

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – BUDGET  
NOVEMBER 9, 2015**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Norm Childress called the special meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Present were: Mayor Childress and Councilmembers Mike Everett, Bill Moore, Jesse Palacios, Javier Rodriguez and Joan Souders. Councilmember Gloria Mendoza arrived at 6:05 pm. Absent from the meeting was Councilmember Dennis McDonald.

Staff present were: City Administrator/Public Works Director Cus Arteaga, City Treasurer Matt Cordray, Police Chief Kal Fuller, Fire Chief Pat Mason, Parks & Recreation Director Mike Carpenter, Librarian Elizabeth Jahnke, Assistant Public Works Director Santos Trevino and City Clerk Anita Palacios.

**2. 2016 PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

**A. 2016 Budget Proposal Changes**

City Treasurer Cordray explained that following the October 13th and 27th study sessions, below were the recommended changes within each fund to the 2016 proposed budget:

**CURRENT EXPENSE**

Fire Suppression

- Increase of \$33,000 to Machinery & Equipment for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatuses (SCBAs).
- Increase of \$20,000 to Capitalized Rentals & Leases for future purchase of Fire Engine.

Economic Development

- Increase of \$50,000 to E.D.G.E for Euclid/WCR Intersection and Forsell Half Street Improvements.

Park Maintenance

- Increase of \$16,700 to Improvements Other Than Buildings to participate in the drain ditch piping project at the Country Park Event Center.

**STREET**

Roadway

- Increase of \$50,000 to Improvements Other Than Buildings for Euclid/WCR Intersection and Forsell Half Street Improvements.

**WATER**

- Increase of \$20,000 in Capital Expenditures for Public Works insulated pole building.

**SEWER COLLECTION**

- Increase of \$20,000 in Capital Expenditures for Public Works insulated pole building.

### **SOLID WASTE**

- Increase of \$20,000 in Capital Expenditures for Public Works insulated pole building.

### **EQUIPMENT RENTAL**

- Decrease of \$50,000 in Machinery & Equipment for the removal of Public Works insulated pole building.

Following discussion, Council consensus was to remove the following recommended changes prior to the Bonnieview Road street vacation public hearing:

### **CURRENT EXPENSE**

#### Economic Development

- Increase of \$50,000 to E.D.G.E for Euclid/WCR Intersection and Forsell Half Street Improvements.

### **STREET**

#### Roadway

- Increase of \$50,000 to Improvements Other Than Buildings for Euclid/WCR Intersection and Forsell Half Street Improvements.

### **B. 2016 Council Goals**

The 2016 Council Goals were reviewed. Following discussion, the goals were prioritized as follows:

- Improve trailer court on Wine Country Road

Install a fence along the road right-of-way at an estimated cost of \$8,500. The fence would be on City road right-of-way and would be owned by the City. Incorporate \$8,500 into the 2016 budget.

- Improve repair garages on East Wine Country Road

Install a fence along the road right-of-way at an estimated cost of \$8,100. The fence would be on City road right-of-way and owned by the City. Incorporate \$8,100 into the 2016 budget.

- Rename Stokely Square to a patriotic theme (Freedom Square)

Rename Stokely Square to “Freedom Square” and incorporate the renaming with the annual Fourth of July Flag Raising ceremony. Obtain cost estimates for new sign, flag pole, etc. Final design to be approved by Council. Incorporate \$15,000 into the 2016 budget.

- Review steps for Dykstra Park from the parking lot to the park

Change the pathway location to the north by paving a path to meet the walking pathway in the park at an estimated cost of \$5,000 and eliminate the old steps. Incorporate \$5,000 into the 2016 budget.

- Review staffing levels

Review staffing levels after the first of the year and have each department provide a recommendation for Council consideration.

- Develop financial reserve policy

Request the City Attorney research for Council consideration a new policy to establish a “Rainy Day” fund of at least 10% of the total budget and would require a “super majority” of the Council before the fund was utilized.

- Review Council Procedure Manual

Review Council Procedures Manual after the first of the year. A copy of the Council Procedures Manual was distributed. City Clerk Palacios explained that Section 2 Meetings and Section 4 Agenda were updated with current dates and procedures.

### **3. ADJOURNMENT**

The study session adjourned at 6:48 p.m. for the Grandview Transportation Benefit District meeting. The study session reconvened at 7:20 p.m. following the regular Council meeting. The study session adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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Mayor Norm Childress

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Anita Palacios, City Clerk