



**MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL AND  
RIDGECREST REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND**

**City Council Chambers  
100 West California Avenue  
Ridgecrest, California 93555**

**September 3, 2008  
5:00 p.m.**

This meeting was recorded and will be on file in the Office of the City Clerk for a certain period of time from date of approval by City Council/Redevelopment Agency. Meetings are recorded for the purpose of preparation of minutes.

**CALL TO ORDER – 5:05 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Pro Tem Steven Morgan, Vice Mayor Thomas Wiknich, and Council Members Ronald Carter and Daniel Clark

**ABSENT:** Mayor Marshall Holloway

**STAFF:** Michael Avery, City Manager; Rita Gable, City Clerk; Tess Sloan and Tyrell Staheli, Administrative Services Department; Jim McRea, Public Services Department Director, Dennis Speer, Public Works Department Director; Joe Pollock, Assistant Public Works Director; Jim Ponek, Parks, Recreation And Cultural Affairs Department Director; Ronald Strand, Chief of Police; and other personnel

Special meeting of September 2, 2008 reconvened at 5:05 p.m. on September 3, 2008

City Manager Michael Avery took suggestions and requests of Council put forth at the September 2 meeting and readjusted specific areas of the budget. A spreadsheet showing adjustments and add on items was distributed. (in Clerk's agenda packet)

Add ons totaled 680,00 - 100K more for street maintenance;50K professional services for streets; 30K median project; and 500K more for reserves; total 680K. Funding sources were spread throughout expected revenues, police, administration, public works, administrative services, and parks and recreation, totaling 760K.  
Parks and rec

**Public Comment**

Jerry Taylor

- Appreciates the clarity of this year's budget
- 197 pages is still a lot of info to wade through
- What is the total amount available for road repair – 350K

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- Appreciates having the 2M in reserve
- Apprehensive that the state may still come raid us
- What is the next major project that we should be budgeting for
- What would be the next thing funded
- Appreciates balancing the budget

Mr. Avery stated that unless he has a 3M reserve he is not eager to put things back into the budget

Council Member Morgan noted that it is built into the process that if there is increase in revenues we can go back and look at unfunded projects and maybe get that done

Council Member Wiknich asked, in the introduction to the budget, Exhibit B, fourth bullet, if that means everything over 30K comes to the council?

Mr. Avery replied no, if it is approved in the budget, e.g. the PD Tahoe, it can be purchased as approved. Will amend that section.

Council Member Wiknich would like to make sure that Council is keep apprised of major items and purchases. He also requested an organization chart depicting the entire city organization including employee count by area.

The resolution adopting the budget was presented.

**Resolution No. 08-68, A Resolution Of The Ridgcrest City Council Adopting The Budget For Fiscal Year 2008-2009, Establishing Appropriations, Estimating Revenues, And Establishing The Policies By Which The Budget May Be And Shall Be Amended**

Moved by Council Member Clark, second Council Member Carter TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 08-68, A RESOLUTION OF THE RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009, ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS, ESTIMATING REVENUES, AND ESTABLISHING THE POLICIES BY WHICH THE BUDGET MAY BE AND SHALL BE AMENDED. Carried with a voice vote of 4 ayes, 1 absent;; Mayor Holloway absent.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Morgan adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

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Rita Gable, City Clerk