

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY- -APRIL 28, 2015- -6:30 P.M.

Mayor Spencer convened the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Roll Call – Present: Councilmembers Daysog, Ezzy Ashcraft, Matarrese, Oddie and Mayor Spencer – 5.

Absent: None.

Public Comment

Kurt Peterson, Alameda, asked the Council not to rush to quick decisions with contracts; stated the City Treasurer and City Auditor indicated waiting two to three months would not make a difference; the City Treasurer should be involved.

Therese Hall, Alameda, stated that she is concerned about moving quickly; the contracts should not be part of the budget; the debt should be negotiated with Police and Fire; the rest of Alameda should have an opportunity to vet the contracts; questioned if there are legal ramifications.

Margaret Hall, Alameda, stated her greatest concern is how fast the contracts are moving; the word is not out in the community; people are interested; everyone should have a voice.

Robin Gilbert, Alameda, stated the public has not been privy to the information; just because the proposal has been put forth does not mean it is the right proposal; the contracts should be reviewed by attorneys who are specialists in pension; the City has time to involve the citizens; inquired when the matter would be voted upon as an agenda item.

The Council and staff responded the meeting would start at 5:00 p.m. tomorrow night, but the contracts would not be considered until 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session to consider:

(15-275) Conference with Labor Negotiators (54957.6); City Negotiator: John Russo; Employee Organizations: Public Safety Unions (International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), Alameda Fire Chiefs Association (AFCA). Alameda Police Officers Association (APOA) and Alameda Police Managers Association (APMA)); Issue Under Negotiation: Post Employment Benefits

Following the Closed Session, the meeting was reconvened and Mayor Spencer announced that legal advice was given to Council and no direction was given by Council.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Spencer adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lara Weisiger  
City Clerk

The agenda for this meeting was posted in accordance with the Sunshine Ordinance.