



**MINUTES
FINANCE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
May 18, 2015**

City Council Chamber
1 Civic Center Plaza
Irvine, CA 92606

CALL TO ORDER – 5:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 5	Commissioner	Dressler
	Commissioner:	Montgomery
	Commissioner:	Reyno
	Vice Chair:	Stein
	Chair:	Bartlett

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Bartlett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions.

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR

ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Dressler, seconded by Commissioner Montgomery, and unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar Items 1 and 2.

1. MINUTES

ACTION:

Approved the minutes of an adjourned regular meeting of the Finance Commission held on May 11, 2015.

2. PROPOSITION 84 INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT ROUND 2 IMPLEMENTATION GRANT FUNDING CONTRACT

ACTION:

Recommended that the City Council authorize the Mayor to sign the Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management Round 2 Implementation Grant Funding Contract between the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority and City of Irvine for \$1,000,000.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

3. FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 MARCH BUDGET UPDATE

Peter Hong, Management Analyst II, presented the staff report and answered questions. Ken Brown, Director of Administrative Services, and Donna Mullally, Manager of Budget & Business Planning, and Teri Washle, Interim Manager of Fiscal Services, were also present and answered questions.

Commission discussion included: sales tax growth rate; tracking Global Village attendance; the difference in special fund and general fund expenditures within Public Works; looking into enhancing the monthly budget updates in the next fiscal year; staff vacancies in relation to expenditures; backlog of code enforcement cases; and property tax in lieu of Vehicle License Fees, and "true up" sales tax payments.

ACTION: Moved by Vice Chair Stein, seconded by Chair Bartlett, and unanimously carried to:

Receive and file the Fiscal Year 2015-16 March Budget Update.

4. FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 BUDGET

-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES PRESENTATION

Ken Brown, Director of Administrative Services, introduced the Administrative Services Budget for 2015-16 and answered questions. Amy Roblyer, Senior Management Analyst, presented the budget detail and answered questions. Teri Washle, Interim

Manager of Fiscal Services, Donna Mullally, Manager of Budget & Business Planning, Jan Walden, Manager of Human Resources, Lori Thompson, Risk Management Administrator, and Lakesha Kimbrough, Human Resources Analyst II, were also present and answered questions.

Commission discussion included: OpenGov launch on the City's website; costs related to recruitment services and personnel issues; average cost of arbitration cases; management/supervisory training in interpersonal relations; the Affordable Care Act's cost impact on the City; California Paid Sick Leave Law's impact on part-time employees; Compensated Absences Fund; recruitment applications and utilizing social media; new governmental disclosures concerning accounting and financial reporting for pensions, actuarial study on compensated absences and unfunded benefit liability; paid time off accrual cap and cash payout; a request for a future presentation on liability and compensated absences actuarial studies; CalPERS accelerated payment plan; calculating CalPERS future rates due to longer life expectancies.

5. STRATEGIC TECHNOLOGY PLAN

Michael Sherwood, Deputy Director of Public Safety and City Technology, was present and answered questions.

Commission discussion included: 800 MHz costs and the timeline related to equipment updates; an update on the Xerox bid process; and the SIRE application upgrade process and costs moving into the production phase.

ACTION: Moved by Commissioner Dressler, seconded by Vice Chair Stein, and unanimously carried to:

Recommend the City Council receive and file the Strategic Technology Plan 2015-2020.

6. FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Chair Bartlett reiterated his request for Great Park balloon costs from inception to date for the next meeting's discussion.

Commissioner Dressler passed out a potential budget recommendation regarding funding for maintenance and equipment costs for City facilities to the Commission for consideration in advance of the next meeting.

Commission discussion included : Great Park balloon costs from inception to date; carousel costs and ridership numbers; aircraft costs, their approximate value, and how they were acquired; evaluating potential sponsorship and merchandizing options for the Great Park; adjusting Great Park related activity costs for Irvine residents; looking into Great Park cost sharing with surrounding cities; and citywide maintenance and rehabilitation of structures.

By consensus, the Finance Commission requested a separate Great Park budget presentation prior to commencing final budget deliberations and recommendations.

Ken Brown, Director of Administrative Services indicated the Finance Commissioners can finalize their recommendations regarding the Fiscal Year 2015-16 budget at the June 1 regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

By consensus, Chair Bartlett adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.



ALLAN BARTLETT
CHAIR



KEN BROWN
DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE
SERVICES



MELINDA NEUMANN
RECORDING SECRETARY

6/01/15

DATE APPROVED