

**CITY OF SANTA MONICA**

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 13, 2007**

A special meeting of the Santa Monica City Council was called to order by Mayor Bloom at 9:10 a.m., on Saturday, October 13, 2007, at the Santa Monica Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Boulevard, 2<sup>ND</sup> Floor Community Room, Santa Monica.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Richard Bloom  
Mayor Pro Tem Herb Katz  
Councilmember Ken Genser  
Councilmember Kevin McKeown  
Councilmember Pam O'Connor

Absent: Councilmember Bobby Shriver  
Councilmember Robert T. Holbrook

Also Present: City Manager P. Lamont Ewell  
City Attorney Marsha Jones Moutrie  
City Clerk Maria M. Stewart

**CONVENE/PLEDGE** On order of the Mayor, the City Council convened at 9:10 a.m., with Councilmembers Shriver and Holbrook absent. City Clerk Maria M. Stewart led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**STUDY SESSION:** Member of the public Joy Fullmer expressed various concerns. Member of the public and City employee Mona Gandarra spoke in opposition to eliminating positions when contracting out city services.

**INTRODUCTION** 3-A: **Introduction - Purpose and Goals of the Workshop.**

City Manager Lamont Ewell introduced the subjects to be discussed at the meeting and provided a status report on various issues.

**BUDGET AND ECONOMIC UPDATE** 3-B: **Update of Department objectives and implementation strategies in FY2007-2008 Budget.**

3-C: **Economic update and latest financial forecast for the City.**

Assistant City Manager Gordon Anderson provided information on city

objectives and projects. Finance Director Carol Swindell presented information on the financial state of the city and a forecast for upcoming fiscal years. On order of the Mayor, the information was received and filed.

**CONTRACTING CITY SERVICES**

**3-D: Discussion of Contracting for Public Services: Objectives, Issues and Options.**

Deputy City Manager Mona Miyasato provided information on the benefits and the detriments of contracting out city services. Considerable discussion was held on this subject and Council provided direction to staff for implementing a process for deciding when to contract services out. On order of the Mayor, the information was received and filed.

**COUNCIL PARTICIPATION ON CIP PROJECTS** 3-E: **Capital Improvement Process - when in the public process should Council direction be given?**

Staff provided information on the existing process for Council participation in projects where the City is the client. Councilmembers provided direction and suggestions for implementing a standard process. On order of the Mayor, the information was received and filed.

**CITY FACILITY SPACE PLANNING** 3-F: **Preliminary discussion of City Facility Space Planning.**

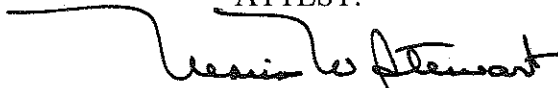
Don Patterson, Assistant to City Manager, reviewed existing uses of city facilities, off site locations being leased by the City for office space, and the amount of space required to return employees that are off-site back to City Hall.

Discussion ensued on the options available to increase the amount of office space available. On order of the Mayor, the information was received and filed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On order of the Mayor, the City Council meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:



Maria M. Stewart  
City Clerk

APPROVED:



Richard Bloom  
Mayor