

MINUTES

**IMPERIAL BEACH CITY COUNCIL
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
PLANNING COMMISSION
PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY**

FEBRUARY 10, 2009

**Dempsey Holder Safety Center, 2nd Floor
950 Ocean Lane
Imperial Beach, CA 91932**

WORKSHOP MEETING – 9:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR

MAYOR JANNEY called the Workshop meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK

Councilmembers present:	McCoy, King, McLean
Councilmembers absent:	None
Mayor present:	Janney
Mayor Pro Tem present:	Bragg

Staff present: City Manager Brown; City Attorney Lough; City Clerk Hald; Assistant City Manager Ritter; Finance Director McGrane; Community Development Director Wade; Public Works Director Levien; Public Safety Director Sotelo

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

REPORTS

A. BUDGET. (0330-05)

CITY MANAGER BROWN reviewed the factors that lead to a balanced budget over the past ten years; he reported on the budget uncertainties and challenges that the City may face in the next five years.

MAYOR JANNEY emphasized that the City of Imperial Beach does not receive revenue from the Port of San Diego, but rather receives payment for services provided to the Port for maintenance of the Port Tidelands area, public safety and lifeguard services.

B. COST SAVINGS AND REVENUE IDEAS. (0330-05)

FINANCE DIRECTOR MCGRANE gave a PowerPoint presentation; he reviewed general fund revenues noting that the sales tax per capita in I.B. is way below average at \$23.00 with the median at \$104.00 and the mean at \$296.00; half of the tax revenues have not grown and the remaining tax revenues are tied to assessed value growth; he provided a five-year forecast that

showed a budget deficit within two to three years; and he summarized revenue generating options such as a utility users tax and parcel tax.

C. ELECTION RULES AND SCHEDULES. (0430-05)

CITY ATTORNEY LOUGH distributed a revised memorandum and revised diagrams for the record.

City Council discussion ensued regarding the possibility of a utility users tax or a parcel tax; having a State of the City Address to inform and educate the community of the City's budget situation; and to identify members of the public who can help educate the community.

D. USE OF CONSULTANTS. (0430-05)

Discussion ensued regarding a second workshop where a consultant will present information on placing a measure on the ballot; in an effort to promote public participation, there was support for an evening workshop.

ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR JANNEY adjourned the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

James C. Janney, Mayor

Jacqueline M. Hald, CMC
City Clerk