

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE  
CITY OF VERNON HELD MAY 9, 1977,  
AT NINE O'CLOCK A.M. IN THE  
LUNCH ROOM OF THE PUBLIC WORKS  
FACILITY LOCATED AT 4305 SANTA  
FE AVENUE, VERNON, CALIFORNIA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gonzales, Malburg, Ybarra

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Chairman Malburg called the meeting to order.

It was moved by Gonzales, seconded by Ybarra, that minutes of the meeting of April 11, 1977, be approved. Motion carried.

The City Clerk-Director of Finance distributed copies of the departmental requests for consideration in the 1977-78 budget appropriation.

The departmental requests for consideration in the 1977-78 budget appropriation were received for study.

Deputy City Attorney David B. Brearley appeared before the Committee to answer any questions relative to any item or items that may be discussed by the Committee.

Communication from A. E. Nelson, Jr., Director of Public Works/Building, dated April 12, 1977, transmitting certain material in connection with the Communications Consulting Contract between Fieler & Associates and the City; and making certain enumerated requests, was presented. (At its meeting held April 19, 1977, the City Council referred this matter to the Finance Committee for study and report)

A. E. Nelson, Jr., Director of Public Works/Building, appeared before the Committee and answered questions relative to his requests as enumerated in his letter dated April 12, 1977.

After a general discussion relative to Communications Consulting Contract between Fieler & Associates and the City, it was moved by Ybarra, seconded by Gonzales, that the communication from the Director of Public Works/Building, dated April 12, 1977, be referred back to the Director of Public Works/Building for clarification of certain items as discussed by the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Bulletin from the Public Employees' Retirement System, dated April 1, 1977, with reference to Public Agency Contract Option permitting removal of the military benefit provisions currently provided and the substitution of the new military provisions (Chapter 830, AB 3550, Statutes of 1976), was read.

It was moved by Ybarra, seconded by Gonzales, that Bulletin from the Public Employees' Retirement System, dated April 1, 1977, be referred to Deputy City Clerk-Deputy Director of Finance Malkenhorst and Deputy City Attorney Brearley to investigate the possibility of removal of the military benefit provisions currently provided and the substitution of the new military provisions (Chapter 830, AB 3550, Statutes of 1976). Motion carried.

Discussion was held with reference to necessary changes in the City Clerk/Finance Department due to the retirement of the Purchasing Agent and the City Clerk-Director of Finance.

It was moved by Ybarra, seconded by Gonzales, that the Finance Committee make the following recommendations to the City Council:

(1) That the following classifications be added to the Salary Resolution, effective July 1, 1977:

Deputy City Clerk, Senior Purchasing Agent	Grade 1	\$1978	per mo.
(Charge to Purchasing)	2	1824	
(Any overall percentage increase to be added)	3	1727	
	4	1634	
	5	1546	
Deputy City Clerk, Purchasing Agent	Grade 1	\$1611	" "
(Any overall percentage increase to be added)	2	1527	
	3	1447	
	4	1372	
	5	1300	
Deputy City Treasurer-Deputy City Clerk- Accountant (Charge $\frac{1}{2}$ to City Treasurer, $\frac{1}{4}$ to City Clerk, $\frac{1}{4}$ to Water Department and $\frac{1}{4}$ to Light & Power Department)	Grade 1	1454	" "
(Any overall percentage increase to be added)	2	1383	
	3	1300	
	4	1215	
	5	1131	
Deputy City Clerk-Payroll	Grade 1	1131	
(Charge to City Clerk)	2	1072	
(Any overall percentage increase to be added)	3	1015	
	4	965	
	5	914	

(2) That authority be granted to advertise for a Deputy City Clerk, Purchasing Agent and a Deputy City Clerk-Payroll as soon as possible;

(3) That Bruce V. Malkenhorst be appointed to the position of City Clerk-Director of Finance, Step 5, effective July 1, 1977; and

(4) That Sheila H. McKenna be promoted to Deputy City Treasurer-Deputy City Clerk-Accountant, Grade 3, effective July 1, 1977, as she is presently investing the City's surplus funds.

Motion carried.

Discussion was held with reference to the group insurance premiums for miscellaneous employees and their dependents.

It was moved by Gonzales, seconded by Ybarra, that effective July 1, 1977, the City pay the group insurance premiums for miscellaneous employees and their dependents equal to the premium charged for such coverage as of June 30, 1977. (This amounts to a nine-percent increase over the existing premium paid as of June 30, 1976)

In the Memorandum of Understanding with the Vernon Police Officers' Benefit Association, the City is required to pay for police officers and their dependents any increase in premium up to ten percent (10%) of the premium in effect as of June 30, 1976, effective July 1, 1977. This means that the City will be required to pay the total premium for Police Officers, effective as of July 1, 1977, as the increase is only nine percent (9%).

Motion carried.

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Discussion was held with reference to Fire Department personnel driving City-owned automobiles home and with reference to personnel receiving automobile allowances.

It was moved by Gonzales, seconded by Ybarra, that the Finance Committee make the following recommendations to the City Council:

- (1) That the personnel of the Fire Department be prohibited from driving any City vehicles home, effective July 1, 1977;
- (2) That effective July 1, 1977, the automobile allowance for the Fire Chief be eliminated and that he be furnished a City-owned vehicle to be used only for official business;
- (3) That effective July 1, 1977, personnel using their private vehicles in the service of the City, with the exception of the Building Inspectors, the Senior Building Inspectors, the Construction Inspector and the person in charge of the Industrial Waste Program, shall be required to have a passenger vehicle, compact or larger, capable of carrying a minimum of four passengers, and that personnel using vans, pickups and recreational vehicles will not be eligible for auto allowances; and
- (4) That the Finance Committee have the sole discretion in determining the definition of a compact automobile, and that the Finance Committee be authorized to allow other exemptions if it deems that a compact automobile is not necessary for a job classification.

Motion carried.


At this time, 11:35 o'clock a.m., Committee Member Gonzales was excused.

The City Clerk-Director of Finance discussed with members of the Committee the departmental requests for consideration in the 1977-78 budget appropriation.


No action taken.

It was moved by Ybarra, seconded by Malburg, that the meeting adjourn until Wednesday, May 11, 1977, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in the Lunch Room of the Public Works Facility at 4305 Santa Fe Avenue, Vernon, California. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 o'clock p.m.

  
LEONIS C. MALBURG  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
F. A. ZIEMER, City Clerk-  
Director of Finance