



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS . 11465 WEST CIVIC CENTER DRIVE . AVONDALE, AZ 85323

SPECIAL MEETING April 25, 2016 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR

1 ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK

2 FY 2016-2017 BUDGET WORK SESSION

During this third budget session, City Council will receive information regarding the FY 2016-2017 Capital Improvement Budget. For information, discussion and direction.

3 ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Carmen Martinez
City Clerk

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SUBJECT:
FY 2016-2017 Budget Work Session

MEETING DATE:
4/25/2016

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Abbe Yacoben, Finance and Budget Director

THROUGH: David Fitzhugh, City Manager

PURPOSE:

The City Manager and staff will present the proposed budget plan for the 2016-2017 fiscal year which totals \$196,361,439 prior to supplemental requests.

BACKGROUND:

The Avondale City Charter requires that the City Manager present a recommended budget estimate to the Mayor and Council on or before June 1st for the upcoming year. The estimate must include all estimated revenues and expenditures.

DISCUSSION:

The combined base operating and capital budget for fiscal year 2016-2017 totals \$196,361,439 which includes \$87,700,155 in operating costs, \$84,860,847 in capital projects, \$11,955,437 in debt service costs and \$11,845,000 contingency. Total revenues anticipated for fiscal year 2016-2017 are \$180,038,112. Fund balances will be utilized for one-time expenditures, carryover requests and capital projects. Supplemental requests total \$9,130,740 of which \$5,486,440 is onetime requests. The ongoing portion of the supplemental requests totals \$3,644,300 and includes a four percent (4%) compensation adjustment for general employees.

The capital improvement plan (CIP) was reviewed and discussed with the Capital Improvement Plan Citizens' Committee on February 17th and March 2nd of 2016. The committee meeting minutes are attached to this report. The CIP included in the City Manager's proposed budget includes the Council's recommendations for the one-time capital fund projects. The first year of the CIP will be appropriated with the annual operating budget.

The following list shows the timeline for all actions required for formal adoption of the City's annual budget:

April 11th – Council budget work session

April 18th – Council budget work session

May 16th - Adopt tentative budget

June 1st - Publication of Budget and tax notice

June 8th - Publication of Budget and Tax notice

June 20th - Public hearing and adoption of final budget

July 11th - Adopt Property tax levy

RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for discussion.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

[CIP Minutes - 2.17.16](#)

[CIP Minutes - 3.2.16](#)

[Proposed Annual Budget](#)

Capital Improvement Plan Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 17, 2016

Meeting began at 6:05 p.m..

Members Present:

Richard Childress	Betty Lynch	Mandy Neat
Curtis Nielson	Dan Rauscher	Bradley Ruggles
Edward Striffler		

Members Absent:

Lisa Amos	Martina Torres
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Staff Present:

Paul Adams	Dale Nannenga	David Janover
Cindy Blackmore	Kirk Haines	Tracy Stevens
Irma Gonzales	Abbe Yacoben	Dave Vaca

Dave Vaca welcomed the committee. He stated that there were enough members present at the meeting for a quorum. With a quorum a formal recommendation could be given to Council. He suggested members elect a chairperson for the committee. Betty Lynch volunteered and a motion was accepted. Members and staff then introduced themselves.

Abbe Yacoben explained the CIP process and how revenues are generated. She informed the group that two work sessions with Council will be held in April and committee members are welcomed to attend.

Abbe Yacoben began reviewing the development process of the CIP and how revenues are generated. Dave Vaca added that development fee revenue projections were based on growth estimates in the General Plan.

Police Chief Dale Nannenga reviewed Police projects. He stated the RWC radio upgrade was entering the final year of a three year process. He then explained that the property evidence room would be necessary due to changes in evidence storage requirements.

Member Lynch asked if increased children cases versus domestic violence cases would impact evidence room space needs. Chief responded that 2020 would be pushing the space limits and that storage area networking along with putting evidence on compact discs were helping current space demand.

Member Rauscher asked if the command vehicle would have perimeter cameras. Chief stated that it would and the plan was to keep the vehicle simple and about 25 to 30 feet in length.

Member Rauscher then asked if evidence that was required to be kept forever could be stored at an off-site such as a mine. Chief said he wasn't aware of any mines close in proximity and that some evidence is currently kept at a Tolleson storage yard.

Member Striffler inquired if the department had decades old forever records in storage. Chief said no and that the forever law was three years old.

Member Striffler asked what makes up the 5,500 homes in the general plan that was driving the development fee amount. Dave Vaca replied that Lakin, Roy's Place, Del Rio and Hillcrest accounted for much of that amount.

Fire Chief Adams began discussing upcoming projects. He said that Station 172 was built in 1999 and in need of renovation. Chief stated the ambulance vehicles would provide a service currently being provided by private party. He said the fees generated would pay for the service. He informed the group that funding for the ambulance vehicles would come from the public safety tax balance and not require general fund dollars for purchase.

Member Striffler asked if there was an operating impact. Chief said yes but it was a long process to determine what that amount truly is.

Member Ruggles asked if sworn or civilian models were being reviewed. Chief said both were and that preference would be sworn.

Member Neat asked if four vehicles would be enough. Chief replied at current levels it would be. Member Neat then asked if development would pay for the Lakin station. Dave Vaca said yes and growth pays for itself in Avondale.

Member Nielson inquired why the square footage cost for the fire station was higher than police. Chief Adams stated that opening a new fire station requires more incurred costs due to equipment needs and other requirements.

Member Lynch asked where the Lakin station would be located and how close it would be to the most current southern station. Chief said it would be in the area of El Mirage and Broadway and approximately 2 ½ to 4 miles from the station on Avondale and Durango.

David Janover then reviewed Street projects. David explained that street maintenance and overlay projects were required to extend the life of existing pavement up to twenty years.

Member Nielson asked if the bike lanes on the Central Avenue project would connect with others. David said staff was looking at a citywide bike lane plan.

Member Lynch asked if the Dysart and McDowell improvements could be moved up sooner. She said traffic in that area is backing up to Rancho Santa Fe. David said it was on the radar and may move up sooner. Dave Vaca added that it was a possibility if Goodyear was willing to cost share on the project.

Member Lynch then inquired about the SRP power pole at 107th and McDowell. Tracy Stevens replied that an IGA was finished and the pole should be worked on within the next few months.

Member Lynch asked about building sidewalks between developments for continuity and if Avondale could bill the future developer. Dave Vaca informed the committee that an ordinance was in place to do so if Council should choose to implement.

Cindy Blackmore reviewed the Sewer projects. She mentioned that the WRF upgrades were needed to properly treat wastewater and keep up with demand. She said the administration building at the reclamation facility was being designed.

Member Ruggles asked if a backup force main was common practice and if so why wasn't it addressed sooner. Cindy said she was not on staff when the force main was built so could not answer what was discussed at that time.

Cindy then reviewed the water projects and explained that staff works with engineering to ensure that lines are installed prior to street repairs whenever possible.

Dave Vaca explained that development fees in General Government and Library were repaying General Government due to debt being paid off early and going toward debt service in Library.

Kirk Haines informed the committee that a library needs study will be done in 2017 to look at repurposing the Civic Center Library.

Kirk continued with an overview of Parks projects.

Member Neat asked if any additional space at the library could be used for economic growth such as an association renting the room. Kirk said staff was looking at all options.

Member Striffler inquired about the Crystal Gardens water cells and if the city had given up on them. Kirk said that was part of the operating budget process and would forward the question to Cindy.

Member Lynch asked if the Corte Sierra lot next to the school and cemetery could be developed into parkland. Kirk said he would have to get all parties to the table to see what could be done.

Dave Vaca informed the committee that one-time projects have to compete with not only other CIP fund projects but operating costs as well.

David Janover discussed some of the one-time projects.

Member Neat asked if a kid crossing at the park would be part of the Garden Lakes improvements. David said staff would take a look.

Kirk Haines addressed the last three projects on the one-time list.

Member Lynch asked if development was paying for the cut on Dysart near Thomas. Tracy Stevens said yes the developer was paying for the improvement.

Member Neat inquired about the limited parking at the Care 1st facility. Kirk said the parking lot would be addressed but for maintenance and not adding spaces.

Member Lynch asked if Fire was considering not taking large fire trucks out when a smaller truck could be used. Dave Vaca said Chief Adams was looking at the possibility.

Member Striffler asked if the \$600,000 request for Fire truck rehabilitation was part of the vehicle replacement fund. Dave Vaca said they were not since they had already been replaced and the proposal was to rehab the trucks to extend the use life as reserve units.

Abbe Yacoben closed the session with a review of the ½ cent sales taxes for public safety and infrastructure.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41.

Capital Improvement Plan Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 2, 2016

Meeting began at 6:07 p.m.

Members Present:

Betty Lynch	Curtis Nielson	Dan Rauscher
Bradley Ruggles	Edward Striffler	

Members Absent:

Lisa Amos	Richard Childress	Mandy Neat
Martina Torres		

Staff Present:

Abbe Yacoben	Dave Vaca
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Dave Vaca welcomed the committee. He stated that there were enough members present at the meeting for a quorum. With a quorum a formal recommendation could be given to Council. He informed the group that staff would take any questions or concerns to the appropriate department if an answer could not be provided at the meeting.

Member Nielson inquired why the RWC Radio projects for Police and Fire were not combined for cost savings measure. It was explained that the costs in the plan were for yearly subscription fees for each department.

Multiple members asked if operating and maintenance costs were available for review for the proposed ambulance purchase by Fire. Dave Vaca stated that Fire Chief Adams was in the process of developing a cost model that would be completed sometime this calendar year. The project would stay in the plan for now as a placeholder but would not move forward without a comprehensive cost analysis.

Member Lynch asked if staff and Chief Adams could take a look at use of vehicles for fire and medical calls respectively. Specifically that appropriate vehicles and manpower be used for fire and medical responses.

Member Nielson asked about the Historical Arch in one-time projects. The committee questioned need for the project and if the Art Committee would be willing to partially fund the project.

Member Ruggles wanted to know if the building portion of the WRF Facility Upgrade would replace or be an addition to the current building. Dave Vaca responded that it would replace the current building which was substandard. It was also explained that the existing building would either be demolished or used for storage depending on assessment.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29.

COUNCIL WORKBOOK FISCAL YEAR 2017

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