Budget Work Session #3

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

August 22, 2017

In Attendance

Councilman Chip Henderson, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. in the Council conference room. A quorum was present, including Council Chairman Jerry Mitchell, Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Council members Anthony Byrd, Russell Gilbert, Darrin Ledford and Erskine Oglesby. Melinda Foster, Assistant City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, CMC, Council Clerk, were also present. Ms. Foster left the meeting later and was replaced by Phil Noblett. Councilwoman Coonrod arrived after the call to order. Councilwoman Carol Berz was not present.

Others in Attendance

Finance: Daisy Madison (Chief Finance Officer) and Vickie Haley (Deputy Chief Finance Officer); Public Works: Donald Stone (Deputy Administrator), James Bergdoll (Parks Director Maintenance) and Bill Payne (City Engineer); Police: David Roddy (Interim Chief at the time), and Joshua May (Sergeant); YFD: Jason McKinney (Deputy Administrator of Education); Enterprise Center: Ken Hayes (President); Chamber: Bill Kilbride (President & CEO)

Budget Presentations: Safer Neighborhoods & Smarter Students

A discussion ensued about the AAU funding: Where is it in the budget and how is it allocated. Ms. Madison agreed to follow-up with the Council on this.

Safer Streets Presentation

Chief Roddy discussed the following:

- Benefits
- Salary
- Focused deterrence

Chief Roddy asked Sgt. May to respond to the Council's questions about NBIIN. He discussed the manpower needed for NBIIN and the salary for its people.

Further discussion took place about the organization, A Better Tomorrow: whether or not the organization applied for funding this year; why the organization was not funded in the prior year; has it ever been funded by the city. There were questions about whether or not there are performance matrics for the contract with the organization, Father to the Fatherless. Further discussion ensued about the following subjects:

- Citizen Police
- Use of decibel meters
- Work on E-citation system
- Police Department's social services component
- Teaching youth what to do when pulled over
- Narcotics Fund
- Automated Traffic
- Expiration of camera contracts
- Money seized from traffic stops
- Correlation between blight and crime

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Fire Department

Fire Chief Adams presented on the following department highlights:

- Stations (new)
- Apparatus Replacement
- Second Set of Turnouts

A discussion ensued about the following CFD matters:

- CFD number of open slots at the end of the next fiscal year
- Turnout gear and health considerations
- Safety concerns with turnout gear
- Buying vs. leasing
- P25 subscriber program and use of Motorola
- CFD training & cost

Further Offer Reviews

Children's Advocacy Center Helen Ross McNabb Center Impact 1/Ex-Offender Training

Mr. McKinney discussed the amount originally requested for Impact 1 and the amount allocated. Ms. Madison also indicated that she would check on Hamilton County's mental health case management program to ensure that there was no duplication of services with the city's ex-offender programs.

Further Offer Reviews

Energy usage (Transportation)
Traffic Engineering (Transportation)

A discussion ensued about city lighting and maintenance. Ms. Madison agreed to find out if there was a backlog with the lighting vendor. Chairman Mitchell asked for a presentation on lighting. Mr. Bergdoll discussed lighting at city parks and the Transportation's role in repairing street traffic lights. Ms. Madison discussed the where money for lighting would come if over budget. Mr. Stone clarified that Public Works only handles lighting at the park, not street lighting. Attorney Hinton recommended that CDOT could respond to questions on lighting. The Council asked to hear from EPB next week.

The Council reviewed the Enterprise Fund. During which, questions arose about the "reserves," in the budget, to which Ms. Madison explained the "cash on hand" for the Council.

Water Quality Presentation

Mr. Stone presented on the following:

- Overview of new initiatives
- Expenditures by category
- Changes for FY18

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Mr. Payne discussed Water Quality capital and used two examples of projects at 3400 Brainerd Road and North St. Elmo Avenue. He also discussed the completion date for projects at the Blood Assurance on Appling Street and the Central Avenue Extension. Discussion ensued about how to change the name of the "Central Avenue Extension."

Due to time contraints, Public Work was asked to come back next week to finish their presentation on Water Quality.

Hotel/Motel Tax

Mr. Kilbride responded to three questions previously posed to the Chamber by the Council: (1) Impact of City not funding, (2) Minority business programming and (3) Opportunities for African-Americans. Darian Scott discussed work readiness programs for African-Americans. Maria Noel discussed the Chamber's work with minority-owned businesses, including DBE certification and the Chattanooga Business Opportunity Conference. Michael Baskin, of the Mayor's Office, spoke on the Job Fair Tracker.

The Council also reviewed the following:

- Economic Development Fund
- Enterprise Center

Mr. Hayes distributed an overview of the Enterprise Center's work to the Council.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilman Henderson adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

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