SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ORANGE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS AUTHORITY CITY OF COSTA MESA

June 22, 2010

The Orange County Fairgrounds Authority met in a Special Meeting on Tuesday, June 22, 2010 at 8:15 p.m. in City Council Chamber, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor/Chair.

I. ROLL CALL:

Authority Members Present:

Chair Allan R. Mansoor

Vice Chair Wendy Leece

Authority Member Eric R. Bever Authority Member Katrina Foley Authority Member Gary Monahan

Officials Present:

Executive Director Allan Roeder

Authority Counsel Kimberly Hall Barlow Development Services Director Kim Brandt

Becky Bailey-Findley, Consultant Authority Secretary Julie Folcik

II. CLERK'S STATEMENT

The Orange County Fairgrounds Authority Special Meeting Agenda and Notice and Call were posted at the City Council Chambers, on Friday, June 18, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.

III. MEETING MINUTES - None

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments by Sandra Genis, and Kathy Halfstetter.

V. BOARD COMMENTS

Board Member Mansoor inquired on the timeline and what action needed to be taken.

Authority Counsel Barlow responded that the State requires an MOU with a grounds lease.

James Righeimer, Costa Mesa, recommended that the #1 goal is that the City not be put at risk and supported moving forward with the agreement.

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, asked questions about the MOU and naming rights, and expressed concerns about transparency.

Greg Ridge, Costa Mesa, spoke in support of more public input.

Speaker, Fairground Preservation Society, spoke in opposition of the agreement.

Robin Leffler, Costa Mesa, spoke on the MOU and transparency.

Lisa Abo, Newport Beach, Fairgrounds Historical Society, spoke on the issue.

Kathy Hafstetter, spoke in opposition to the agreement.

Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa, questioned the purpose of the JPA and spoke on public input in the MOU.

Dave Ball, spoke on the agreement and that it is a good economic deal.

Authority Counsel Barlow noted that there needs to be an annual meeting however the Authority can hold more meetings.

Motion/Second: Member Monahan/Member Foley Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION: Authority approved the Purchase and Sale Agreement for Orange County Fair and Event Center property subject to changes approved by Executive Director and Authority Attorney and completion of exhibits to agreement.

Motion/Second: Member Monahan/Member Bever

Motion Carried 4-1

Ayes: Bever, Leece, Mansoor, Monahan

Noes: Foley

ACTION: Authority approved the MOU with Facilities Management West and directed the Executive Director to sign on behalf of Authority and directed staff to prepare ground lease and operating agreement reflecting the terms of the MOU and bring forward for consideration and action

IX. NEW BUSINESS - NONE

X. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:09 a.m.

Chair of the Orange County Fairgrounds Authority

ATTEST:

Brenda Green
City Clerk of the City of Costa Mesa