



RULES AND OPEN GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE
Meeting Report
May 19, 2010

PRESENT: Mayor Reed, Vice Mayor Chirco, Council Members Constant and Pyle.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: City Attorney Richard Doyle, Deputy City Manager Ed Shikada, City Clerk Lee Price, Redevelopment Agency Assistant Director Gary Miskimon, Agenda Services Manager Nadine Nader, Mayor's Council Agenda Manager Nikhil Warrior and Deputy City Clerk Ruth Krantz.

A. City Council

1. Review May 25, 2010 Final Agenda

Action: The Committee approved the May 25, 2010 final agenda, as amended.

2. Review June 1, 2010 Draft Agenda

Canceled.

B. Redevelopment Agency (RDA)

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Action: The Committee approved the May 25, 2010 final agenda, as amended.

2. Review June 1, 2010 Draft Agenda

Canceled.

C. Review of Upcoming Study Session Agenda(s)

None.

D. Legislative Update

1. State

a. Sacramento Update

Director, Intergovernmental Relations Betsy Shotwell provided an update of the Governor's budget proposals.

Action: The Committee accepted the report.

2. Federal

None.

E. Meeting Schedules

1. (a) Approve the City Council Meeting Schedule for the period August – December 2010.
- (b) Approve the Study Session Schedule for the period August – December 2010.

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Agenda Service Manager Nadine Nader dated May 12, 2010 providing Council Meeting Schedule and Study Session Schedule for August – December 2010.

Mayor Reed asked that the City Attorney, Clerk and City Manager consider the feasibility of moving agenda items around and potentially cancelling some future meetings due to decreased availability of management resources.

Public Comment: David Wall commented that it does not serve the public's best interest when meetings are canceled due to holidays.

Action: The Committee accepted the meeting schedules.

F. The Public Record

Document Filed: (1) Memorandum from City Clerk Lee Price dated May 14, 2010 transmitting the Public Record for the week of May 7-13, 2010.

Action: The Public Record was noted and filed.

G. Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees

None.

H. Rules Committee Reviews, Recommendations and Approvals
None.

I. Review of additions to Council Committee Agendas

1. Community and Economic Development Committee

2. Transportation and Environment Committee

- Approve addition of a verbal update on the San José/Santa Clara Water Pollution Control Plant Master Plan to the June 7, 2010 T&E Agenda. (Environmental Services)

Action: Dropped.

3. Neighborhood Services and Education Committee

4. Public Safety, Finance and Strategic Support Committee

None.

J. Open Government Initiatives

1. Appeals of Public Records Act Requests

- (a) Appeal of the denial of access to public records requested by Brian Doyle on May 6, 2010.

Documents Filed: Letter from Brian Doyle, dated May 17, 2010, regarding the "Appeal of Denial of Records Request for Mayor's Budget Documents".

Public Comment: Brian Doyle provided arguments in favor of his expressed need for greater transparency regarding the City's intentions with respect to staffing cuts. David Wall concurred with Mr. Doyle.

Action: The Committee denied the appeal and referred the matter to Employee Relations Executive Analyst Aracely Rodriguez to be addressed during bargaining unit negotiations.

2. Council Policy Manual Update

None.

K. Open Forum

David Wall commented on the City's software licensing agreement with Oracle.

L. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chuck Reed". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Mayor Chuck Reed
Rules and Open Government Committee