

MINUTES

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

City of Riverside

Monday, November 16, 2015, 1 p.m.

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PRESENT: Chair Melendrez, Vice Chair Gardner, and Member Davis, and Councilmember Soubirous substituting for Vice Chair Gardner for the item regarding City Sponsorship programs

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Colleen Nicol, Marianna Marysheva-Martinez, Al Zelinka, Carlie Myers, Girish Balachandran, Margie Haupt, Michael Bacich, Dannette Allen, Cynthia Wright, Sarah Mundy, Nola Tainter, Mayor Bailey, Laura Nomura, and others

ALSO PRESENT: Jason Hunter, Rebecca Whatley, Don Gallegos, Vivian Moreno, Raychele Sterling, Christina Duran, and others

Chair Melendrez called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

Councilmember Soubirous substituted for Vice Chair Gardner for the following item only.

SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMS

Following discussion, motion was made by Member Davis and seconded by Councilmember Soubirous recommending that the City Council (1) support enforcement of current City policy; (2) set a maximum cash contribution of \$10,000 for sponsorships of community events with second year funding at 80% of first year, third year funding at 60% of first year, and no cash contributions and in-kind contributions at half the 60% level for the two subsequent years; (3) provide that the Development Committee review sponsorship requests for recommendation to the City Council on the Consent Calendar for approval; (4) require within 120 days of the event a written report to the City Council justifying use of the funding provided; (5) provide that the Board of Public Utilities review sponsorships funded by RPU; (6) review the RPU Advertising Program including use of the "I Own It" slogan; (7) refer the draft policy back to the Governmental Affairs Committee for review in February 2016; (8) require quarterly reports to the Finance Committee on all sponsorship funds expended; and (9) implement the new sponsorship policy in connection with the 2016 sponsorship awards. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Soubirous left the dais at this time and Vice Chair Gardner returned.

CITY COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE AND ORDER OF BUSINESS – CONTINUED IN PART

Following discussion, motion was made by Vice Chair Gardner and seconded by Member Davis recommending that the City Council retain the current process for appointments to

City Council Standing Committees. Motion carried unanimously.

Following further discussion and without formal motion, the Committee recommended that the City Council amend the City Council Meeting Rules to (1) delete "to the greatest extent possible" with respect to appointments to regional organizations; (2) initially limit each elected official to three regional organization appointments (Councilmember Davis prefers two appointments); (3) if an elected official declines an appointment, it shall be filled by seniority of other elected officials; (4) allow unlimited Alternate assignments per elected official; (5) seniority of elected officials shall be as to the office currently held; and (6) such provisions shall not apply to organizations where the City Council is not the appointing authority.

Following further discussion and without formal motion, the Committee continued discussion of the role of the Mayor's Nominating and Screening Committee.

Following further discussion, motion was made by Vice Chair Gardner and seconded by Member Davis recommending that the City Council amend the City Council Meeting Rules to (1) conduct meetings on Tuesdays following Monday holidays; and (2) remove September from the summer meeting schedule. Motion carried unanimously.

Following further discussion and without formal motion, the Committee unanimously recommended that the City Council amend the Meeting Rules to (1) provide congruence with the Sunshine Ordinance; (2) reflect realignment of the Consent Calendar before the Discussion Calendar on the City Council agenda; (3) add language to the "Motion to Reconsider" clarifying that the Motion to Reconsider itself must be agendized for formal vote, unless made at the same meeting as the original action; and (4) add language explaining that a request during the recurring item entitled, "Items for Future Consideration as Recommended by the Mayor and Members of the City Council" does not suffice for agendizing a request for reconsideration. Motion carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Jason Hunter spoke regarding the sponsorship policy, City executives serving on non-profits boards, Riverside Public Utilities marketing and sponsorships, and the Mayor's State of the City Address.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Member Davis requested review of policy on removal of appointed board and commission members.

The Governmental Affairs Committee adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



COLLEEN J. NICOL
City Clerk