

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF COSTA MESA**

**March 01, 2011**

The City Council Meeting of the City of Costa Mesa, California met in regular session March 01, 2011, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Council Member Wendy Leece**

**MOMENT OF SOLEMN EXPRESSION - Pastor Dave Manne, Calvary Chapel of Costa Mesa**

**ROLL CALL**

Council Members Present: Mayor Gary Monahan  
Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer  
Council Member Eric R. Bever  
Council Member Wendy Leece  
Council Member Stephen Mensigner

Council Members Absent: None

Officials Present: City Manager Allan Roeder  
Assistant City Manager Thomas Hatch  
City Attorney Kimberly Hall Barlow  
Development Services Director Kimberly Brandt  
Public Services Director Peter Naghavi  
City Attorney Thomas Duarte  
Interim Recreation Manager Lisa McPherson  
Budget and Research Officer Bobby Young  
City Clerk Julie Folcik

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor announced various upcoming events taking place in the city:  
- March 1, 2011 at 6 p.m. - Costa Mesa Pony Baseball 2nd Opening Game: Costa Mesa Reds vs. Costa Mesa Phillies - TeWinkle Park  
- March 2, 2011 at 6-8 p.m. - Costa Mesa Green Task Force presents: Home Skills for the Green Citizen - Neighborhood Community Center (Hamilton Room)  
- March 5, 2011 - Opening Day Ceremonies for Little League Baseball: 9 a.m. - Costa Mesa American Little League at Costa Mesa High School field; 10 a.m. - Newport Harbor Baseball Association at Mariners Park; 11:30 a.m. - Costa Mesa National Little League at Tewinkle Middle School Major Field  
- March 5, 2011 at 10 a.m. - Costa Mesa Historical Preservation Committee

## Diego Sepulveda Adobe Reopening Ceremony at Estancia Park

### PRESENTATIONS

The Mayor congratulated Tim Sun, Code Enforcement Officer, on being selected Employee of the Month for March, and recognized him for his assistance in responding to a dangerous situation at a local business where a power line that was connected to a gas station had fallen.

Michelle Palazzo and Sam Srouji, interns at Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), presented the MADD Deuce Award to Officer Oscar Reyes for making 25 DUI arrests in 2010.

The City Manager provided an update on the sale of the Orange County Fairgrounds, which included a brief history of the city's attempts to purchase the Fairgrounds. The City Attorney added that there was currently litigation involving the sale, and that future court dates were scheduled to examine whether or not the sale would continue. The City Manager shared the principles of some of the parties involved. He indicated that Orange County Fair and Event Center and current board were preparing for the upcoming 2011 OC Fair assuming no change in their status on the property, and would move forward with greater utilization of the Pacific Amphitheater. He indicated that the Orange County Fair and Preservation Society was focused on stopping the sale, and was actively involved in legislative efforts to limit the State's ability to sell the properties, while Facilities Management West was focused on litigation and moving forward with the sale.

The Mayor invited members of the public to speak to City Attorney Kimberly Hall Barlow and City Manager Allan Roeder. The following Costa Mesa residents thanked Ms. Barlow and Mr. Roeder for their years of service: Eloise Ott, Costa Mesa; Cindy Brenneman, Costa Mesa; Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa; Robin Leffler, Costa Mesa; Sandy Genis, Costa Mesa; Milo (no last name given), and two additional speakers that did not give their name.

Wadie Sgarlatta of the Costa Mesa Bark Park Foundation presented the City Manager with the "Best Friend" award, and recognized him for his tireless dedication to the Bark Park.

City Attorney Kim Barlow made comments on her years of service as the City Attorney thanking the staff, community and the Council.

City Manager Allan Roeder in making his comments spoke of the honor of having served this community.

The Mayor thanked the City Attorney for all of her hard work and presented her with a certificate of recognition.

Assemblyman Allan Mansoor thanked the City Manager for his service to the community, and presented him with a resolution on behalf of the State Assembly,

recognizing his numerous accomplishments and the success of many years he has dedicated to the community.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Appointment of Tom Duarte of the Law Offices of Jones and Mayer as City Attorney, effective March 1, 2011.

(a) Amendment to agreement with the Law Offices of Jones and Mayer, 3777 North Harbor Boulevard, Fullerton, for contract legal services.

(b) Swearing in of new City Attorney.

**MOTION: Approve; authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign  
Moved by Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, seconded by Council  
Member Stephen Mensigner.**

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Gary Monahan, Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Council  
Member Eric R. Bever, Council Member Wendy Leece, Council  
Member Stephen Mensigner

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

The mayor reconvened the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Tom Pollitt, Costa Mesa, commented on pension issues, and expressed support to the Council for their efforts.

Perry Valentine, Costa Mesa, expressed his concerns in the speed and direction that Council was moving with the proposed changes, encouraged Council to consider the quality of employees, and recommended increasing the business license tax to help address the budget issues.

Chris Otis, Costa Mesa, asked for a citywide prayer for the homeless.

Linda Burnett, Communications Officer, reported that the employees are paying into their retirements, and suggested protecting those that the City paid for training.

Ed Carmona, Costa Mesa, thanked the Council, commissioners, and staff for their efforts regarding the closure of the Recycling Center.

James Cowell, Costa Mesa, thanked the Council for their thoughtfulness and consideration, and supported their efforts to cut the budget.

Peter (last name inaudible), representative of the Muzeo in Anaheim,

announced the "Green Impacts: TrashARTist Challenge," a countywide program that encourages children to create art out of trash.

Sue Lester, Costa Mesa, requested an updated regarding the status of the police chief, and addressed concerns regarding the Orange County Fire Authority proposal.

Jane Chauxner, Burbank, commented.

Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa, commented that expenses were at current day costs and that they have out-paced the revenue stream which she expressed were at a 1975 level.

Cindy Brenneman, Costa Mesa, encouraged members of the community to vote for Costa Mesa High school Cheer as the prize is to go to Washington DC for a dinner with former President George Bush Sr.

Jay Photoglou, reiterated his problems with the Costa Medsa department and requested for the Council to become involved in the resolving of his complaint.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 1 THROUGH 7.**

**MOTION: Approve the recommendations for Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1 through 7, except for Consent Calendar Item Nos 2 and 7.**

**Moved by Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, seconded by Council Member Wendy Leece.**

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Gary Monahan, Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Council Member Eric R. Bever, Council Member Wendy Leece, Council Member Stephen Mensigner

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

1. Reading Folder.

ACTION: The following Claims were received by the City Clerk for processing : Diana Dexter; Maria G. Williams.

2. Regular meeting of February 15, 2011.

**MOTION: Approve Continued to the next meeting.**

**Moved by Mayor Gary Monahan, seconded by Council Member Eric R. Bever.**

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Member Eric R. Bever, Council Member Wendy Leece, Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Mayor Gary Monahan, Council Member Stephen Mensigner

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

3. Warrant Resolution 2357, funding City operating expenses for \$759,114.20.

ACTION: Adopted resolution.

4. Warrant Resolution 2358, funding Payroll No. 11-04 for \$2,140,292.67, and Payroll No. 11-03A for \$43,304.45, and City operating expenses for \$815,522.04, including payroll deductions.

ACTION: Adopted resolution.

5. Release of Performance and Labor and Material Bonds (Certificate No. 661119748) in the amount of \$89,683 each and (Certificate No. 661119749) in the amount of \$1,000, to 2295 Pacific, LLC (Developer), 190 Newport Center Drive, Suite 220, Newport Beach, in connection with Encroachment Permit No. PS06-00154 for street improvements and corner monumentation for Tract No. 16926, located at 2287-2295 Pacific Avenue, Costa Mesa.

ACTION: Approved; and authorized the City Engineer and City Clerk to sign.

6. Release of Performance and Labor and Material Bonds (Certificate No. 892031) in the amount of \$40,000 each, to Brownco Construction Company, Inc. (Contractor), 1000 East Katella Avenue, Anaheim, in connection with Encroachment Permit No. PS08-00591 for street improvements located at 1643 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa.

ACTION: Approved; and authorized the City Engineer and City Clerk to sign.

#### **ITEM REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR**

7. 2010 Annual Review of the Costa Mesa 2000 General Plan.

Chris McEvoy, Costa Mesa, suggested that language be removed from the General Plan that encourages density bonuses or increases density in the City.

**MOTION: Receive and file.**

**Moved by Mayor Gary Monahan, seconded by Council Member Eric R. Bever.**

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Gary Monahan, Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Council Member Eric R. Bever, Council Member Wendy Leece, Council Member Stephen Mensigner

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. PUBLIC HEARING: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING FEES FOR THE RECREATION ON CAMPUS FOR KIDS PROGRAM.

Interim Recreation Manager Lisa McPherson presented the staff report.

Council Member Mensinger requested a continuance of the item to work with staff and former Council Member Katrina Foley on issues related to the item.

Dana Fisher, Costa Mesa, spoke in support of maintaining the R.O.C.K.S. program, noting that a fee-based program would be an option that would be supported by the parents.

Shannon Windsor, Costa Mesa, spoke on behalf of the Paularino School parents in support of the R.O.C.K.S. program, indicated that there are other options for parents who cannot afford the fee-based program, and would like a program run similar to Camp Costa Mesa.

**MOTION: Continue the public hearing to April 5, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. Moved by Mayor Gary Monahan, seconded by Council Member Wendy Leece.**

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Gary Monahan, Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Council Member Eric R. Bever, Council Member Wendy Leece, Council Member Stephen Mensinger

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. From the meeting of February 15, 2011, Ordinance No. 11-3: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING COSTA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2-97, identifying the City Manager as the Chief Executive Officer of the City.

**MOTION: Adopt Ordinance No. 11-3, to be read by title only, and waive further reading**

**Moved by Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, seconded by Council Member Eric R. Bever.**

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Gary Monahan, Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Council

Member Eric R. Bever, Council Member Wendy Leece, Council Member Stephen Mensigner

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

2. Reports from City Council working groups

(a) Economic Development and Development

Mayor Pro Tem Righeimer reported that the committee met several times and indicated the business license fee issue was discussed and advised that the measure would have to wait until the November 2012 ballot; and noted that they had met with a potential short-term contractor for helping to establish an Economic Development department, and recommended an ombudsman.

(b) Sports and Recreation

Council Member Leece reported that the committee reviewed the Master Plan for open space for parks and parkway areas and will ask the Parks and Recreation Commission for an indepth review.

(c) Policies, Procedures, and General Plan/Circulation

(d) Budget and Capital Improvements

(e) Motel Issues

Council Member Bever reported that planning commissioners had joined the effort, they had received preliminary information from Development Services, asked for more information to get a sense of what has happened in the last 20 years, and requested information from the Police Department.

**NEW BUSINESS**

2. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT CO-11-01, AMENDING SECTIONS 5-1.1 AND 5-1.3 OF TITLE 5 OF THE COSTA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO BUILDING PERMIT FOR MASONRY WALLS.

Development Services Director Kimberly Brandt presented the staff report.

Robin Leffler, Costa Mesa, expressed a concern regarding hardship associated with a fee for a resident to make such an improvement.

No name provided, Costa Mesa, opined the fee was an added burden and

a did not see the value to the city.

Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa, spoke in opposition of the ordinance and expressed concern regarding the lack of a survey requirement identifying the problem as a property line and set-back issue.

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, opposed the proposed ordinance, and opined that the homeowners should practice due diligence and not involve the City.

Council Member Leece was not supportive of requiring a permit for the walls as she felt it was overregulation.

Ms. Brandt responded to a question from the Mayor explaining why it was not a staff recommendation for a lot line survey noting that it would substantially increase the costs in obtaining the permit, but noted if the property owners felt the need to have a survey done that they may obtain one at their own expense.

**MOTION: Introduce Ordinance No. 11-4 for first reading to be read by title only, and waive further reading  
Moved by Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, seconded by Council Member Stephen Mensigner.**

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Gary Monahan, Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Council Member Eric R. Bever, Council Member Stephen Mensigner

Noes: Council Member Wendy Leece

Absent: None.

3. Feasibility and requirements to evaluate increasing capacity to Costa Mesa Emergency Medical Services - Paramedic System.

Assistant City Manager Tom Hatch presented the staff report.

Mayor Pro Tem Righeimer commented that the purpose of the request was to ask for a study to assess if the ambulance company could to hire paramedics that could be "in the system," noting that Costa Mesa currently requires a paramedic to also be a fire fighter.

Bob Barry, CARE Ambulance Service, addressed the Council informing them of their personnel make that supports the Fire Department in their calls for service. He noted the difference between the Emergency Medical Team (EMT) and that of Paramedics in medical training. He responded to questions from the Council regarding paramedic experience and training at the ambulance service level, noting that some of the EMT's had paramedic training but that the County does not currently permit the use of paramedics in private ambulance service, as opposed to other counties where it is permitted. He further answered questions regarding



the procedural responses.

Mayor Pro Tem Righheimer responded to a question from Council Member Leece regarding the need to increase capacity of the paramedics by stating 57 Counties permit the private ambulance companies to provide Advance Life Support services (ALS), and that there were no additional costs to the City.

Council Member Leece felt that additional data was necessary in the evaluating the models of the other counties before sending the letter.

Perry Valentine, Costa Mesa, felt that there would be an increased cost to the city for the service as it would be now providing the level of experience of a paramedic, asked what is really the intent of the request, there are more questions that still need to be answered.

Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa, gave a brief history of how the paramedics came to be, asked about the service fees to the residents and expressed the concern that this was in connection to the anticipated contracting out of the entire Fire Department.

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, expressed concern in the increase of cost to the city and to the residents and if outsourcing of the fire department what kind of response time are the citizens going to have; suggested the need to possibly look at how services could be improved and to look at to other options.

Vince Weatherby, Costa Mesa, noted his experience in public safety, and has not experienced where there was a lack of personnel on the scene where the fire the paramedics were needed. He expressed his concern as to increased liability with two units responding to a service call and suggested that the Fire Department be permitted to address the concerns before making a determination.

Cindy Brenneman, Costa Mesa, expressed concern as to the questions that are not yet answered such as what the cost to the taxpayers would be, expressed her preference to have someone respond to for call for service that is aware of patient/resident history.

Robin Leffler, Costa Mesa, expressed her concern what the fees would be to the residents, that there is not information provided by the Fire Department relative to this request, concurred with previous comments regarding the concern of the cost to residents, patient continuity.

Larry Grihalva, Costa Mesa Paramedic/Emergency Medical Services Coordinator, he noted his experience, knowledge and expertise, could provide important data that would be helpful in evaluating and encouraged the council to utilize his service and knowledge to make an informed decision. He noted that Orange County was a national model for other

agencies, that it was cost efficient; and advised that there would be an increase in the cost to the residents as the cost could not be waived by a private company.

David Cophoff, noted his experience in public service as a firefighter and in law enforcement, felt that it would be a benefit to have paramedics to augment the fire department services in the event of a natural disaster where resources are limited.

Jane Chauxner, Burbank, expressed the need for qualified and experienced response teams and the following of protocols.

Discussion ensued between the EMS Coordinator Larry Grihalva and the Council regarding the operational structure of the Costa Mesa Fire Department, regarding the increasing capacity of paramedics, and the cost to the residents with a private provider.

Mayor Pro Tem Righeimer responded to a question from Council Member Leece that he did not intend to lay-off paramedics as a result of the proposed action.

**MOTION: Directed staff to transmit a letter to the Medical Director of the Orange County Emergency Medical Services requesting that he determine the feasibility and requirements to evaluate the addition of the City's ambulance provider as added capacity to the current Costa Mesa Emergency Medical Service-Paramedic delivery system. Moved by Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, seconded by Council Member Eric R. Bever.**

Council Member Leece, speaking in opposition to the motion, felt that the research into the necessity of the request should be done before a determination to send the letter is made, and commented that she felt that it was to a way to look at privatizing which ultimately could be putting the residents at risk.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Gary Monahan, Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Council Member Eric R. Bever, Council Member Stephen Mensigner

Noes: Council Member Wendy Leece

Absent: None.

4. Outsourcing of City services.

Assistant City Manager Tom Hatch presented the report. Mayor Monahan commented that the Council is attempting to review the services proposed for outsourcing, and provide the most efficient, most reliable, and best services for the residents at the best price. Mayor Pro Tem Righeimer added that there are other options to look at besides outsourcing, but it is necessary to proceed with noticing employees for outsourcing as soon as

possible. Budget and Research Officer Bobby Young presented slides depicting projected PERS rates and liabilities.

Council Member Bever suggested a provision be added to give the employees an opportunity to apply for their jobs that are ultimately outsourced, and indicated that he would like to see positions outsourced to American workers, and not overseas.

Referencing the proposal from the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA), Mayor Monahan noted that the OCFA proposal was initiated by Costa Mesa Firefighters Association (CMFA), with the approval by the previous council to request it.

Council Member Leece referring to the slides depicting the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) projections, inquired as to the source of the projections. Budget and Research Officer Bobby Young explained that FY 2011-12 projections were based on established rates, that FY12-13 were projections received from PERS, but that subsequent years were estimates by the City based on current market conditions however noting that the information could change due to future market activity.

Joanie Binns, Costa Mesa, shared her experience and expressed her appreciation to the quick response of the fire department in their efforts to prevent loss of life and further loss of property at a fire her complex.

Helen Nenadal, President of the Costa Mesa Employees Association (CMCEA), read a statement regarding the positive aspects of maintaining public employees and potential negative impacts due to outsourcing.

Don Drouzd, General Counsel for the Orange County Employees Association (OCEA), spoke on behalf and in support of the employees, opposing outsourcing.

Tom Pollitt, Costa Mesa, supported the efforts of the Council, and inquired if the employees had offered to reopen their contracts.

Jennifer Muir, Santa Ana, spoke in support of the employees, and encouraged the Council to reconsider their recommendation.

Jeff Jones, Costa Mesa, supported Council and indicated it would be irresponsible to not look at contracting options.

Lynn Copeland, Huntington Beach, spoke in opposition of outsourcing animal control services.

Art Goddard, Costa Mesa, provided examples of services that have been outsourced, with negative results, and spoke in support of maintaining services by city staff.

Helen Evers, Costa Mesa, spoke in support of maintaining the current animal control services.

Perry Valentine, Costa Mesa, expressed concern regarding the outsourcing and noticing process and encouraged the council to first conduct a study to determine what services could be outsourced before issuing the notices.

Cindy Brenneman, Costa Mesa, spoke in opposition of outsourcing the Fire Department, and expressed concern in the ambiguity of the departments listed for outsourcing and encouraged the Council to slow down for a full review before making a determination.

Susan Meyer, Costa Mesa, expressed concern regarding council member recusal and bias; urged Council to evaluate before making cuts, and stated she felt safer that the services are being provided by city employees accountable to the residents.

Anna Reagan, Costa Mesa, asked for specific numbers of expenditures and revenues savings related to the list of proposed outsourced services.

Carol Holland, Costa Mesa, spoke in opposition of the outsourcing of animal control, and offered her assistance in finding solutions.

Rebecca Dailey, Costa Mesa, spoke in support of the public employees.

Robin Leffler, Costa Mesa, expressed concern of unintended consequences due to contracting out, and cautioned Council to proceed carefully as the results may cost the residents more money.

Art Beames, Tustin, spoke against the outsourcing of animal control services.

Candi Crawford, Costa Mesa, opposed the outsourcing of animal control services.

Eleanor Egan, Costa Mesa, agreed that the City needs to use the resources efficiently and reduce levels of services, but opposed outsourcing.

David Brooks, Costa Mesa, expressed concern regarding decisions of the Budget Committee, and suggested that more people be included in the process such as residents, department heads and staff.

Sue Lester, Costa Mesa, expressed concern regarding the speed and method in which the employees are to be noticed.

Christopher Otis, Costa Mesa, opposed the outsourcing of animal control and fire services.

Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa, stated the disadvantage of outsourcing would be the loss of "institutional memory," clarified that studies had already been conducted for some of the proposed services, and cautioned negative aspects of contracting such as lower standards, profit motivation, and legal status of workers.

Kelly Vucinic, Huntington Beach, shared her experience when the City previously considered contracting her position, and expressed concerns regarding the limited amount of work contracted employees would be able to do compared to City employees.

Chris McEvoy, Costa Mesa, encouraged Council to work with the City and staff before threatening to outsource services.

Tim Vasin, Costa Mesa Firefighters Association (CMFA), clarified that the purpose of the OCFA request for proposal was to help the City look at the Fire Department's operations from an outside source, and indicated that the firefighters want to be part of the City's financial solution.

Loren Wyrick, Costa Mesa, spoke in support of the employees.

Billy Folsom, Costa Mesa, referred to the previous year's negotiations and reminded the Council that the employees had submitted cost-savings ideas and had agreed to every concession suggested by the Council.

Council Member Bever stated his opposition to the contracts with the associations from the previous year, expressed concern regarding insolvency, opined that actions by previous Councils had contributed to the budget problems, notably high employee salaries and pensions.

Council Member Leece expressed disappointment that the staff report was generated and distributed late on Friday without legal review, and asked the City Attorney for his opinion regarding Government Code Section 53060 and the issuance, timing and liability of layoff notices. The City Attorney responded that there was statutory authority for the Council to act and provide direction to staff to issue the notices. Additionally, Assistant City Manager noted that if Council directs staff to conduct the noticing, the action would initiate the services on the list to undergo review and seek proposals for alternative service delivery methods.

Assistant City Manager Thomas Hatch responded to a question from Council Member Leece noting that the process would include an RFP process and the City would acquire bids where legally necessary, and that a detailed analysis would be provided within the next two to three months.

Council Member Leece opposed the proposal for outsourcing, did not support the taking of "drastic means and to issue layoff notices"; expressed respect for the employees, in their efforts to keep services going and to work with Council requests for budget reductions; and felt

the process needed to be more inclusive of staff participation in a solution.

The Mayor noted that the budget problems have been a continual problem for a number of years, previous action by Council did not take drastic enough cuts, and that current recommendations by the committee for budget reduction were necessary .

**MOTION: Approve the recommendations of the City Council Budget Working Group for outsourcing of various City services and direct the Assistant City Manager to begin the process of noticing employees of this action.**

**Moved by Mayor Gary Monahan, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer.**

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Gary Monahan, Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Council Member Eric R. Bever, Council Member Stephen Mensinger

Noes: Council Member Wendy Leece

Absent: None.

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND SUGGESTIONS**

Council Member Stephen Mensinger requested staff to find a consultant to score city employee pensions.

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Righeimer requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Luke Upton, a 17-year old resident who died in a recent fire.

## **REPORTS**

The Assistant City Manager welcomed City Attorney Tom Duarte, and acknowledged the great work and leadership of Allan Roeder and Kimberly Hall Barlow.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

There were no closed sessions scheduled.

**ADJOURNMENT - The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 11:57 p.m. in memory of Luke Upton, to March 8, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. for a Study Session. Next Regular City Council Meeting: March 15, 2011.**

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Mayor of the City of Costa Mesa

ATTEST:

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City Clerk of the City of Costa Mesa