

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION MINUTES
JANUARY 7, 2008**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Norm Childress called the study session to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Present were: Mayor Norm Childress and Councilmembers Mike Bren, Pam Horner, Jan McDonald, Bill Moore, Robert Morales, Jesse Palacios Joan Souders.

Staff present were: City Administrator Scott D. Staples, City Attorney Jack Maxwell and City Clerk Anita Palacios.

2. GRANDVIEW RESIDENT OUTREACH

City Administrator Staples explained that following discussion at the Council retreat, staff compiled recommendations for implementing a public information process regarding the future financial challenges of the current expense fund, as follows:

I. Purpose

- To provide information to participants relative to costs of city services and revenues available to pay for them
- To task participants to identify city service priorities and select preferred methods to pay for them, or, in the alternative, identify services to be modified or eliminated.
- To provide guidance to Mayor and City Council relative to funding of city services.

II. Format of Meetings

- One (1) meeting in daytime.
- Two (2) meetings in the evening (6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday or Thursday).
- Location of meetings: Carl L. Stevens Senior Center
- 90 minutes time frame (budget presentation: 30 minutes, break-out groups: 30 minutes, table reports: 30 minutes).
- City Council members and/or Department Directors at each table as a resource.
- Each table of six (6) designates a time keeper, note taker, and reporter.
- Have interpreter(s) available at each table, if necessary, for mono-lingual Spanish speaking participants.
- Name tags for participants.

III. Handouts

- History of State Aid (1998-2008)
- Current Expense Fund Revenue Pie Chart (2008)
- Current Expense Fund Expenditure Pie Chart (2008)
- Initiative Impact Mitigation (2000-2008)
- Current Expense Program Summary (2008)
- 2008 Program Statements
- Current Expense Fund & Street Fund Revenue Alternatives

IV. Publicity

- Web site
- Newspapers (Grandview Herald, Daily Sun News)
- Informative flyers for distribution via civic clubs, Chamber, School District)
- Announcements to community organizations by City Council members
- Announcements at City Council Meetings
- City newsletter
- Church bulletin announcements

During discussion, the following was noted:

- Include 20-year vision of Grandview
- Include history of street utility fee and projects completed with said funds
- Establish a sense of pride
- Build relationships through outreach and community development
- Incorporate evaluation tool for residents to complete following meeting
- Identify ballot issues
- Advertise a "hot topic" to draw community residents (i.e., public safety/gangs, library, etc.)

Following discussion, Council instructed staff to draft a notice for publication and proceed with scheduling meeting dates.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The study session adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Norm Childress

Anita Palacios, City Clerk