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CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORENO VALLEY MORENO VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT CITY AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY FOR THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF MORENO VALLEY MORENO VALLEY HOUSING AUTHORITY

STUDY SESSION – 6:00 PM March 28, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The Joint Meeting of the City Council of the City of Moreno Valley, Moreno Valley Community Services District, City as Successor Agency for the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Moreno Valley, Moreno Valley Housing Authority and the Board of Library Trustees was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Mayor Gutierrez in the Council Chamber located at 14177 Frederick Street, Moreno Valley, California.

Mayor Gutierrez announced that the City Council receives a separate stipend for CSD meetings.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rafael Brugueras.

INVOCATION

Norberto Perez, Man of Church (Oasis Church location on Alessandro)

ROLL CALL

Council: Dr. Yxstian A. Gutierrez Mayor

Victoria Baca Mayor Pro Tem David Marquez Council Member

Absent: Jeffrey J. Giba Council Member

INTRODUCTIONS

Staff: Michelle Dawson City Manager

Martin Koczanowicz City Attorney
Pat Jacquez-Nares City Clerk

Marshall Eyerman Chief Financial Officer

Ahmad Ansari Public Works Director/City Engineer

Joel Ontiveros Police Chief

Abdul Ahmad Fire Chief

Betsy Adams Interim Parks & Community Services

Director

Mike Lee Economic Development Director
Allen Brock Community Development Director

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS ON THE AGENDA ONLY

Mayor Gutierrez opened the public comments portion of the meeting for items listed on the agenda only, which were received from Rafael Brugueras, Louise Palomarez and Robert Perez.

Public Works Director/CityEngineer Ansari explained the City's process and financing for flood control.

A. STUDY SESSION ITEMS

A.1. DISCUSS PROPOSED FUNDING LEVELS BY MAJOR PROGRAMS (Report of: Financial & Management Services)

Chief Financial Officer Eyerman presented a PowerPoint presentation for the Proposed Funding Levels by Major Programs which also included the Strategic Priorities adopted by City Council and announced the two Budget Townhall meetings were scheduled for Saturday, April 12, and Tuesday, April 15.

A.2. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Questions from Council Member Marquez and Mayor Pro Tem Baca, included clarification on the Administrative Lieutenant, who currently reports directly to the Chief of Police; the Public Safety Contract Administrator would be a City employee reporting directly to the City Manager's office and would include both police and fire; there was encouragement to promote this new position within City Hall, which was acknowledged by City Manager Dawson.

Council Member Marquez inquired on the volunteers in Code Enforcement. City Manager Dawson deferred to the Community Development Director Brock, who stated the volunteers were currently at seven and depending on the volunteer program; the bodies could be increased by five. He added that the Emergency Operations Center, who maintains the volunteer program applications, currently had four to five applications on file waiting to be placed.

Mayor Gutierrez expressed the residents' concerns to have the library services expanded. He looked forward to the additional revenues coming from new hotels and economic development.

In addition Mayor Gutierrez stated the residents have overwhelmingly expressed they want the slurry seal program and the repairing of our roads. He mentioned the Gas Tax fluctuations and would like to see support from Council on Senate Bill 1 and Assembly Bill 1. This would help the City receive additional funding for transportation needs.

City Manager Dawson provided some updates on the legislature regarding these bills, stating the bipartisan support and that the City was cautiously optimistic.

Council Member Marquez requested an update on the two new hotels coming to the City. Economic Development Director Lee responded that the plans were scheduled to be approved in April and grading would begin with both hotels at the same time.

He also commented on the TOT (hotel tax), which Chief Financial Officer Eyerman stated was a general tax measure, which meant the revenue received wasn't restricted on any one specific purpose. The City Council would determine how those dollars were spent.

Mayor Pro Team Baca commented on the great news that the City of Moreno Valley was third in the Nation and fiscally solvent. She was pleased with the Strategic Plan and the six month updates. She expressed the importance of Public Safety and was happy that the new squad truck would be purchased and housed in District 1. Having more patrols visible throughout the City would be better. Congratulated staff on a good job with their presentation and looked forward to being second in the Nation next year.

Mayor Gutierrez looked forward to putting more boots on the ground once the budget was adopted in May. He requested that we have a resolution/MOU commitment to the crossing guards having a two year contract instead of a one year; Mayor Pro Tem Baca seconded the request and was also supported by Council Member Marquez. The crossing guard program is 100 percent funded by the City. Mayor Pro Tem Baca would like to see recognition for the department and for the crossing guards. Council Member Marquez added that he and Mayor Pro Tem Baca would be meeting with the Joint Task Force on April 18th and looked forward to discussing a solution with them. He thanked Chief Financial Officer Eyerman for his presentation and the rest of staff for their hard work.

Mayor Gutierrez thanked Chief Financial Officer Eyerman and the rest of staff for their hard work on the proposal. He also thanked Mayor Pro Tem Baca and Council Member Marquez for their leadership on the Public Safety Sub-Committee and for doing a great job.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the Study Session was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Submitted by:

Pat Jacquez-Nares, CMC & CERA, City Clerk
Secretary, Moreno Valley Community Services District
Secretary, City as Successor Agency for the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Moreno Valley
Secretary, Moreno Valley Housing Authority

Approved by:

Dr. Yxstian Gutierrez, Mayor President, Moreno Valley Community Services District Chairperson, City as Successor Agency for the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Moreno Valley Chairperson, Moreno Valley Housing Authority