

Budget Work Session#3:
BUDGET AND FINANCE
COMMITTEE
MINUTES
June 9, 2015

Attendance

Councilman Jerry Mitchell, Committee Chair, called the Budget Work Session to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was present, including Council Chairwoman Carol Berz, Vice Chair Moses Freeman and Council members Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Chip Henderson, and Ken Smith. Councilman Hakeem joined the quorum at 10:12 a.m. Councilman Anderson joined the quorum at 10:20 a.m.

Others in Attendance

Mayor's Staff: Brent Goldberg, Chief Operating Officer; Jenny Park, Strategic Capital Planner; and David Carmody, Deputy Chief Operating Officer; Police: Fred Fletcher, Chief, and David Roddy, Assistant Chief; Finance: Daisy Madison, Chief Financial Officer; City Attorney's Office: Phil Noblett, Deputy City Attorney, and Assistant City Attorneys Keith Reisman and Melinda Foster.

Procedural Matter

Councilman Mitchell noted that Councilman Anderson had a doctor's appointment this morning and will be a few minutes late to today's session. He stated that he would relinquish chairmanship of today's session to Councilman Anderson when he arrives.

Police Department

Mr. Goldberg gave an overview of the increases in funding to the Police Department in the following areas. He noted the following:

- Employees have been coded where they actually work (e.g., bike patrol officers).
- \$5.1 million increase includes \$2 million in salary increases for officers and \$1.3 million increase to pension and other benefits.

Chief Fletcher discussed the attempt to make the department's budget a "reflection of reality" through the proper allocation of funds. He responded to questions from the Council on the following:

- Maintaining staff levels
- "Lateral" academy (FTE)
- Hiring and recruitment
- Estimate of the "per unit cost" of police officers
- Working with Diversity partners in recruiting
- Removing stationary unmanned cameras/expiring contracts

[Councilman Mitchell relinquished chairmanship of this session to Councilman Anderson at 10:20 a.m.]

Capital Requests

Mr. Goldberg thanked Ms. Park for her work on the capital budget and reviewed the Capital Budget Summary. Discussion ensued about the following:

- Process for Departments identifying priority areas
- Timeline/deadline for submitting capital requests annually
- Economic and Community Development: Harriet Tubman, Miller Park District, Public Art, Volkswagen Expansion
- Fire Department: New apparatus and Quick Response Vehicles.
- General Government/CARTA: Asset management software; CARTA Capital Match; Enterprise Center Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment; Enterprise South Industrial Park (ESIP) Capital Amendment; ESIP Supplier Park Development; Finley Stadium Donation; Human Resources (HR) Training Software; Library HVAC System and Orange Grove Donation.
 - Ms. Madison gave a brief overview regarding the ESIP Capital Amendment allocation.
 - Councilman Gilbert requested that Administration track the revenue generated by the Library. Mr. Goldberg indicated that this tracking could be done since the City handles the accounting and reporting for the Library.
 - A discussion ensued about city positions that are not a part of the pay plan. Mr. Goldberg agreed to provide the exact number of employees who are not a part of the pay plan and an analysis/breakdown of that number.
 - Mr. Goldberg informed the Council that HR is still examining supplements for Head Start employees.

Work Session Recess

Councilman Anderson recessed this work session at 11:25 a.m.

Meeting Reconvened

Councilman Anderson reconvened the work session at 12:07 p.m.

Capital Requests (continuation)

Mr. Goldberg gave a summary of the following capital improvements:

- General Services: Chattanooga Hotel Foundation Stabilization; Fleet Fueling System Upgrade; Fleet Leasing Program Capital; Fleet Management Software; Memorial and Tivoli Capital; Tivoli HVAC; Zoo improvements
- Information Technology: Application hosting and tools; DataCenter Move; Network Upgrades (NoogaNet); Microsoft License True-up; Telecommunication Upgrades
- Police Department: Body-worn cameras; Family Justice Center; In-car Cameras;

MobileCAD & GPS AVL; Portable Digital Radios

- Public Works – City Wide Services: Garbage trucks; Automatic salt brine maker; Enterprise South Horse Trails (grant match); Curbside Recycling; Knuckle-boom and multi-chassis replacement and Street Sweeper
 - The City Attorney’s Office will report back to the Council next week on the city’s obligation for the Enterprise South horse trails.
- Public Works – Parks Division: Signage for greenways and trails; Recycling; Restrooms; River Bank Study; Walnut Street Bridge structural improvements
 - Ms. Park will inform the Council of the specific location of the River Bank Study.
- Transportation – Traffic Engineering: Intersection modernization; Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) development; Traffic Engineering traffic Equipment
- Transportation – Design Engineering:

CDBG Sidewalks	Pedestrian Infrastructure
Central Avenue extension	Protected Bike Lanes
Goodwin Road	Rail Study
Hwy. 27 - Rossville Blvd. Multimodal	Riverwalk Extensions
Hwy. 58 Pedestrian Bike Improvements	Shepherd Road Improvements
Main Street Protected Bike Lanes	Street Paving
Martin Luther King Blvd. Corridor Improvements	Virginia Avenue Greenway
Neighborhood Traffic Management Program	

 - Mr. Goldberg will ask the Transportation Department to give the Council an update on Protected Bike Lanes.
 - Councilman Grohn requested the Paving Evaluation Study from 2009-2010 for the Council. Mr. Goldberg agreed to email it to the Council.
 - Chairwoman Berz will include add the Budget Work Session follow-ups on the agenda at next week’s Strategic Planning meeting.
- Youth and Family Development: Skate Park Renovation, South Chattanooga YFD Sign, YFD Building Repairs, YFD Building Roofs, YFD Building Safety & Security Improvements, YFD HVAC Replacement, YFD Center Improvements, YFD Maintenance Equipment and YFD Tennis Court Rehab.
 - Administration will post the list of YFD Center Improvements on the Finance page of the city’s website.

Next Week’s Budget Work Session

Councilman Anderson announced the Budget Work Session for next Tuesday, June 16, from 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. to review Sewer and Water Quality Funds.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m.