

MINUTES

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL/ REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF DUARTE BUDGET WORKSHOP – TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2008

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 Pro Tem Fasana called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Finlay moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to adopt the Agenda, and carried unanimously.

RECORDATION OF ATTENDANCE PRESENT: Fasana, Finlay, Paras-Caracci, Gaston
ABSENT: Reyes
ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:
City Manager/Executive Director George
Assistant City Manager 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.”

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS Lino Paras inquired about the general fund balance table, and estimated actual year to date table, and discussed Council budgets. Staff responded.

Jim Kirchner, Duarte Chamber of Commerce, requested additional funding for the Chamber.

Alan Heller discussed the needs of DCTV. Council directed staff to invite DCTV to the next Community (Public) Services Commission Meeting.

BUDGET OVERVIEW After brief introductory remarks, George discussed the budget workshop format. Directors of each City department presented accomplishments made during the past fiscal year. Petersen reviewed the budget process, highlights, and recommendations, and provided the proposed 2008/09 department budgets.

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, other City funds, and the proposed Redevelopment Agency budget, including all department recommended reductions to various accounts.

DELIBERATION/COMMENTS The City Council/Agency Board deliberated on the information provided.

Gaston moved, Fasana seconded to add Sanitary Sewer Lining Project (\$80,000), Town Center Siding Study/Project (\$100,000), Wood Chipper (\$25,000), and Fitness Center Curb Repair (\$7,000), and carried unanimously.

Finlay moved, Paras-Caracci seconded to add back one Parks and Recreation Leader for weekend supervision (\$5,500), and carried unanimously.

Fasana moved, Gaston seconded to add \$5,000 to the Duarte Chamber of Commerce budget from the Redevelopment Agency funds, and to clearly define deliverables from the Chamber that are related to redevelopment and economic development, and carried unanimously.

Gaston moved, Finlay seconded to add back the Meals on Wheels Program (\$10,000), and to look for a new operator, and carried unanimously.

It was noted that the amendments to the proposed 2008/09 City and Redevelopment Agency budgets would be made, and the amended budget would be presented to the City Council/Agency Board for consideration and approval at its regularly scheduled joint meeting in June 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

Gaston moved, Finlay seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m., and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem John Fasana

ATTEST:

City Clerk