

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS**

SPECIAL MEETING – May 21, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council met in Special Session at 5:01 p.m., Monday, May 21, 2012, in the Council Chambers, 3191 Katella Avenue, Mayor Pro Tem Poe presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members: Graham-Mejia, Kusumoto, Stephens, Mayor Pro Tem Poe, Mayor Edgar (arrived at 5:18 p.m. due to required business City business at the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Board Meeting)

Absent: Council Members: None

Present: Staff: Angie Avery, City Manager
Anita Agramonte, Finance Director
Tony Brandyberry, PW Superintendent
Dave Hunt, City Engineer
Corey Lakin, Community Services Director
Todd Mattern, Police Chief
Steven Mendoza, Community Development Director
Cassandra Palmer, Support Services Manager
Windmera Quintanar, Department Secretary

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Poe opened the meeting for Oral Communications. There being no one present wishing to speak, Mayor Pro Tem Poe closed the meeting for Oral Communications.

4. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

A. Review of the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Special Revenue, Debt Service, Capital Improvement Program, and Internal Service Funds Proposed Budgets

This report provided the City Council with the preliminary 2012-13 Proposed Operating and Capital Improvement Budget.

Finance Director Agramonte provided a PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the City Council.

Public Works Superintendent Brandyberry gave a brief overview of the Garage Fund.

Support Services Manager Palmer gave a brief overview of the Technology Fund.

City Council and Staff discussed the following topics:

- State's projected revenue estimate from Gas Tax funds will remain level
- Via El Mercado Capital Improvement Project (CIP) had begun construction
- Options for funding the School Resource Officer at Los Alamitos High School
- Updating the policy for the Garage Fund and adopting a formal policy
- Status of the Residential Street Plan for street repairs would be completed in Fiscal Year 2012/13, with the goal of continued routine maintenance through Measure M and Gas Tax funds
- Tree Program for parkways and replacing the tree at Lexington and Katella
- Streamlining and updating recreation class registration and payment
- Projected revenue increase of .08% based on trends over the fiscal year, economic forecast, and financial consultants
- Anticipated replacement of the antiquated phone system for Fiscal Year 2013/14 and importance of carrying the Technology Fund balance forward. Council stated support for moving forward with the upgrade
- Balance owed for Laurel Park was approximately \$3.11 million and was the only debt the City owes. Cannot be paid off without early penalties
- Constantly evolving technology and the need to stay current with the trends to continue to provide customer service and remain efficient
- Using the Park Development Fund to repave the basketball court at Orville Lewis Park
- Comprehensive plan to address Citywide sidewalks
- Options for funding additional bus shelters and repaving Orville Lewis basketball court
- Highlands Neighborhood Improvements were carried over due to the project had been designed, but construction was not complete

Mayor Edgar opened the item for public comment. There being no one present wishing to speak, Mayor Edgar closed the item for public comment.

City Council and Staff discussed the following topics:

- Continued use of Community Block Grant Funds (CDBG) for alley improvements
- Possibility of decreasing the proposed projects from the Building Fund to ensure funding for Orville Lewis Park basketball court repaving
- Support for repairing the Museum roof
- Concern for signal timing at Rossmoor Highlands; Lexington and Katella; and Walker and Katella. Update of Orange County Transportation Authority's (OCTA) project along Katella.
- Support for keeping the Residential Street Improvement Fund
- Depreciation of technology items depended on the type of asset

Motion/Second: Poe/Stephens
 Unanimously Carried: The City Council:

1. Reviewed the Fiscal Year 2012/13 Special Revenue, Debt Service, Capital Projects, and Internal Service Funds estimated revenues and proposed expenditures as detailed in Attachments 1 through 10; and,
2. Directed staff to adjust the proposed budget to fund the addition of Bus Shelters from the Traffic Improvement Fund; and,
3. Directed staff to adjust the proposed budget to fund the repaving of Orville Lewis Basketball Court from the Building Improvement and Park Development Funds.

Roll Call Vote

Council Member Graham-Mejia	Aye
Council Member Kusumoto	Aye
Council Member Stephens	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Poe	Aye
Mayor Edgar	Aye

5. CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Legal Counsel

The City Council finds, based on advice from legal counsel, that discussion in open session will prejudice the position of the local agency in the litigation.

A. Anticipated Litigation: (G.C. 54956.9(b))

A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the City Council on the advice of its legal counsel, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the City based upon facts and circumstances that might result in litigation but which the City believes are not yet known to potential plaintiff or plaintiffs. G.C. 54956.9(b)(3)(A)

B. Initiation of Litigation: G.C. 54956.9(c)
One Item

RECESS

The City Council recessed into Closed Session at 6:33 p.m.

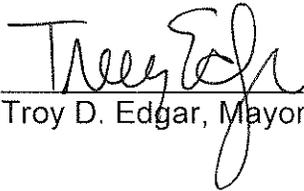
RECONVENE

The City Council reconvened in Regular Session at 7:16 p.m.

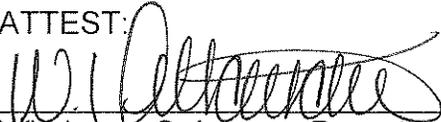
Mayor Edgar stated there was no reportable action.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council adjourned at 7:16 p.m. The next meeting of the City Council is scheduled for **Monday, May 21, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.**, in the City Council Chambers.



Troy D. Edgar, Mayor

ATTEST:


Windmer Quintanar, Department Secretary