

**CITY OF SANTA MONICA**

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**MAY 27, 2009**

A special meeting of the Santa Monica City Council was called to order by Mayor Genser at 6:01 p.m., on Wednesday, May 27, 2009, at City Council Chambers, 1685 Main Street.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Ken Genser  
Mayor Pro Tem Pam O'Connor  
Councilmember Richard Bloom  
Councilmember Gleam Davis  
Councilmember Robert T. Holbrook  
Councilmember Kevin McKeown  
Councilmember Bobby Shriver

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 6:01 p.m., with all members present. Jory Wolf, Chief Information Officer at Information Systems, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**STUDY SESSION:**

As a continuation of budget presentations made on Tuesday, May 26, 2009, respective department directors presented the remaining individual departmental budgets as follows:

**2009-2010 Budget Study Session Presentations:**

**Police**  
**Fire**  
**Information Systems**  
**Community and Cultural Services**  
**Planning and Community Development**  
**Public Works**  
**Big Blue Bus**

On order of the Mayor, the information was received and filed.

**COUNCIL ITEMS:**

**13-A: Request of Council member Bloom that the City Council approve the use of Council travel funds for travel, accommodations and incidental expenses for the National Alliance to End Homelessness' Annual National Conference to End Homelessness and the U.S. Interagency Task Force on Homelessness Fourth Annual National Summit for Jurisdictional Leaders.**

**Each of these events provides educational and advocacy opportunities on our local priority of ending homelessness. Request is also made that the Council direct staff to review the National Alliance to End Homelessness and the U.S. Interagency Task Force on Homelessness as to their appropriateness for inclusion on the list of permanently approved organizations whose events Council members may utilize travel funds for without further council approval and return with recommendations for ending relevant ordinance(s) and/or process for adding said organizations as appropriate.**

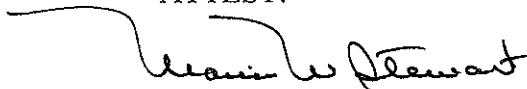
There was no one present for public comment.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem O'Connor, seconded by Councilmember Davis, to approve recommendation, directing staff to look at the possibility of Council having more discretion and blanket approval of funds. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote, with all members present.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On order of the Mayor, the City Council meeting was adjourned at 10:27 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Maria M. Stewart  
City Clerk

APPROVED:

  
Ken Genser  
Mayor