

DVP BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

October 26, 2023, 9:00am

held in upstairs Board ballroom at Crowne Plaza Ventura Beach Hotel

Call to Order. President Erik Feingold called the meeting to order at 9:03am.

DVP Directors present: Feingold, Kelsey Jonker, Danny Quintana, Yvonne Besvold, Councilman Doug Halter and Peter Goldenring, Hutton Becker and Emily DeArkland via Zoom. Others: E.D. Kevin Clerici, Alex Reyes, Christy Weir (DVO), Cheryl Heitmann (DVO), Assistant Police Chief Rick Murray, Leona Rollins (City Housing) and Ian Elsenheimer (FCOP).

Approval of September Meeting Minutes and affirmation of cancelation of Oct. 13 Special Mtg.

Motion made by Peter Goldenring, 2nd by Kelsey Jonker. Passed unanimously.

Approval of September Financials. Treasurer Besvold provided summary of September compilation and cash forecast. Finance Committee reviewed and approved September ancillary financial documents and contracts. Motion to approve made by Doug Halter, 2nd by Emily DeArkland. Passed unanimously.

Public Comments. Leona Rollins, City Housing Manager, provided update on City's work toward housing homeless individuals, coming comprehensive plan and shared news of Ventura Housing Authority acquiring La Quinta Inn for 125+ units of permanent supportive housing.

Police report. Chief Murray shared October stats. Shared that PTF is now fully staffed with all 8 positions. Murray will now be DVP liaison, replacing Cmdr. Cain, due to some department-wide leadership changes.

Fire Alarm recess. The hotel fire alarm system was activated during the meeting, requiring all members to vacate the building. This led to people walking down the stairs until it was announced the fire alarm was a false alarm, allowing people to return to the meeting room to continue.

Action Items:

Request DVP E.D. to temporarily step down as volunteer DVO E.D. while DVO maintains MSM permit and have DVP assist DVO during this transition. Motion made by Yvonne Besvold, 2nd by Kelsey Jonker. Passed unanimously. Members Halter and DeArkland had left the meeting after the lengthy fire alarm recess, so it was a 6-0 vote.

Postponed 2024 Budget & Operations update. This item was tabled due to the fire alarm and Brown Act presentation being time sensitive. The purpose was to initiate dialogue for 2024 Budget, including expansion of DVP employment services and possible shift to Insperity.

Brown Act Training: FCOP attorney Ian Elsenheimer provided a thorough presentation and slideshow and answered questions. He covered several specific elements relevant to DVP. A copy of the slides was provided to all Board members after the meeting.

No City Report.

Staff Updates. ED Clerici provided very brief comments as meeting ran long.

Meeting adjourned at 12:03pm.

Minutes prepared by Kevin Clerici