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Minutes
Committee of the Whole – Budget Work Session
September 30, 2004

Members Present: Aldermen Hopkins, Augustine, Gallagher, Harenda, Chiovatero, Hegeman and Ament.

Others Present: Mayor Wysocki, Mike Holzinger, Director of Finance/Administration, Paul Koller, City Assessor, Greg Kessler, Community Development Director, Bob Schulpus, Building Maintenance Manager, Bob Sigris, Inspection Services Manager, JP Walker, City Engineer, Ray Grzys, Streets and Utility Director, Chuck Trevorrow, Stormwater Supervisor, Don Ullman, Streets Supervisor, Eric Nitschke, Division Engineer – Stormwater, Mark Schroeder, Park, Recreation and Forestry Director, Police Chief Gary Blunt, Police Captain Frank Zsohar, Assistant Fire Chief Tom Dobernig, Deb Delikat, Office Coordinator.

Mayor Wysocki called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

2005 Budget Update

Mike Holzinger commented about the September 20 and September 30 memos that were sent to the elected officials concerning amendments that should be made to the 2005 Proposed Budget. He stated that from information received from the State of Wisconsin, the State Shared Revenue and Road Aids accounts needed to be amended to reflect the State's 2005 estimates. He also stated that increases to the Police retirement and FICA accounts are needed, the results of the September 29 C-O-W amendment of \$125,000 to the Police Overtime account.

Motion by Alderman Ament to amend the 2005 Proposed Budget for Account 321.001 Special Utility Tax increase by \$2,441; account 322.01 Per Capita reduced by \$296; account 323.004 Expenditure Restraint reduced by \$30,084; account 327.000 Road Aids reduced by \$71,146; account 521-121.00 Police - Retirement increased by \$24,375; account 521-122.00 Police – FICA increased by \$9,563 and account 311.000 General Taxes increased by \$258,023 to \$20,129,081. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins and passed unanimously.

Assessor

The Assessor's budget was approved as presented.

Community Development Administration

Mayor Wysocki stated that this budget is new for 2005 and reflects all administrative costs for the three divisions. Following lengthy discussion, the budget was approved as presented.

Engineering

Following lengthy discussion about account 511-820.01 Roadway Maintenance, the budget was approved as presented.

Engineering CIP

Motion by Alderman Ament to move the National Avenue lighting project, \$1,321,500 to 2006. Seconded by Alderman Harenda. Upon voting the motion failed 3 – 4 with Aldermen Augustine, Gallagher, Hopkins and Chiovatero voting “no”.

Planning

Motion by Alderman Gallagher to remove the Division Manager position and benefits. Seconded by Alderman Hegeman. Upon voting the motion failed 3 – 4 with Aldermen Ament, Harenda, Hopkins and Chiovatero voting “no”.

Inspection

Motion by Alderman Gallagher to remove the Code Compliance position and benefits. Seconded by Alderman Harenda. Upon voting the motion passed 4 – 3 with Aldermen Ament, Hopkins and Chiovatero voting “no”.

Building Maintenance

The budget request was approved as presented.

Streets

Motion by Alderman Gallagher to increase account 562-316.00 by \$58,034 to \$230,000. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins and passed 6 – 1, with Alderman Ament voting “no”.

Motion by Alderman Chiovatero to increase account 562-221.01 by \$11,200 to \$56,200. Seconded by Alderman Gallagher and passed 5 – 2 with Aldermen Harenda and Ament voting “no”.

Streets CIP approved at this time.

City Clerk

The budget request was approved as presented.

Finance

The budget request was approved as presented.

Mayor

The budget request was approved as presented.

Common Council

Motion by Alderman Ament to remove \$7,500 from account 502-210.00. Motion died for lack of a second.

Customer Service Committee

The budget request was approved as presented.

Police

Motion by Alderman Gallagher to remove from table motion to amend the Police – Capital vehicles account 521-830.00 by \$89,000. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins and passed unanimously.

Motion by Alderman Gallagher to amend the amount to \$44,500 for 2 additional vehicles. Seconded by Alderman Augustine and passed 4 – 3 with Aldermen Hopkins, Chiovatero and Ament voting “no”.

Motion by Alderman Ament to amend the amendment to \$66,750 for 3 additional vehicles. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins and failed 3 – 4 with Aldermen Augustine, Gallagher, Harenda, and Hegeman voting “no”.

Upon voting, the amended motion to add \$44,500 to Police Capital – Vehicles account 521-830.00 passed unanimously.

Information Technology

Motion by Alderman Gallagher to remove from table motion to reduce account 515-243.05 Leases – copiers by \$20,000. Seconded by Alderman Harenda and passed unanimously. Upon voting, the motion passed 4 – 3 with Aldermen Hopkins, Chiovatero and Ament voting “no”.

Fire Department CIP

Motion by Alderman Harenda to remove from table motion to remove \$675,000 Aerial Ladder truck. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins **and carried unanimously**. Upon voting, the motion **to remove the \$675,000 Aerial Ladder Truck** failed 2 – 5 with Aldermen Hopkins, Augustine, Gallagher, Harenda and Ament voting “no”.

Parks

Motion by Alderman Gallagher to add 1 Park worker position at total cost of \$57,286 for wages and benefits. Seconded by Chiovatero. Upon voting the motion failed 3 – 4 with Aldermen Augustine, Harenda, Hegeman and Ament voting “no”.

Motion by Alderman Gallagher to add \$10,000 to Parks’s Part-time account 591-110.06. Seconded by Alderman Chiovatero and passed 6 – 1 with Alderman Ament voting “no”.

Police

Motion by Alderman Ament to add back in the Part-time Social worker position at a cost of \$36,084 for salary and benefits with the savings from replacing to vacant officer positions per the information provided by the Police Chief. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Alderman Gallagher to approve 2005 Operational budget with a total budget of \$29,763,877 and a total levy of \$20,195,138 and recommend that the Common Council set November 16, 2004 7:00 p.m. for Public Hearing. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins and approved unanimously.

ADJOURN

Motion by Alderman Harenda to adjourn at 12:15 a.m. Seconded by Alderman Chiovatero and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted.

Michael W. Holzinger