



BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, August 5, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

Members Present

Rudi Rosengarten, Council Liaison
Charles Young, Committee Chair
Ketan Kharod, Vice Chair
Justin Litchfield, Committee Member
Ariel Cloud, Committee Member
Terry Cowan, Committee Member
Michael Francis, Committee Member
Charles Goyette, Committee Member

Members Absent:

Liz Wright, Committee Member
Rose Hargrave, Committee Member

Staff Present

Sylvia Carrillo, City Administrator
Suzanna Fleegal, Accountant
J Horry, Director of Public Works
Lenn Carter, Chief of Police

This is not an official transcript of the minutes; the recorded audio is the official record.

1. Call to Order at 6:00 PM

2. Citizen Comments

Sylvia commented that Travis County has moved to Stage 5 for COVID and staff is now working remotely

Chip said thank you to all members and staff regarding budget season

3. Council Liaison Report

Rudi related council items about the new city website, the Ampersand contract, workplace safety requests, and Arts Commission and Home Depot grant.

4. Approve minutes from the 7/29/2021 meeting

Chip questioned the status of item #7 for emergency preparedness and staff responded that it will take more time

Motion to approve: Ketan

2nd: Michael

Motion passes unanimously

5. Presentation on where we are in the budget so far

Suzanna showed a report in OpenGov showing all of the FY22 budget approved thus far

6. Review, discuss, and possibly make a recommendation to City Council regarding revenues on the FY22 budget
No change was decided.

7. Presentation from Public Safety on officer retention

Chief Carter gave a presentation regarding the issues Sunset Valley has had with retaining police officers plus his recommendations to help this problem.

Chip would like to bring back officer salaries after the salary survey is complete

Michael would like salary survey to come back to B&F before council

8. Review, discuss, and possibly make a recommendation to City Council regarding the Crime Control District Tax contingency plan

Chief Carter gave recommendations to B&F on the contingency plan if CCDT doesn't pass

Motion to recommend to City Council that the expenses from the CCDT be moved to general fund if the CCDT doesn't pass: Ariel

2nd: Justin

Motion passes unanimously

9. Review, discuss, and possibly make a recommendation to City Council regarding the Mayor's Requests for the FY22 budget including possibly making an emergency preparedness fund

Chip suggested bringing back FP-103 to modify to include assigned fund balance verbiage. No action was taken.

10. Review, discuss, and possibly make a recommendation to City Council regarding the Solid Waste department FY22 budget

Ketan discussed how the City has a big subsidy for residents in solid waste.

Motion to pass on 100% of cost of extra carts above and beyond the city minimum to residents: Ketan

2nd: Justin

Motion passes unanimously

Motion to increase monthly solid waste base rate to \$4: Ketan

No second

11. Suggestions for future agenda items

Chip suggested:

- Bring in consultant to create a financial report
- Process improvements: onboarding for B&F, better defining relationship with council and committees
- Long Range Plan

12. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn: Terry

Adjourned at 8:25 PM