



Budget Engagement Commission

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 28, 2019 5:00 pm,
Mayor Ceremonial Room

Chair Mendez called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

Present: Chair Mendez, Vice Chair Fine, Commissioner Mackenroth, Hart, Segura, Delgado, Lee, Lyell, Plascencia, Burns, Arballo, St. Pierre, and Fierro. Commissioner Lee left at the break. Commissioner Segura and Plascencia left during Agenda Item 9.

Staff Present: Edward Enriquez, Marie Ricci, Kristie Thomas, Ruby Leann Castillo, Angel Guo, and Peter Kakos

Approval of Minutes

No discussion. A motion was made by Commissioner Segura and seconded by Commissioner Mackenroth to approve the Budget Engagement Commission Meeting Minutes from Thursday, November 29, 2018.

Ayes: 11

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 2

Measure Z – Streets Funding and Pavement Management Program Update

Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Arballo and seconded by Commissioner Hart that the Budget Engagement Commission recommend to City Council to use Measure Z funding for road maintenance in excess of the \$2.875 million already allocated to Spending Item #29 – Maximize Roads/Streets and to reallocate funding for this purpose from other non-priority Measure Z items.

Ayes: 9

Noes: 3

Abstentions: 1

Measure Z – Proposed Fund Balance Reserve Policy

Following discussion, a motion was made by Vice Chair Fine and seconded by Commissioner Arballo that the Commission concur with staff's recommendation as a best practice to establish a 15% reserve policy for Measure Z.

Ayes: 11

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 1

Update on the Long Term Fiscal Management of the City's California Public Employees' Retirement System

Following discussion, a motion was made by Vice Chair Fine and seconded by Commissioner Fierro to agendaize the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee specifically to assist staff with focusing on the CalPERS Challenge funding issue.

Ayes: 10

Noes: 1

Abstentions: 1

Introduction to Priority Based Budgeting

Following discussion, a motion was made by Vice Chair Fine and seconded by Commissioner Arballo that the Commission supports the principles behind Priority Based Budgeting and the City move in that direction in a thoughtful, reasonable fashion.

Ayes: 11

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Budget Engagement Commission Rules for the Transaction of Business and the Conduct of Meetings, RMC Chapter 2.90 – Budget Engagement Commission and Other Commission Meeting Matters

Following discussion, a motion was made by Vice Chair Fine and seconded by Commissioner St. Pierre for staff to amend the bylaws to comply with the Charter and Constitution and for the bylaws to be brought back at the next meeting for adoption.

Ayes: 9

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absences from the Budget Engagement Commission Meeting on November 29, 2018 of Commissioners Hart, Lee, Lyell, Mayes, Tavaglione, and Scarano

A motion was made by Commissioner St. Pierre and seconded by Commissioner Mackenroth to approve Commissioner Hart's absence from the November 29, 2018 BEC meeting.

Ayes: 9

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

A motion was made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner Fierro to approve Commissioner Lee's absence from the November 29, 2018 BEC meeting.

Ayes: 1

Noes: 9

Abstentions: 0

A motion was made by Commissioner Burns and seconded by Commissioner Mackenroth to approve Commissioner Lyell's absence from the November 29, 2018 BEC meeting.

Ayes: 10

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

A motion was made by Commissioner Fierro and seconded by Commissioner St. Pierre to approve Commissioner Mayes' absence from the November 29, 2018 BEC meeting.

Ayes: 10

Noes: 0

Abstentions: 0

A motion was made by Commissioner St. Pierre and seconded by Commissioner Delgado to approve Commissioner Tavaglione's absence from the November 29, 2018 BEC meeting.

Ayes: 3

Noes: 7

Abstentions: 0

A motion was made by Commissioner Fierro and seconded by Commissioner Delgado to approve Commissioner Scarano's absence from the November 29, 2018 BEC meeting.

Ayes: 9

Noes: 1

Abstentions: 0

Items for Future Agendas and Updates from City Staff

- Monthly meeting – staff will confirm availability of the room and possible dates
- Staff will work with Chair Mendez for a special BEC meeting
- Update on Measure Z Spending Item #26 – Museum Expansion and Rehabilitation
- Prioritization of Measure Z Spending Items
- The formation of an Ad-Hoc CalPERS Committee
- Amend and adopt the bylaws
- Approve a staff report and presentation of BEC activities that Chair Mendez will present to City Council

Adjournment

Chair Mendez adjourned the meeting at 8:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



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