



CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE
300 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove, California 93950

AGENDA REPORT

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL
FROM: Mayor Daniel E. Cort
MEETING DATE: October 4, 2006
SUBJECT: MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT TO THE *ad hoc* BUDGET AND FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the proposed appointment to the *ad hoc* Budget and Finance Subcommittee.

DISCUSSION:

Council is respectfully asked to approve the appointment of Jerry Norton to the *ad hoc* Budget and Finance Subcommittee

FISCAL IMPACT:

NONE

ATTACHMENTS:

- Application

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel E. Cort". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Daniel E. Cort
MAYOR PRO TEMPORE



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Application for Appointment to a
Public Board, Commission, or Committee

Persons interested in being appointed to serve on a board, commission, or committee of the City of Pacific Grove are invited to complete the following application.

Name: JERROLD G. (JERRY) NORTON

Street Address: 605 14TH ST

City: PACIFIC GROVE State: CA ZIP Code: 93950

Residence Telephone Number: 375-6497 Work Telephone Number: 648-9031 Mobile Telephone Number: 601-5759

Name of Board, Commission, or Committee on which you would like to serve:
sd hdc. FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

Brief Description of Background and Qualifications (Additional Information May Be Attached on Separate Sheets):
Please see the attached sheet.

Signature of Applicant: *Jerry Norton* Date: 4 Aug 2006

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Appointed to: _____ BY: *JH*

Date of Appointment: _____ Expiration: _____

Date of Reappointment: _____ End of Term: _____

Date Certification of Appreciation Awarded: _____

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Thoughts on possible concepts and outlooks for the

***ad hoc* Finance and Budget Committee of Pacific Grove.**

I believe that it is important that the City's finances be conducted in such a way that City management by the Council and City Manager have increasing numbers of alternatives in the decisions made on behalf of all Pacific Grove's citizens. Good decisions depend on the exploration of multiple alternatives and more alternatives are available when City finances are properly handled. A City with large debt has fewer alternatives than a City with generally balanced income and expenditures. Large municipal debt undermines all management.

It is important for management and political reasons that the City's budget be organized and presented in a way that it is understandable to every Pacific Grove citizen interested in it.

We want City employees to be well paid for their best efforts of behalf of the greatest number of Pacific Grove citizens. Financial stability and responsibility helps everyone who depends directly or indirectly on City funds.

City expenditures should serve as many Pacific Grove citizens as possible; special interest spending should be for large bodies of citizens. Both, residents who don't own property and non-residents that do own property in Pacific Grove are important members of the Community. The interests of each category should be considered carefully when City funds are disbursed.

I have: attended most of the meetings of the *ad hoc* Budget and Finance Committee and have examined a large portion of the materials provided to that Committee;

Lived in Pacific Grove for more than 30 years and have followed City Management and politics increasingly over the last 20 years;

Studied the unfolding of public policy concerning the use of public resources (study results published);

I have experience with numbers and number manipulating computer programs and graphics programs. I hope to use some of this experience if I serve on the *ad hoc* Finance and Budget Committee.

Jerry Norton, 4 Aug 2006