

eComments Received

City Council

Thursday, June 10, 2010

Comments

Anita Barnes, District 5, Sacramento, CA, 95820

Position: Support

Comment: Want to express support for the Neighborhood Services Department and the services that are provided to neighborhood communities throughout the City--they provide community development, help resolve neighborhood issues, are the primary liaison between the City and local neighborhoods. Staff has always been available and responded in a timely manner to issues that were brought up by residents. Staff work diligently to address neighborhood needs, identify resources and/or work on solutions.

Item

16. Council Support for the Revision of the County-wide Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

Comments

Bob Lagomarsino, District 4, Sacramento, CA, 95814

Position: Neutral

Comment: Why is the City footing the entire bill for all of the cities within the county, instead of a pro-rata share? As the Staff Report states, "(a)ll seven cities within the county have agreed to participate in the planning." Why have they not also agreed to participate in the funding? While the difference between the proposed contribution (\$24,500) and the would-be pro-rata share is only about \$11,000, every little bit counts. At very least, the Council should request an explanation. Thanks.

Item

18. Estimated Time: 2 hours Transmittal of Fiscal Year (FY) 2010/11 Proposed Budget Reductions and Supplemental Budget Information (Noticed on 4-23-10)

Comments

Justin Miller, District 6, Sacramento, CA, 95820

Position: Oppose

Comment: Dear Council Members, I am concerned about the proposed elimination of the Volunteer Coordinator position at the City of Sacramento Animal Care Services that you will be voting on during the budget meeting on June 10th. I respectfully ask you to oppose the proposal to eliminate the City shelter's volunteer coordinator position due to the negative impact it will have on the shelter animals, the community, and the volunteers. Please do not eliminate this vital position. Justin Miller

Terrence Johnson, terre@agelvisions.com, 3525 2nd Ave, District 5, Sacramento, CA, 95817

Position: Neutral

Comment: I oppose any increase in fees for services. I oppose any increase in BOT, TOT, Parking fees, - anything that appears to be a tax - I OPPOSE. The 450 plus business on Stockton Blvd and in the Oak Park Business Association districts are opposed to any increase of fees that will impact them. The city needs to get their business model in order before any further imposition of taxes.

Terrence Johnson, District 5, Sacramento, CA, 95817

Position: Neutral

Comment: I want to advocate for Neighborhood Services and SMAC - Arts - for continued fund of both of the essential components. Please find a way to keep these in tact as best as possible.

Scott Rose, Sacramento, CA, 95818

Position: Support

Comment: I write to express my appreciation for the services provided through the City's Neighborhood Services Department. I have been involved with the Land Park Community Association and have witnessed firsthand the tremendous value provided by the staff of the Neighborhood Services Department. They are a dedicated and tremendous source of information, resources and guidance. I, for one, sincerely appreciate the staff of the Neighborhood Services Department.

Annette Deglow, , Sacramento, CA, 95826

Position: Oppose

Comment: Fire response time is a critical issue for everyone. The College Glen Neighborhood Association requests that any reductions in fire service be equal to all areas. No station should be exempt and no station should have more reduction than another. If we must have "Brown Outs" then the City should use a rotation plan with a balanced reduction of service for all stations. College-Glen Neighborhood Association

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Louisa Vessell, District 3, Sacramento, CA, 95819

Position: Neutral

Comment: Please maintain the budgets for the Neighborhood Services Depart., Police Depart. and 311 call center. I have contacted the previous mentioned departments on several occasions and ALWAYS found them beneficial. I attended the Neighborhood Summit 2010 as a result of my doing Neighborhood Watch. It was a great opportunity to network and learn about city services. The Police Dept. needs financial support to maintain and improve the safety of Sacramento and the 311 call center is very useful.

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Vanessa Girard, District 4, Sacramento, CA, 95816

Position: Oppose

Comment: As a district administrator in the Elk Grove Unified School District, I am well acquainted with the necessity of budget cuts given the current economy. Tough decisions must be made. However, some cuts simply do not pay off, and cutting the Volunteer Coordinator from the Animal Care Services budget is one of them. Volunteers contribute an average of 4000 hours per month to the already-understaffed shelter. This constitutes a substantial gift of service to the city. While the shelter director has continuously stated that she will assume the volunteer coordination duties, I believe this is a disingenuous attempt to mitigate public relations damage. She is already overworked and cannot possibly expect to take on the approximately 50 hours per week that the current Volunteer Coordinator works. Nor can transient interns or other volunteers rightfully be expected to grow and nurture the pool of more than 200 volunteers who are currently active at the shelter. Volunteers provide more than "extras" to the animals-- they are involved in vital operations. Please reconsider this penny wise, pound foolish budget cut.

Ellen Nakata-Harper, District 3, Sacramento, CA, 95819

Position: Oppose

Comment: I urge Mayor Johnson and City Council members to vote against the proposed elimination of the Volunteer Coordinator in the Animal Care Services Division of the Dept. of General Services. With limited resources citywide, why cut a position that generates upwards of \$85,000 per month in free labor? The DGS budget can absorb the cost of this position, without its critical functions being compromised. Aside from the loss of inkind, it will mean more animals are killed at the shelter. Thank you.

Susan Heaton, Citywide, Sacramento, CA, 95819

Position: Oppose

Comment: Hello. My name is Susan Heaton. I am a volunteer at the city animal shelter. I have worked the vaccination clinic, greeted, and volunteered at special events over the last few years. I started by attending an orientation followed by various training classes which I really enjoyed. I felt that the volunteer program was very well organized and the material presented was very informative. But, my favorite thing about the volunteer program was my ability to work with and help Claudia. She is a wonderful, caring, funny, encouraging, supportive, volunteer coordinator whose concern for animals is priority one. If it weren't for Claudia I would not have continued to show up to help her and the animals. As you might imagine, volunteering at the animal shelter can be a very emotionally draining "position" due to the certain fate of many of the animals. As a person that works full time I can easily find a lot of excuses to avoid volunteering, but Claudia keeps me coming back. I have heard that Claudia's position may be cut due to the budget deficit. I sympathize with the City's position, but if the City terminates Claudia, the City will lose me as a volunteer. This is extremely difficult to say. One, because I know Claudia does not want volunteers to quit even if she is terminated and, two, I love animals. Claudia is the heart of this program, if you remove her it will die. I hope you will reconsider. Thank you for reading.
Susan

Sharon Ramsay, District 3, Sacramento, CA, 95816

Position: Neutral

Comment: Proposed Reductions will impact Seniors all over the City of Sacramento. There are many things to do seven days a week at Hart Center. Where will seniors find a place as versatile and cost efficient as Hart Center? Please reconsider budget cuts. Thank you.

Exer Toney, District 6, Sacramento, CA, 95824

Position: Oppose

Comment: The George Simms Community Center should NOT be closed based on the utilization concept. If the statistics are based on a fiscal year, George Simms Community Center has been open for LESS THAN ONE YEAR and the utilization of this facility can not be compared to other community centers that have been open for longer periods of time. The City has closed the Elmo Slider Clubhouse located at Max Baer park, which is not far from the Simms Center. People of all color and age groups use the facility

Thomas Burruss, District 8, Sacramento, CA, 95823-6207

Position: Oppose

Comment: I am extremely concerned about the reduction in youth services being proposed in the Proposed Budget Reductions. With the reduced number of police officers on the street and now a larger number of youth wandering aimlessly through the neighborhoods we are just asking for trouble. Personally I realize that it is easier to cut youth programs and activities from the budget because they are often not considered as necessary or required activities. No youth programs no world class city, reconsider.

Item

Closed Session Report

Comments

Yee Donna, Citywide, Sacramento , CA, 95831

Position: Oppose

Comment: On proposed cuts to Rec & Park facilities & staff: Meals on Wheels by ACC will operate the county Senior Nutrition program as of July 1st in order sustain the delivery of nutritious meals and information to seniors city-wide. Congregate meal sites rely on city staff and facilities that assure welcoming and safe places for seniors to gather for meals. Cutbacks being considered will jeopardize access to basic services for seniors. Please do not further cut the Park & Rec staff & facility budget.

From: <loransheley@gmail.com>
To: <clerk@cityofsacramento.org>
CC: <loransheley@gmail.com>
Date: 12:22 PM 6/10/2010
Subject: E-Comment for tonight's agenda - was not able to submit online

Hello,
I have been trying to submit a comment for the meeting tonight on the budget agenda item. When I clicked submit, there was no confirmation provided. I tried several times and was not able to get the feature to work. I know the comments close at 12:00, but I was trying before.

I am unable to attend the meeting in person, but I really want my comment added to the record. I have pasted the text of my comment below.

Thank you,

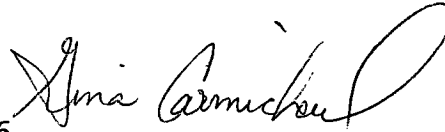
I am concerned about the proposal to cut ALL children's services in the Parks and Recreation Department. One of my children is signed up to attend the Clunie summer program. My family has already begun paying for this program. I understand the need to make permanent cuts to City services, but can some middle ground can be found at least for this summer since many people are counting on the services that were advertised? This would pull out the rug from underneath many families.

Loran Sheley
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JUNE 10, 2010

TO: The Mayor & City Council
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Sacramento, CA
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FROM: Gina D. Carmichael
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SUBJECT: REBUTTAL/SOLUTION: PRINCIPLE OF OPTIMIZATION BASIS

Dear Sir/Madam:

The information compiled from random survey and primary sources in and around Sacramento :

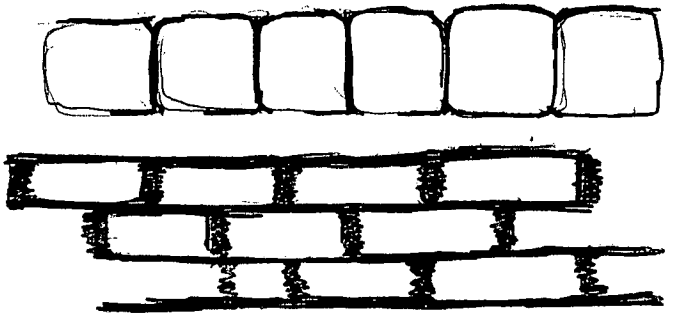
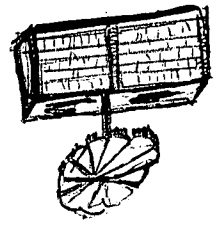
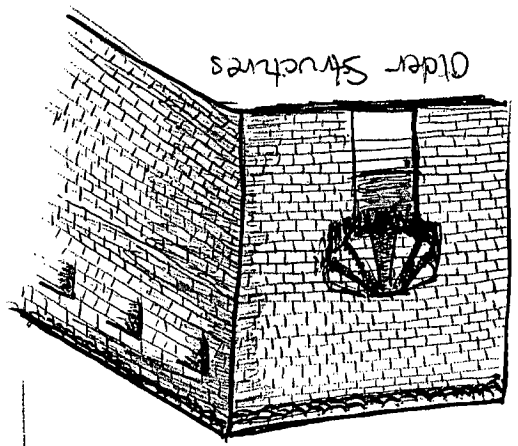
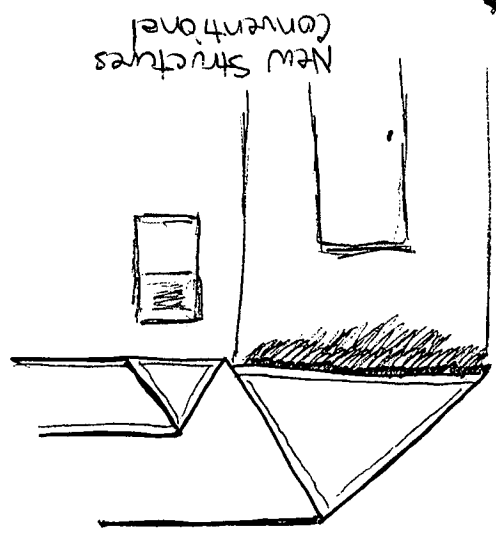
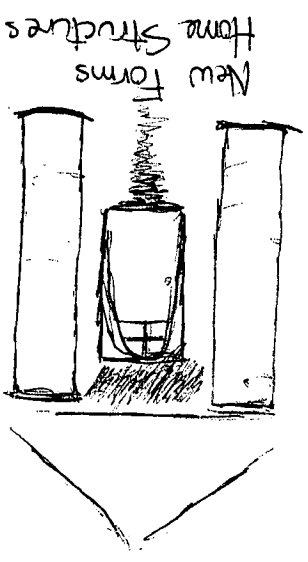
- o Currently conventional housing in Oak Park is minimal; New Helvetia and Ceavey Circle need pest control which is a result of miscommunications and poor management;
- o Structure and design of housaing architecturally has not changed for some site locations;
- o Space within dwelling is easily distorted by white walls;
- o Is not really conducive to stimulate mental growth beyond the perimeters of the home. Creating a false or ghetto fabulous notion of mobility of "gotta have it right now" syndrome;
- o The nature of/or materials used to build structures connote a feeling of intemperance, congestion;
- o The principle of optimization can be consciously altered physically by landscaping and amenities. Creating a feeling of permanence, pride and tradition;
- o Amenities have not increased with the Standard of Living Index; (Conventional Housing)
- o Vital Design Significance Causing Fractures
- o Stress is always present in a small area of a body of concentrated forces;

- o The resultant of forces to remain motionless, depends on the architectural design and the weight of each occupant;
- o The measurement of that space in terms of magnitude of stress in building systems must be balanced to bring about a happy household, free of internal forces; that is, a healthy, productive and progressive individual in society; a force called equilibrant;
- o Some of the newer homes are structured with columns upon entrance - Force moving down, and the column moving up times their distance apart, equilibrium is maintained and the shape, form and function of the beam as a support mechanism withstands moment forces, thereby creating balance;

The Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) has served the greater regions of Sacramento. Previously living at Mather Field in Rancho Cordova, currently awaiting reinstatement of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program. Based on the Abuse of Authority and non-payment of the obligation to pay the housing choice subsidy creating a debt of \$1000.00 owed to the previous apartment complex led to my ruined creditability for housing. Tactic employed through the standard form of SHRA/HUD 90 Day Notice of Termination of Tenancy. However, form was defective, myself, SHRA further negligence to honor the documents' enforcement only to be denied in all of Sacramento for housing. Vague interpretation of the Public Housing Authority Handbook. Small Claims Action 09SC02266 and the U.S. Dist Court to hear Federal question.

Problem: Institutional Attitudinal Conflicts
Solution: Revamp/Reevaluate for Quality Assurance

6/10/10



TO: RICHARD MEHIGAN, ESQ., WASATCH Premier/Wachovia
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RICHARD M. MEHIGA
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FROM: GINA D. CARMICHAEL, Former Tenant Chesapeake Commons
P.O. BOX 162053
Sacramento, CA 95816
(916)753-3895

DATE: OCTOBER 10, 2008 - DEADLINE OCTOBER 31, 2008

CASE: GINA DIANE CARMICHAEL V. SACRAMENTO HOUSING REDEV., AGENCY
CHESAPEAKE COMMONS, WASATCH, INC.

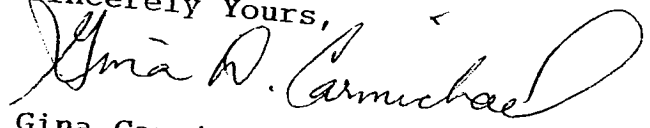
DEAR SIR/MADAM:

Attached is the claim addressing Disability Discrimination charging Protection from Retaliatory Conduct, and Abuse of Authority. [CA Civil Code §1942.5]

The action is based on CA Civil Code §52.2, pursuant to Sections 52 & 54.3 allowing a court of competent jurisdiction to hear the case.

Below are just a few violations:

1. Method of Delivery - 90 DAY NOTICE
CA Code of Civil Procedure §1162
2. Bad Faith Security Deposit
CA Civil Code §1950.5 (k)
3. Retaliatory Conduct - NOTICES
CA Civil Code §1942.5
4. Public Storage, U-HAUL Truck Rental
5. Disproportionate Injuries Incurred
6. GENERAL/TREBLE DAMAGES - \$30,000.00

Sincerely Yours,

Gina Carmichael

* Reference supplied upon request (Brief)

* Defective Proof of Service

90 DAY NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF TENANCY

TO: Gina Carmichael

and ALL TENANTS, SUBTENANTS, AND ALL OTHERS IN POSSESSION of the premises located at 3600 Data Drive #174, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that effective 90 days from the date of service on you of this notice, the periodic tenancy by which you hold possession of the premises is terminated, at which time you are required to vacate and surrender possession of the premises. If you fail to do so, legal proceedings will be instituted against you to recover possession of the premises, damages, attorney fees and costs of suit.

As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit reporting agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations.

Dated: January 17, 2006



Owner / Manager

PROOF OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, being at least 18 years of age, served this notice, of which this is a true copy to one or all of the occupants listed above as follows:

On _____, 2006, I delivered the notice to the occupant(s) personally.

On _____, 2006, I delivered the notice to a person of suitable age and discretion at the occupant's residence/business after having attempted personal service at the occupant's residence, and business if known. On _____, 2006, I mailed a second copy to the occupant at his or her residence.

On 01/17/2006, I posted the notice in a conspicuous place on the property, after having attempted personal service at the occupant's residence, and business, if known and after having been unable to find there a person of suitable age and discretion. On 01/17/2006, I mailed a second copy to the occupant at the property.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: 01/17/2006





WE ARE ALIVE BECAUSE OF VOLUNTEERS!!!