

The Benicia City Council meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Copies of Council Agendas are available in the City Clerk's office on the Friday afternoon before the Council meeting.

**MINUTES OF THE
BUDGET WORKSHOP
JUNE 2, 2003**

The Budget Workshop of the City Council of the City of Benicia was called to order by Mayor Messina at 6:40 p.m. Monday, June 2, 2003, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 250 East L Street, complete proceedings of which are recorded on tape.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members Bidou, Campbell, Smith, Whitney and Mayor Messina

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Messina let the pledge to the flag.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

Mayor Messina asked if there were any changes to the Agenda.

On motion of Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Whitney, and unanimously carried, Agenda was adopted as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS:

WRITTEN:

Mayor Messina stated that letters were received from the Audit and Finance Committee and Jackie Benson, President, Blue Dolphins.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Howard Maull, Safe Quest Solano, requested reconsideration of funding for this organization; helpful to those who are in abusive relationships or have suffered sexual assault.

Council Member Bidou expressed concerns about inconsistencies noted in the funding application presented; School District has no records of proposed programs or contacts; will not support.

2. Jackie Benson, 664 Hubbs Court, Benicia Blue Dolphins, requested preservation of ten-month pool usage; invest in children.

NEW BUSINESS:

REVIEW OF THE CITY OF BENICIA 2003-2005 BUDGET

Jim Erickson, City Manager, stated that it was the goal to adopt the budget at the June 17, 2003 Council Meeting; presented an overview and power point presentation of the proposed budget.

Mayor and Council Members made comments, asked questions and requested clarification on the presentation.

Mayor Messina called for a break at 8:40 p.m.

Mayor Messina reconvened the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

GENERAL BUDGET:

The following items were reviewed and discussed:

City Manager

Administration:

City Council - Consensus of the Council was to cut this account by \$8000.00.

City Clerk

Economic Development

Personnel

Management Information Systems

Finance

Non-Departmental

City Treasurer

Insurance

Library (Including Grants) - Consensus of the Council was to increase book funding by \$8000.00.

Community Development

(Including CDBG)

Building Inspection

Police (Including Grants)

Fire (Including Grants)

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Messina adjourned the meeting at 11:18 p.m.

Linda S. Purdy, City Clerk