

Gary DeLong, Chair  
Patrick O'Donnell, Vice Chair  
Dr. Suja Lowenthal, Vice Mayor, Member



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## FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER (4:00 PM)

At 4:00 P.M., Chair DeLong called to order.

### ROLL CALL (4:00 PM)

**Councilmembers** DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal  
**Present:**

Also present: Heather Mahood, Chief Assistant City Attorney; Suzanne Frick, Assistant City Manager; John Gross, Director of Financial Management; Lou Palmer, Manager, Budget and Performance Management Bureau; Kenneth Walker, Manager, Personnel Operations; George Chapjian, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine; Michael Conway, Director of Public Works; Glenda Williams, Director of Library Services; and Gloria Harper, City Clerk Specialist.

Chair DeLong took Agenda Item 10 out of order.

- 10.** 11-0835            Recommendation to review various Departments Fiscal Year 2012 Proposed Budget Reductions.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Vice Chair O'Donnell spoke.

**A motion was made by Chair DeLong, seconded by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, to approve recommendation to reconsider the motion made at the Budget Oversight Committee meeting of August 17, 2011 regarding the City Manager Department's elimination of a specific position; and request the City Manager to seek other alternatives to cost savings in lieu of transferring costs to the SAP Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

Chair DeLong announced that representatives from the City Attorney and the City Auditor Offices confirmed that the employees have voluntarily offered to contribute the 2% General Increase to the employee portion of the PERS pickup; and requested the restoration of an equivalent dollar amount to the budget of both departments.

11-0633 Recommendation to approve budget adjustments.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Heather Mahood, Chief Assistant City Attorney, spoke.

Vice Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, seconded by Vice Chair O'Donnell, to approve recommendation to forward to City Council the recommendation to accept the voluntary general increase due October 1, 2011 from the employees in the City Attorney and the City Auditor offices; and restore an equivalent dollar amount to the budget of both departments. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

1. 11-0870 Recommendation to approve the Budget Oversight Committee minutes for the meeting of Wednesday, August 17, 2011.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, to approve recommendation as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

2. 11-0136 Recommendation to receive and file an update on labor negotiations.

Kenneth Walker, Manager, Personnel Operations, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

3. 11-0361 Recommendation to receive and file a report on pension solutions in other cities.

Kenneth Walker, Manager, Personnel Operations, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, seconded by Vice Chair O'Donnell, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

4. 11-0832 Recommendation to receive and file a report on the current year revenue and expense forecast overage of the Department of Public Works for Fiscal Year 2011.

Michael Conway, Director of Public Works, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair DeLong spoke.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

5. 11-0871 Recommendation to review the Fiscal Year 2012 Proposed Budget for Library Services.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Glenda Williams, Director of Library Services, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

A dialogue ensued.

Vice Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Vice Mayor Lowenthal spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Chair DeLong requested that staff come back to the Committee with additional information regarding volunteer resources available that may assist in minimizing the impact on the community due to modification of three (3) branches to Reading Rooms.

Sarah Pillet, Executive Director, Library Foundation, gave a report and responded to questions.

Margaret Smith, President Elect, Library Foundation, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Vice Chair O'Donnell spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Vice Chair DeLong request that staff investigate computer usage and the long lines at the libraries; and look for resources that may be available on an immediate basis to eliminate the long lines and increase the length of time constituents may have to use the computers.

Glenda Williams, Director of Library Services, spoke.

Sherri Nixon-Joiner spoke.

Christia Indriolo, IAM Union Representative, spoke.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, seconded by Vice Chair O'Donnell, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

6. 11-0872 Recommendation to review the Fiscal Year 2012 Proposed Budget for the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine.

George Chapjian, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair DeLong spoke.

John Keisler, Manager, Business Operations, Parks, Recreation and Marine, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Sherri Nixon-Joiner spoke.

Christa Indriolo, IAM Union Representative, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Vice Mayor Lowenthal spoke.

George Chapjian, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, to approve recommendation to refer to the City Council a proposal regarding the request for additional funding to the Municipal Band for Fiscal Year 2012. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

7. 11-0873 Recommendation to review the Fiscal Year 2012 Proposed Budget for the Department of Public Works.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Michael Conway, Director of Public Works, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

A dialogue ensued.

Chair DeLong requested staff to come back to the committee with a break down of the all fund dollar amount by either bureau or individual departments.

Vice Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Michael Conway, Director of Public Works, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, seconded by Vice Chair O'Donnell, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

8. 11-0874 Recommendation to review the Fiscal Year 2012 Proposed Budget for Development Services.

Chair DeLong spoke.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, to approve recommendation to continue this item to a future meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

9. 11-0875 Recommendation to review and discuss the Special Advertising and Promotions Fund for Fiscal Year 2012.

Suzanne Frick, Assistant City Manager, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Curtis Tani, Director of Technology Services, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Suzanne Frick, Assistant City Manager, spoke.

Vice Mayor Lowenthal spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lowenthal, seconded by Vice Chair O'Donnell, to approve recommendation to continue this item to a future meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5:04 PM)**

No members of the public addressed the committee at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT (5:04 PM)**

At 5:04 P.M., there being no objection, Chair DeLong declared the meeting adjourned.