

MEASURE H OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 4, 2010

Chairperson Mantarro Moore called the March 4, 2010 meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. with the following in attendance:

ROLL CALL Committee Members Cerny, Chapman, Foster, Meyer, Chairperson Mantarro Moore

APPROVE THE MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of August 12, 2009.

The committee corrected one item on the minutes: Item No. 1 under New Business mistakenly referred to Committee Member Chapman as "Vice Chair".

MOTION: Approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 12, 2009 as corrected.

MOVED: Moved by Meyer/Seconded by Chapman

VOTE: **Motion Passed Unanimously (5/0)**

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS – None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AS POSTED (OR AMENDED) AND CERTIFICATION OF POSTING.

MOTION: Approve the Agenda as posted and certification of posting.

MOVED: Moved by Meyer/Seconded by Foster

VOTE: **Motion Passed Unanimously (5/0)**

NEW BUSINESS

1. **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-01** APPROVING THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE REGARDING THE EXPENDITURE OF MEASURE H REVENUES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2008/09.

Bentina McCoy, Interim Assistant Finance Director presented the Annual Report to the Committee. Ms. McCoy stated that the audit was completed in December, 2009. As of June 30, 2009, Measure H sales tax revenue amounted to \$2,124,551. As of June 30, 2009, the reserves of the Fund totaled \$826,506.

The Committee had no questions regarding the Audit Report.

MOTION: Approve Resolution No. 2010-01 approving the Annual Report of the Committee Regarding the Expenditure of Measure H Revenues for the Fiscal Year 2008/09.

MOVED: Moved by Chapman/Seconded by Meyer

VOTE: **Motion Passed Unanimously (5/0)**

2. **MEASURE H OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBERS TERMS AND TERM LIMITS.**

City Attorney Lyons gave a brief report to the Committee informing them when Committee terms would expire. Attorney Lyons stated that Committee members will need to submit applications if they wish to serve another term.

Chairperson Mantarro Moore encouraged anyone whose term is expiring this year to re-apply.

The City Clerk will provide applications to the three current Committee Members whose terms are expiring.

ACTION: Committee Accepted Report.

3. PUBLIC SAFETY TOUR PRESENTATIONS.

Art de Werk, Chief of Police/Deputy City Manger/Public Safety Director stated that he included this item on the agenda because it will be provided to other community groups. The City is looking for community engagement.

Chairperson Mantarro Moore asked if the Committee Members could be informed in case they wished to attend the presentations. She further stated that she was glad that the City was taking a proactive approach.

Committee Member Meyer suggested that the presentations include other than adult groups for example, High School students.

ACTION: Committee Accepted Report.

4. UPDATE ON MEASURE H LETTER SENT TO UTILITY CUSTOMERS.

Art de Werk, Chief of Police/Deputy City Manger/Public Safety Director gave an update on the Measure H Letter which was sent to Ceres utility customers. There was only one negative comment received by a person who felt they were misinformed.

ACTION: Committee Accepted Report.

5. MEASURE H PERSONNEL INVOLVEMENT IN MULTI-AGENCY TASK FORCES.

Art de Werk, Chief of Police/Deputy City Manger/Public Safety Director responded to this item which was a question posed at the previous Measure H Committee Meeting. Committee members wanted to be sure that the City was receiving reimbursement for any overtime incurred by Measure H Personnel serving on any Multi-Agency Task Force. Chief de Werk stated that there is not a multi-agency task force being funded by Measure H. The only task force currently using Measure H Funds is the Street Crimes Unit which is a local unit and 100% funded by Measure H.

ACTION: Committee Accepted Report.

6. Overview of City's General Fund Budget and Outlook for FY2010/11.

Art de Werk, Chief of Police/Deputy City Manger/Public Safety Director, stated that the City is facing an approximate \$4.1 million dollar deficit. Staff is currently looking at ways to cut expenses.

Several cost saving measures are being examined including:

- Employee concessions
- Ad Hoc Budget Committee has been formed and has identified a very large sum of money that can be saved.
- Byrne Grant to pay for two existing CSOs
- Looking at eliminating vehicles
- Cutting Training and travel expenses
- Possibly eliminating some positions

7. HIRING OF ONE MORE POLICE POSITION PER SPENDING PLAN

Art de Werk, Chief of Police/Deputy City Manger/Public Safety Director, reported on Measure H Revenues. Staff has met with Finance and feels there are sufficient revenues to hire one more police position per the Spending Plan. The timing is not ideal given the City may need to layoff employees to offset the General Fund deficit.

ACTION: Committee directed staff to verify the numbers and report back to Committee prior to start of the hiring process.

8. DISCUSSION OF THE POSSIBLE ADDITION OF A K9 FOR USE BY THE SCU.

Art de Werk, Chief of Police/Deputy City Manger/Public Safety Director, addressed the Committee explaining that the Street Crimes Unit utilizes patrol dogs for narcotic detection. One of the dogs being trained had environmental issues and has since been retired. Sergeant Borges solicited donations for a new Drug K9. Ceres Food 4 Less generously donated \$5,000 for the purchase and training of a Drug K9. In addition, \$20,000 from the asset forfeiture account can be used. Between these two funds,

9. SCHEDULING OF THE NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING.

Committee suggested a quarterly meeting schedule.

10. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION – None.

6:28 p.m. There being no further business, Chairperson Mantarro Moore adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED:

/s/ Chairperson Mantarro Moore

ATTEST:

/s/Cindy Heidorn, Secretary