

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



## CALL TO ORDER

At 3:10 P.M., Chair DeLong called the meeting to order.

## ROLL CALL

**Councilmembers** DeLong and S. Lowenthal

**Present:**

**Councilmembers** O'Donnell

**Excused:**

Also present: Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management/CFO; Robert Shannon, Chief City Attorney; David Wodynski, Manager, Budget and Performance Management Bureau; Jeff Reeb, Deputy Fire Chief; and Gloria Harper, City Clerk Specialist.

1. 09-0251 Recommendation to approve the Budget Oversight Committee minutes for the meeting of Monday, January 26, 2009.

**A motion was made by Member S. Lowenthal, seconded by Chair DeLong, to approve the Budget Oversight Committee minutes for the meeting of Monday, January 26, 2009. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 2 - DeLong and S. Lowenthal

**Excused:** 1 - O'Donnell

2. 08-1314 Recommendation to discuss Advanced Life Support/Basic Life Support (ALS/BLS) Billing.

Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management/CFO, introduced Jeff Reeb, Deputy Fire Chief.

Jeff Reeb, Deputy Fire Chief, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management/CFO, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

A dialogue ensued.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Jeff Reeb, Deputy Fire Chief, spoke.

Councilmember Lowenthal spoke.

**A motion was made by Member S. Lowenthal, seconded by Chair DeLong, to receive and file the update on Advanced Life Support/Basi Life Support (ALS/BLS) Billing. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 2 - DeLong and S. Lowenthal

**Excused:** 1 - O'Donnell

3. 09-0095 Recommendation to receive an update on Employee Furlough options.

Suzanne Mason, Director of Human Resources, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management/CFO, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

**A motion was made by Chair DeLong, seconded by Member S. Lowenthal, to approve the recommendation to request that staff provide City Council with General Fund savings; and recommend to City Council to direct departments to deliver the 40-hour furlough or equivalent savings. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 2 - DeLong and S. Lowenthal

**Excused:** 1 - O'Donnell

4. 09-0254 Recommendation to discuss City Council budget equalization for Fiscal Year 2010.

Chair DeLong spoke.

David Wodynski, Manager, Budget and Performance Management Bureau, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

A dialogue ensued.

**A motion was made by Chair DeLong, seconded by Member S. Lowenthal, to forward to City Council two (2) alternatives: A proposed reduction of 15%, to be applied to the Discretionary portion of the budget, which equals \$553,232 annually (\$3,688,214 x 0.15). Alternatively, this reduction represents a 14.1738% decrease from the FY 2010 Base Budget (\$3,903,196). due back on 3/24/2009. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 2 - DeLong and S. Lowenthal

**Excused:** 1 - O'Donnell

#### SECOND ROLL CALL

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

Chair DeLong requested at Agenda Item 6 to be taken out of order.

6. 09-0255 Recommendation to develop a long-term Financial Strategic Plan.

Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management/CFO, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

**A motion was made by Chair DeLong, seconded by Member S. Lowenthal, to approve recommendation to support Financial Management in developing a 5-year long-term Financial Strategic Plan. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

5. 08-1315 Recommendation to rescind the action of the Budget Oversight Committee to receive and file the report from Public Works to evaluate the feasibility of contracting out traffic signal maintenance.

David Roberts spoke.

Mark Roberts spoke.

Eric Johnson spoke.

Janet Schabow, IAM representative, spoke.

Councilmember Tonia Reyes Uranga spoke.

Eric Shrum spoke.

Dennis Head, IAM representative, spoke.

Chris Katsouleas spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Mike Conway, Director of Public Works, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Councilmember S. Lowenthal spoke.

**A motion was made by Chair DeLong, seconded by Member S. Lowenthal, to approve recommendation to rescind the action of the Budget Oversight Committee to receive and file the report from Public Works. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

7. 09-0256 Recommendation to discuss new financial policy on budgeting oil revenue.

**A motion was made by Chair DeLong, seconded by Member S. Lowenthal, that this agenda item be laid over to a future date. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

8. 07-0394 Recommendation to discuss the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Pronouncement No. 45, Retiree Health Care.

Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management/CFO, gave a staff report and responded to questions.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Member S. Lowenthal, to receive and file the discussion on the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Pronouncement No. 45, Retiree Health Care. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

Robert Shannon, Chief City Attorney, requested that a motion be made to reconsider the action taken on Employee Furlough options and requested that a motion be made to discuss the item in Closed Session.

- 09-0095 Recommendation to receive an update on Employee Furlough options.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Chair DeLong, to approve recommendation to rescind the action taken on the Employee Furlough options. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**A motion was made by Member S. Lowenthal, seconded by Vice Chair O'Donnell, to approve recommendation to request City Council to schedule a Closed Session. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Members of the public are invited to address the Committee.

Councilmember Reyes Uranga spoke regarding Agenda Item 4, the City Council budget equalization for Fiscal Year 2010.

Councilmember Gabelich spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Eric Shrum spoke.

Councilmember Gabelich requested to rescind the action taken on Agenda Item 4, the City Council budget equalization for Fiscal Year 2010 .

Chair DeLong spoke.

Councilmember Reyes Uranga spoke.

Chair DeLong requested a motion to rescind the action taken on Agenda Item 4, the City Council budget equalization for Fiscal Year 2010.

09-0254 Recommendation to discuss City Council budget equalization for Fiscal Year 2010.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, to approve recommendation to rescind the action taken on the City Council budget equalization for Fiscal Year 2010. The motion failed by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 1 - O'Donnell

**No:** 2 - DeLong and S. Lowenthal

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:09 P.M., there being no objection, Chair DeLong declared the meeting adjourned.