

**SOLANA BEACH CITY COUNCIL
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY**

JOINT **REGULAR** MEETING

MINUTES

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2007
5:00 P.M.**

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
635 S. HIGHWAY 101,
SOLANA BEACH, CALIFORNIA

The City Council acts as the City of Solana Beach Redevelopment Agency and the Public Financing Authority.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

Present: Heebner, Kellejian, Roberts, Nichols, and Campbell.

Absent: None.

Also Present: David Ott, City Manager
Mary Blais, Planning Consultant
Chandra Collure, City Engineer
Leticia Rodriguez, Deputy City Clerk
Dennis Coleman, Finance Director

Flag Salute:

Danny King, Environmental Specialist led the flag salute.

WORKSHOP:

**CITY COUNCIL, REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY
FISCAL YEARS 2007-2008 AND 2008-2009 PROPOSED GENERAL OPERATING
AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGETS (File No. 0330-30)**

Recommended Action: Review budget and provide direction as appropriate.

David Ott, City Manager introduced the item and stated that this meeting was an overview of the proposed budget. He presented a power point presentation on the budget process, that it began in March, explained the formation of the budget, and that the final budget is presented in June.

David Ott, City Manager, stated that revenues were estimated conservatively, that the

general fund is balanced for the next fiscal year, revenues have increased 6.6%, and expenditures have increased 8.3%. He stated that there are minor organizational changes proposed in the budget. He stated that property taxes and sales taxes are the two biggest generators of revenue for the City and that there had been an increase of 99.8% in fire services costs over the last 10 years, and a cost increase of 93.2% in law enforcement services over the last ten years.

David Ott, City Manager, stated that long term concerns for the budget included the cost of retiree health benefits, cost of public safety, and that the outcome of the mail ballot for the NPDES fees would be important for the City. He stated that there are 46 Capital Improvement Projects, that 34 projects are carry over projects from the previous year, that 7 are new projects for this fiscal year, and that 5 are annual management programs.

Gordon Johns stated that he was speaking on behalf of the Budget and Finance Committee and stated that a report from the committee on the proposed budget would be given to Council prior to the next Council meeting and that the committee had no problems with the proposed budget only recommendations for the Council.

Mary Jane Boyd stated that she was speaking on behalf of the Friends of the Library and had a request to put a dedicated line item in the budget for funding to this group. She stated that the Friends of the Library received \$16,000 from Council last year which allowed the library to add more than 3,000 books, that the money was spent from direction of the Council, that the Friends of the Library matched the funds given by the City, and the County of San Diego also matched the funds given by the City.

Council discussion ensued on this issue and what last years requirements were for allocating money to this group.

Roger Boyd stated that he had four suggestions for the budget, that there should be a minimal level of funding for the Climate Protection agreement, that the lifeguard station needs improvement to be compatible with Fletcher Cove Park, that the Eastern entrance to the City needs improvement, that funding is needed for the crowded intersection and suggested the addition of a stop light or roundabout.

Irene Young stated that she is concerned about consultant costs required to make improvements at Eden Gardens Park, that the park needs new swings, new toys for the tot area, and new barbeques.

Penny Abel stated that the 2-1-1 San Diego phone line is requesting each City to make a line item allocation to this item, that this phone system covers the County and is currently funded by County contracts.

Council discussion ensued on the funding request by the Friends of the library, that last year it was a one time line item, and asked whether this year funding given by the City would be matched by the County of San Diego.

Mary Jane Boyd stated that the Friends of the Library had no plans how the funds would

be spent, that everyone who works for the group are volunteers and raising money is difficult, that the group had began sending books to the La Colonia Community Center, that they would like to begin a Solana Beach Reads program, and that they would like to continue the Friends Night Out program which costs three to four thousand dollars.

Council discussion ensued on the allocation of funds to the Friends of the Library, that a line item could be added to the budget and the Council could make a decision at a later time whether to use the funds for the group, that a sub-committee could be created to determine criteria that would be needed in order for the Council to give the money to the Friends of the Library group.

Council came to consensus to set aside a line item in the budget of fifteen thousand dollars for the group, that an ad-hoc committee would be needed to be set up to determine criteria and guidelines that the funds could be used for, that this item would have to be brought to Council before any money would be given to the group.

Council discussion ensued on providing the Councilmembers with a monthly stipend to be in conjunction with what other cities are providing, and to provide a transit subsidy of \$60.00 per month to encourage City employees to car pool or use the Coaster.

David Ott, City Manager, stated the the County of San Diego 2-1-1 phone system was of great value to residents, that information can easily be found, and that they need support from cities. Council came to consensus that it is a valid program.

Council discussion ensued on the Coastal Rail Trail Maintenance District, gave direction to staff to bring back more information on this issue, and questioned if the current amount of funding is adequate to maintain the district.

Mayor Heebner recessed the meeting for a break at 7:35 p.m.

Mayor Heebner reconvened the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Council discussion ensued on Capital Improvement Projects, that there is currently \$15,000 to study the pipe at Sea Scape, that signs on the Coastal Rail Trail should be looked at, that the painting of the Fire Station should be added to the 07/08 budget rather than the 08/09 budget, that the La Colonia Needs Assessment still needs to be worked on, and that there should be more money added for the I-5 expansion project for soundwalls on the East side.

David Ott, City Manager, clarified that the I-5 expansion project was a workplan issue.

No action taken.

WORKPLAN COMMENTS: (Adopted June 28, 2006)

Material is located in front section of agenda binder.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Please state the committee you are speaking to before making each report.

Regional Committees: (outside agencies)

1. **California Cities Contract Association (CCCA) - Roberts, Heebner (alternate).**

Deputy Mayor Kellejian stated that there was a conference in Indian Wells, that there was no City representative present, and that maybe in the future Councilmembers that are not on that particular committee could attend if they are available.

2. **City Selection Committee - Kellejian (meets twice a year)**

Deputy Mayor Kellejian stated that on May 14th the group had an election and Carl Hilliard, Mayor of Del Mar, won for the North Coast Representative for LAFCO, and the term expires May 2011.

3. **County Service Area 17 - Campbell, Nichols (alternate).**
4. **Escondido Creek Watershed Authority - Nichols, Roberts (alternate).**
5. **League of Ca. Cities' San Diego County Executive Committee - Roberts, Kellejian (alternate).**

Deputy Mayor Kellejian attended this meeting and handed out a copy of the agenda to the Council.

6. **League of Ca. Cities' Local Legislative Committee - Roberts, Kellejian (alternate).**

Deputy Mayor Kellejian handed out items from the Legislative Committee who adopted principles and priorities for the committee, and noted "hot" bills that are in front of the committee at this time.

7. **League of Ca. Cities' Coastal Cities Issues Group (CCIG) - Roberts, Kellejian (alternate).**

Deputy Mayor Kellejian attended this meeting in Sacramento. He stated that the City should push for a Statewide standard for no smoking on the beach and statewide dredge which would be shared by all California Coastal Cities.

8. **North County Dispatch JPA - Nichols, Campbell (alternate).**
9. **North County Transit District - Roberts, Heebner (alternate).**

10. Regional Solid Waste Association (RSWA) - Nichols, Kellejian (alternate).

Mayor Heebner stated that this group is looking at the three unfunded quality of life areas, storm water, sand replenishment, and habitat preservation, and they will be spending time learning more about these areas.

11. SANDAG - Heebner (Primary), Roberts (1st alternate), Nichols (2nd alternate).

12. SANDAG Shoreline Preservation Committee - Kellejian, Roberts (alternate).

Deputy Mayor Kellejian stated that he will be attending the Sandag meeting and will be giving comment on whether the County should contribute to sand replenishment.

13. San Dieguito River Valley JPA - Roberts, Nichols (alternate).

14. San Elijo JPA - Campbell, Roberts (both primary members) (no alternates).

15. 22nd Agricultural District Association Community Relations Committee - Roberts, Campbell (alternate).

Standing Committees: (All Primary Members) (Permanent Committees)

1. Business Liaison Committee - Roberts, Campbell.

2. School Relations Committee - Roberts, Campbell.

3. Public Arts Committee - Roberts, Nichols.

4. Traffic Transportation - Heebner, Kellejian.

5. Hwy 101/Cedros Avenue Development Committee - Heebner, Nichols.

Ad Hoc Committees: (All Primary Members) (Temporary Committees)

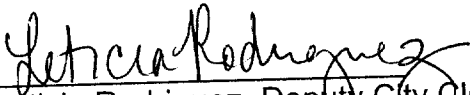
1. Local Coastal Plan Ad-Hoc Committee - Roberts, Campbell. Expires February 14, 2008 or at the California Coastal Commission adoption.

2. Sand Replenishment Alternative Review - Kellejian, Campbell. Expires November 8, 2007.

3. Views and Vegetation Subcommittee - Roberts, Nichols. Expires November 8, 2007.
4. User Fee Ad-Hoc Committee - Roberts, Campbell. Expires June 30, 2007.
5. Development Review - Heebner, Nichols. Expires November 29, 2007.
6. La Colonia Park Master Plan Committee - Heebner, Roberts. Expires June 30, 2007.
7. Condohotel - Heebner, Campbell. Expires October 24, 2007.

ADJOURN:

Mayor Heebner adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.


Leticia Rodriguez, Deputy City Clerk
Approved: September 19, 2007