

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

May 17, 2011

The City Council Meeting of the City of Costa Mesa, California met in regular session May 17, 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 Michael Decker, Palm Harvest Church

ROLL CALL

Council Members
Present:

Mayor Gary Monahan
Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer
Council Member Wendy Leece
Council Member Stephen Mensinger

Council Members
Absent:
Officials Present:

Council Member Eric R. Bever
Chief Executive Officer Thomas R. Hatch
City Attorney Thomas Duarte
Interim Development Services Director Khanh Nguyen
Public Services Director Peter Naghavi
Interim Recreation Manager Lisa McPherson
Interim Legislative and Public Affairs Manager Dan Joyce
Associate Planner Rebecca Robbins
City Clerk Julie Folcik

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced various upcoming events taking place in the city:
- May 19, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. – Grand opening and ribbon cutting for UnionBank – Mesa Verde Shopping Center - May 20, 2011 at 6 p.m. – Orange County Skateboarding League Competition – Volcom Skate Park - May 21, 2011 from 9-10:30 a.m. – Newport Mesa Community Coffee, hosted by Assemblyman Allan Mansoor – Neighborhood Community Center
- May 21, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. – Epilepsy Support Network of Orange County's annual awareness walk; includes a non-competitive walk around the carnival beginning at 8:30 a.m., followed by a carnival for children, silent auction, and barbecue lunch – Tewinkle Park - Visit www.epilepsysupportnet.org or call (714) 916-0456 for more information

- May 21, 2011 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., May 22, 2011 from 12-3 p.m. – Book sale hosted by Friends of Costa Mesa Libraries – Donald Dungan Branch Library, 1855 Park Avenue. E-mail friendscmlibraries@att.net or call (714) 438-0517 for more information
- May 28-29, 2011 – United Scottish Society’s annual Scotsfest 2011 – Orange County Fair and Event Center - Call (310) 370-1797 for more information
- May 30, 2011 at 11 a.m. – 57th Annual Memorial Day Observance – Harbor Lawn Memorial Park, 1625 Gisler Avenue
- June 4-5, 2011 from 11 a.m.-8:30 p.m. – 64th Annual Lions Club Fish Fry – Lions Parks – Visit www.cmnhlions.com for vendor and specific event information
- June 4-5, 2011 – Work at Home Business Expo – Orange County Fair and Event Center – Visit www.wahbexpo.com for more information

PRESENTATIONS: Mayor’s Award - Mary Ellen Goddard

The Mayor presented the Mayor’s Award to Mary Ellen Goddard for her 34 years of dedication and contributions to the community as a civic volunteer.

REPORTS

Chief Executive Officer Tom Hatch welcomed Interim Development Services Director Khanh Nguyen, introduced and distributed the Preliminary Budget and supplemental memo, and noted the Special Study Sessions to be held in the following weeks relative to the budget.

Budget and Research Officer Bobby Young gave an overview of the contents of the preliminary budget.

CEO Hatch announced the Request for Proposal (RFP) for jail services, which was the first of the RFPs for contracting of services, had been released and was available online.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Billy Folsom, Costa Mesa, as a city employee shared his job responsibilities and required certifications and commented on the contracting put of his position.

Mike Tucker, Costa Mesa, expressed his opposition on the outsourcing of city employees and questioned the necessity of the publishing employees’ names with compensation on the City’s website.

Sara Condon, Newport Harbor High School student, encouraged the ban on styrofoam.

McKenna Foley, Newport Harbor High School student, spoke about efforts to ban styrofoam.

Jay Humphrey, Costa Mesa, expressed his opposition in the issuing layoff notices to the city employees before having conducting the necessary research.

Sue Lester, Costa Mesa, referred to the injunction against her business in the city.

Peter Adderton, Newport Beach, shared his proposal to assist in saving the Airborne Law Enforcement (ABLE) program.

Perry Valantine, Costa Mesa, spoke about transparency, and corrected statements he made at a previous meeting regarding pension, retiree benefits, and unfunded liabilities.

Tim Connell, on behalf of Connell Chevrolet, encouraged Council to save the ABLE program.

Mark Ranauro, General Manager of Connell Nissan, spoke in support of maintaining the ABLE program.

Frank Bianchini, owner of Metro Car Wash, spoke in support of maintaining the ABLE program and retaining the City employees.

James Proctor, Costa Mesa, shared ideas to solve the budget deficit.

Matt Moloci, owner of South Coast Acura and South Coast Subaru, spoke in support of the ABLE program.

Jay Photoglou referring to his allegations in a complaint against the Police Department detailed his interactions with the department.

Paul Lunsford, owner of South Coast Toyota, spoke in support of maintaining the ABLE program and encouraged the council to consider the offer to save the program.

Liz Barnett, Costa Mesa, thanked the Council for supporting the sale of fireworks.

Reggie Mundekis, Costa Mesa, spoke in opposition of the sale of the Orange County Fairgrounds and about Council's recent actions to outsource and the layoff of city employees.

Lisa Sabo, Newport Beach, expressed concerns regarding the sale of the Orange County Fairgrounds to a private entity.

Karin W. Ahlf, Costa Mesa, spoke in support of maintaining the ABLE program and retaining the city employees.

Tamar Goldmann, Costa Mesa, commented on transparency.

Debby Koken, Costa Mesa, expressed disappointment in the letter the Mayor sent to Governor Brown supporting the sale of the Orange County Fairgrounds to a private entity.

Terrell Koken, Costa Mesa, sang "Hard Luck Stories" by Richard Thompson.

Bernice Torres, Costa Mesa, on behalf of Estancia High School Cheer, thanked Council for extending the number of days that fireworks could be sold.

Tom Pollitt, Costa Mesa, expressed his concern regarding city's unfunded liability for pension costs, supported the council's efforts to balance the budget, opposed the ABLE program, and criticized union spending for campaigns to criticize the Council.

Julia Jovanovic, Monica Lewis, and Samantha Fluor, Estancia High School cheerleaders, thanked the Council for extending the sale of fireworks and increasing the types of fireworks that would be allowed to be sold.

Yumi Watanabe-Patterson, Estancia High School cheer head-coach, thanked the Council for extending the sale of fireworks greatly benefitting their fundraiser efforts.

Eva Charidas and Analyssa Mendoza, Estancia High School cheerleaders, thanked the Council for extending the sale of fireworks.

Anjanei Mitchell, Estancia High School cheerleader, thanked the Council for extending the sale of fireworks.

Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa, spoke in opposition to the letter the Mayor had sent to the Governor supporting the sale of the fairgrounds to FMW and urged Council to submit letters reaffirming the Council's opposition to the sale.

Laura Reeker and Karen Padilla, Estancia High School cheerleaders, thanked the Council for extending the sale of fireworks.

Richard Dick, Facilities Management West, addressed Assembly Bill AB35, sporting the benefits in the sale of the Fairgrounds to his enterprise and affirming their commitment to the community in maintaining the fairgrounds.

Greg Ridge, Costa Mesa, spoke about the sale of the Fairgrounds.

Helen Nenadal, President of the Costa Mesa City Employees' Association, thanked the community for its continued support and noted the continued commitment of the employees to the city.

Sean Patterson, Costa Mesa, thanked the Council for extending the sale of fireworks.

Ernie Gallardo, Facilities Management West, referring to Assembly Bill 35, noted their obligation to abide by Measure C and FMW's desire to improve the fairgrounds.

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, spoke in opposition to AB 35 and the Mayor's letter of support to the Governor. She also spoke about transparency, and the city's

recent credit downgrade.

Nathan Alvis, Costa Mesa, on behalf of the Costa Mesa High School football team, thanked the Council for extending the sale of fireworks.

Colin McCarthy, Costa Mesa, commented on the city's budget crisis, unfunded liability, and the recent downgrading of credit and suggested setting aside a larger percentage of general fund for infrastructure purposes.

Monique Adam, Costa Mesa, spoke in opposition of extending the days in which to discharge fireworks.

Chris McEvoy, Costa Mesa, spoke about the privatization of the Fairgrounds and the City consultants.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 1 THROUGH 8.

**MOTION: Approve recommendations for Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1 through 7, except for Consent Calendar Item No. 8.
Moved by Council Member Wendy Leece, seconded by Mayor Gary Monahan.**

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Eric R. Bever

1. Reading Folder.

ACTION: The following Claims were received by the City Clerk for processing: Michael Kuhns; Min Sok No, Dennis and JoAnn Reinholt.

2. Special Study Session of April 26, 2011 and regular meeting of May 3, 2011.

ACTION: Approved.

3. Warrant Resolution 2368, funding Payroll No. 11-09 for \$2,161,211.68, and Payroll No. 11-08A for negative \$265.95, and City operating expenses for \$471,849.95, including payroll deductions.

ACTION: Adopted resolution.

4. Warrant Resolution 2369, funding City operating expenses for \$523,709.66.

ACTION: Adopted resolution.

5. Agreement with Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) for the Senior Mobility Program.

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

6. Amendment to the lease agreement with the Newport-Mesa Unified School District for waiver of the lease agreement payment for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 relative to the use of the Balearic Community Center.

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

7. Completion of Construction on I-405 Freeway and Fairview Road at the I-405/Fairview Road Interchange, Federal Project No. ESPLE-5312 (071), City Project No. 09-18, by Sierra Landscape Company, Inc., 73771 Dinah Shore Drive, Suite 200, Palm Desert.

ACTION: Work was accepted; City Clerk was authorized to file a Notice of Completion; authorization was given to release of retention monies 35 days thereafter; the Labor and Material Bond was ordered exonerated seven (7) months thereafter; and the Faithful Performance Bond was ordered exonerated seven (7) months thereafter.

ITEM REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

8. Amendment to the Public Services Agreement with Management Partners for the term ending March 1, 2012, for additional interim management services work and to provide for an Interim Administrative Services Director, in an amount not to exceed \$145,000.

Perry Valentine, Costa Mesa, questioned the need to provide the car allowance and mileage, and inquired regarding an apparent discrepancy in the requested amount of the contract. City CEO Thomas Hatch explained noting that the new scope of the contract was for an amount up to \$120,000 but that \$145,000 also reflected a previously allocated amount of \$25,000 for a personal services agreement he had authorized.

Greg Ridge, Costa Mesa, spoke in opposition of the car allowance and mileage to be paid to the consultant.

Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa, expressed concern regarding contracts being awarded without a bid process.

Reggie Mundekis, Costa Mesa, expressed opposition to the amount of the compensation and of car allowance proposed in the contract.

Tamar Goldmann, Costa Mesa, spoke about outsourcing and suggested renegotiating with the employee bargaining units.

MOTION: Approve; authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.

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

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Mayor Gary Monahan, Council Member Stephen Mensinger

Noes: Council Member Wendy Leece

Absent: Council Member Eric R. Bever

It was unanimously agreed to address Old Business No. 1 out of order.

OLD BUSINESS

1. From the meeting of May 3, 2011, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 9 OF THE COSTA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING FIREWORKS SALES; by extending the days for selling and discharging Fireworks within the City.

Interim Legislative and Public Affairs Manager Dan Joyce presented the staff report.

Jay Humphrey, Costa Mesa, opposed the extension of days for the discharge of fireworks.

Howard Hull, Costa Mesa, spoke in support of extension for the sale of fireworks.

Ozzie Magana, Costa Mesa, thanked the Council for extending the days for fireworks sales.

Robert Murtha, Costa Mesa, thanked the Council for extending the days to sell fireworks.

Karin Ahlf, Costa Mesa, expressed concern regarding the discharge of fireworks for more than the just the 4th of July.

Chuck Perry, Costa Mesa, thanked the Council for extending the sale of fireworks and increasing the number of items allowed to be sold.

Bernice Torres, Costa Mesa, thanked the Council for extending number of days for the sale of fireworks.

Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa, opposed the increasing of the days for the discharge of fireworks, and suggested looking at what is done for fundraising by the other cities that do not permit fireworks.

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, while not opposed to extending the days on which fireworks could be sold, spoke in opposition of discharging

fireworks for multiple days.

Mike Bargas, Costa Mesa, thanked the Council for extending the number of days in which to sell fireworks.

Speaker (no name provided) noted that two cities have recently permitted the sale of fireworks for fundraising efforts for youth programs that are no longer being funded.

Council Member Mensinger commented that his intent for the extension of the days to discharge was temporary and would be re-evaluated for next year.

Council Member Leece felt that the extension of the days for the discharge of the fireworks was putting residents and pets at risk and noted she would not be supporting the motion for second reading.

MOTION: Adopt Ordinance No. 11-6, as amended revising the following section to read "(e) No person shall discharge any fireworks of any kind within the city, except on the dates of July 2nd through July 4th between 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on such days" and to add language that stipulates that results of the ordinance will be reviewed within a year for possible changes to the ordinance; to be read by title only, and waive further reading.

Moved by Mayor Gary Monahan, seconded by Mayor Gary Monahan.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Gary Monahan, Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, Council Member Stephen Mensinger

Noes: Council Member Wendy Leece

Absent: Council Member Eric R. Bever

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. PUBLIC HEARING: From the meeting of April 5, 2011, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING FEES FOR THE RECREATION ON CAMPUS FOR KIDS PROGRAM.

Recreation Supervisor Lisa McPherson presented the staff report and responded to questions from the Council.

The following public speakers spoke in support of the ROCKS as a fee-based program: Cassie Craddell, Costa Mesa; Kayla Bemmer, Costa Mesa; Gillian Gonzalez, Costa Mesa; Sean Amorde, Costa Mesa; Cecelia de Heras, Costa Mesa; Dena and Caedman Fisher, Costa Mesa; Sara Carlisle, Costa Mesa; Lisa Kaucher, Costa Mesa; Lisa Kaucher, Costa Mesa; and Melissa Brennen, Costa Mesa.

Discussion ensued amongst the Council regarding the fees to be paid by the participants in the program, options of participants not able to pay for the program and the funding by the city.

MOTION: Adopt Resolution No. 11-16, as amended to provide that the City fund the 25 percent of the program costs, establish a participant fee of \$11.00, per week; and directed staff to fund the program at 40 percent of the program costs.

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

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Eric R. Bever

2. PUBLIC HEARING: From the meeting of April 19, 2011: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING SCHEDULES OF RATES, FEES, AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF COSTA MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR SPECIAL/COMMUNITY EVENTS.

MOTION: Continue public hearing to June 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

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 Wendy Leece, Council Member Stephen Mensinger

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Eric R. Bever

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

The Mayor reconvened the meeting at 9:41 p.m.

3. PUBLIC HEARING: Appeal of the Planning Commission's determination regarding Zoning Application ZA-09-31 A1, located at 1151 Gleneagles Terrace, for an amendment to minor conditional use permit for a previously-approved bedroom/bathroom addition and a covered deck that encroaches into the required setback from the bluff crest (10 ft. setback required; up to 10 ft. extending past bluff crest approved) to allow: (1) 18 in. deep eaves on the sides of the patio cover that extends past the bluff crest (no eaves previously shown); (2) the bedroom/bathroom addition to encroach further into bluff crest setback (5 ft. setback from the bluff crest approved; 4 ft. 3 in. setback proposed); (3) fireplace and solid wall (including support post) to extend past the bluff crest (4 ft. past the bluff crest proposed; 0 ft. past the bluff crest approved); and (4) additional roof

height for both the patio cover (14 ft. 6 in. proposed; 12 ft. 6 in. approved) and bedroom/bathroom addition (13 ft. 6 in. proposed; 12 ft. 6 in. approved). Environmental Determination: Exempt.

Interim Development Services Director Khanh Nguyen and Associate Planner Rebecca Robbins presented the report and responded to the questions from the Council.

Bill Lowe, property owner, presented his reasons for the appeal to the Council and requested modification relative to maintaining the location of the fireplace.

Lea Lowe, Costa Mesa, addressed concerns regarding the integrity of the bluff resulting from construction.

Scott Savian, Costa Mesa, neighbor of the adjacent property, noted his support of the request by the applicant as long as the chimney size was reduced.

Mayor Pro Tem Righeimer commented that he supported the project except for the approval to permit the the building of a solid wall from the chimney to the wing wall.

MOTION: Adopt Resolution No. 11-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, TO REVERSE A PORTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DENIAL AND APPROVE ZONING APPLICATION ZA-09-37 A1, as modified:

The bedroom/bathroom addition to encroach further into bluff crest setback (4 ft. 3 in. setback from bluff crest) and additional roof height for the bedroom/bathroom addition (13 ft. 6 in.)

The chimney shall be reduced in height and width to meet minimum standards to satisfy the manufactures specifications and Building Codes. In addition, the portion of the chimney extending above the roof shall be as close to the existing residence as possible.

The deck wing wall along the right side (west) property line extending over the bluff crest shall contain glass panels on the bottom, not exceed 42 inches in height from the decks' floors, and shall remain open on the top, extending up to the deck roof with exception to the fireplace and solid wall extending to the support post.

Moved by Mayor Gary Monahan, seconded by 0.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Adopt Resolution No. 11-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA,

CALIFORNIA, TO REVERSE A PORTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DENIAL AND APPROVE ZONING APPLICATION ZA-09-37 A1, as modified:

The bedroom/bathroom addition to encroach further into bluff crest setback (4 ft. 3 in. setback from bluff crest) and additional roof height for the bedroom/bathroom addition (13 ft. 6 in.)

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer. Motion died for lack of second.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Eric R. Bever

4. PUBLIC HEARING: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, ORDERING THE VACATION OF SAINT CLAIR STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY AT 766 SAINT CLAIR STREET.

Public Services Director Peter Naghavi presented the staff report and responded to questions from the Council.

MOTION: Adopt Resolution No. 11-18 ordering the vacation and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign; authorize City Clerk to record the Quitclaim Deed.

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

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Eric R. Bever

NEW BUSINESS

1. I-405 Improvement Project.

Public Services Director Peter Naghavi and Transportation Manager Raja Sethuraman presented the report and responded to questions. Nile Barrett, OCTA Project Manager, made an additional presentation and addressed concerns made by public speakers and the Council.

Jay Photoglou spoke in opposition of adding an additional High

Occupancy Transit lane as seen in Alternative #3.

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, opposed the demolition of the current Fairview Bridge.

Diane Hill, Costa Mesa, spoke in opposition of Alternative #3.

No action was taken by the City Council.

2. Reward Policy for information leading to the apprehension, arrest, and conviction of person(s) making threats of physical harm to the City, its residents, its employees, officials (both elected and appointed), and City property

Withdrawn.

3. Business Improvement Area (BIA) Reauthorization

(a) Annual report for the Business Improvement Area (BIA) for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

(b) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY AN ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 FOR A BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA COVERING CERTAIN COSTA MESA HOTELS AND MOTELS AND SETTING THE TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL.

Interim Public Affairs and Legislative Manager Dan Joyce presented the report and responded to questions from the City Council.

Paulette Lombardi-Fries, President of the Costa Mesa Conference and Visitors' Bureau, spoke in support of the resolution for the reauthorization of the assessment district.

John Lambeth, attorney with Civitas and retained by the CMCVB, for updating the by-laws, and noted the position of the Bureau relative to some of the recommended expenditures, noting opposition to fund the Sister City program and the portion of the salary of a staff member in their efforts of promoting Costa Mesa.

Edward Grainger, a member of the CMCVB, further explained the Bureau's determination not to fund the Sister City and their desire to find an appropriate partner.

MOTION: Approve the Annual Report for the BIA for Fiscal Year 2010-2011; and adopt Resolution No. 11-19, to set the date of hearing for June 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m., for consideration to reauthorize the BIA Assessment District boundaries; approve the BIA Budget; and directed that the budget discussion include

expenditure \$10,000 for promotional items, \$10,000 for the Wyndham Sister City program, and \$5,000 for the Special Event Volunteer. Moved by Mayor Gary Monahan, seconded by Council Member Wendy Leece.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Eric R. Bever

4. Costa Mesa Community Foundation Request to sell Wine and Beer at the 2011 Concerts in the Parks Series.

Recreation Supervisor Lisa McPherson and Bill Turpit, president of the Costa Mesa Community Foundation, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

MOTION: Approve request.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem James Righeimer, seconded by Council Member Stephen Mensinger.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Eric R. Bever

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND SUGGESTIONS

Council Member Stephen Mensinger spoke about meeting decorum.

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Righeimer addressed comments made relative to a possible recall, political agendas, outsourcing, and the purpose of the Budget Working Groups.

Council Member Wendy Leece requested staff to follow-up regarding possibly extending of the ABLE program, asked for an update regarding the Fairgrounds, and requested notes and documents from the meetings of the Budget Working Group.

Mayor Gary Monahan asked staff to look into installing emergency lights in the Council Chambers, due to the unexpected black-outs during the meeting, and commented on the working groups and their compliance with the Brown Act.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Thomas R. Hatch, Chief Executive Officer, and Labor Negotiator, Agency Negotiator regarding Employee Organizations: Costa

Mesa City Employee Association (CMCEA), Costa Mesa Firefighters Association (CMFA), Costa Mesa Police Officers Association (CMPOA) and Costa Mesa Police Management Association (CMPMA), Costa Mesa Fire Fighters Management Association, and Costa Mesa Division Managers Association pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

2. Conference with legal counsel, regarding anticipated litigation, significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9 - (one case).

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 12:13 p.m. to Conference Room 1B for the closed sessions.

The meeting reconvened at 12:20 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

It was reported that no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT - The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 12:21 a.m. Next Regular City Council Meeting: June 7, 2011.

Mayor of the City of Costa Mesa

ATTEST:

City Clerk of the City of Costa Mesa