

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



FROM: Supervisor John Tavaglione

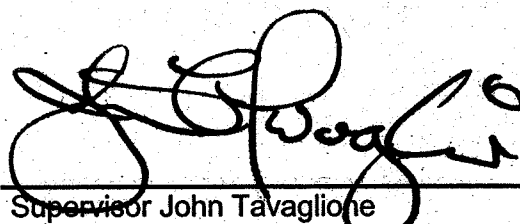
SUBMITTAL DATE:
February 9, 2010

SUBJECT: Institution of Budget Workshops

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors institute budget workshops until a public review of each and every county department is completed. I propose that the schedule for these workshops be coordinated by the Executive Office, in conjunction with the Chairman of the Board.

BACKGROUND: The county's current budget situation coupled with the state's inability to solve their own budget mess leaves our board and department heads with the daunting task of determining how to fairly and equitably deal with the loss of county revenues and continuing risk of additional state revenue grabs. Current projections of potential layoffs in the 2010/11 fiscal year range between 1,200 and 1,600 employees. Though these projections may be mitigated somewhat by early retirements, our Board is faced with the very difficult and challenging task of having to balance all of the service needs of our communities. Public safety has always been, and will continue to be our top priority. However, we must remember that the day-to-day general government needs (streets, planning, code enforcement, animal control, environmental health, public health, etc.) are also very important to those that we all serve.


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Supervisor John Tavaglione
2nd District

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Tavaglione, seconded by Supervisor Stone and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Buster, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: February 9, 2010
xc: Supvr. Tavaglione, E.O., All Depts., COB

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By 
Deputy

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The Executive Office has directed all departments to develop two budget scenarios for the coming fiscal year. One is based on a 3% cut to "public safety" and a 25% cut to "non-safety" departments. The second includes a 10% cut to both "public safety" and "non-safety" departments. While this will provide the Board with a good starting point, I do not believe that this budget cycle can be handled in an "across the board" approach and strongly urge my fellow board members to consider an in depth review of the impacts these cuts will have on each individual department. I believe these workshops will reveal significant differences between each proposal. We must use every tool available to us to soften the blow wherever possible. We owe it to our communities and to our employees to try to avoid decimating important departments and the services they provide to our communities. Our board embarked on such a path during the challenging budget years of 1995 through 1997. It helped then, and I believe it will help now.

**Riverside County Board of Supervisors
Request to Speak**

Submit request to Clerk of Board (right of podium),
Speakers are entitled to three (3) minutes, subject
Board Rules listed on the reverse side of this form.

SPEAKER'S NAME: GARRY GRANT

Address: 27068 JARVIS ST
(only if follow-up mail response requested)

City: PERRIS **Zip:** 92570

Phone #: 951-657-9319

Date: 9TH FEB 9TH **Agenda #** 3.72

PLEASE STATE YOUR POSITION BELOW:

Position on "Regular" (non-appealed) Agenda Item:

 Support **Oppose** X **Neutral**

Note: If you are here for an agenda item that is filed
for "Appeal", please state separately your position on
the appeal below:

 Support **Oppose** **Neutral**

I give my 3 minutes to: _____

BOARD RULES

Requests to Address Board on "Agenda" Items:

You may request to be heard on a published agenda item. Requests to be heard must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board before the scheduled meeting time.

Requests to Address Board on items that are "NOT" on the Agenda:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, member of the public shall have the right to address the Board during the mid-morning "Oral Communications" segment of the published agenda. Said purpose for address must pertain to issues which are under the direct jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. YOUR TIME WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

Power Point Presentations/Printed Material:

Speakers who intend to conduct a formalized Power Point presentation or provide printed material must notify the Clerk of the Board's Office by 12 noon on the Monday preceding the Tuesday Board meeting, insuring that the Clerk's Office has sufficient copies of all printed materials and at least one (1) copy of the Power Point CD. Copies of printed material given to the Clerk (by Monday noon deadline) will be provided to each Supervisor. If you have the need to use the overhead "Elmo" projector at the Board meeting, please insure your material is clear and with proper contrast, notifying the Clerk well ahead of the meeting, of your intent to use the Elmo.

Individual Speaker Limits:

Individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. Please step up to the podium when the Chairman calls your name and begin speaking immediately. Pull the microphone to your mouth so that the Board, audience, and audio recording system hear you clearly. Once you start speaking, the "green" podium light will light. The "yellow" light will come on when you have one (1) minute remaining. When you have 30 seconds remaining, the "yellow" light will begin flash, indicating you must quickly wrap up your comments. Your time is up when the "red" light flashes. The Chairman adheres to a strict three (3) minutes per speaker. **Note: If you intend to give your time to a "Group/Organized Presentation", please state so clearly at the very bottom of the reverse side of this form.**

Group/Organized Presentations:

Group/organized presentations with more than one (1) speaker will be limited to nine (9) minutes at the Chairman's discretion. The organizer of the presentation will automatically receive the first three (3) minutes, with the remaining six (6) minutes relinquished by other speakers, as requested by them on a completed "Request to Speak" form, and clearly indicated at the front bottom of the form.

Addressing the Board & Acknowledgement by Chairman:

The Chairman will determine what order the speakers will address the Board, and will call on all speakers in pairs. The first speaker should immediately step to the podium and begin addressing the Board. The second speaker should take up a position in one of the chamber aisles in order to quickly step up to the podium after the preceding speaker. This is to afford an efficient and timely Board meeting, giving all attendees the opportunity to make their case. Speakers are prohibited from making personal attacks, and/or using coarse, crude, profane or vulgar language while speaking to the Board members, staff, the general public and/or meeting participants. Such behavior, at the discretion of the Board Chairman may result in removal from the Board Chambers by Sheriff Deputies.