

MINUTES
BUDGET WORKSHOP
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301
Wednesday, June 12, 2024
4:00 p.m.

The City Council Goal Setting Workshop was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Buckley Weber.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Sylvester.

Present were: Mayor Illece Buckley Weber, Mayor Pro Tem Penny Sylvester, and Councilmember Chris Anstead.

Absent were: Councilmember Deborah Klein Lopez and Councilmember Jeremy Wolf.

Also Present were: City Manager Nathan Hamburger, Assistant City Attorney Travis Kaya, Assistant City Manager Ramiro Adeva, Deputy City Manager Louis Celaya, Management Analyst Amber Victoria, Executive Assistant Michele Hubbs, Director of Community Development Denice Thomas, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Jessica Forte, Senior Civil Engineer Charmaine Yambao, Public Works Project Manager Kelly Fisher, Director of Finance Diego Ibañez, Finance Manager Brenda Cho, Accountant Leah Palmer, Accounting Specialist Karen Sanders, Director of Community Services Amy Brink, and City Clerk Kimberly M. Rodrigues.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Councilmember Anstead moved to approve the Agenda, as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Sylvester seconded. The motion carried 3-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Buckley Weber, Mayor Pro Tem Sylvester, and Councilmember Anstead.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Councilmembers Klein Lopez and Wolf.

DISCUSSION / ACTION

1. Discussion of Mid-Cycle Fiscal Year 2023-24 and 2024-25 Proposed Budget Review

Prior to presentation of the staff report, HdL Consultant Dave Schey, presented the Property Tax Budgeting for 2024-25 report and Finance Director Ibanez presented the HdL Sales Tax Trends report.

Upon discussion of the Mid-Cycle Fiscal Year 2023-24 and 2024-25 Proposed Budget Review, the City Council provided feedback to staff.

The City Council requested amendments to the Community Outreach Grants Program as follows:

- Increase the grant for America Supporting Americans from \$500 to \$1,000
- Decrease the grant for the Agoura High School Community Garden Club from \$500 to \$0
- Decrease the grant for Malibu Search and Rescue from \$2,500 to \$2,200

In addition, the City Council recommended \$300 from the Community Outreach Grant Program be added to the \$2,700 proposed in the Special Events budget for a total of \$3,000 for the Topanga Banjo-Fiddle Contest and Folk Festival.

By unanimous consensus, the City Council (*Mayor Buckley Weber, Mayor Pro Tem Sylvester, Councilmember Anstead*) approved the draft budget for final preparation with the Community Outreach Grants Program amendments, as discussed.

CITY COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS

Mayor Buckley Weber expressed her appreciation for the budget document being accessible on her Council iPad, commented on the photographs that were selected for the budget document, and noted that there were funds granted to the City from six different county or state measures (e.g. Measure A, Measure M) which is really important to a small City like Agoura Hills.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:21 p.m., Mayor Buckley Weber adjourned the meeting.

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, MPPA, MMC
City Clerk