

MINUTES - MORRO BAY CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING – MAY 8, 2008
VETERANS MEMORIAL HALL - 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Peters called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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| PRESENT: | Janice Peters | Mayor |
| | Melody DeMeritt | Councilmember |
| | Rick Grantham | Councilmember |
| | William Peirce | Councilmember |
| | Betty Winholtz | Councilmember |
| STAFF: | Andrea Lueker | Interim City Manager |
| | Bridgett Bauer | City Clerk |
| | Rick Algert | Harbor Director |
| | Bruce Ambo | Public Services Director |
| | Bill Boucher | Capital Projects Manager |
| | Janeen Burlingame | Management Analyst |
| | John DeRohan | Police Chief |
| | Rob Livick | City Engineer |
| | Mike Pond | Fire Chief |
| | Susan Slayton | Finance Director |
| | Dylan Wade | Senior Civil Engineer |
| | Joe Woods | Acting Recreation & Parks Director |

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The following people addressed the efforts of the Community Promotions Committee, which has increased revenue in tourism through marketing efforts; and due to the present economic and challenging times, the Community Promotions Committee requests an increase in funds in order to maintain its efforts: John Sorgenfrei, TJA Advertising, Ed Krovitz, Vice-Chair of Community Promotions Committee, Joyce Lundy, Community Promotions Committee Member, David Weisman, Chair of the Community Promotions Committee, and Susan Stewart, Community Promotions Committee Member.

Andrea Klipfel, Vice President of the Board for the Chamber of Commerce, reviewed the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center. She said the Chamber of Commerce sponsored 29 events which each brought in over 5,000 tourists to the City in 2007.

Marla Jo Bruton presented Council with a publication by *Californians Aware* on a Records Request Management System stating the City should consider such a system in order to better assist the community with Public Records Act requests.

Jonni Biaggini, Executive Director of the Visitors and Conference Bureau (VCB), reviewed the benefits of participating with the VCB, and requested Council's consideration in funding the fair share formula of \$32,474 this year for full marketing support.

Jim Keating requested Council consider re-opening the Request for Proposals for the current City website redesign in order to consider a local web-site designer.

Kelly Vandenheuvell requested Council's consideration in funding for the Pacific Wildlife Center as an aid-to-agency.

Mayor Peters closed the public comment hearing.

2008/09 BUDGET PRESENTATION

Finance Director Susan Slayton presented the proposed 2008/09 Annual Budget for Council review.

Mayor Peters called for a break at 7:10 p.m.; the meeting resumed at 7:15 p.m.

DISCUSSION

Council reviewed the proposed budget, and asked staff for clarification on various sections.

The City Council continued further discussion on the adoption of the proposed budget to the May 15, 2008 budget meeting.

CONTINUED DISCUSSION – WEBSITE REDESIGN

MOTION: Councilmember DeMeritt moved the City Council direct staff to re-issue the Request for Proposal for the City web-site redesign, with the cost to be \$10,000 or less. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Peirce and carried unanimously. (5-0)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Recorded by:

Bridgett Bauer
City Clerk