



DVP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board Meeting Minutes, Feb. 27, 2019

1. Call to Order & Introductions

a) Vice President Doug Wood called the meeting to order at 8:38am in Santa Rosa Room at Crowne Plaza Ventura Beach Hotel.

b) DVP Directors Present: Wood, David Armstrong, Yvonne Besvold, Christy Weir, Mike Merewether, David Comden, Angie Hecht, Debbie Fox and Jeff Smith. Quorum met.

Other attendees: Executive Director Kevin Clerici, Council member Cheryl Heitmann, Estelle Bussa (City of Ventura), Police Cmdr. Rick Murray, Barbara Evans (resident).

2. Approval of January Minutes:

a) Motion made by David Comden, seconded by Mike Merewether. Passed unanimously.

3. Approval of January Financials:

a) Motion made by Yvonne Besvold, seconded by Christy Weir. Passed Unanimously.

4. DVP Action Items:

a) Approved 2019 Board of Directors Ballot. Ballots to be mailed immediately, with results announced at regular March meeting. Motion made by David Comden, seconded by Mike Merewether. Passed unanimously.

b) Authorized ED to hire Craig Fechter of Fechter & Co. to produce 2018 financial review. Motion by Doug Wood, seconded by Angie Hecht.

5. Reports:

a) Cmdr. Murray reported there was little crime in last month. A rental car was taken from the parking structure, but eventually recovered. Another vehicle was taken, when a friend "loaned" it to another person. The Lantern Street Festival on Feb. 16 went smooth without any incidents.

b) Estella Bussa reported the City Manager is working to fill a handful of open Department head positions. The Amgen Tour of California cycling race returns on May 15-16. The City has started budget process. The City Council will consider in March hiring a firm to produce an economic base study, which will inform and help shape an update of the City's Economic Development Strategy. Council's ED Subcommittee is March 5.

c) Parking Advisory Committee met, and meter and structure revenues were strong in January. Proposed multistory parking structure at Palm and Santa Clara was presented before HPC, DRC and PC in last 30 days. Project architect received comments and is revising plans, which should return to DRC in April. Financing plan is near completion and will be discussed at March meeting of Parking Advisory Committee.

d) ED Clerici passed out ED Report, petition process is progressing well (50% of goal is achieved), summarized 2 community meetings for renewal/expansion process (positive response from condo owners), announced hiring of Ashley Smith as part-time office assistant, upcoming events, board elections.

Member Besvold volunteered to lead effort to discuss future of the Trolley. Requested action item in March. Member Merewether re-iterated his desire for a parking structure behind City's 505 building in conjunction with Ventura Botanical Gardens. Councilwoman Heitmann voiced support for citywide broadband effort, and Board members said to resend DVP letter in advance of Council item on citywide Capital Improvement Plan.

6. No Public Comments.

Meeting adjourned at 10:04am.

Minutes prepared by Kevin Clerici