



RANCHO MURIETA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

(Directors John Merchant and Tim Maybee)

Regular Meeting

June 2, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

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AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Comments from the Public**
3. **Update Proposed Budget**
4. **Discuss Murieta Marketplace Fees Resolution**
5. **Discuss RMCC & Rancho Murieta Properties, LLC, Special Tax Appeal**
6. **Directors and Staff Comments/Suggestions**
7. **Adjournment**

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MEMORANDUM

Date: May 29, 2020
To: Finance Committee
From: Cindy Chao, Controller
Subject: Proposed Budget Updates

BACKGROUND

Since we presented the Prop-218 budget on March 26, 2020, the District has received twenty six (26) letters objecting the rate increase. Considering the economic concerns from the ratepayers and the unexpected impact of COVID-19 pandemic on local economy, the District staff has prepared a revised budget that lessens the burden on the residents and businesses of Rancho Murieta, proposing a net total of \$165,764 in cuts and re-directed expenses . Most of the proposed non-essential budget items were either eliminated, deferred or moved to reserve-based accounts. To accomplish some of the reductions, contributions to the Drainage and Security reserves have been eliminated for FY 2020-21. Future reserve contributions from property tax will be evaluated as part of the reserve study in FY 2020-21.

This revision will result in an overall rate increase of less than 1% for all the residents of Rancho Murieta. The District staff proposed the approval of the revised budget for the first reading at the Board meeting on May 20, 2020.

DISCUSSION

At the May 20 Board meeting, resident Diana Weber asked for clarification on the dates of budget approval. She mentioned that AGENDA ITEM 22 "CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2020-03 APPROVING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-21, INCLUDING CAPITAL PROJECTS" implies the budget will be approved at the May 20 Boarding meeting but the memo presented states that it will be adopted at the June Board meeting.

- The District staff clarified that this is the first reading of the Resolution and will further follow up with Ms. Weber.

Ms. Weber also mentioned that this is the first time that pension cost is on the budget as a line item.

- Staff noted that pension cost has been on the budget as a line item in prior years.

Ms. Weber also commented on the deficit of the Security Budget saying it costs the community more to fund the Security Department than the Security tax brings in. Resident Richard Gehrs commented that he disagrees with the practice of using property tax to fund Security. General Manger, Tom Hennig has followed up with Ms. Weber.

- The District staff noted that the practice started in FY 2015-16. Board members assured the residents that this is being reviewed and will be resolved.

Board member Vice President Jenco pointed out that taking money from reserves to make up the loss of revenue due to the reduction of the budget contradicts one of the highest Board goals – funding the reserves.

- This topic will be further discussed and future reserve contributions from property tax will be evaluated as part of the reserve study in FY 2020-21.