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Concord
ANNOTATED AGENDA
Regular Meeting of the
Policy Development &
Internal Operations
Committee

Thursday, April 13, 2017

6:00 p.m.

Garden Conference
Room, Wing A
1950 Parkside Drive

AGENDIZED ITEMS – The public is entitled to address the Committee on items appearing on the agenda before or during the Committee’s consideration of that item. Each speaker will be limited to approximately three minutes.

1. ROLL CALL – all present.

Staff present: Joelle Fockler, City Clerk; Justin Ezell Director of Public Works; Laura Simpson; Planning Manager; Michael P. Cass, Principal Planner

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – none.

3. REPORTS

- a. **Considering** – the proposed FY 2017-18 and 2018-19 City Council Budget.
Report by Joelle Fockler, City Clerk.

ACTION: The Committee reviewed and approved the FY 2017-18 and 2018-19 City Council Budget as presented. The Committee requested that staff bring options for an increase to City Council compensation to the May 9, 2017, City Council meeting.

- b. **Considering** – placement of a statue of Don Salvio Pacheco in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the City of Concord. **Report by Justin Ezell,**

Director of Public Works.

ACTION: The Committee discussed several key issues related to this proposal; including:

- Location Approval. The Committee recommended approval to install the statue at Todos Santos Plaza; however the specific location at the plaza still needs to be determined.
- City Support. The Committee recommended that certain in-kind services should be provided by City staff to support placement of the statue, such as site preparation, electrical work, legal advice, etc.
- Statue Ownership. The Committee recommended that the City own and maintain the statue once placed in the park.
- Statue Maintenance. The Committee recommended that the City be responsible for maintenance of the statue over time and repair the statue if vandalized.
- Moral rights. The Committee recommended that a written waiver of certain artist rights, including the right to veto a decision to remove the statue, be obtained from the artist selected to create the statue.

With regard to the “location approval,” the Committee requested a special meeting to be convened at Todos Santos Plaza which would allow Committee members to scope-out a recommended location for the statue.

c. **Considering** - a Community Choice Aggregation Program in Concord.
Report by Michael Cass, Principal Planner.

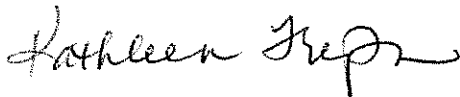
ACTION: Mr. Cass provided a response to the questions raised at the Committee meeting on February 22, 2017. Topics included the number of Concord accounts participating in the balanced payment plan, summary of the community workshop, status of the County’s decision to join a community choice energy program. Mr. Cass also provided information on the retirement benefits for East Bay Community Energy (“EBCE”) and MCE Clean Energy. Representatives from EBCE and MCE provided an overview of their programs with emphasis on local development, job creation/training, and hiring union labor. Five members of the public spoke in favor of joining or establishing a community choice energy program.

The Committee forwarded a recommendation to the City Council to join MCE Clean Energy. Their reasons for preferring MCE include the following:

- Prefer using a proven model with concrete specific details about the program.
- Support having fewer meetings than what a start-up program will require.
- Appreciate that MCE is gradually increasing the local, economic development practices.
- Support having environmental benefits sooner.
- Appreciate that MCE does not participate in CalPERS, where EBCE will “likely” participate in a PERS retirement system.

Additionally, the Committee asked what happens if the County and City pick different programs and the existing unincorporated area is annexed into the City later.

4. ADJOURNMENT – 8:37 p.m.



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