

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH  
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING  
BUDGET STUDY SESSION - #2  
MAY 27, 2009**

The Adjourned Regular Budget Study Session - #2 Meeting of the City Council of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, was held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2009, at the hour of 7:03 p.m., in the Police/Fire Conference Room, at 400/420 15<sup>th</sup> Street, in said City.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

City Manager Geoff Dolan led the pledge of allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Montgomery, Tell, Powell, and Mayor Cohen  
Ward (arrived at 7:10pm)  
Absent: None.  
Clerk: Dolan (Acting).

**SCHEDULED**

05/27/09 – 1. Consideration of FY 2009-2010 Proposed Budget and FY 2009-2014 Capital Improvement Project Plan

City Manager Geoff Dolan indicated this meeting was a continuation of last night's Budget Study Session - #1 Meeting and introduced the City's Human Resource Director Cathy Hanson to present her department budget to City Council.

**HUMAN RESOURCES:**

Human Resources Director Hanson and Senior Human Resource Analyst Christine Tomikawa proceeded to present their detailed department budget which included Administration and Risk Management. Human Resources Director Hanson then proceeded to go over the budget savings proposal forms for her department.

Mayor Cohen then opened the meeting to the public for comments on the Human Resources Department budget.

Council actions after the department presentations and at the conclusion of public comment included:

- Reduce Employee Recognition Program budget by \$6,230

**PARKS AND RECREATION:**

City Manager Dolan then introduced Parks and Recreation Director Richard Gill to present his department budget to Council. City Manager Dolan briefly explained how the department analyzes each program it puts on and suggested to look to the non-revenue generating programs for budget cuts.

Parks and Recreation Director Gill proceeded to present his detailed department budget which included Administration, Recreation and Services, Cultural Arts, Sports and Aquatics, Volunteers, Transportation, and Older Adults.

Mayor Cohen then opened the meeting to the public for comments on the Parks and Recreation Department budget.

Council actions after the department presentations and at the conclusion of public comment included:

- Reduce funding for Earth Day by 50% or \$3,928.
- Reinstate 50% funding for Pet Appreciation Day or add back \$4,806
- Eliminate Sand Castle Design Contest for \$1,237
- Eliminate Family Fishing Derby for \$1,685
- Eliminate Halloween Carnival for \$3,347
- Eliminate Family Holiday Crafts Night for \$1,527
- Eliminate Family Kite Festival for \$1,379
- Eliminate Pumpkin Race for \$15,586
- Eliminate Arts Manhattan Funding for \$20,000
- Eliminate Metlox Series for \$7,000
- Eliminate Manhattan Beach Unified School District Art Education Program for \$12,000
- Reduce funding for OASIS weekend staffing by \$3,400
- Increase fees for American Youth Soccer Organization and Manhattan Beach Little League from \$5 to \$10 per participant which is estimated to generate additional revenues of \$30,000

Based on the number of remaining budgets to be reviewed, the City Council scheduled the Budget Study Session - # 3 meeting to begin at 4:00 p.m., on Monday, June 1, 2009, at the Police/Fire Conference Room.

City Manager Dolan stated the meeting would include Community Development, Finance and Public Works Department budgets.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:25 p.m. the meeting was duly adjourned to the 4:00 p.m. Adjourned Regular Budget Study Session - #3 Meeting on Monday, June 1, 2009, in the Police/Fire Conference Room, 400/420 15<sup>th</sup> Street, in said City.

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Sharon Koike  
Recording Secretary

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Portia Cohen  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Liza Tamura  
City Clerk