

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



CALL TO ORDER

At 3:36 P.M., Chair DeLong called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers DeLong and O'Donnell

Present:

Councilmembers Lowenthal

Absent:

Also present: Suzanne Frick, Assistant City Manager; Robert Shannon, Chief City Attorney; Heather Mahood, Assistant Chief City Attorney; Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management/CFO; Mike Conway, Director of Public Works; John Keisler, Manager, Animal Care Service Bureau; and Dina Lopez, City Clerk Specialist.

1. 09-0949 Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Budget Oversight Committee for the meeting of Monday, August 31, 2009.
A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Chair DeLong, to approve recommendation to approve the minutes of the Budget Oversight Committee for the meeting of Monday, August 31, 2009. The motion carried by the following vote:
Yes: 2 - DeLong and O'Donnell
Absent: 1 - Lowenthal

2. 09-0962 Recommendation to discuss and adopt additional revenue opportunities and refer them to the City Council for consideration:
 - A. Accident Debris Mitigation Program (Fire)
 - B. Contracting-In Fire Dispatch (Fire)
 - C. Outsource Towing Collections (Public Works)
 - D. Other

Chair DeLong provided opening comments and presented a powerpoint presentation of recommendations and/or ideas.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Richard Brandt, President, Fire Fighters' Association, spoke.

Diana Lejins, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Chair DeLong, to approve recommendation to receive the discussion to adopt additional revenue opportunities and refer to the City Council for consideration:

- A. Accident Debris Mitigation Program (Fire)**
- B. Contracting-In Fire Dispatch (Fire)**
- C. Outsource Towing Collections (Public Works)**
- D. Other**

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - DeLong and O'Donnell

Absent: 1 - Lowenthal

SECOND ROLL CALL

Councilmembers DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

Present:

3. 08-0092 Recommendation to discuss Digital Billboard as a revenue opportunity.

Michael Pauls, Media Management, spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Councilmember Lowenthal spoke.

Larry Goodhue, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Councilmember Lowenthal spoke.

Michael Pauls, Media Management, spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Committee Member Lowenthal, to approve recommendation to receive the discussion regarding Digital Billboard as a revenue opportunity and forward to City Council for further consideration. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

4. 09-0963 Recommendation to discuss and adopt Expense Restorations and refer them to the City Council for consideration:

- A. Restore Fire Department Services
- B. Restore Rancho Los Alamitos and Rancho Los Cerritos Funding
- C. Restore Animal Care Services Funding
- D. Other

Chair DeLong provided opening remarks.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Jeff Reeb, Deputy Fire Chief, spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Councilmember Lowenthal spoke.

John Keisler, Manager, Animal Care Services Bureau, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Councilmember Lowenthal spoke.

Ron Bradshaw, Board of Trustees representative, Rancho Los Alamitos Foundation, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Diana Lejins, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Al Grossmeyer, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Richard Brandt, President, Fire Fighters' Association, spoke.

Lori Angel, Vice President, North Long Beach Project Area Committee, spoke.

Larry Goodhue, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Pam Segal, Rancho Los Alamitos Foundation, spoke.

Janet Schabow, IAM representative, spoke.

A motion was made by Committee Member Lowenthal, seconded by Vice Chair O'Donnell, to approve recommendation to approve the Expense Restorations and refer them to the City Council for consideration:

- A. Restore Fire Department Services**
- B. Restore Rancho Los Alamitos and Rancho Los Cerritos Funding**
- C. Restore Animal Care Services Funding**
- D. Other forward to council**

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

- 5. 09-0964** Recommendation to approve the City Manager's proposed budget and the Mayor's recommendations with modification(s).

Chair DeLong spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Mike Conway, Director of Public Works, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

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

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Councilmember Lowenthal spoke.

Mike Conway, Director of Public Works, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Mario Beas, Executive Director, Civil Service, spoke.

Larry Goodhue, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Sean Parker, Long Beach Lifeguard Association, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Annie Greenfeld, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Motion to approve recommendation to approve the City Manager's proposed budget and the Mayor's recommendations with modification(s).

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Substitute Motion to approve the City Manager's proposed budget, absent the funding for the museum; and the Mayor's recommendations with modification(s).

A second substitute motion was made by Chair DeLong, seconded by Vice Chair O'Donnell, to approve the City Manager's proposed budget and the Mayor's recommendations with modification(s); and request that Financial Management review the figures for the proposed Civil Service reduction to insure the numbers are correct and make the appropriate adjustments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - DeLong, O'Donnell and Lowenthal

6. 08-0666 Recommendation to concurrently refer to the City Council and the Charter Amendment Committee deliberations on Instant Run-off Voting (IRV) and consideration of the Budget Oversight Committee's recommendations to place the IRV measure on the April 13, 2010 Citywide ballot.

A motion was made by Committee Member Lowenthal, seconded by Chair DeLong, to approve recommendation to concurrently refer to the City Council and the Charter Amendment Committee deliberations on Instant Run-off Voting (IRV) and consideration of the Budget Oversight Committee's recommendations to place the IRV measure on the April 13, 2010 Citywide ballot. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - DeLong and Lowenthal

No: 1 - O'Donnell

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

David Roberts, City employee, spoke.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:52 P.M., there being no objection, Chair DeLong declared the meeting adjourned.