

**City of Enumclaw
1339 Griffin Avenue
Enumclaw, Washington 98022**

**City Council Budget Workshop
City Hall Council Chambers
October 18, 2021, 6:00pm**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Molinaro called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem LaFleur announced that all seven Councilmembers were attending the meeting in person at City Hall.

ATTENDANCE:

In Council Chambers: Councilmembers Corrie Koopman Frazier, Kael Johnson, Anthony Wright, Thomas Sauvageau, Hoke Overland, Beau Chevassus and Chance LaFleur were present. Also present were Mayor Jan Molinaro, City Administrator Chris Searcy, City Clerk Maureen Burwell, and Finance Director Chris Anderson.

Through Microsoft Teams videoconferencing: Parks Director Michelle Larson, Police Chief Tim Floyd, Community Development Director Chris Pasinetti, and Public Works Director Ed Hawthorne.

At City Hall: Information Services Technicians Daniel Aaron and Nick Fuller.

2. FOLLOW-UP FROM 10/11/21 COUNCIL MEETING:

Searcy stated that Administration is drafting Ordinances for waiving both the annual water and sewer rate increase; and Ordinances for continuing the 1.5% increase in the water and sewer utility tax rates for 2022.

Anderson gave a PowerPoint presentation with the changes to the budget directed by Council at the last Council meeting:

- General Fund 180 – Added \$80,000 for City Hall flooring
- General Fund Parks – Added \$155,000 from REET 131 for additional Montgomery Park upgrades.
- General Fund Outside Agencies:
 - Removed \$20,000 from YMCA
 - Added \$5,000 for Expo 4H Junior Livestock
 - Added \$6,000 for Plateau Kids Network
 - Added \$8,000 to Green River Community College and moved entire \$15,000 to funding from ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act)
- REET (Real Estate Excise Tax) – Moved projects from REET 1 to REET 2.
 - Added \$1,000,000 to assigned fund balance in REET 2 for possible pool grant.
- Pool – Moved paint project from 2022 to 2021.
- Facilities – Added \$50,0000 for design work on City Hall masonry.
- Utility Tax Transfer to General Fund will stay at 9.5%.
- \$250,000 from ARPA for Sewer Main replacement.

Anderson gave a brief overview of REET revenue history from 2012 to 2021; and projections, 2022 to 2026.

3. LTAC RECOMMENDATIONS:

Anderson stated that he and Councilmember Wright met with the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. Their recommendation was to award \$10,000 each to the Expo Center and Visit Rainier. The available balance is \$37,000.

4. PRESENTATION:

A. Enumclaw School District, Enumclaw Schools Foundation

Mayor noted that the District was not yet ready to present and may attend a meeting next month to give their presentation.

5. COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND MOTIONS:

Council/Mayor/Staff comments included:

- Desire to see repairs to/renovation of the Skate Park discussed in 2022; the community could be surveyed on this topic. New estimates will be needed.
- Suggestion that community survey on all parks could be done. Perhaps specifically targeting questions on the Skate Park. Also, Enumclaw Rotary is looking at supporting an inclusive park. 2018 was last survey done prior to updating the Park Plan.
- Long-term sustainability is a goal. Appreciation expressed to Anderson for giving a forecast on REET income.
- Agreement with Mayor's policy of keeping money in reserves for potential downturn of economy.
- The budget has many projects planned for completion in 2022, which will be apparent to the community.
- Budget amendment will be presented for Disc Golf upgrades at Farmer's Park; probably \$5,000 City contribution with the Disc Golf group raising funds and contributing.

Wright gave an update on potential projects:

- Expo Center – electrical panels need updates to breakers; screws for panels need to be replaced; knock-out soffits will be added. Two “hot” cables will be replaced.
- Expo Center – Loudspeaker system for entire grounds needed; Olympic Kennel Club may contribute as well as Expo Center, remainder may be a City budget amendment.
- Senior Center – assessment for building will be done. Possible grant from Congresswoman Schrier's office, \$700,000 request for the roof. Funding sources: \$45,000 from King County Levy for kitchen; and \$125,000 ARPA set aside for HVAC system. There may be more money needed for the kitchen remodeling.

Discussion on the \$40,000 set aside for joint marketing venture with Crystal Mountain:

- Crystal Mountain has had some turnover of staff and they are requesting the proposal be revised to be more beneficial to them. They may not be interested in pursuing the venture.
- Suggestion to use the \$40,000 for the VisitEnumclaw website that is in need of revamping. Meilee Anderson from VisitRainier was approached and can submit a proposal for a Facebook ad campaign after the site content is worked on and is more user friendly.
- Proposal to give control of VisitEnumclaw website to Alina Hibbs, Event Coordinator and the new half-time media services person. More discussion needed prior to assignment.
- \$10,000 - \$15,000 for revamping website and \$25,000 - \$30,000 for marketing of the site.

6. EXEMPT SESSION:

A. Collective Bargaining Per RCW 42.30.140 (4)(a) - Estimated Time 15 Minutes
Mayor amended the estimated time to 10 minutes.

MAYOR RECESSED THE MEETING AT 6:49 P.M.

MAYOR RE-CONVENED THE MEETING 6:59 P.M.

7. ADJOURNMENT

LA FLEUR MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. WRIGHT SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Meeting adjournment 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Burwell
City Clerk

Date Minutes Approved: _____

6. EXEMPT SESSION:

A. Collective Bargaining Per RCW 42.30.140 (4)(a) - Estimated Time 15 Minutes
Mayor amended the estimated time to 10 minutes.

MAYOR RECESSED THE MEETING AT 6:49 P.M.

MAYOR RE-CONVENED THE MEETING 6:59 P.M.

7. ADJOURNMENT

LA FLEUR MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. WRIGHT SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Meeting adjournment 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Maureen Burwell
City Clerk

Date Minutes Approved: 10-25-21