

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

REGULAR MEETING – June 6, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council met in Special Session at 5:06 p.m., Monday, June 6, 2011 in the Council Chambers, 3191 Katella Avenue, Mayor Stephens presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members: Graham-Mejia, Kusumoto, Poe
Mayor Pro Tem Edgar, Mayor Stephens

Absent: Council Members: None

Present: Staff: Jeffrey L. Stewart, City Manager
Anita Agramonte, Finance Director
Angie Avery, Community Services Director
Dave Hunt, City Engineer
Adria M. Jimenez, City Clerk
Todd Mattern, Police Chief
Steven Mendoza, Community Development Dir.
Tony Brandyberry, Public Services Supt.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

At 5:08 p.m., Mayor Stephens opened Oral Communications. Having no one come forward to speak, Mayor Stephens closed Oral Communications.

4. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

Review of Proposed Fiscal Year 2011-12 Operating Budget

This report provides the City Council with the preliminary Fiscal Year 2011-12 Proposed Operating Budget.

Anita Agramonte, Finance Director, provided an introductory statement and advised the budget presented tonight is balanced and the City is projecting a surplus. Ms. Agramonte outlined the items for tonight's discussion and also addressed special funds and capital improvement funds.

Laurel Park Debt Service – On May 9, 2006, the City issued \$3,365,000 Certificates of Participation Series 2006. Interest on the bonds is payable semiannually on September 1 and March 1, commencing March 1, 2007, at rates which range from 4.375% to 4.85%. The proceeds from these bonds were utilized for the acquisition of Laurel Park. As of June 30, 2010 the outstanding principal balance was \$3,235,000, and the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Proposed Budget includes \$65,000 principal payment and \$146,967 in interest payable. Staff has researched the possibility to refinance the bonds and found that the bonds have a ten (10) year hold, meaning that prepayments cannot be made prior to

September 1, 2016. Additionally, the interest rate for a similar bond issuance is currently over 5%.

Council Member Poe asked if prepayments can be made on the principal.

Ms. Agramonte advised prepayments cannot be made and it would not be beneficial to the City.

Council Member Graham-Mejia confirmed the City has no option to get a new loan until 2016.

Ms. Agramonte responded in the affirmative.

GASB 45 – Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Financing – GASB 45 requires cities to report liabilities pertaining to Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) in the City's financial statement. How a government actually finances benefits is a policy decision to be made by government officials. Fiscal year 2009-10 marked the inception of GASB 45 reporting requirements for the City of Los Alamitos. During the mid-year budget review, the City Council designated \$250,000 for OPEB funding. The City has contracted to have an actuarial report prepared (Attachment A). The report calculates \$2,695,891 in OPEB liabilities, over a 30 year amortization period. The calculated payment for Fiscal Year 2009-10 is \$216,797. Of this, the City paid \$133,729 in health care costs for its retirees. The remaining \$83,068 represents the amount necessary to prefund these future benefits for the City's current employees. The City has three options for funding the benefits:

1. Establish an irrevocable trust fund through CalPERS, setting aside money on an annual basis. This is the only funding alternative that qualifies as prefunding of OPEB under GASB 43 and 45.
2. Establish an internal funding mechanism (i.e. general fund reserve or separate internal service fund) to designate funding for OPEB.
3. Continue on the pay as you go plan. This means that the City would continue to pay only for current costs incurred and funding would not be set aside for future OPEB costs.

Council Member Kusumoto asked if the irrevocable trust fund covers more than just current retirees; and, approximately how much will need to be set aside to fund it.

Ms. Agramonte responded in the affirmative, noting it will set aside for future needs of the current staff.

Mr. Stewart advised it will be \$83,000; currently, the City pays \$133,000 which meets the current retirees needs. The first actuarial study stated it would be an additional \$83,000.

Ms. Agramonte advised an actuarial study is completed every two years and the rate is adjusted as time goes on based on new trends and new figures. Council Member Kusumoto asked Ms. Agramonte to elaborate on the internal funding mechanism.

Ms. Agramonte stated it could be anything the City Council wishes. Currently, \$250,000 has been set-aside which could potentially be a funding mechanism.

Mr. Stewart added that Council took action to earmark \$250,000 towards the funding of current benefits in the future, and if that is the direction Council wants to take no other action needs to be taken; however, it is not recorded as an asset.

Council Member Kusumoto asked what is the downside of not having it recorded as an asset.

Ms. Agramonte advised that the interest the City earns is far less than what could be obtained through the PERS plan. The PERS plan can go as high as 7% to 8%; whereas, the City is only receiving ½%.

Mr. Stewart advised if the City were to go into an irrevocable trust with PERS it can only be used against the benefits moving forward. If it is an Internal Service Fund, it is a color of money argument. Future Councils can decide to take a different approach.

Council Member Poe asked if the only action that qualifies for GASB 43 and GASB 45 is to establish an irrevocable trust. She asked if the City is currently abiding by the law.

Mr. Stewart stated the City has met the standard of GASB 43 and GASB 45 by accounting for the costs of future benefits for current employees. The only way the City can record this as an asset is to set the money aside. He confirmed the City is abiding by the law.

Council Member Poe asked Mr. Stewart to address an article that indicated the City was in financial trouble.

Mr. Stewart stated the general health of the City is how general fund monies are managed. The article discussed drawing down from monies saved for Public Works projects in Special Funds, which included OPEB funds. This is money the City Council has set aside and saved. With regards to the money for OPEB that is General Funds, it is one time revenues that the Council prudently took action to put aside to address these costs. The other funds are Special Funds and Capital Improvement Funds which generally come from outside agencies, are earmarked for specific purposes, and cannot be used for General Fund expenditures. Mr. Stewart provided examples of Special Funds and how the funds can be used.

Ms. Agramonte advised last fiscal year the City spent \$133,000; this year it is projected to remain about the same, approximately \$133,144.

Mr. Stewart advised the City will do a second actuarial report to determine what the actual amount is.

Mr. Stewart stated this can be brought back at a later time with the requested information.

Revised Seven Year Capital Improvement Plan (Attachment B). Changes from the previous meeting include the Council's direction to increase the Arterial and Residential Tree Program budget by \$10,000, which was added into the current figures provided to Council.

Staff is recommending removal of the Katella Bus Pads and Bloomfield/ Los Alamitos Elementary School Traffic Signal projects from years 5 and 6 of the CIP. Additionally, the Fencing at Orville Lewis Park project was planned for year two and shown as unfunded. Additional research was conducted and staff recommends the addition of \$18,000 to the Parks Maintenance Division budget in the General Fund for this project which will be completed in-house.

Tony Brandyberry, Public Services Superintendent, stated the project is scheduled to start in July and will take approximately two months to complete.

Mayor Stephens asked for information on the Bloomfield/Los Alamitos Elementary School Traffic Signal project.

Dave Hunt, City Engineer, advised he contacted previous City Engineers and determined the project was initially placed on the CIP at the request of the School District, who were going to fund the project. The School District decided not to fund the project, and it was never removed from the CIP. Mr. Hunt believes this is no longer a valid project, with two major signals close by and justification for a signal for exiting the school property even with the hospital coming in is not justified.

Council Member Graham-Mejia asked if other projects were scheduled for Orville Lewis Park in the current CIP, other than the fencing.

Mr. Stewart advised that resurfacing the basketball courts will be included as a change order.

Council Member Graham-Mejia asked what the future plans in the CIP were for Orville Lewis Park and how much was projected for the project. She stated she does not want to remove the project from the CIP if there were other items the City was going to address at the park.

Mr. Stewart advised \$60,000 was budgeted for the project and stated there were no other specific projects for the park; the money was budgeted for the block wall.

Council Member Graham-Mejia asked if the rollers were included at the top of the fence in the \$18,000, and confirmed it includes the brick bottom so the coyotes cannot dig below the fence and will it show above the dirt.

Mr. Stewart stated the fence is approximately 10 ft. high to match the current fencing south of the park, and should meet the need to keep the coyotes from jumping the fence.

Mr. Brandyberry confirmed the fence will include the brick bottom to prevent the coyotes from digging and noted the brick will not show above the dirt.

Council Member Graham-Mejia asked when items are removed from the CIP, the City is left with additional monies, unless the projects were unfunded.

Ms. Agramonte stated the projects recommended for removal are for years 5 and 6, which were unfunded.

Council Member Poe asked for information on the Katella Avenue Bus Pads.

Mr. Hunt advised the Katella Avenue Bus Pads was a "wish list item" placed on the CIP by a previous City Engineer. In reviewing the project and reviewing the Katella Smart Street project, the bus pads were not warranted at that time, as such, he has removed the project from the CIP. Mr. Hunt the project was not to add bus stops, but to enhance the bus pads that were already in existence.

Council Member Poe asked for information if the lawn is mowed lower at Orville Lewis Park, does that decrease the risk of tripping in the gopher holes.

Mr. Brandyberry stated it does not reduce the risk. If staff mows the grass lower, there will not be a difference. By placing the 24 inch depth of concrete block we are trying to eliminate the gophers from coming across. Mr. Brandyberry provided additional information on gophers within the City.

Mr. Hunt stated the residential streets are the last of the seven-year CIP between overlays, rehabilitation, slurry seals on the residential streets: Old Town East/West and a few small neighborhoods that will be finished this year, which will finish the 7-year plan approved previously. With the new Pavement Management Plan (PMP) a new seven-year plan will be implemented.

Mr. Stewart asked Mr. Hunt to explain the improvement of the pavement rating.

Mr. Hunt advised staff conducted a rating scale of the streets in Los Alamitos; the City was averaging in the 50's and now it is in the 80's, by repaving the streets. If the City continues to maintain the streets every five to six years, the City will not have to completely reconstruct the streets in 20 years.

Mr. Hunt responded in the affirmative. Mr. Hunt noted that the hospital will have its own improvements on our street system which they are paying for. There will not be a duplication of effort.

Mr. Hunt this is a commercial area where the streets are in disrepair. Mr. Hunt advised staff is now focusing on the commercial streets. Mr. Hunt stated this is two specific projects which require a lot of rehabilitation work, and staff is going out to bid with other street improvement project carryovers from last year, which includes ramps and streets in residential areas. Mr. Hunt stated staff will go out to RFP and will review the costs of design and construction. Current projects have come out approximately 30% less than estimated.

Mr. Hunt advised that project is in the FY 11/12 carryover items and not in the current CIP.

Ms. Agramonte advised there is one carryover request which is the full balance of the Laurel Park Field Renovations Project, as work on this project is to be delayed until the fall of 2011.

Council Member Graham-Mejia asked to confirm the total project cost for this item.

Mr. Hunt advised the total budget includes engineering, construction management, plus construction and ended with approximately \$150,000 for construction and bids came in at \$248,000. Four or five of the key mid-size landscape firms were booked for the summer and were not interested in bidding on this project. Smaller firms came in and raised the price above what the City budgeted. Tonight's staff report is to reject the bids received and re-advertise the project and construct the project in winter which will downsize the project and the City might be able to receive lower bids.

Council Member Graham-Mejia stated she wished the park renovations were not going to be delayed because the park is in dire need of reconstruction. She asked if the City re-advertises the project, how much the City Engineer believe the City will save. She also asked if finances improve in the future, will the City be able to do the other improvements. She also asked if the school district has been contacted regarding the construction.

Mr. Hunt advised the project will be re-scoped to remove the parking lot and sidewalk rehabilitation; it will only include the grading, sod, and irrigation system, and reconstruct the park in the winter season. Mr. Hunt stated this construction will not prohibit the City from improving the park in the future.

Mr. Stewart advised the City has discussed the park construction with the school district and will continue to do so.

Council Member Poe asked if there was a proposal to enlarge the parking area of Laurel Park.

Mr. Hunt advised it was to provide sidewalk around the parking lot and repave it, add handicap parking spots closer to the ramp, and add new handicap ramps – upgrade the parking lot, but not add additional parking spaces.

Capital Project Funds – Possible Elimination/Incorporation into General Fund – During the May 2 budget study session, Council inquired about closing out the Residential Streets and Alleys Fund, the Building Improvement Fund and the Park Development Fund and including them in the General Fund Budget. Staff has researched the origination of these funds and has found that the Residential Streets Fund and the Building Improvement Fund were established with the use of General Fund resources. However, the Park Development Fund derived its revenues from Developer Impact fees as authorized under the Quimby Act of 1975. These revenues are restricted to expenditures for park improvements therefore, until the funds are fully expended on such projects the fund cannot be eliminated.

Ms. Agramonte referred to the PowerPoint presentation, noting the two charts depict how incorporating the two funds into the General Fund would potentially look.

Council Member Graham-Mejia stated she would like to keep the funds separate.

Council Member Kusumoto referred to the chart, pointing out the deficit between the two fiscal years and asked why is the difference so large.

Ms. Agramonte advised it is approximately \$61,000 to -\$119,000 for the projects that are included in the Capital Projects List.

Council Member Poe asked how much as the Park Development Fund grown in the past five years.

Ms. Agramonte advised there has not been a lot of revenue in the fund because it is Quimby Act monies, which is generated with large improvements.

Council Member Poe confirmed it does not apply to single family residential improvements.

Ms. Agramonte responded in the affirmative. Ms. Agramonte advised the balance projected at the end of this year is \$239,000, and this is the fund that is currently funding the Laurel Park project.

Council Member Poe commented on the Residential Street Improvement Fund, and stated she was on the Council when it was established. The Fund set money aside to allow the Council to see how the fund was growing and made it easy for the community to see that money was set aside for repair of the residential streets. She stated she does not have a problem with leaving it as-is.

Ms. Agramonte stated in the past 7 years, she has not seen the transfer from the General Fund.

Ms. Agramonte advised the next request that came up at the Budget Study Session was the possible elimination of the Internal Services Funds.

Internal Service Funds – Possible Elimination/Incorporation into the General Fund – During the May 2 budget study session Council also inquired about closing out the Garage Fund and the Technology Replacement Fund and incorporating them into the General Fund. These internal service funds account for services provided by one department to other departments of the City, serving two purposes:

1. They account for the operations of the Garage and Information Technology functions; and,
2. They account for the fixed assets/equipment necessary for those operations.

The operations of these funds are financed with the use of charges to the departments benefiting from the services they provide. For example, each department pays a quarterly fee into the Technology Replacement Fund based on the number of computers it operates. Similar to Capital Project Funds, Internal Service also tend to fluctuate from year to year showing surpluses as funds built up for future purchases of equipment/vehicles and similarly, showing deficits as these funds are spent on these assets. Merging these funds into the General Fund would also result in unusual fluctuations in the General Fund and would also present additional potential for unbalanced budgets. Therefore, staff does not recommend the elimination of these funds. Staff recommends that an equipment replacement program be established including a plan for the funding of future equipment and vehicle purchases.

Ms. Agramonte referred to the PowerPoint presentation, noting the two charts depict how incorporating the two funds into the General Fund would potentially look.

Council Member Graham-Mejia expressed her concern with incorporating the two funds into the General Fund.

Council Member Kusumoto referred to the PowerPoint presentation, FY 11/12 with a deficit of \$114,000. He asked if incorporating the Capital Projects Funds and Internal Services Funds into the General Fund would show a deficit of \$250,000.

Ms. Agramonte responded in the affirmative.

Council Member Poe stated she understands Mayor Pro Tem Edgar's argument. She stated she does not see a problem with incorporating the two funds into the general fund. Council Member Poe asked for the City's vehicle replacement schedule.

Tony Brandyberry, Public Services Superintendent, stated the replacement of vehicles is determined by mileage, year of the vehicle, and how the vehicle is operating. Currently, staff is looking at returning to Council with a policy on vehicle replacement. Mr. Brandyberry stated police vehicles run an average of

75,000 to 90,000 miles, 3-5 years; other vehicles 8-10 years, 80,000 – 100,000 miles.

Council Member Poe stated she is not sure whether the Garage Fund and Technology Replacement should be Special Funds.

Ms. Agramonte advised that part of the current fiscal year General Fund FY 10/11 there is a budgeted transfer from the Garage Fund of \$89,000; that transfer was made from the Garage Fund to the General Fund – that is what is represented as the decrease in revenues because had the funds been mingled there would not be a fund to transfer from.

Mr. Stewart asked how much is currently in the Garage Fund.

Ms. Agramonte advised that the projected balance for the end of this fiscal year is \$510,000; the Technology Fund has \$205,000.

Mr. Stewart advised what the chart does not show is the increase in reserves and the transfer do not matter.

Ms. Agramonte responded in the affirmative; and, advised an extra line would be added which designates the amount for vehicles, garage or equipment.

Mr. Stewart advised if the funds were abolished today, the General Fund Reserve would go up \$700,000 and the outlay, the capital we would spend is an additional \$114,000; and, would show an increase in the General Fund Reserves and an increase in the reserves being spent, but much less than was actually contributed.

Additional discussion ensued.

Mayor Stephens stated he was concerned about it being easier to utilize funds from Special Funds.

Mr. Stewart stated nothing changes, a contribution to the special fund would be done, based on what staff the schedule of the equipment placement is. In past years, the Council has reduced contributions to the Garage Fund in order to balance the General Fund Budget.

Mayor Stephens confirmed that if the Specials Funds were incorporated into the General Fund, an approval by the City Council would still be needed.

Mr. Stewart responded in the affirmative. He stated the two directions in which the Council can move forward are: 1) Decide this item tonight; eliminate the Garage and Technology Replacement Funds, and direct staff to come back with schedules of replacement updating current information showing a five-year outlay, and how it is going to impact the reserves; 2) This could be addressed during the mid-year budget process.

Council Member Graham-Mejia stated what she does not want to see happen is that the money is not set aside for use when it is needed. She addressed the issue of misuse of funds such as grant monies which could have resulted in fines to the City – it was not using General Fund money, it was using money set for certain items which it was not used for. Council Member Graham-Mejia stated she does not have any problems with decreasing the amount in the Special Funds and place the remainder into the General Fund.

Council Member Kusumoto asked if there is a significant workload difference in tracking the funds.

Ms. Agramonte advised that from a finance standpoint, it is actually easier to track the money in a separate fund.

Council Member Kusumoto asked if the City did not have the special fund designated for rehabilitation of the streets and alleys, would the work have been completed. He stated if the Special Fund did not set the money aside for the work the street rehabilitation might have been put off from year-to-year.

Council Member Poe requested additional information on the accusation of misuse of funds by previous City Councils. Council Member Poe stated she has no problem with the Garage and Technology Fund being absorbed into the General Fund, as long as the City has a good replacement schedule. She stated she is okay with doing it now or at mid-year.

The City Council reached a consensus to address incorporating the Garage and Technology Fund into the General Fund during the Mid-Year Budget process and staff will present a schedule for equipment and technology replacement.

CJPIA Contract Update – The City joined the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA) in 2007 in an effort to stabilize its costs with respect to Workers Compensation and Liability claims. Previously the City was on a pay as you go program, paying for claims as they arose which could vary significantly from year to year. At that time the City had a number of outstanding claims or “tail claims” that were not covered by the CJPIA. The City is still incurring charges from tail claims. However, these have decreased from over \$260,000 in fiscal year 2007-08 to under \$40,000 this fiscal year to date. Since joining the CJPIA the City pays an annual contribution into the pool which covers claims filed against the City within the established insurance limits. The funding estimate for the annual contribution is calculated based on an actuarial study of the Authority’s claims experience. The total funding requirement is allocated to each member using loss experience and payroll, relative to other members of the pool. The anticipated cost for Fiscal Year 2011-12 is \$478,000.

For the City of Los Alamitos, the new cost allocation formula is calculated based 70% on Payroll and 30% on Performance. This formula was adopted in an effort to minimize annual cost fluctuations and eliminate the necessity for retrospective adjustments.

Council Member Graham-Mejia stated when the City Council first looked at information for joining, the information was grossly misstated. She stated she has not been comfortable with this from the beginning and asked if being a member of CJPIA has saved the City money.

Ms. Agramonte stated that being a member will save us money in the future but cannot say that it has to date because the City is paying against two – the old tail claims and the new policy.

Council Member Graham-Mejia asked how many years out is the City going to be paying the tail claims.

Mr. Stewart stated it cannot be much longer, the City is four years in.

Council Member Graham-Mejia stated she does not know if it is financially smart for the City to discontinue their membership with CJPIA and go back to the previous insurance, if the City is going to pay more for this instead of making the payments. She asked if it is logical to look for different insurance because the costs seem to be going up. She asked if the City knows when the yearly amount will be when it levels out.

Mr. Stewart stated what CJPIA provides is the comfort is having real insurance versus the self-insured potential loss. Mr. Stewart stated that the reasons the costs have not gone down is because CJPIA changed their formula to be more payroll based, which will smooth the contributions by the member agencies; and, the loss history has been great in the last three years and have paid large settlements. Mr. Stewart stated he does not know what the yearly amount will be.

Council Member Graham-Mejia stated the City should look at alternatives.

Council Member Kusumoto stated he would rather have insurance and understands it may not be much a savings.

Council Member Poe stated she has a problem with CJPIA changing the formula after the City joined the membership. Council Member Poe stated she has no problem with the City looking for something that might be better. She suggested staff return at Mid-Year with options.

Mr. Stewart advised there is a mid-year notification requirement if the City is thinking about making a change, which is January 2012. He stated Council will need to have a discussion on this item in October or November.

The City Council reached a consensus to review alternatives for insurance and address this issue in October or November.

Ms. Agramonte advised there are a few **Council Special Items**, which include:

1. City Web Site update – \$5,000 setup cost and \$1,000 annual maintenance thereafter. Technology Replacement Funds can be utilized for this purpose.
2. Web Streaming of City Council Meetings – Year 1 - \$15,000 setup plus \$9,060 operation/maintenance; Year 2 and forward - \$13,080 operation/maintenance.
3. Telephone Notification System for Public Outreach – \$6,000 in setup costs. Technology Replacement Funds can be utilized for this purpose.

Council Member Graham-Mejia stated she liked the idea of saving money on the website; the web streaming would come from PEG money/LATV and asked if there is any extra money with the new contract that could be applied toward the web streaming.

Ms. Stewart advised he is concerned with the out-year costs of maintaining the system.

Council Member Graham-Mejia stated the web streaming is a great idea but would not support it because of limited funds available. She requested additional information on the Telephone Notification System.

Todd Mattern, Police Chief, advised the Police Department currently has the mass notification system, Alert OC, which sends out telephone messages throughout the City for emergency notifications. The same vendor also offers the service for non-emergency use; however, comes as a cost of \$1.50 per household, and does not use the same 911 database and will only send messages to published numbers in the City and those that opt into the system.

Council Member Graham-Mejia stated she brought this item forward because residents expressed an interest in attending certain meetings and had no way of obtaining the information. She asked if staff looked into other companies. She stated this could be a great tool for the Council and asked if there is a year-to-year contract.

Todd Mattern, Police Chief, advised this is the system the City currently uses and believes it is probably less expensive than other vendors.

Ms. Agramonte stated from her understanding \$6,000 is an annual fee that would have to be paid every year.

Council Member Graham-Mejia referred to Attachment B – alley street limit signs, \$10,000. She stated she requested previously if those signs can be changed to speed humps for one alley on a trial basis. She stated she believes the money would be better spent on the humps versus the signs. Council Member Graham-Mejia asked when the ADA Ramps will be completed.

Mr. Hunt advised the ramps will be completed by the end of the summer. He stated the request to go out to bid would be at the next Council Meeting.

Council Member Kusumoto stated he is in support of upgrading the City's website. In regards to the web streaming, the Year 2 and forward costs will be funded out of PEG funds.

Ms. Agramonte advised there is approximately \$95,000 in the PEG Fund.

Mr. Stewart advised it could, but the problem is the on-going costs. The City is going to spend what is in the fund for operations, most of the \$44,000. Secondly, the \$44,000, with the increase in satellite TV, could start to shrink. The City will go through the reserves, \$13,000, is something that the majority if not all would come out of the reserve and with \$96,000 in reserve do we want to use the reserves for this item.

Council Member Kusumoto stated he is familiar with the school's phone notification system. He stated he does not think we can do that in-house, but there may be alternatives that capture what the City needs to accomplish. He stated it would be nice to have a comparison to see how much the school spent on their system and asked if the City could obtain that information.

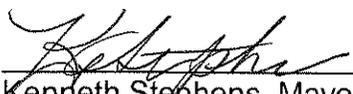
Council Member Poe stated she is fine with the website. In regards to the web streaming, she stated she is not in favor because the City Council is just setting up the LATV Commission and does not have information about the budget. She requested additional information about the telephone notification system, and heard comments that the school's system was used too often and it became something people just ignored. Council Member Poe likes that the City has the system for emergencies, but feels that we need to conduct additional research on this item.

Todd Mattern, Police Chief, added that the City does have an e-mail notification system that residents can sign up for and the Police Department will frequently send out messages via e-mail and Twitter to get non-emergency information out.

Mayor Pro Tem Edgar made various comments to the review of the Proposed Fiscal Year 2011-12 Operating Budget.

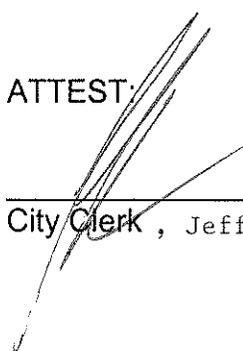
5. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Stephens adjourned the Special City Council Meeting at 7:20 p.m.



Kenneth Stephens, Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk, Jeffrey L. Stewart