Call to Order at 5:30 p.m.
Roll Call: Council Member McCracken, Mayor Pro Tem Felipe Martinez, Council Member Hernandez, Mayor Hamilton
Absent: Council Member Pedro Martinez

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
None

CLOSED SESSION:
A. Closed Session Pursuant to:

6:00 P.M. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION
REPORT ON ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
It was reported that no reportable action took place during Closed Session.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member McCracken
Invocation – a moment of silence was observed.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
None

SCHEDULED MATTER
1. 2008/2009 BUDGET STUDY SESSION

   City Manager Longley presented the item and provided a brief outline of the structure of the presentation that evening, advising that the Department Directors would provide an overview of their department budgets. Mr. Longley then called upon Chief Financial Officer Maria Bemis who presented a summary of the budget revenues and expenditures for the General Fund, and other major City funds, including Measure H.

   Administrative Services Manager John Lollis next presented a brief overview of the preliminary budget for Risk Management, Finance, Human Resources, City Clerk, and Measure H, which included appropriation proposals.
Parks and Leisure Services Director Jim Perri ne responded to questions posed by members of the Council relative to Measure H and elaborated on literacy programs. Mayor Hamilton requested the opportunity to speak with Mr. Perrine regarding the intent of Measure H. Mr. Perrine was directed to prepare a report for Council review and provide a tour of the library.

Finance Director Maria Bemis addressed questions from the Council regarding sales tax revenues.

City Manager Longley presented a brief report regarding the Airport budget, noting that an objective of the airport was to broaden its revenue base beyond fuel. He advised that staffing patterns and other expenses would continue at the 2007/2008 pattern.

Community Development Director Dunlap presented the budgets for Planning, Geographic Information System, Redevelopment and Community Development Block Grant. He indicated that the operational focus of the department would be continuing plans processing and development applications, as well as civic projects like the Courthouse, Fairgrounds, and the Sports Complex. He also spoke of significant planning efforts such as amendments to the General Plan, Urban Development Boundary, and Redevelopment Project Area.

Fire Chief Mario Garcia presented an overview of the proposed budget for the Fire Department. He stated that the budget was static and there had been no increases proposed for the 2008/2009 Fiscal Year. He spoke of staffing levels, an anticipated increase in service call volume, and improved response time. He then provided an update of code enforcement program activity, the planning of a new public safety building, and the completion of fire station training classroom project. Following a question posed by a Council Member, Chief Garcia spoke about disaster preparedness training.

Parks and Leisure Services Director Jim Perrine addressed the Council next, presenting the Parks & Leisure Services proposed budget. Mr. Perrine spoke of staff levels and efforts within Parks; Leisure Services; the Library; the Zalud House; the OHV Park; afterschool programs; the Community Center; the Municipal Pool and aquatic programs; the Youth Center; Measure H literacy services; the Golf Course; and Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Districts.

Following his presentation, Mayor Pro Tem Felipe Martinez suggested that the concession stand at the Municipal Pool be outsourced. The Council made inquiries regarding the OHV Park and then discussed the costs and fees associated with renting of the pool. Mayor Hamilton indicated that he would like to see the department’s revenues in more detail, and inquired about Zalud House revenues. Mr. Perrine responded that the committee charged with identifying revenue opportunities at the Zalud House has had difficulties meeting.

Police Chief Chuck McMillan presented the proposed Police Department budget to the Council. He spoke of Measure H funds, staffing levels, and department priorities such as: task forces; gang prevention and intervention; information sharing; website development; mandated training; and the volunteer program. A discussion followed regarding vehicle replacement, use of CNG vehicles, and booking fees.
Public Works Director Baldo Rodriguez spoke about the status of staffing and service levels in the department. With regard to engineering, Mr. Rodriguez commented on the addition of an Assistant City Engineer and an Assistant Engineer, and spoke of various CMAQ projects. He noted the shortage of one building inspector, but advised of the division’s intent to maintain the same level of service. He spoke of Solid Waste Funds, noting that they were expected to be above expenditures in 2008/2009; Water and Sewer Funds; and street maintenance. A brief discussion ensued regarding the revenues generated from the recycling bins (blue cans), and Field Services Manager Bryan Styles provided clarification.

Administrative Analyst Linda Clark presented the proposed budget for Transit. She spoke of the transition to Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) buses; ridership and fare box ratio statistics; and upcoming efforts to update the Short Range Transit Plan and outline proposed Route 8. Following her presentation, Mrs. Clark addressed questions from the Council regarding existing routes and issues with CNG transition. She was then directed by the Council to search for grants regarding transit passes.

City Manager Longley advised that a study session regarding capital improvement projects needed to be scheduled. The Council gave direction to have the Secretary to the City Manager contact members of the Council for the purpose of scheduling another study session.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**
None

**OTHER MATTERS**
None

**ADJOURNMENT**
The Council adjourned at 8:20 p.m. to the Council Meeting of June 3, 2008.

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Luisa Herrera, Deputy City Clerk
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Cameron Hamilton, Mayor