



## FINAL MINUTES

CITY OF SEASIDE  
CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBER  
Thursday, April 5, 2018  
7:00 PM

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. **ROLL CALL – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

PRESENT: Alexander, Campbell, Jones, Pacheco

ABSENT: Rubio

3. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pastor Britt provided the invocation and Council Member Jones lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**

No changes were requested.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander invited comments from the public.

- Pastor Britt informed the Council that on May the 20th Greater Victory Temple will celebrate 75 years and he invited the Council and the public to the celebration.
- Peter Keiser thanked those that supported the Forty Days for Life protest in front of Planned Parenthood and recommended the Council consider the US Constitution when considering resolutions and should follow the bible when making policies.
- Michel Campos spoke against the road closure on Highland and Plumas avenue. He indicated the City of Del Rey Oaks' eventual plans to connect to the FORTAG project. He encouraged people to watch the DRO website and thinks that the various cities around the County are trying to get grant money by blocking off the road and encouraged looking into the concern.
- John Wizard spoke for Bobby Maxwell, President of the Police Activities League inviting the Council and the Public to the basketball banquet on Friday the 13th. He also requested the City reconsider the days and times of the Water Allocation Committee meetings. He thinks that they need to be made more apparent so more people can attend, and suggested requiring the items be heard during more convenient meeting times, including possibly by the City Council or suggested changing the makeup of the committee to include council members.
- Kenneth Murray invited the Council and the public to the Faith Based Domestic Violence Conference on April 28th from 10 am to 2 PM at Ocean View Baptist Church.

- Susan Ragsdale-Cronin spoke as a Del Rey Oaks resident who is not a fan of the traffic closure and that there are many elderly residents that are getting lost and she hopes that Seaside can work with Del Rey Oaks to find a better solution.
- Felix Bachofner spoke to his previous request to have permit holidays to incentivize improvements for businesses and residents. He spoke to City's temporary fee waiver for Broadway as a catalyst for private investment. That being said, he then indicated approached the City Economic Development Staff in October and has still had no resolution, and requested the Council to look into it and see where the communication breakdown is happening.
- Juan Sanchez, program coordinator of Palenke Arts and youth Diana spoke regarding the CDBG proposals for funding and shared with the Council and the Community the positive impacts of the program. Ms. Sanchez is also against the Carlton Closure. Diana shared how Palenke Arts has impacted her life and she does not want to lose it.
- Brenda Lewis spoke to attending last Del Rey Oaks City Council meeting regarding the Carlton Drive Highland Street Barricade. She spoke to many residents communicating to her their frustration, mostly elderly, who are getting confused and lost. She said that there is now increased traffic on Hilby and Kimball and hopes the Council will do something to alleviate the pressure this is putting on Seaside residents.

City Manager Malin indicated he will meet with Mr. Bachofner any time to assist and reminded the public there are no permit fees for developments on Broadway at this time. He agreed with making water meetings more public.

## 6. PUBLIC AGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

City Engineer Rick Riedl reported that on Saturday April 7th, TAMC, DRO and Seaside will be hosting a walking bus tour of Canyon Del Rey to receive input for improved mobility and safety improvements.

Fire Chief Dempsey invited the Council and the public to the Seaside American Legion Post 591 152nd Annual Police and Firefighter Awards Dinner Monday April 16, 2018. Brenda Lewis Seaside Representative on the Water Management District updated the Council on the Pure Water Monterey Project progress and success. She also encouraged Seaside residents of the rebate program for purchasing water saving devices ranging from \$15 to \$500.

Environmental Committee Member John Wizard spoke to the inaugural meeting for the Environmental Committee and encouraged people to attend the next meeting April 11th.

CSUMB student Samuel Alvarez working with the City of Seaside Sustainable Year program announced that there will be new cross walks and curb extensions on Baker and Echo Avenue there will be an event on April 21st and invited the residents to come and see the new cross walk and provide feedback for traffic and mobility at Baker and Echo Avenue.

## 7. PRESENTATIONS

**A. CITY OF SEASIDE AWARDS FOR 2017-2018 BUDGET AND THE JUNE 30, 2017 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

Daphne Hodgson presented the City Council with two award certificates for Outstanding Financial Reporting from California Society of Municipal Finance Officers. Ms. Hodgson spoke to Assistant Finance Director Foster's efforts that resulted in the two distinguished finance awards to the City.

**B. PRESENTATION OF CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FOR LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD OF MERIT FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS-SEASTARS**

Administrative Analyst Mikesell received a California Association for Local Economic Development award of merit for the SeaStars park clean up group. She presented the City Council the award on behalf of the Economic Development Department.

**8. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Council Member Pacheco requested to pull Item 8D. There were no requests to speak from the Public on the Consent Calendar.

Council Member Pacheco questioned the TAC recommendation for time limited parking on Broadway asking if the City has previously received complaints about parking prior to receiving the request indicating one business owner is concerned because her customers need more than two hours. If there was no problem before, why is staff negatively impacting the area now? City Engineer Riedl responded that the original request was to make the entire length of the street two hours however The Traffic Advisory Committee considered her request and recommend a compromise that three of the spots in front of her business remain untimed and the remaining are limited to two hours. He indicated that the neighboring restaurant is being negatively impacted by the length of time people are parking yet the salon owner is not satisfied with the compromise. Council member Campbell thinks that the compromise is worth monitoring and he spoke in support of the recommendation of the TAC.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander invited comments from the public and had no requests to speak.

*On motion by Council Member Jason Campbell and seconded by Kayla Jones and passed by the following vote the City Council approved the Consent Agenda as presented.*

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| RESULT:   | Approved                                                    |
| MOVER:    | Council Member Jason Campbell                               |
| SECONDER: | Kayla Jones                                                 |
| AYES:     | Dennis Alexander, Jason Campbell, Dave Pacheco, Kayla Jones |
| NOES:     | None                                                        |
| ABSENT:   | Ralph Rubio                                                 |

**A. APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 2018**

*Action: Approve*

**B. APPROVE AND FILE CITY CHECKS**

*Action: Approved*

**C. APPROVAL TO TEMPORARILY MODIFY THE POSITION ALLOCATION LIST TO OVER-HIRE THE FIREFIGHTER CLASSIFICATION BY ONE DUE TO AN UPCOMING RETIREMENT.**

*Action: Authorized and Passed*

**D. APPROVE TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) RECOMMENDATIONS.**

*Action: Approved as presented*

**9. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE USE OF 2018-2019 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS AND PROVIDE STAFF DIRECTION FOR STAFF TO INCLUDE IN THE 2018-2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD).**

Administrative Analyst Mikesell presented the CDBG funding recommendations for the 2018-19 and 2019-20 grant funding cycle. She spoke to the HUD allowable funding categories and the priorities that have been established by the Community Development Advisory Committee. She indicated that the Federal Government has not yet determined the City allocation, therefore the amounts are estimates. Total funding available is anticipated to be \$463,000. She explained the public workshops held and the formal application process and noted an unusually high amount of applications received. Ms. Mikesell briefly provided an overview of each of the applications. She did note that two applications; Meals on Wheels and Del Monte Manor were withdrawn by the applicants. She explained the CDAC recommendations for the public service funding which provided two options due to the limited funding. The first option would split all of the funds equally, the second would cap all requests at \$15,000 and each applicant would get an equal percentage of their total capped request per estimated funding available. Ms. Mikesell then outlined the Project Applications for a total request of \$300,950.00 and explained the CDAC recommendation to reorganize the requesting funds pushing the Veteran's Transition Center funding to year two, so that all projects could be funded as requested. They further recommended that should the estimated CDBG funding fall short, all projects should be reduced by an equal amount. Staff recommended that the City Council chose on of the two options for the public service applications and approve the proposed annual action plan with the included contingency provisions per HUD guidance, and direct staff to prepare the final draft plan for approval on May 17th. Ms. Mikesell answered questions from the Council.

Council Member Pacheco spoke to attending CDBG meetings and commended Ms. Mikesell for her management of the program. He also indicated that the Food Bank of Monterey and Del Monte Manor backed out because of the minimal available funding and they should be commended for their cooperative spirit. He requested that any applicant speak to the impacts the recommendations may have on their programs and he questioned

staff if the allowable 20% for administrative costs is sufficient to cover the time and the effort spent facilitating the program.

Council Member Campbell questioned why the ECHO application was kept whole, which Ms. Mikesell indicated that it was because it was a modest request to start and they wanted to respect that from the applicant. Mayor Pro Tem Alexander questioned if there is a required percentage of Seaside residents that have to be served to which Ms. Mikesell said that the money provided from the City of Seaside has to benefit Seaside residents.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander invited comments from the public and any of the applicant agencies.

- Margery Rocha, Executive Director of ECHO spoke to the services provided by the program and that in effort to keep costs low, they submitted a reasonable request and spoke to the services that can be provided for that cost request. It costs the same to administer a \$4800 request as it would for a \$10,000 grant. Fair housing is federally mandated. Please vote for option A.
- Mel Mason Executive Director of the Village Project spoke to the benefit of the funding for their program. He indicated that the after school academy is different that offers not just after school programming but also therapy for the student or their families. He spoke to the awareness of like programs that also need funding.
- Angela Britt spoke representing the request of Greater Victory Temple and spoke to serving 32 children in an after school capacity which includes feeding children and their families dinner four days per week. Reduced funding will reduce program options from four days per week to two days per week. The church is also intending to develop low income housing for these families on their property as well.
- Maria Mola, Development Director at Veteran's Transition center spoke to her proposal to provide emergency transitional housing for homeless veterans. Those that are taken off the street 90 days after they become homeless are almost 100% less likely to return to homelessness. Having the project pushed back a year is not ideal as they want to finish the expansion of the programs. The project is shovel ready, the units are uninhabitable and have been vacant since the closure of Fort Ord. CDBG program prioritizes affordable housing and this project is the only program that actual creates and adds to the affordable housing market. She requested to move it back into the first year of funds, with the primary focus of expanding housing on the peninsula
- Regina Mason, branch president of NAACP said the NAACP has provided advocacy support for tenants/landlords and they have needs and would have loved to have known the ECHO program existed. The NAACP will find a fiscal sponsor for this service as it is a needed service.
- Juan Sanchez Program Coordinator of Palenke Arts explained their purpose of educating about multi-cultural arts. He spoke to the programs offered and the individuals served and that they are the only program providing services of this kind on the Peninsula. He spoke to the size of their organization, and to the administrative overhead costs and expectations. He requested that the Council come to the art against bullying program the next five weekends.
- Shari Hastey spoke to the competitive nature of this grant which is hard because they work so hard to try to cooperate throughout the year. She spoke to the administrative expectations for this grant and that if they cannot get \$10,000 it is not a worthwhile funding source. She expressed frustration about the process.

- Susan Allman, Legal Services for Seniors reiterated that as the dollar value goes down, the reporting does not go down but that they will adjust their expenses in operational costs to maintain the level of service that needs to be maintained. They will do what they can to meet the need, as the need is high.
- Patty Fernandez, Executive Director of Girls Inc. of the Central Coast spoke to providing leadership and mentorship of over 100 girls and that funding goes directly to the girls that are hired from Seaside, working at the high school middle school and elementary. She thanked the Council for their efforts and the tough decision that needs to be made.

The Council discussed the applications and attempted to identify other mechanisms to maximize funding and satisfy applicants. Council Member Pacheco asked the VTC representative if their proposed housing project could still move forward if the funds were not received until year two to which she responded that knowing the funding jeopardy of the federal administration, she is concerned that there is a less chance of getting funds next year. She explained that the project would be providing the only emergency shelter program in the City of Seaside.

Council Member Pacheco expressed disappointment that applicants this year have been feisty, territorial and not cooperative. He also indicated that programs provided by the local community services providers also keep people off the streets and keep the community together. He spoke in support of option B. Council Member Jones also supported option B. Council Member Campbell questioned the CDAC recommendations asking if there was a prioritization of the applications to which there was not. Regarding CIP, he supports the recommendation as provided by the CDAC, contingent on the fund availability, but also indicated he supports the worthiness of the VTC project. He suggested the City Council to consider allocating the currently budgeted \$30,000 allocated for homeless programs and funds from the affordable housing fund to assist with funding the VTC project in year one instead. He supports A over B because he supports a modest request. Mayor Pro Tem Alexander spoke in support of option B

Council Member Pacheco made a motion to approve the recommended option B, related to the capital improvement and allocate the additional \$20,000 for the VTC this year if that remains, with the request to consider allocating the budgeted \$30,000 for homeless services to the VTC for a total of \$50,000 for this year as consideration. Motion was seconded by Council Member Jones.

Speaking on the second, Council Member Campbell thanked Council Member Pacheco for adding the VTC renovations for consideration in the future, but cannot not support motion because option B unfairly punishes applicants who made more modest requests and does not support lowering the applicant below \$5,000. A is a more fair choice.

Council member Jones requested to amend the motion to recommended that ECHO be funded at \$5,000 and the numbers be modified proportionally if the funding allocation changes. Amendment agreed to by Council Member Pacheco

Motion Carries 3 – 1, Council Member Campbell voting No.

## **B. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER A RESOLUTION REGARDING SUPPORT FOR EFFECTIVE GUN CONTROL**

City Manager Malin report that this was an item requested by Council Member Jones who explained the genesis of the request stemmed from a discussion in response to the Parkland, FL shooting. This is a local action that can be taken to prevent similar in other communities. The resolution if approved will be sent to all higher elected.

Mayor Pro Tem Alexander invited comments from the public.

- Bob Coble, retired teacher of 40 years of service spoke to the changing environment of the school system that previously there was no concept that the kids in schools are not safe. He believes in the second amendment, but that it does not apply to what is happening here. He supports this resolution and recommends supporting it unanimously.
- Gertrude Smith she expressed support of this resolution.
- Shari Hastey spoke to two Seaside youth at Juvenile Hall after an instance of gun threats in our own community. We need to do something to support change.
- Felix Bachofner commended trying to make a local effort. Suggested a grammatical change believing it reads that "activities as walk outs, sit ins, civics training, voter registration campaigns" are considered acts of civic disobedience and peaceful protest." And requested that be changed and also suggested that regulations be considered to make it substantially more complicated to obtain bullets, such as applying onerous fees to the purchase of bullets in this jurisdiction.
- John Wizard suggested the removal of the word "Other" to satisfy Mr. Bachofner's grammatical concern and does agree that this is courageous action. Show people Seaside is part of the conversation.
- Peter Keiser spoke to research done by John Lott and to the history of the second amendment, and he does not agree with gun free zones. He requested the resolution be rewritten, and that includes the myths of gun control issues and that it should be balanced and support the second amendment of the constitution.

Council Member Jones spoke in support of removal of the word "other" and that she believes reasonable gun control and safety laws does not infringe upon the second amendment which also does not say that it cannot be regulated. She thanked Mr. Bachofner for his suggestion about bullet availability.

Council Member Pacheco wants the City to lead rather than follow. He acknowledged that mental health is an issue and requested incorporation of that concept into the document. Council Member Campbell disagreed with Council Member Pacheco with mental health incorporation because it may unfairly and unintentionally stigmatize those with mental health issues. They are not inherently more violent than the average person.

On motion by Council Member Campbell and seconded by Council Member Jones and passed by the following vote the City Council adopted the Resolution as presented with the grammatical change of removing the word "Other" and adding "the military acting as law enforcement".

RESULT: **Approved**

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| MOVER:    | Council Member Jason Campbell                               |
| SECONDER: | Kayla Jones                                                 |
| AYES:     | Dennis Alexander, Jason Campbell, Dave Pacheco, Kayla Jones |
| NOES:     | None                                                        |
| ABSENT:   | Ralph Rubio                                                 |

10. **MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL, CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY**  
**COMMENTS AND REPORTS ON COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Council Member Jones requested that a discussion for the impact for the road closure of Carlton Road be agendized as an action item to send a letter to the DRO City Council. Council Member Campbell requested the Council to consider approval of formal or informal City Council liaisons for the Committees and Commissions.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Lesley Milton-Rerig, City Clerk

  
Ralph Rubio, Mayor