

**CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO – REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
In Support/Opposition**

**From:** Wendy J. McCammack

**M/CC Meeting Date:** 09/17/2012

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**Dept:** Council Office

**Ward(s):** All

**Subject:**

Nine Point Adjustment Plan to the Pre-Pendency Plan

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**Financial Impact:**

None

**Motion:**

Clarify and Amend the Previously Approved 9-Point Adjustment Plan to the Pre-Pendency Plan.

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**Synopsis of Previous Council Action:**

**9B. City Manager**

**RES. 2012-236** - Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the City of San Bernardino Adopting the Pre-Pendency Budget Plan. (At Meeting of August 29, 2012, Item Continued to September 4, 2012.) [Ward(s): All]

**Approved**

**Motion**

**9/4/2012: Continue the matter to September 5, 2012 at 3:00 p.m.**

**Approved**

**Motion**

**9/5/2012:** Approve the pre-pendency plan, as amended, replacing the Fire Department's proposed budget with the alternate budget presented at the August 29, 2012 Council meeting, with the exception of the elimination of the P1 position mentioned therein and eliminating the closing of Station 11; include the nine points as presented at the September 5, 2012 Council meeting; come back in two weeks with an updated plan for the Fire Department budget; and direct the City Manager, working with the City Attorney's Office, to issue an RFP for leasing public/private partnership opportunities for the entire refuse operation, with the RFP to include: bifurcating the City, managed competition, purchasing all solid waste equipment, employment offers to all employees, state-of-the-art waste processing facility, and consideration of one or more haulers. The City Attorney and City Manager should work together with a consultant to determine how to begin this detailed opportunity for the City and provide a status report to the Council in two weeks regarding the RFP.

**Background:**

**Supporting Documents:**

PPP\_clarify and amend\_agenda item\_91712 (PDF)

1. Parking Control Officers - Do not cut, but create proper training and benchmarks as to how, where and when to properly ticket vehicles, including doing the vehicle abatement duties. Each officer has the ability during regularly scheduled hours to cover their own salary, plus some. These are extra ears and eyes on the streets which is beneficial. While creating cash flow, they have the ability to report other critical public safety and compliance issues. Net positive annual revenue potential per officer of approximately \$50,000.
2. Do NOT close The Veteran's Community Center at Speicher Park for at least six months. Leave it open for now as new grant funding is in the works and Mr. Hawkins has stated there is current DOJ grant funding could possibly be reprogrammed and can sustain the center for another 6-8 months. No net cost for at least 6 months. Cost is approximately \$40,000 per 6 months.
3. Do NOT close Rowe and Villasenor Library branches for at least six months. Leave them open for now and reconsider closure in six months. Approximately \$100,000 in revenue necessary for this which can be achieved through additional net parking enforcement revenue.
4. Do NOT layoff, cut or leave vacant any Civil Service protected code enforcement officer positions. The savings is slated to represent \$937,194. Those 10 officer positions can sustain their cost by the following formula: 10 employees, gaining compliance by writing a minimum of ONE ACP per day equals in very conservative estimates \$960,000 annually. No net cost to general fund but with performance benchmarks, which produces compliance, annual net positive revenue could be in the millions.
5. Compliance of businesses operating without proper registrations or under the moratorium of certain types of businesses can be fined \$1000 per day. Clerk's office has inspectors that should conservatively be able to generate an additional \$250,000.
6. Refuse and Sewer Fund services paid for by those enterprise funds for/or on behalf of the general fund, nor their transfers in, have been reflected in the budget document. In previous years, the amount of money from both of those funds has been between 8 and 12 million per several former sewer and refuse employees (\$11 million from refuse was confirmed by the Interim Public Works Director on 9-10-12). Without any transfers in, we are being asked to cut more essential city services than necessary. Do NOT cut, or layoff any Civil Service refuse or sewer positions until, at a formal Council meeting, the Mayor and Council is presented with a complete accounting and explanations of the transfers in and out of those funds. Included in that presentation must be what was paid for by/or on behalf of the general fund.
7. Internal Service fund transfers and charges have not been justified and documented in a clear and understanding manner. At a formal Council meeting, present to the Mayor and Council a spreadsheet clearly describing what expenses comprise the Internal Service Fund charges and describe the methodology used to justify the amount each department is charged back for their respective Internal Service charges.
8. Timely (since March of this year) negotiations with employee groups asking for serious concessions have not proceeded prior to bankruptcy as this council directed. Please provide a weekly update of the status of all negotiations and a timeline that describes events to the date of each status update.
9. Do NOT cut or layoff any custodial positions until a proper RFP has been created and proposed to the Council as an agenda item and that those City custodians are given the opportunity to make a proposal similar to an RFP.