



City of Anna Maria

CITY COMMISSION BUDGET WORKSESSION MEETING MINUTES JULY 27, 2017 – 5:30 P.M.

Pledge of Conduct: We may disagree, but we will be respectful of one another. We will direct all comments to the issues. We will avoid personal attacks.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Dan Murphy, Commissioner Carol Carter (by Skype), Commissioner Brian Seymour, Chair Doug Copeland, Commissioner Dale Woodland, and Commissioner Nancy Yetter.

Others Present: City Clerk LeAnne Addy, Deputy City Clerk Debbie Haynes, City Attorney Becky Vose, Islander, Sun, and John Chambers.

WORK SESSION

1. FY 2017-2018 Budget Review and Discussion

Mayor Murphy discussed the Informational page of the 2017-2018 Budget Proposed. He stated that we have a proposed balanced budget in the amount of \$5,007,069.00. He also stated that we are planning to add to our reserves to maintain 62%.

Mayor Murphy stated that there will be an estimated increase in revenues for the Fines and Forfeitures.

Franchise Fees estimated at \$155,000.

Interest Revenue increased thanks to John Chambers for an increase.

Intergovernmental Revenues are revenues from the State and County. Mayor Murphy went down the revenues explaining the changes to the Commissioners.

Mayor Murphy explained the Miscellaneous Revenues to the Commissioners. He stated that the increased lump sum carryover is from the underrun of the budget. He also discussed the City Pier Funding and TDC revenues.

Rebates/Contributions/Donations/Other Grants

Mayor Murphy discussed the Miscellaneous Donation/TDC as there is nothing budgeted and that is because the contract expired.

Ad Valorem Tax increased approximately \$200,000.

Expenses

Administration

- Wages and Salaries there is a reduction in expenditures as a reduction in our staffing. This does include a 1.5% across the board and then a 1.5% increase as a lump sum payment for the staff.

- Operating Expenses include telephone, utilities and etc.
- Attorney Fees – reduction since some of the Bert Harris are being eliminated.
- Contingency – increased due to unknowns that are out there such as lawsuits, and any other unknowns.

Commissioners

- Wage increase is due to retirement.
- Operating expenses are things like telephone, copies, and etc.
- Donations are where the Community Center money was taken out of.

Debt Service

- Line item 19 we split out the principle and interest. We are planning on paying \$100,000 per year to pay that down. We want to thank Mr. Chambers for his work on this.

Capital Outlay

- Historic Museum Landscaping/Improvements to repair the dock and etc.
- Land Acquisition is the purchasing of a lot in the bay or on the gulf or two lots in the interior.
- City Pier Refurbishment
- Scanning Existing Documents this is to finish the scanning of the Building Department.
- Six Lots/City Pier Park as this would include things like the pavers, landscaping, sail shades and seawall work.

Commissioner Woodland would like John Chambers and the Mayor to look at the pay down of the balance on the loan. He would like to bump that up to a higher amount. The Mayor would come back with a proposal to increase the lump sum payout of the loan.

Parks and Recreation

- Increasing Park Maintenance due to the maintenance as we develop the City Pier Park.
- Parks and Recreation ½ Cent Revenues can be used for recreation and maintenance.
- Special Events/Activities/Landscaping as this is used for the events that we hold in the park.

Public Safety

- Increase in the Public Safety budget is the increase. Mayor Murphy stated that we can increase the cost of the Public Safety by adding two officers in the amount of \$200,000 per year. Sergeant Schnering would use the additional staff for safety of our city.

Sergeant Schnering discussed with the Commission scheduling as he has 3 deputies per rotation of a 24 hour period. He finds it difficult if one officer is sick to schedule as when they bring a deputy in from town, they don't know our codes and etc. Officer safety is another issue as to why he would like to add additional deputies. He would have 4 deputies per rotation.

Chair Copeland asked what it would do with one additional officer. Sergeant Schnering stated that it would make his scheduling very difficult.

Mayor Murphy stated that we will put this on a separate item for the next budget meeting.

Public Works

- Estimate in wages was an underrun of the staffing due to the changes. This also takes in account the 3% wage increase and the change from 1099 employees to regular employees.
- Operating – slight increase
- Repair/Maintenance/Supplies – increase in maintenance
- Rents and Leases – rental of items for flag pole, events, and etc.
- Road Maintenance – This will be included in our discussions with the City Engineer when we talk with her regarding the Stormwater. He will have this information at the next meeting as well. He will have detail as to what will be done and the dollar amounts for Stormwater and road jobs.
- Multi-Use Path Construction – This is the bicycle path from Cross Points Church to Pine Avenue. This will cover the infiltration. This item was discussed and voted on in the past. Mayor Murphy would like to know if this is something we want to continue to do or are there any other ideas.

Commissioner Woodland is in favor of it for safety.

Commissioner Yetter is against it since it is a multi-mobile path. She stated that if it was strictly for the use of bicycles she would be for it.

Mayor Murphy stated that we could regulate the use on it.

Chair Copeland stated that he supports it with a restricted use.

Commissioner Seymour stated that he supports it but he doesn't feel that it is the right time to spend this money on it now to watch it deteriorate.

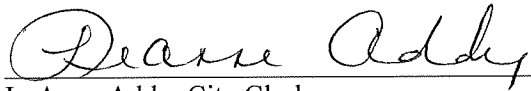
Carol Carter stated that she agrees with a non-motorized path. She stated the surrey bicycles have been a problem also so we need to consider that as well.

Mayor Murphy stated that this will be slated for a further discussion.

2. Approve Tentative Millage Rate

Public Comment -Press Comment Adjournment

Commissioner Seymour made a motion to adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.



LeAnne Addy, City Clerk

Minutes Approved: 8-10-2017