



Measure L Citizens' Oversight Committee

1st Floor City Council Conference Room Area 'B'

Monday April 22, 2013

APPROVED MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

George 'Andy' Anderson, Lance 'Scott' Garver,
Michael Petersen, Phil Salvatore, Eddie Thomas

Regular Meeting – 5:30 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER Meeting was called to order at 5:30

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Andy Anderson, Lance 'Scott' Garver, Michael Petersen, Phil Salvatore,

Members Absent: Eddie Thomas

Staff Present: Ron Strand, Karen Harker

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Chairman Salvatore asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Andersen made the motion, seconded Mr. Garver. The agenda was then approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Chairman Salvatore asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from April 8, 2013. Mr. Petersen wanted to clarify his wording to say "hypothetically questioned appropriate staffing levels for the police department". Mr. Andersen made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Garver. The minutes were then approved as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

DISCUSSION AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS

1. Police budget history – Mr. Salvatore presented to the committee the Ridgecrest Police Department Budget for the last 10 years. This was provided by Tess Sloan from the Finance Department. Mr. Salvatore apologized for giving a stack of raw data. Started at 2013 and worked backwards to 2004. Discussed the line items of the ISF funds and how they changed and how they changed throughout the years. Mr. Salvatore felt that it is very confusing due to the fact that they were found in several different areas of the budget during the years. Mr. Andersen asked if they could ask if someone from the finance department could

come and help with how the names of the ISF funds were used throughout the years and if this would help clear up any issues. There were no ISF in the years the 2004 and 2005. The numbers didn't add up with the numbers in the CAFR. Ron Strand indicated he needed to add to his numbers Fire Protection Disaster Protection, Street Lighting. Mr. Anderson wants to know if everyone took the same budgetary cut in December as Chief Strand did. Chief Strand stated there was a backfill of some funding: \$362,000.00- of the midyear.

Chief Strand is giving a budget for his the fiscal year of 13/14 and then the measure L funding. Parks and Recreation was cut by 17% and we haven't talk to Dennis to find out what his cut was at midyear. Anderson is getting people asking about "what about streets and where their share is". Public Safety is number one of this council and when we have to

Mr. Salvatore needs to find out what they total numbers of the

Pay to the County for the generators and van. Major incident is reimbursable through the State and Federal. Most of the disaster is done with volunteers.

Mr. Neel – Ask about line items of the 2013 and the insurance. Chief some of these are pass through. There is a stipend and then employees pay their share. Chief explained cafeteria plan. Discussed Line items that were in the salaries and benefits.

Discussed how to show the ISF accounts in the reports.

2. Update to quarterly report – Petersen

Only two updates: only section 4, only through December 11, 2012. Mr. Petersen Would like comments on these formats. Chronological, comments, city council, measure L, and notes. We can color code measure L and City Council Action items. Karen Harker brought to the attention the issue of getting the executive summary to the paper. Committee felt that the whole document should go and let the paper decide what they wanted to print. Discussed how the instruction should be placed in the report.

CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Anderson – I just wish that I could get the comparison from what was cut from each department. This would answer a lot public comment.

Petersen – Thank you Chief Strand for provided numbers into the budget.

SUPPORT STAFF COMMENTS

Chief Strand - Budget hearing start 6:00 pm on Thursday and continue on Saturday

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Police budget and Staffing history
2. Review and Approve Quarterly Report

NEXT MEETING: Meeting May 13, 2013

ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 6:35