSHOP – MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2007**

- CALL TO ORDER** The City Council and Redevelopment Agency of the City of Duarte met in a Budget Workshop in the Duarte Community Center, 1600 Huntington Drive, Duarte, California. Mayor Gaston called the meeting to order at 5:25 p.m.
- ADOPTION OF AGENDA** Fasana moved, Finlay seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried unanimously.
- PLEDGE TO THE FLAG** Jan Wight led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE** PRESENT: Fasana, Finlay, Reyes, Paras-Caracci, Gaston
ABSENT: None
- ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:
City Manager/Executive Director George
Interim Director of Administrative Services Petersen
Director of Community Development Cox
Director of Parks and Recreation Georgino
Director of Public Safety Services Villalobos
- It was determined that the meeting would function as a “Committee of the Whole.”
- PUBLIC INPUT** Jan Wight, Duarte Chamber of Commerce, requested an additional \$2,500 be added to the Duarte Chamber account, and stated the Chamber would like a decision in the near future about the possibility of moving the Chamber office to the Cal-Am building.
- BUDGET OVERVIEW** After brief introductory remarks, George discussed the budget process. Petersen reviewed the workshop format, budget highlights, and recommendations.
- LINE ITEM BUDGETS** It was determined by the City Council/Agency Board to forego specific line item budget review.
- Petersen presented information about the General Fund, and the Directors of each City department answered questions from Councilmembers pertaining to departmental goals and proposed 2007/08 department budgets.
- Petersen discussed the proposed 2007/08 Redevelopment Agency budget. It was determined that there would be no major amendments to the Redevelopment Agency budget, and it was accepted as proposed.
- DELIBERATION/APPROVAL** The City Council deliberated on the information provided, and discussed Chamber funding, healthcare trust fund, and deficit.
- Fasana moved, Finlay seconded to increase Chamber funding by \$2,500, and to increase the Healthcare Trust Fund by \$50,000. Paras-Caracci stated she would prefer that the deficit be kept below \$200,000. Finlay made a friendly amendment to the motion to increase the Healthcare Trust Fund by \$42,000, with Fasana agreeing. The amendments to the proposed 2007/08 City budget were unanimously approved, the Redevelopment Agency budget was unanimously approved as presented, and staff was directed to present the amended budget to the City Council/Agency Board for consideration and approval at its regularly scheduled meeting in June 2007.
- ADJOURNMENT** Finlay moved, Fasana seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m., in memory of Alicia Niemirow, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Lois Gaston

ATTEST:

City Clerk