

City of Corona

400 S. Vicentia Ave.
Corona, CA 92882



Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

3:30 PM

Council Chambers

Budget Workshop

**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE
CITY OF
CORONA/CORONA PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY/CORONA UTILITY
AUTHORITY/CORONA
HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**Jason Scott, Mayor
Jim Steiner, Vice Mayor
Yolanda Carrillo, Council Member
Jacque Casillas, Council Member
Wes Speake, Council Member**

Rollcall

Present: 5 - Jason Scott, Jim Steiner, Yolanda Carrillo, Jacque Casillas and Wes Speake

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Scott.

1. Call To Order

Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. Agenda Items

- A. [19-0306](#) Revenue workshop for the Proposed Budget and Financial Plan for Fiscal Year 2019-20 and 2020-21 for the City of Corona/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Corona/Corona Public Financing Authority/Corona Utility Authority/Corona Housing Authority.

Kerry Eden, Assistant City Manager / Administrative Services Director, introduced the item. Ms. Eden provided an overview of the Budget Process; Budget Resource Manual; Fund Accounting; Revenue; Revenue Projections; Revenue Estimates for All Funds; Revenues for General Fund; Revenues - General Fund - Property Taxes; Revenues - General Fund - Sales Tax; Revenues - General Fund - Other Taxes; Revenues - General Fund - Motor Vehicle Fees; Revenues - General Fund - Franchise Fees; Revenues - General Fund - Transient Occupancy Tax; Revenues - General Fund - Current Services; Revenues - General Fund - Interest Income/ Rents and Leases; Revenues - General Fund - Other Revenues; Revenues - General Fund - Payments in Lieu of Services; Revenues - General Fund - Year Over Year Comparisons By Category; Revenues - General Fund - Changes Since Mid Year; Revenues - Governmental - Special Revenue Funds; Revenues - Special Revenue Funds - Roads Related; Revenues - Special Revenue Funds - Development; Revenues - Special Revenue Funds - Special Taxing Districts; Revenues - Governmental - Capital Projects Funds; Revenues - Capital Project Funds; Revenues - Proprietary Funds - Enterprise; Revenues - Enterprise Funds - Utilities; Revenues - Enterprise Funds - Other; Revenues - Proprietary Funds - Internal Service Funds; Revenues - Internal Service Funds; Revenues - Fiduciary Funds; How Revenue Increases; and Next Steps.

The Council thanked and commended Ms. Eden for her report.

Council Member Casillas had inquiries regarding the Corona Utility Authority, gas tax funds and seeking grant opportunities. Ms. Eden and Kim Sitton, Finance Manager, provided clarification.

Council Member Speake had inquiries regarding fee study, current services, changes since mid-year, capital project funds, utilities decrease in electric permits, developer impact fees, how much sales tax have decrease in the same period of time, sales tax revenue, grants being sought and the running total, Housing & Community Development CDBG funds received yearly, water funds decrease, and sales tax growth. Ms. Eden, Joanne Coletta, Community Development Director, and Tom Moody, Department of Water and Power General Manager, provided clarification.

Council Member Carrillo inquired about revenue increase calculations, current services categories and a list of current grant opportunities. Ms. Sitton, Ms. Eden and Nelson Nelson, Public Works Director, provided clarification.

Vice Mayor Steiner had inquiries regarding accounting changes with the Internal Service Funds, upcoming projects and developer impact fees; Transient Occupancy Tax in comparison to other cities in the Inland Empire and surrounding agencies. Ms. Eden and Ms. Sitton provided clarification to Vice Mayor Steiner's inquiries. Ms. Eden stated that in the upcoming workshops more information can be provided. Michele Nissen, Acting City Manager, stated that the Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) conducted a compressive fee study that compared fees in Riverside County and to neighboring counties. She stated she would contact WRCOG to pull the report for the Council's review.

Mayor Scott had inquiries regarding developer impact fees; transient occupancy tax and sales tax information. Ms. Coletta provided clarification. Ms. Nissen discussed timelines to get items on a ballot.

Ms. Eden requested direction from the Council in regard to consultant fees to be included in proposed budget and announced that multiple workshops related to the budget are forthcoming.

Council Member Speake noted that a portion of city revenues come from grants and therefore, would like to hear about once a month what department are doing with those grants. Mr. Nelson provided clarification regarding the acceptance of grants on the City Council agenda.

Chad Willardson, City Treasurer, provided information regarding transient occupancy tax rates. Ms. Nissen reported the nearby cities with a transient occupancy tax rate. She stated a comprehensive list of surrounding cities tax rate would be compiled.

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed Council and expressed his concerns with the report, internal service funds, and developer fees. Ms. Eden and Ms. Nissen provided clarification to comments made by the public.

3. Public Comments

Joe Morgan, resident, addressed Council and expressed his concerns with the time of the Budget Workshop meetings and agenda structure.

4. Adjournment

Mayor Scott adjourned the meeting at 4:48 p.m.