



CITY OF EAST PALO ALTO Action Minutes

JOINT SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BUDGET STUDY SESSION

TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2009

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm
2415 UNIVERSITY AVENUE
Council Chamber Only

(Community Room – May 26, 2009 Planning Commission Meeting)

6:00 PM Joint Special City Council/Redevelopment Agency Budget Study Session

Joint Call to Order: 6:00p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Martinez, Romero, Evans, Woods, Abrica

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: Motion/Second: Woods/Romero Vote: 5-0

2. City Council/Redevelopment Agency Budget Study Session

A. Budget Study Session

1. City Manager's Message

City Manager James gave the Manager's message, gave information on the Council's strategic goals as the focus of Council and staff's ongoing work. He then spoke of the national and state economy, focused on the City's own budget deficit and alternatives to manage same. He stated that efforts were being made to avoid any mandatory days off for staff, but stated if they did occur because of the State's (Governor's) desire to borrow funds from the cities to off-set the state's budget, it would possibly occur during the 2nd quarter of the 09-10 fiscal year.

Let the Record Note: Page Mill Properties Legal Representative Corinne Calfee voiced an opinion that the meeting was being conducted illegally due to a Brown Act violation citing it as: Failure to notice a budget hearing properly (in a timely fashion). That Council should not allow the meeting to continue because it was felt by her firm that the notice was not proper.

Let the Record Note: Council sought legal clarification from City Attorney Vincent Ewing. Attorney Ewing stated that it was not in fact a budget "Hearing", nor had it been noticed as such. That the notice had been officially posted as a Special City Council/RDA Budget Study Session and as such citing the Brown Act, the meeting only required a 24 hour notice.

2. Departmental Budget Presentation

- A. Housing Services
 - 1. Administration Division
 - 2. Housing Development Division
 - 3. Rent Stabilization Program

Housing Director Wilbert Lee gave report on the Housing Services overall budget

Council discussed same, accepted information announced the continuation of the Special City Council/RDA 09-10 Fiscal Budget Study Session and adjourned the meeting to .

3. Review of Fiscal year 2009-2010 Financial Plan

4. Departmental Budget Presentation (Continues)

- B. Policy and Executive
 - 1. City Council
 - 2. City Manager's Office
 - 3. City Attorney's Office
- C. Administrative Support Services
 - 1. City Clerk's Office
 - 2. Finance
 - 3. Non-Departmental
 - 4. Human Resources
- D. Community Development
 - 1. Economic Development/RDA
 - 2. Planning Division
 - 3. Building Services Division

- E. Community Services
 - 1. Administration Division
 - 2. Recreation Services Division
 - 3. Senior Services Division

- F. Public Works
 - 1. Administration Division
 - 2. Maintenance Division
 - 3. Engineering Division

- G. Police Department
 - 1. Administration Division
 - 2. Operations Division
 - 3. Investigation Division

NOTE: Public Comments May be Taken during the Session. Please Keep Comments Limited to Agenda Items

ADJOURNMENT: 8:40p.m.

**CITY COUNCIL
FY 2009 – 2010
SUMMARY
BUDGET HEARING
SCHEDULE**

1	Budget Study Session with Departmental Presentations (6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.)	Tuesday, May 26, 2009
2	Regular City Council Meeting	Tuesday, June 2, 2009
3	Budget Study Session with Departmental Presentations (6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.) (Optional)	Wednesday, June 3, 2009
4	Budget Study Session with Departmental Presentations (6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.)	Tuesday, June 9, 2009
5	Regular City Council Meeting Budget Hearing and Adoption (if desired)	Tuesday, June 16, 2009
6	Special Budget Hearing and Adoption (if required)	Tuesday, June 23, 2009