



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes City Council

Thursday, May 21, 2015

8:30 AM

Council Chambers, City Hall, 456 W. Olive
Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Special Meeting: Budget Workshop

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Griffith called the meeting to order.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Griffith led the salute to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Mayor Jim Griffith
Vice Mayor Tara Martin-Milius
Councilmember David Whittum
Councilmember Pat Meyering
Councilmember Jim Davis
Councilmember Glenn Hendricks
Councilmember Gustav Larsson

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joel Wyrick, Sunnyvale Downtown Association, spoke in support of budget supplement #8.

Michael Kelley spoke in opposition to moving the Butcher House to Orchard Heritage Park.

Leigh Odum spoke in support of budget supplement #8.

Anky van Deursen spoke regarding a new service provided by Project Sentinel called Community Mediation Services, requested support for the same funding received last year, and provided written materials.

Marie Bernard, representing non-profit organizations funded by CDBG funds and the General Fund, requested support of the full recommendation. Bernard spoke in support of funding for Project Sentinel.

WORKSHOP**15-0064** Review of the FY 2015/16 Recommended Budget

City Manager Deanna Santana provided introductory remarks.

Director of Finance Grace Leung and Assistant Director of Finance Tim Kirby presented the budget overview and provided a PowerPoint presentation detailing City revenues and expenditures, the budget stabilization fund, enterprise funds, capital projects and infrastructure funds, special revenue funds, internal services funds and budget supplements.

Directors provided additional information:

- Director of Community Development Hanson Hom
- Director of Public Works Manuel Pineda
- Director of Library and Community Services Lisa Rosenblum
- Director of Environmental Services John Stufflebean
- Director of Information Technology David Jensen
- Director of Public Safety Frank Grgurina
- Assistant City Manager Robert Walker

Council recessed at 10:35 a.m.

Council reconvened at 10:48 a.m. with all Councilmembers present.

Council recessed at 12:04 p.m.

Council reconvened at 12:48 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

MOTION: Councilmember Hendricks moved to re-allocate 10% or roughly \$140,000 of the additional funds allocated for two years to the Sidewalks Project and put it in Outside Group Funding, and limit the growth of the number of organizations that can use that fund.

Councilmember Larsson seconded the motion for discussion.

Motion restated by Mayor Griffith: Take \$140,000 out of the \$1.4 million one time, that was intended to be budgeted for sidewalks, and place it into non-profit funding.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 1 - Councilmember Hendricks

No: 6 - Mayor Griffith
Vice Mayor Martin-Milius
Councilmember Whittum
Councilmember Meyering
Councilmember Davis
Councilmember Larsson

Councilmember Whittum stated regarding Budget Supplement 8, his home is within 500 feet of the Business Improvement District (BID), therefore he would recuse himself from a vote on that item.

MOTION: Mayor Griffith moved and Councilmember Hendricks seconded the motion to incorporate funding for Leadership Sunnyvale into the budget in future years.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Griffith
Vice Mayor Martin-Milius
Councilmember Whittum
Councilmember Davis
Councilmember Hendricks
Councilmember Larsson

No: 1 - Councilmember Meyering

MOTION: Councilmember Davis moved and Councilmember Whittum seconded the motion that Council Policy be that the Butcher house not be placed on any land that would displace any apricot trees.

Mayor Griffith ruled the motion out of order.

MOTION: Councilmember Whittum moved and Councilmember Davis seconded the motion that the funds in Budget Supplement #4 would not be applied to study movement or relocation of the Butcher house onto the orchard.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Councilmember Whittum
Councilmember Meyering
Councilmember Davis

No: 4 - Mayor Griffith
Vice Mayor Martin-Milius
Councilmember Hendricks
Councilmember Larsson

MOTION: Councilmember Whittum moved to continue the additional \$15,000 increment for the Housing and Human Services General Fund Supplement over 19 years.

The motion died due to lack of a second.

MOTION: Mayor Griffith moved and Councilmember Whittum seconded the motion to direct staff to include in the budget an ongoing increase of \$75,000 per year in the Library Materials Acquisition budget.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Griffith
Vice Mayor Martin-Milius
Councilmember Whittum
Councilmember Meyering
Councilmember Davis
Councilmember Larsson

No: 1 - Councilmember Hendricks

Councilmember Hendricks sponsored a study issue to do a comprehensive look and come back with a list of everything we're not funding appropriately and everything that has some kind of unfunded liability.

Councilmember Larsson co-sponsored the study issue and suggested a reasonable interpretation of the word "everything."

Mayor Griffith suggested the makers give staff discretion on how to handle the issue.

Mayor Griffith stated he is considering a Strategic Planning Session in February 2016.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUDING REMARKS

Director of Finance Leung provided closing remarks and stated the public hearing on the budget is scheduled for June 9, and the adoption of the budget is scheduled for June 23.

Mayor Griffith provided closing remarks.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Griffith adjourned the meeting at 3:37 p.m.