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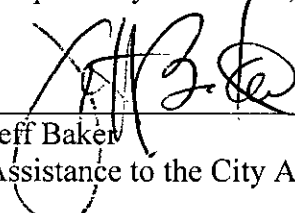
CITY OF OAKLAND
AGENDA REPORT

TO: Dan Lindheim, City Administrator
FROM: Jeff Baker, Assistant to the City Administrator
DATE: October 26, 2010

RE: **REQUEST FROM THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (VPPSOC) THAT THE OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL ADOPT A RESOLUTION THAT WOULD (1) DIRECT THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO PROVIDE THE VPPSOC GREATER ACCESS TO FINANCIAL AND PROGRAM RECORDS FROM THE CITY'S POLICE, FIRE AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCIES; AND (2) ENSURE VPPSOC'S INCLUSION IN THE BUDGET REVIEW PROCESS FOR ALL FUNDS EXPENDED FROM THE MEASURE Y (THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY ACT OF 2004) FUND BEFORE THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR SUBMITS MEASURE Y BUDGET AND PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL FOR ITS CONSIDERATION AND FINAL APPROVAL.**

The Violence Prevention and Public Safety Oversight Committee is the legislatively-mandated Committee charged to "review the annual audit, evaluate, inquire and review the administration, coordination and evaluations of the programs and make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council for any new regulations or ordinances for the administration of the [Measure Y] programs..." (Measure Y initiative, Section 3. Oversight, November 2004.) The attached report and Resolution are submitted to foster greater involvement of the Violence Prevention and Public Safety Oversight Committee (VPPSOC) in the Measure Y budget and program review and approval process.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jeff Baker
Assistance to the City Administrator

**FORWARDED TO THE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**



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Item _____
Public Safety Committee
October 26, 2010



**VIOLENCE PREVENTION &
PUBLIC SAFETY
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**
1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, City Hall
Oakland, California 94612

To: Chairperson Larry Reid
Members of the Public Safety Committee

Date: October 26, 2010

Re: **A REQUEST FROM THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (VPPSOC) THAT THE OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL ADOPT A RESOLUTION THAT WOULD (1) DIRECT THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO PROVIDE THE VPPSOC GREATER ACCESS TO FINANCIAL AND PROGRAM RECORDS FROM THE CITY'S POLICE, FIRE AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCIES; AND (2) ENSURE VPPSOC INCLUSION IN THE BUDGET REVIEW PROCESS FOR ALL FUNDS EXPENDED FROM THE MEASURE Y (THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY ACT OF 2004) FUND BEFORE THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR SUBMITS MEASURE Y BUDGET AND PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL FOR ITS CONSIDERATION AND FINAL APPROVAL.**

This report seeks approval of a resolution authorizing the City Administration to provide greater access to budget and programming records from the Oakland Police Department, Oakland Fire Department and the Department of Human Resources, and VPPSOC inclusion in the budget review process for expenditures from the Measure Y Fund. Pursuant to Measure Y (the Violence Prevention and Public Safety Act of 2004), the VPPSOC is the legislatively-mandated Committee to “review the annual audit, evaluate, inquire and review the administration, coordination and evaluations of programs and make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council for any new regulations or ordinances for the administration of the [Measure Y] programs. (See Measure Y Initiative, Section 3. Oversight, November 2004).

For the past fiscal year there has been robust discussion between the Oversight Committee, various city departments and the general public regarding timely submittal of Measure Y revenues, expenditures and programming reports. On several occasions, requested documents were not timely submitted or were difficult to decipher. In some instances, reports were simply not submitted. As a Committee, we found it increasingly difficult to perform our “oversight” obligations pursuant to the Initiative.

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Oversight Committee (VPPOC)**

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Notwithstanding Oakland Police, Fire and Human Services' receipt of funds through Measure Y, rarely were all three agencies simultaneously represented during our monthly Committee meetings. As a result, Committee inquiries regarding budget and program progress were left unanswered and often held over to the following monthly meeting.

During the last three VPPSOC meetings, City Administrator Dan Lindheim presented and agreed to assist to resolve the administrative and scheduling snafu. As a result, the attached Resolution is forwarded to the Public Safety Committee/Oakland City Council for review, consideration and approval. The proposed administrative adjustments will result in full participation of the VPPSOC in the budget and programming review process for expenditures from the Measure Y Fund. The requested administrative adjustments are two-fold:

1. Receipt of requested budget and programming reports from the Oakland Police, Fire and Human Services Agencies to ensure Oversight Committee review, input and recommendations prior to submittal to the Oakland City Council for final approval.
2. Active participation of OPD, OFD and DHS staff in VPPSOC monthly and "special" meetings to present and answer questions posed by Committee members.

We respectfully request the Public Safety Committee/Oakland City Council adopt the attached Resolution to facilitate active participation of the VPPSOC in the Measure Y budget and programming process.

Jose Dorado
Chairperson
Violence Prevention and Public Safety
Oversight Committee

Attachment

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION (1) DIRECT THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO PROVIDE THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MORE PROMPT AND RESPONSIVE ACCESS TO FINANCIAL AND PROGRAM RECORDS FROM THE CITY'S POLICE, FIRE AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCIES THAN PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED ; AND (2) REQUIRE THAT BEFORE MEASURE Y BUDGET AND PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATIONS ARE SUBMITTED TO THE OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL, SUCH BUDGET AND PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION SHALL BE SENT TO THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Oakland (the City) are committed to a community-oriented approach to violence prevention in Oakland; and

WHEREAS, preventing violence and ensuring public safety requires an integrated system of social services intervention, long-term crime-prevention program, police services and fire-safety and paramedic support; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Oakland passed the Violence Prevention and Public Safety Act of 2004 (Measure Y) that provided an estimated \$20,000,000 over a ten-year period for violence prevention programming, community policing offices and fire safety services; and

WHEREAS, the Violence Prevention and Public Safety Act specifically mandated an "Oversight Committee," charged to "...review the annual audit, evaluate, inquire and review the administration, coordination and evaluations of the programs and make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council for any new regulations or ordinances for the administration of the [Measure Y] programs..." and

WHEREAS, The Oakland City Council desires to promote government transparency, facilitate Oversight Committee participation in the budget and program recommendation process; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the City Administrator is shall provide the Violence Prevention and Public Safety Oversight Committee more prompt and responsive access to financial and program records from the City's Police, Fire and Human Services Agencies than previously provided; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, before Measure Y budget and programming recommendations or reports are submitted to the Oakland City Council for consideration and approval, such budget and programming recommendation shall be sent to the Violence Prevention and Public Safety Oversight Committee. .

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, AND PRESIDENT BRUNNER

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of
the City of Oakland, California