

## Weekly Management Report June 19, 2015

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The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry, no matter how small, should be recorded to ensure the integrity of the financial statements. This includes not only sales and purchases but also expenses and income. The document also highlights the need for regular reconciliation of bank statements and the company's records to identify any discrepancies early on.

In addition, the document provides a detailed breakdown of the accounting cycle, from identifying the accounting entity to preparing financial statements. It explains how each step contributes to the overall accuracy and reliability of the financial data. The document also includes a section on the importance of internal controls, which are designed to prevent errors and fraud within the organization.

The second part of the document focuses on the practical application of these principles. It provides a series of examples and exercises that illustrate how to record and classify transactions in the general ledger. These examples cover a wide range of business activities, from the purchase of inventory to the sale of finished goods. The document also includes a section on the preparation of the trial balance, which is a key step in the accounting process used to verify the accuracy of the ledger accounts.

Finally, the document concludes with a summary of the key points discussed and a reminder of the importance of consistency and accuracy in all accounting work. It encourages the reader to apply these principles in their own work and to seek professional advice if they are unsure about any aspect of the process.



# Memorandum

**Date:** June 17, 2015

**To:** Mark Scott, City Manager

**From:** Judie Wilke, Parks and Recreation Director *Judie Wilke*  
Ron Davis, General Manager, Burbank Water and Power *RD*

**Subject:** **CITY MANAGER TRACKING LIST NO. 1772 – EXPLORE COORDINATING WATERING TIME SCHEDULES AT CITY FACILITIES TO COMPLY WITH STAGE III DROUGHT RESTRICTIONS**

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At the May 14, 2015 Public Hearing regarding Stage III Drought Restrictions, concern was raised regarding watering schedules at City facilities/property. This memo is intended to address those concerns, and explain how staff is addressing watering at City facilities/property.

Many of the City's facilities/property use recycled water. At this point, staff has not altered the recycled watering schedule to be in compliance with the Stage III Drought Restrictions because recycled water is exempt. Furthermore, if recycled watering is reduced it can do damage to the landscape, trees and fields because of the higher salt content that is found in recycled water. Regular watering is necessary to keep the salts adequately flushed. Burbank Water and Power created signs that have been placed at all areas throughout the City where recycled water is used to educate the public that those areas are drought proof.

All City facilities/property on potable water have been changed to twice a week watering in compliance with the restrictions. In addition, the contractor that oversees the landscape medians and other landscaped parcels such as the Chandler Bikeway has been directed to comply with the watering restrictions. Unless there is a malfunction or vandalism, which unfortunately happens quite frequently, those contracted areas are in compliance.

In addition, the amount of time that the sprinklers are running at some of the parks is longer than the restrictions allow because large irrigation systems (rotor heads) require longer run times in order to put down the same amount of water as allowed. For example, standard spray heads put down water at a rate of about two inches of water per hour, whereas large turf rotor heads put down water at the rate of about a half-inch per hour. Thus, while a spray head will put down a half inch of water in 15 minutes, a rotor head will put down an 1/8 of an inch of water in that same period of time.

It should be noted that there are legitimate reasons for watering certain areas during the day. We absolutely must wet the infields every single day they are used in order to keep them safe for play and minimize the potential for injuries. Also, in some of our larger parks such as McCambridge because of shortened watering times the entire park is not adequately irrigated and is watered at other times during the day. Lastly, when the maintenance crews are looking for leaks, breaks, heads out of adjustment etc., the irrigation system has to be run.

Staff is doing everything possible to be in compliance with the Stage III Drought Restrictions. Unless otherwise directed, staff will continue to operate as described above.





# memorandum

**DATE:** June 10, 2015

**TO:** Mark Scott, City Manager

**FROM:** Joy R. Forbes, Community Development Director 

**SUBJECT:** Downtown Burbank Partnership Meeting - June 4, 2015

- Staff announced that they would be meeting with the Venue Manager from Downtown Santa Monica next week to discuss best practices for the Street Performer Ordinance as it relates to the City of Burbank and Downtown Burbank.
- Staff announced that the 2014 Downtown Burbank Annual Report will be presented to City Council on June 9, 2015 for approval.
- Staff updated the Board on the upcoming Car Classic event set to take place Saturday, August 1, 2015. To remain competitive with local area car shows and help offset the increase in costs of event rentals, insurance and police services, the registration fee for the event increased from \$30 to \$45 for early registration and \$45 to \$60 for VIP registration which includes the preview night at Bob's Big Boy.
- Website and social media analytics were presented to the Board, noting that while website traffic to [www.DTNBUR.com](http://www.DTNBUR.com) continues to grow, Downtown's Facebook traffic has plateaued. To combat this trend, staff will look into boosting Downtown's social media presence through targeted advertising and marketing via Facebook for upcoming events such as the Car Classic.
- Staff updated the Board that the MUD Paseo Enhancement Project is set to go out to bid on Monday, June 8, 2015 with an estimated project completion by August 1, 2015. After the Board meeting, staff was informed that the plans and bid specifications need additional revisions prior to the start of the bid process, which will cause a delay. At this time, staff does not have an estimated project completion date.
- As part of the ongoing efforts of the Partnership to increase aesthetics and maintenance in Downtown, staff presented two proposals to the Board. The first proposal for \$5,300 includes washing and painting all six pergolas (trellises) above each paseo using rust preventative coating. The second proposal for \$34,850 replaces six cement trash bins and 16 cement benches throughout the district with updated metal pieces to mirror Downtown's current design. Both maintenance proposals were accepted unanimously by the Board.



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**SUSTAINABLE BURBANK COMMISSION**  
**June 15, 2015**

**SYNOPSIS OF ITEMS ARE IN BOXES BELOW**

**I. GREEN SPOTLIGHT AWARD:**

The June Green Spotlight Award Presentation was postponed.

**II. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

A. Public Communication: None

B. Commission Member Communication:

Ms. Springer informed the group that she is the new Burbank Water and Power (BWP) liaison for the Commission. Ms. Springer reported that the \$125k Community Garden project funding, supported by the Commission, was approved by the City Council. The funds will be available on July 1, 2015.

Mr. Newhoff stated that he received the BWP water usage report in the mail and reported that in northern California solar energy is being used to desalinate water.

Mr. Roesner provided a brief overview of the Green Spotlight Award and the Community Garden project and apprised the newly appointed Commissioners of the group's recent activities.

Ms. Rosero stated that she has grant writing experience and offered to help Park and Recreation staff locate grants for the Community Garden project.

Mr. Yegparian reported that the Park & Recreation Board is considering the possibility of constructing a youth camp ground above the Stough Park Nature Center.

Ms. Gabel-Luddy stated that a representative from Nickelodeon inquired about contributing coffee grounds for composting. Mr. Hampel suggested on-site composting and will contact the Nickelodeon representative.

C. Staff Communication:

Mary Riley, Senior Assistant City Attorney, reported that Huntington Beach repealed their plastic bag ban ordinance because of the referendum and were sued by several environmental groups for allegedly not completing the appropriate CEQA documents. Ms. Riley also reported that the U.S. Supreme Court refused to consider the proposed Alameda County pharmaceutical ordinance.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Newhoff moved and Mr. Smith seconded, to approve the April 20, 2015, minutes. The motion was not approved. Vote: 3 in favor; Mr. Newhoff, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Roesner. 5 abstentions; Ms. Hadian, Mr. Hagobian, Mr. Kallibjian, Ms. Rosero, and Mr. Yegparian.

**IV. INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMISSIONERS:**

On May 12, 2015, the City Council appointed four new Commissioners (Diana Rosero, Berge Kallibjian, Armen Hagobian, and Nazafarin Hadian). The new Commissioners will be asked to introduce themselves; the Commission may ask questions and engage in a brief discussion.

The newly appointed Commissioners, Ms. Rosero, Mr. Kallibjian, Mr. Hagobian, and Ms. Hadian, introduced themselves and gave a brief summary of their background, education, current status, goals, and interests. The group welcomed the new Commissioners.

**V. ELECTION OF A NEW COMMISSION VICE CHAIR:**

The former Commission Vice Chair's term expired on May 31, 2015. The Commissioners will nominate and elect a new Vice Chair to serve for the remainder of 2015.

By unanimous vote, Diana Rosero was elected Vice Chairperson.

**VI. OVERVIEW OF ASSEMBLY BILL 1826 (AB-1826) SOLID WASTE: ORGANIC WASTE:**

Staff from the Recycle Center will provide a brief history of Burbank's approach to organic waste diversion and an overview of AB-1826. This bill, which was approved by the Governor on September 28, 2014, requires the State's commercial sector, including restaurants, supermarkets, large venues and food processors, to separate food scraps and yard trimmings and arrange for organics recycling service. The Commission may ask questions and provide feedback to staff.

Kreigh Hampel, Recycling Coordinator, Public Works, gave a brief history on Burbank's organic waste diversion and provided an overview of AB-1826. AB-1826, approved last fall, follows a tiered approach. It requires businesses that generate a specified amount of organic waste per week to arrange for recycling services for that organic waste in a specified manner. The bill decreases the amount of organic waste under which a business is subject to those requirements from 8 cubic yards or more to 4 cubic yards or more on January 1, 2017. The bill will also require a business that generates 4 cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste per week, on and after January 1, 2019, to arrange for organic waste recycling services and will decrease that amount to 2 cubic yards, on or after January 1, 2020.

The bill also authorizes local governmental agencies to charge and collect a fee from an organic waste generator to recover the local governmental agency's costs incurred in complying with this act.

The Commissioners engaged in discussion and asked questions of staff.

**VII. AD HOC MASSACHUSETTS PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT:**

At its October 20, 2014, meeting, the Commission agreed to form the ad hoc Massachusetts Plan Subcommittee to discuss drafting a conceptual plan for a retiree employment program in Burbank, similar to the plan in Massachusetts, where businesses hire retirees with technical backgrounds. The ad hoc subcommittee will provide the Commission with an update on the group's progress for discussion and Commission direction.

Mr. Newhoff provided a brief overview of the Massachusetts Plan. There were no new items to report.

**VIII. AD HOC MOBILITY SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT:**

At its September 16, 2013, meeting, the Commission agreed to form an ad hoc subcommittee to discuss bicycle issues, public transit, and transportation items as they relate to sustainability in the Burbank community. The ad hoc subcommittee will provide the Commission with an update on the group's focus and progress for discussion and Commission direction.

There were no items to report.

**IX. AD HOC HEALTHY URBAN DESIGN SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT:**

At its October 21, 2013, meeting, the Commission agreed to disband the ad hoc Healthy Living Subcommittee and the ad hoc Urban Design Subcommittee and form the ad hoc Healthy Urban Design Subcommittee to discuss sustainability efforts for urban design and healthy living in the Burbank community. The ad hoc subcommittee will provide the Commission with an update on the group's progress for discussion and Commission direction.

Mr. Smith provided a brief overview of the Subcommittee's history. There were no new items to report.

**X. INTRODUCTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:**

At the May 14, 2009, Sustainable Burbank Task Force (now the Sustainable Burbank Commission) meeting, those present voted unanimously that members can suggest agenda items and obtain consensus from the group to have the items added to a future agenda.

The Commissioners agreed to add the following items to a future agenda:

- Community Garden update
- Brown Act overview
- Brief overview of the Commission's history, purpose, and goals
- Discuss a later meeting start time
- Recycled Water Master Plan presentation by BWP
- Presentation by the Community Development Department's Planning Division on applicable design standards that promote walkability and reflection on exceptional projects (continued from the March 16, 2015, meeting)
- Discuss community outreach
- Update on proposed Alameda County pharmaceutical ordinance

**XI. BURBANK GREEN SPOTLIGHT AWARD FOR JULY 2015:**

The Commission will select one of its members to identify a Burbank Green Spotlight Award winner for July 2015.

At the April 20, 2015, meeting, Mr. Mendelsohn volunteered to choose a recipient for the July 2015 Green Spotlight.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.



**CITY OF BURBANK  
PARKS AND RECREATION  
ANNOTATED AGENDA/MEETING SUMMARY**

**Meeting:** Parks and Recreation Board

**Date:** Thursday, June 11, 2015

**Staff Present:** Marisa Garcia, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director, Kristen Smith, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation; Paula Ohan, Administrative Analyst I; Melissa Colasanto, Senior Clerk; Kristin Buhagiar, Recreation Services Manager; Paul Paolone, Recreation Coordinator

**Board Members Present:** Mr. Gussow, Mr. DePalo, Dr. Barta, and Ms. Jackson

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Council/Board Liaisons Present:** Jess Talamantes, Vice Mayor

Item Discussed	Summary	Direction or Action, if any
1 Announcements	<p>Marisa Garcia announced that staff met with Los Angeles County consultant to speak about a country wide assessment that the City will be participating in. This assessment will be to determine the needs for parks and recreation in both city and unincorporated areas. The goal of the assessment is to engage all communities in the County in a collaborative process to gather data and input for future decision making on parks and recreation.</p> <p>Kristen Smith made the following announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teen Pool Party at the Verdugo Aquatic Facility on June 13<sup>th</sup> from 7pm-10pm</li> <li>• Skateboarding Day at Valley Skate Park on June 21<sup>st</sup> from 5pm-9pm</li> <li>• Native American Day at the Stough Canyon Nature Day on June 28<sup>th</sup> from 12:00pm-3:00pm</li> <li>• City of Burbank 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Dodger Night on August 14th. Tickets can be purchased at the Sports Office until July 13<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>	N/A
2 Presentations	The Board recognized the Burbank Neighborhood Leadership Program's Class of 2015.	N/A
3 Oral Communications	Appearing to oral communications were: Greg Sousa, Jess Talamantes, and Jack Ban.	N/A

**CITY OF BURBANK  
PARKS AND RECREATION  
ANNOTATED AGENDA/MEETING SUMMARY**

4	Response To Oral Communications	Ms. Jackson thanked Mr. Talamantes for his warm welcoming.	N/A
5	Written Communications	None	N/A
6	Park Board Comments	None	N/A
7	Election of Officers	Board engaged in a discussion resulting in the Election of Officers for the position of Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary.  4-0 Board approved to elect Mr. DePalo as Chair.  4-0 Board approved to elect Dr. Barta as Vice Chair.  4-0 Board approved to elect Ms. Jackson as Secretary.	
8	Community Sports Foundation Roller Hockey Rink Annual Report	Marisa Garcia provided the Board with an annual report for Community Sports Foundation for the daily operation and management of the Roller Hockey Rink at Ralph Foy Park.  Board members discussed and raised questions.	Noted and filed.
9	Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget Update	Marisa Garcia provided the Board with the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget. She announced that on June 2, 2015 the City Council adopted a balanced budget for the upcoming fiscal year.  She reviewed the position requests, materials, supplies and services, capital outlay requests, and capital improvement projects for the FY 2015-2016 budget.  Board members discussed and raised questions.	Noted and filed.
10	Consent Calendar	<u>Approval of Minutes</u> Minutes of the May 14, 2015 minutes were approved.  <u>City Council Agenda Items Update</u> Noted and Filed.	4-0 Board approved the consent calendar.

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		<p><u>Contract Compliance</u> Noted and Filed.</p> <p><u>Park Patrol Report</u> Noted and Filed.</p> <p><u>Departmental Operations Update</u> Noted and Filed.</p>	
11	Tabled Items	None	N/A
12	Second Period of Oral Communications	None	N/A
13	Additional Comments from the Board	<p>Dr. Barta and Mr. DePalo welcomed Ms. Jackson.</p> <p>Ms. Jackson requested staff to research the standard cost for maintaining facilities.</p> <p>Mr. DePalo thanked staff and community for the Memorial Day Ceremony.</p>	N/A
14	Introductions of New Agenda Items	None	N/A
15	Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 7:36pm.	N/A

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The second part of the document focuses on the analysis of the recorded data. It describes various methods for identifying trends and anomalies in the financial records. This includes comparing current performance with historical data and industry benchmarks. The document also discusses the importance of regular audits to verify the accuracy of the records and to detect any potential fraud or errors. It provides a step-by-step guide for conducting these audits, from the selection of samples to the final reporting of findings.

The final part of the document addresses the reporting and communication of the financial information. It explains how to prepare clear and concise reports that provide a comprehensive overview of the company's financial health. It also discusses the importance of transparency and how to effectively communicate the results of the financial analysis to stakeholders, including management, investors, and regulatory bodies. The document concludes with a summary of the key points and a call to action for continuous improvement in financial record-keeping.

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**Meeting:** Burbank Cultural Arts Commission

**Date:** June 11, 2015

**Members Present:** Edward Clift, Edward Arno, Lynda Willner, Barbara Beckley, Cynthia Pease, Mary Elizabeth Michaels, Jeff Rector

**Members Absent:** Brian Miller, Peggy Flynn

**Staff Present:** Kris Smith, Kristin Buhagiar, Caroline Arrechea

**Liaisons Present**

Item Discussed	Summary	Direction or Action, if any
1 Alberto Revilla Art Showcase	The Commission briefly discussed a request to showcase artist Alberto Revilla's work. The Commission has received similar requests in the past and discussed potential ways to handle them. They agreed to further discuss the showcasing of individual artists at an upcoming meeting and would like to generally support Mr. Revilla's family's request.	None
2 Meeting Schedule- Going Dark in July/August	The members discussed the option of going dark in July and August but agreed to continue with their regular meetings during those months.	None
3. Budget	The members discussed the need to identify specific funding requirements for their respective subcommittee projects. They agreed to finalize budget numbers and submit them to the COMMISSION ADMINISTRATION/DEVELOPMENT subcommittee (Goal #5) so that they could coordinate the requests and present them to the entire Commission for discussion.	None
4. Upcoming Meeting locations	It is the Commission's desire to continue to meet at different locations on a monthly basis. The members will assist in identifying and securing locations that are open to the public for their monthly meetings.	None
5. Art in Public Places Update	The Art in Public Places Committee is continuing discussions on options for the sculpture garden project.	None

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<p>5. 2015 Burbank Cultural Arts Commission Goals Taskforces</p>	<p>The Cultural Arts Commission has established 5 goals to be accomplished over the next year:          Goal 1: Communication          Goal 2: Burbank Arts Beautification          Goal 3: Community Outreach          Goal 4: Support Artists and Arts Organizations          Goal 5: Commission Administration/Development</p>	<p>Goal 1: The website has been updated. Staff will update the website with the new member's (Jeff Rector) bio and photo.          Goal 2: The draft brochure was distributed and will be finalized after the meeting. The Committee has secured Muralist Kent Twitchell to be part of the artist selection committee for the electrical box project.          Goal 3: The Committee is continuing to work on outreach within the community.          Goal 4: The Committee has been discussing proposals for a convening event to be held at the end of September. Possible topics were discussed and several venues were interested in hosting this event. The Committee is also working on having open house events at local theatres and galleries. The Committee is also working with Burbank Music Academy for a free concert event on June 21 as part of the Make Music LA program.          Goal 5: All Committees were asked to finalize budget numbers and submit them to this committee.</p>
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**Meeting:** *Art in Public Places*

**Date:** **6-10-15**

**Members Present:** Karen Bradfield, Robert Brody, Gordon Haines, Kimberly Jo, and Dink O'Neal

**Members Absent:** Carole Kubasak

**Staff Present:** Marisa Garcia, Paula Ohan

**Council/Board Liaisons Present:** *Planning Board Liaison/Member Kimberly Jo*

Item Discussed	Summary	Direction or Action, if any
1 PUBLIC ART GARDEN	MEMBERS CONTINUED TO DISCUSS THE PUBLIC ART GARDEN PROJECT AT LINCOLN PARK. MEMBERS PROVIDED VALUABLE FEEDBACK AND SUGGESTIONS TO THE 4 <sup>TH</sup> DRAFT DOCUMENT OF THE RFQ AND FINALIZED THE DRAFT AS AMENDED.	STAFF WILL WORK WITH THE COMMITTEE TO SCHEDULE A MEETING DATE TO PRESENT THE PUBLIC ART PROPOSAL BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL.

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In addition, the document provides a detailed breakdown of the accounting cycle, which consists of eight steps: identifying the accounting cycle, journalizing, posting, determining debits and credits, preparing a trial balance, adjusting entries, preparing financial statements, and closing the books. Each step is explained in detail, with examples provided to illustrate the process.

The document also covers the preparation of financial statements, including the balance sheet, income statement, and statement of cash flows. It explains how these statements are derived from the accounting records and how they provide a comprehensive view of the company's financial performance.

Finally, the document discusses the importance of internal controls and the role of the auditor. It explains how internal controls help to prevent and detect errors and fraud, and how the auditor's role is to provide an independent opinion on the accuracy of the financial statements.

## **May 20, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Burbank Police Commission was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 275 East Olive Avenue, on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 1810 hours by Commission Chair, William Pletcher.

### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Cohen, Pletcher, Rubinfeld, Stearns-Niesen, and Vest

Also Present: Chief LaChasse, Deputy Chief Angel, Captains Albanese, Caruso, and Cremins, Police Administrator Wilson, Sergeant Fatta, Senior Assistant City Attorney Oh, and Executive Assistant Nakamura

### **INVOCATION AND FLAG SALUTE**

The invocation was led by Commissioner Stearns-Niesen and the flag salute by Commissioner Vest.

### **COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTING OUT BY COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEES**

Commissioner Pletcher and the rest of the Commissioners thanked Commissioners Rubinfeld and Warmack for their service on the Commission as their terms of service expire.

Commissioner Pletcher attended Police/Fire Service Day on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Hergelian attended the Matthew Pavelka Scholarship presentation at the City Council meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup>, and the Armenian Youth Foundation Junior Burbank Chapter on May 15<sup>th</sup> for a panel discussion on bullying where Officer Dugas of the BPD was a panelist.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Appearing to speak before the Commission was Mike Nolan who commented on walkers/runners in the bike lanes in Hollywood Way, the availability of a report as listed on the agenda, and productivity of Parking Control Officers.

### **RESPONSE TO ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Sergeant Fatta cited vehicle code section 21208 which allows bikes to move from a bicycle lane to overtake other bikes, moving vehicles, and pedestrians within the lane.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM APRIL 15, 2015**

Commissioner Stearns-Niesen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pletcher, to approve the minutes from the April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, with an amendment as noted. Motion carried by Commissioners Cohen, Pletcher, Rubinfeld, Stearns-Niesen, with abstentions by Commissioners Hergelian and Vest.

### **ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

#### **1. Grading of progress on critical strategies of the Strategic Plan**

Commissioner Stearns-Niesen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cohen, to grade the

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reports on site surveys and management and accountability of critical files as Satisfactory (with a follow up in site surveys in six months). Motion carried by Commissioners Cohen, Pletcher, Rubinfeld, Stearns-Niesen, with abstentions by Commissioners Hergelian and Vest.

**2. Presentation and discussion of critical strategies of the Strategic Plan**

Evidence storage/inventory - Captain Caruso stated that an average of 1100 items of property is received each month. Evidence personnel work with Investigation staff to close out files and determine the dispo of the items held in evidence. For comparison purposes, there was a deficit of 1,607 pieces of property in the last six months, and in the last 12 months, there was a deficit of 2,594 items

Chain of custody – Items that are evaluated at the Crime Lab are primarily from DUI crimes, such as bodily fluids. The LA County Sheriff's Department evidence courier picks up items to go to the Lab. Items are barcoded by the BPD and an inventory list is generated; receipt of items is verified by the courier.

Maintaining proper chain of custody when an item is collected at a crime scene includes documentation as to who found it, where it was found, then how it was secured, transported, and stored at the station.

To maintain best practices, all evidence/property personnel have received training, the operational manual updated, and there is constant evaluation of procedures and equipment .

**3. Report and discussion on the costs associated with CALEA accreditation**

Deputy Chief Angel stated the primary personnel involved in the accreditation efforts included a Captain, Lieutenant, Sergeant and other support staff. Policies and procedures were developed, forms created, training conducted, and comprehensive data collected and analyzed as part of the process.

A lot of man-hours were dedicated to the process. In addition to on-duty staffing time, overtime costs were tracked through a special event code and was calculated at \$42,000 for 2014.

The Department is moving forward with reaccreditation efforts. This effort will not be as labor intensive, however, it will still require a long-term commitment.

The benefit of being CALEA accredited is that the process holds the Department accountable to the policies and procedures it has set forth. The Department-enhanced Lexipol policies sets forth operational standards; CALEA requires proof of practice. The financial benefit in the long term is to avoid costs in risk management scenarios for bad practices, bad tactics, etc.

**4. Discussion and vote on requiring each year's NACOLE conference attendees to report back to the Commission and the Council with a debrief on the conference and to continue networking with NACOLE attendees and report out on interactions during monthly Commission/subcommittee comments**

By consensus, Commissioners agreed that NACOLE attendees will report back to the Commission and Council on the highlights of the conference, and will also continue networking with colleagues met as a result of the conference, with periodic reports back to the Commission.

## **5. Briefings by the Police Administrative Staff**

Police Administrator Wilson stated the 2015-2016 budget was brought before the City Council last night. Due to the duration of that meeting, the discussion papers were not presented and will be postponed to a future Council meeting. Budget adoption will occur on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

In July, Commissioners should select the delegates who will attend this year's NACOLE conference to be held October 4-8.

Captain Albanese provided an update on the research into body worn cameras. The Department is looking at a number of products, with particular interest in a product by TASER. There are four considerations being evaluated: costs, storage, data management (requests for information by outside entities for Internal Affairs, discovery and public records requests, etc.), and policy. In the near future, the TASER product will migrate to an integrated in-car/body worn camera system, alleviating the need for two separate systems. There is a grant opportunity the City can pursue through the US DOJ for one-time funding - however, there is a requirement that the agency will sustain the system.

Memos have been submitted to the City Manager on our research, and a memo to the City Council for their approval to proceed with the grant.

(Commissioner Rubinfeld left the meeting at 2000 hours)

Chief LaChasse announced:

- 6/4 Academy graduation
- Thanked Commissioners Rubinfeld and Warmack for their service on the Commission
- LA County Chiefs of Police Association funding a study on AB109 and Prop 47 impact on crime rate.
- Announced the upcoming departure of Deputy Chief Angel and his return to the LA County Sheriff's Department at the end of June

Commissioner Pletcher requested that the research on AB109 and Prop 47 be shared with the Commissioners.

## **FINAL PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Appearing to speak before the Commission was Mike Nolan who commented on the costs of CALEA and productivity of Parking Control Officers for the last five years.

## **RESPONSE TO ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None

## **COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS**

Council Member Gordon acknowledged the service of Deputy Chief Angel; commented on reporting out on NACOLE attendance; requested the results of the research on AB109 and Prop 47; inquired and was advised that PUMA recordings can be reviewed by officers prior to testifying.

Mayor Frutos signed letters to state legislators - one which does not support the decision to determine how each law enforcement agency will arm itself with regard to military surplus; the other stated the City is not supportive of a part of Prop 47, where the theft of a gun which is valued under \$900 will be designated as a misdemeanor.

**INTRODUCTION OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

None

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Police Commission is Wednesday, May 20, 2015.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 2017 hours.

Amy Dineen, Secretary  
Burbank Police Commission

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