



City of Pensacola

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2017

9:00 A.M.

Hagler/Mason Conference Room

Council President Spencer called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M. **for the purpose of reviewing the Fiscal Year 2018 Proposed Budget.**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Council Members Present: Brian Spencer, Gerald Wingate, Jewel Cannada-Wynn (left 12:19), Larry Johnson, Sherri Myers, P.C. Wu (arrived 9:14)

Council Members Absent: Andy Terhaar

SELECTION OF CHAIR

Council Member Johnson made a motion that Council President Spencer preside as chair of this workshop and Council Member Cannada-Wynn seconded.

Council President Spencer indicated he will need to **leave the workshop at 2:30 P.M.**

The motion passed 6 - 0. Council Member Wu absent for the vote.

Council Member Johnson made a motion that Council Vice President Wingate preside as chair for the remainder of this workshop (upon Spencer's absence) and Council Member Cannada-Wynn seconded.

The motion passed 6 - 0. Council Member Wu absent for the vote.

DISCUSSION

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Council President Spencer thanked all staff in attendance, in particular, Financial Services staff whom will be participating in the presentation of the proposed budget.

City Administrator Olson made brief comments before calling on Chief Financial Officer Barker. Council Member Myers inquired of the inventory to determine construction of sidewalks. City Administrator Olson indicated inventory and assessment is in-progress at this time.

DISCUSSION (CONT'D.)

Some Council Members expressed concerns regarding various appropriations and Council President Spencer indicated that while all remarks are valid, he asked that they be reserved for the segment listed as “General Discussion” at the end of the meeting.

The following departments were made available for questions related to the 2018 Proposed Budget:

9:23 – 10:27 a.m. **Administration** – Richard Barker, Jr., Chief Financial Officer

Revenue Assumptions (9:23- 9:43)

Council Member Johnson inquired about how much revenue the City generates from sales tax. Following up, Council Member Myers asked for clarification regarding state governmental revenue sharing.

Some discussion took place as to how Council may (procedurally) effectuate making changes to the budget.

Capital Improvement Plan (9:43 – 10:27)

Discussion focused on the appropriations proposed from L.O.S.T. revenues with some Council Members suggested making changes from what is being proposed.

Further discussion took place as to how Council may (procedurally) effectuate making changes to the budget.

10:27 – 10:57 a.m. **Parks & Recreation** – Brian Cooper, Director

Most of the discussion pertained to the construction of the (new) Bayview Resource Center and increase in projected costs which will yet be decided by Council above the previously approved expenditure.

10:57 - 11:25 a.m. **Public Works & Facilities** – Derrik Owens, Director and Ryan Novota, Transportation Engineer

Discussion focused on proposed appropriations for street resurfacing and street reconstruction and the appropriate funding source for such projects.

11:25 – 11:42 a.m. **Sanitation and Fleet Management** – Jerry Moore, Director, Doug Resmondo, Assistant Director and Steve Richards, Code Enforcement Administrator

Council Members asked questions regarding scheduled versus unscheduled bulk pick-ups and the associated costs and code enforcement performance.

11:42 – 12:02 p.m. **Recess**

- 12:02 – 12:12 p.m. **Human Resources** – Tracy Walsh, HR Manager
Discussion took place regarding reductions in Clinic funding due to deleted position of Assistant Nurse; professional services increase for outside attorney costs related to collective bargaining; and questions regarding the costs related to the investigation of the interim fire chief and deputy chief.
- 12:12 – 12:32 p.m. **Police** – Tommi Lyter, Chief
Council Members asked questions related to the funding of school resource officers; enhanced community services such as bicycle patrol; uniform patrol; traffic patrol; and video surveillance.
- 12:32 – 12:50 p.m. **Fire** – David Allen, Chief
Council Members inquired of current staffing levels; marine operations; revenue sources; personal services and types of service calls.
- 12:50 – 1:09 p.m. **Planning Services** – Sherry Morris, Administrator
Council Members asked questions regarding neighborhood planning; building reviews/one-stop shopping; sufficiency of staffing levels; possibility of form-based code; comprehensive planning and conformance; and business tax receipt operations.
- 1:09 – 1:26 p.m. **Inspections Services** – Bill Weeks, Administrator
Council Member Spencer inquired of how the proposed budget reflects management during this robust economy. Council Member Myers asked about commercial growth.
- 1:26 – 1:36 p.m. **Housing Services** – Marcie Whitaker, Administrator
Council Members inquired of rental assistance reduction which it was indicated is being monitored, specifically the federal budget process. It was also indicated that CDBG would be providing funding for FY 2018 and '19. Further questions were asked regarding possibility of grants to address homelessness and veterans housing needs; waiting list for Section 8 and senior housing.
- 1:36 – 1:47p.m. **General Discussion**
Regarding the proposed appropriations from L.O.S.T. IV funding, Council Member Myers made comments indicating Burgess Road is her main concern; and Council Member Wingate indicated he does not believe this (proposed) budget addresses the underserved areas of the City. Council President Spencer wrapped up the discussion with general comments indicating the City is on solid financial ground compared to other cities.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion or public input, the workshop was adjourned.

WHEREUPON the meeting was adjourned at 1:47 P.M.

Attached:

- 1) Agenda outline

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COUNCIL MEMORANDUM



BUDGET WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Tuesday August 1, 2017

9:00 – Selection of Chair
Introduction
Process

9:30 – Administration – Revenue Assumptions
Capital Improvement Plan

10:00 – Parks and Recreation

10:45 – Public Works and Facilities

11:30 -- Sanitation and Fleet Management

12:15 – Working Lunch / Human Resources / Council Budget (We will bring lunch in for Council Members)

1:00 – Police

1:45 – Fire

2:30 – Planning

2:45 – Inspections

3:30 – Housing

4:00 – General Discussion
Adjournment