



# *CITY COUNCIL*

## *Budget Review*

**Tuesday, October 21, 2014**  
**Approx. 5:30pm**  
*at the conclusion of the Public Hearing*  
**Penn Room**

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### **I. Budget Review**

1. Health Care Expenses and the Cadillac Tax
  - a. Start and Effect of Cadillac Tax
  - b. Number of plans that will require the Cadillac Tax
  - c. Projected Cadillac Tax
2. Police Budget
  - a. Overtime and comparison with other 3<sup>rd</sup> class cities
  - b. Additional Spend Requests

### **III. Identify Review Budget Issues Requiring Deeper Review**

#### **Topics Parking Lot re Unfinished**

##### **Administrative Services**

1. Outsourcing of BPT billing, auditing and collection
2. BPT – is BEIT collection past due amounts in 2015 – Adm. Serv. Dir.
3. Admissions Tax – revisit including additional venues
4. Indirect costs to include Community Development – amount to be determined

5. Per Capita Tax – requires new projection based on the increase in the tax and BEIT collection rate
6. DID Budget and amount provided for Main Street Coordinator
7. IT Charge Backs, net effect, formula
8. Cell phone usage review, reduction and modernization of policy
9. Comparison of Police and Fire overtime expenditures in other 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Cities
10. Compare ADA project debt service vs. completing project over a 20 year period

### **Public Works**

1. Consideration of maintenance of City owned facilities and obtaining assistance from other agencies/municipalities
2. Towing – viability of in-sourcing; towing RFP in 2015
3. Dam remediation – comparison of remediation vs. removal
4. Vehicle costs compare bed prices to CoStar

### **CD**

1. Review PMD Fee Collection and overall performance results
2. Property Maintenance – check on compliance rate of rental inspections – Bus. Analyst
3. Property Maintenance – measure productivity of QoL inspections/violations - Bus. Analyst
4. Property Maintenance – add QoL requirement for address on rear of property, after education period
5. Certificate of Transfer – no revenue reported – Bus. Analyst
6. Vacant Registration Fees – no revenue reported – Adm. Serv. Dir.

### **Police**

### **Fire**

### **Law**

Develop policy regarding use of outside legal counsel

### **Other**

1. Library Funding
2. RPA increased contribution – Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> RPA board mtg

### **Mayor/Managing Director**

1. Written Agreement with the RRA for use of space within City Hall, etc.
2. Evaluation of take home vehicles Dep Fire Chiefs, Building Trades, etc. re

response to emergencies during off-duty hours

### **Auditor**

1. Amount of State Pension contribution – Auditor

### **Completed Topics**

1. Review Housing Authority PILOT Contribution – *contribution directly from Federal Govmt, split between City, County and School District - complete*
2. Loss of I LEAD property tax and DID assessment – *property is not registered as exempt until they apply for exemption with the County Assessment Board and their past due taxes billed to the property are exonerated by the City, County and School District. Also if the entire building is not used for exempt purposes, the assessment will be pro-rated.*
3. Meet with RAWA to require Street Cut permits - *completed*
4. Check to see if County DA and Sheriff are being properly billed – *completed*
5. Restart of PILOT initiative – Mayor’s Office – *completed letters mailed; estimate will be provided for revenue budget*
6. RAWA increased contribution, impact on rate payers - *completed*
7. Continue to sell Fleet Maintenance services to other jurisdictions - *completed*
8. Zoning – backlog not corrected; over two years old – *completed thru meeting with MD*

## **Budget Review Schedule**

### **Capital Public Hearing** Tues Oct 21<sup>st</sup> at 5 pm

1. Review Mtg Tues Oct 21<sup>st</sup> after Public Hearing
2. Review Mtg Mon Oct 27<sup>th</sup> from 5-6 pm at COW
3. Review Mtg Thurs Oct 30<sup>th</sup> after Act 47 Meeting
4. Review Mtg Mon Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5 pm
5. Review Mtg Wed Nov 5<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm
6. Review Mtg Mon Nov 10<sup>th</sup> from 5-6 pm at COW

### **Regular Meeting** Mon Nov 10<sup>th</sup>

- opportunity to adopt budget if finalized or last day to make amendments and
  - Introduce new Recovery Plan
  - adopt final CDBG Action Plan
7. Review Mtg Thurs Nov 13<sup>th</sup> after Act 47 Meeting

### **Regular Meeting** Mon Nov 24

- final day to adopt both budgets and all related ordinances
- Adopt new Recovery Plan (adoption of new plan required prior to court hearing for new commuter EIT)