CITY OF LONG BEACH BUDGET OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES

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



CALL TO ORDER

At 2:30 P.M., Chair DeLong called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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

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

1. 08-0720 Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Budget Oversight Committee meeting of Tuesday, May 27, 2008.

A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Member S. Lowenthal, to receive and file. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

2. 08-0722 Recommendation to discuss departmental budget reductions of 10% for Fiscal Year 2009: City Clerk, Legislative Department, City Attorney, City

Chair DeLong spoke.

Auditor and City Prosecutor.

Dave Wodynski, Management Performance Budget Manager, gave an overview of Attachment A, B & C as it relates to the agenda item.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Robert Shannon, City Attorney, gave a brief report of the City Attorney's office budget.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Laura Doud, City Auditor, gave a brief report of the City Auditor's office

budget.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Robert Shannon, City Attorney, spoke.

Councilmember S. Lowenthal spoke.

Laura Doud, City Auditor, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management/Chief Financial Officer, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Laura Doud, City Auditor, spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

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Chair DeLong spoke.

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Larry Herrera, City Clerk, gave a brief report of the City Clerk's office budget.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

City Prosecutor, Tom Reeves, gave a brief report of the Prosecutor's office budget.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management/Chief Financial Officer, spoke.

Tom Reeves, City Prosecutor, spoke.

Robert Shannon, City Attorney, spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Tom Reeves, City Prosecutor, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Councilmember S. Lowenthal spoke.

Tom Reeves, City Prosecutor, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

David Wodynski, Management Performance Budget Manager, spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Councilmember S. Lowenthal spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnel spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

Councilmember Reyes Uranga spoke.

David Wodynski, Performance Management Budget Manager, spoke.

Councilmember Reyes Uranga spoke.

Chair DeLong spoke.

David Wodynski, Performance Management Budget Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Harvey Cochran, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

Councilmember Gabelich spoke.

Councilmember O'Donnell spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Chair DeLong spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Chair DeLong, to recommend. to the City Council that during the FY 2009 Budget Process, the Council implement a Council Budget Stabilization Plan, which would set the budget for each Council office at equal amounts, to be fully implemented by FY 2010, due back on 8/19/2008. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

3. 08-0721 Recommendation to discuss the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Adoption Process.

David Wodynski, Performance Management Budget Manager, gave a staff report.

A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Chair DeLong, to receive and file the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Adoption Process discussion. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

4. 08-0269 Recommendation to receive and discuss Future Budget challenges.

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

Chair DeLong spoke.

A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Donnell, seconded by Chair DeLong, to receive and file the Future Budget challenges discussion. 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.

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:32 P.M., there being no objection, Chair DeLong declared the meeting adjourned.