



CITY OF DEL MAR
CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 17, 2020 – VIA TELECONFERENCE ONLY
1050 Camino del Mar, Del Mar California 92014

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Haviland called the Adjourned Regular Meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Ellie Haviland; Deputy Mayor Terry Gaasterland; Council Members Dave Druker, Sherryl Parks, and Dwight Worden

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Worden led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following public comment was read into the record:

Claire McGreal – Encouraged the City Council to take steps to encourage the public to wear masks.

CITY COUNCIL OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM 1: UPDATE TO THE FISCAL YEARS 2019-20 AND 2020-21 OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGETS AND PROPOSED OPERATIONAL CHANGES (LISTED AS ITEM 18 ON THE JUNE 15, 2020, CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA) (CLERK'S FILE NO. 202-3)

This item was adjourned from the regular City Council meeting held on June 15, 2020, at which time a presentation from staff was provided and the public comment for this item was opened and closed.

Council questions focused on legal costs and anticipated insurance reimbursements; potential further reductions related to the Del Mar Village Association (DMVA); impacts to Information Technology support resulting from furloughed Network Systems Technician position; impact to public communications without a communications consultant; FY 20/21 allocation for DMVA and how much of their advance loan has been repaid to date; ability to continue work on the City's Local Coastal Plan Amendment; clarification on proposed employee concessions; year-end transfers and whether eliminated pension transfers would be made up in the future; clarification on the potential use of pension reserve funds; whether additional reductions in salary or furlough were considered for management staff; whether there are non-salary related reductions that were considered and set aside; and what roadway repairs are scheduled to be completed in the coming fiscal year.

Council discussion focused on concerns about the impacts of the identified potential further reductions; interest in paying back and replenishing reserves to achieve fiscal health; need to prepare for an extended period of economic recovery beyond the coming fiscal year; potential to use General Fund Contingency Reserve rather than Measure Q first; interest in updating the Measure Q resolution to allow use for covering the Measure Q portion of the City's required annual Maintenance of Effort (MOE) and use of Measure Q during emergency situations after the General Fund Contingency is used; potential for a 2-year staffing freeze; interest in having some level of support from a communications consultant and budgeting up to \$20,000 for these services; doing what we can to keep up staff moral; impact of deferring roadway maintenance; interest in keeping committees alive in some fashion to be further discussed at a City Council future meeting; interest in paying back use of Measure Q reserve funds (minus \$75,000 in Measure Q MOE); significant concessions being made by staff; concern about cutting funds to DMVA; concern about staffing impacts; need to use reserves, as that is the intended purpose of reserves; interest in continuing to provide funds for economic development; lack of diversity in revenues and related impacts to Del Mar.

There was consensus among the Council that Measure Q funds be used as a loan and should be repaid as a priority; and the need for a communications consultant for up to \$20K for FY 20/21.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER WORDEN, SECONDED BY MAYOR HAVILAND THAT HALF OF THE BUDGET SHORTFALL OF \$642,000 COME FROM THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY FUND, BORROW OTHER HALF FROM MEASURE Q FUND TO BE REPAYED AS A MATTER OF PRIORITY AND THAT THE COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION 2020-38, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEL MAR, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEARS 2019-2020 AND 2020-2021 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET", INCLUDING HALF YEAR FUNDING OF THE PART TIME COMMUNICATIONS POSITION.

BASED ON DEPUTY MAYOR GAASTERLAND'S FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO ADJUST FOR \$75,000 MOE OF THE LOAN FROM MEASURE Q, WITH MAYOR HAVILAND IN CONCURRENCE, COUNCILMEMBER WORDEN AMENDED THE MOTION AS FOLLOWS: ADOPT RESOLUTION 2020-38, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEL MAR, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEARS 2019-2020 AND 2020-2021 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET"; TO DIRECT CITY MANAGER TO REINSTATE FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000 FOR HALF YEAR OF CONSULTANT SERVICES IN COMMUNICATIONS; TO TAKE HALF OF THE BUDGET SHORTFALL FROM THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY FUND, ADJUSTING FOR \$75,000 MOE, TAKE THE OTHER HALF OF THE SHORTFALL, AS A LOAN FROM MEASURE Q TO BE REPAYED AS A MATTER OF PRIORITY. (VOTE 5-0)

Ayes: Mayor Haviland, Deputy Mayor Gaasterland, and Council Members Druker, Parks and Worden; Noes: 0; Absent: 0; Abstain: 0.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Haviland adjourned the meeting at 3:56 p.m.



Ashley Jones, Administrative Services
Director/City Clerk