



## CITY OF RIDGECREST

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### CITY ORGANIZATION AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

Council Conference Room

Wednesday, April 4, 2007 3:00pm

Committee Members Present: Chairman Vice Mayor Wiknich, Chip Holloway, & Lois Beres

Absent: Mike Biddlingmeier

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA The agenda was approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES March 8, 2007 - The minutes were approved

#### ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES

- Transit Update – PW Director Speer provided a transit update. LSC has done no additional work on the report and still needs to provide financial numbers for alternatives. PW Director Speer reviewed performance criteria and presented examples. The committee discussed fare box requirements and ratio. AS Director Winegardner stated, the County reimbursement is considered part of the fares and used to meet fare box ratio. Staff is still negotiating with the County on the transit contract. PW Director Speer commented on the unmet needs hearing; public comments made are mostly operational issues. Additional service on Saturday would reach into the City's General Fund. *Action items:* Staff will draft a policy for walk-ons, look at raising fare box for general public, contact consultant regarding numbers and city limits, and look into advertising on buses.
- Budget Update – AS Director Winegardner provided information on the budget process. We're behind schedule, but a draft will be ready for public input at the Council's April meeting.
- Police Recruitment Update – DCP Strand indicated recruitment has been difficult but is progressing. There are over 600 openings in the state making the pool of applicants narrow. DCP Strand reviewed currently open and filled positions within the Police Dept. The committee discussed sign-on incentives, wages, and other ideas for recruitment.

- Decoy Grant Update - DCP Strand indicated that they've done two decoy operations and reviewed program details. The program is supported by the courts. There was an update on drugs on campus and the current status.

#### FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

LSC Presentation

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

#### NEXT MEETING

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.