



## CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE

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### NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

#### BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

DATE & TIME: Thursday, August 20, 2009 – 3:00 P.M.

LOCATION: CITY MANAGER'S CONFERENCE ROOM - 300 FOREST AVENUE

#### MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Oral Communications  
*(Comments from the audience will not receive Committee action. Comments must deal with matters subject to the jurisdiction of the Committee and will be limited to three minutes. Comments regarding agenda items shall be heard prior to the consideration of such items at the time such items are called. Whenever possible, letters should be submitted to the Committee in advance of the meeting.)*
3. Approval of July 16, 2009 Committee meeting action minutes

#### REGULAR AGENDA:

4. Consider information related to a new requirement by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) to disclose retiree health benefit liabilities  
*Effective with financial statements published for the period ending June 30, 2009, the City must comply GASB Statement #45, which requires the disclosure of liabilities for retiree medical health care benefits. The Committee will review and discuss a draft report from an actuary.*  
Reference: James L. Becklenberg, Director of Management and Budget  
**Recommended Action: Receive the report and provide input to staff on key information for the City Council.**
5. Consider cost information related to Fire services  
*Staff will present information about historical and future costs for fire services for the purpose of surfacing questions for future analysis and discussion at the City Council level.*  
Reference: James L. Becklenberg, Director of Management and Budget  
**Recommended Action: Discuss the information and provide input to staff on key questions for future City Council discussion about fire service.**
6. Adjournment

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City of Pacific Grove  
Budget and Budget and Finance Committee  
MEETING MINUTES

DATE: July 21, 2009

TIME: 3:00 pm

City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall

Committee members present:

Lisa Bennett

Bill Kampe

Carl Jones

Barry Dolowich

Susan Nilmeier

Jerry Norton (alternate)

Staff present:

Jim Becklenberg, Director of Management and Budget

***DRAFT*** ACTION MINUTES

**1. Call to order**

**2. Oral Communications**

- Lee Willoughby: Concern that CDD fees are too high and illegal
- John Moore: Concern that Ordinance 02-18, regarding CalPERS enhanced benefits, was enacted illegally, and that reversing it is a major opportunity for financial savings
- John Fischer: Concern about short-term loans from the sewer fee represents a conflict with regard to Proposition 218.

**3. Approval of Committee meeting minutes for July 16, 2009**

*The committee approved the minutes (5-0).*

REGULAR AGENDA:

**4. Develop additional detail for recommendation that the City Council hire a bankruptcy attorney for consultation services.**

The Committee discussed a list of potential questions that could be answered by a bankruptcy attorney. The answers to the questions would ostensibly help the City Council decide whether bankruptcy is in the City's best interest. Discussion also focused on the key issues facing the City and whether bankruptcy is, in fact, a tool that could accomplish the goals. *The Committee established two subcommittees for specific purposes: 1) further refine the bankruptcy questions for further considerations by the City Council (Kampe and Dolowich assigned), and 2) further develop the "future scenarios" for Pacific Grove services and budget (Jones and Nilmeier assigned). The committee took no additional action.*

**5. Adjournment**