

MINUTES

Eugene Budget Committee
Bascom-Tykeson Room, 100 West 10th Avenue
Eugene, OR 97401

March 9, 2017
5:30 p.m.

Committee Members Present: City Council Members Greg Evans, Mike Clark, George Poling, Chris Pryor, Emily Semple, Betty Taylor, Alan Zelenka; Budget Committee Citizen Members Ken Beeson, Chelsea Clinton (Chair), Garrett Dunlavey (*via conference phone*), Jon Jasper, Shaun Londahl, Scott Nowicki (Vice Chair), Josh Skov

Committee Members Absent: City Council Member Claire Syrett; Budget Committee Citizen Member Jill Fetherstonhaugh

Guest: Mayor Lucy Vinis

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Clinton called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

As no members of the public signed up for public comment, Chair Clinton moved on to the second agenda item.

II. MINUTES APPROVAL

The Budget Committee received past meeting minutes for review and approval. The minutes pending approval were for the following meetings: May 26, 2016; February 4, 2017; and February 15, 2017.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Poling, seconded by Councilor Clark, moved to approve the minutes as described above. PASSED 13:0.

III. URBAN RENEWAL 101

Chair Clinton mentioned that this meeting's agenda along with those of the subsequent spring meetings had been designed around the Committee's feedback during the February 4th Budget Committee workshop.

Maurizio Bottalico, Senior Financial Analyst, and Amanda Nobel Flannery, Economic Prosperity Programs Manager, provided an overview of the Urban Renewal Agency including information on the purpose of urban renewal, funding, and governance as well as past and potential future projects.

Chair Clinton opened the floor for questions. The Budget Committee asked various questions related to the information presented and how it impacts their work.

Chair Clinton announced a change to the meeting's agenda, moving to the Budget Prototypes presentation and discussion.

IV. BUDGET PROTOTYPES

Twylla Miller, Budget & Analysis Manager (AIC), presented a budget infographic that staff developed in response to Budget Committee recommendations.

The Budget Committee discussed the components of the infographic and indicated moving forward with its inclusion in the FY18 proposed budget document following some modifications.

Twylla presented another budget prototype that details department budget changes between the adopted budget and the proposed budget, calling out changes in full-time equivalent employees and significant changes in expenditures greater than 5% or any budget reduction.

Councilor Evans left at 6:29 p.m.

Mr. Skov arrived at 6:30 p.m.

The Budget Committee reviewed the second prototype and also recommended its inclusion in the proposed budget document.

Chair Clinton announced that due to being ahead of schedule, the Committee would move ahead with the final presentation.

V. PERS UPDATE

Myrnie Daut, Risk Services Director, and Sue Cutsogeorge, Finance Director, reviewed the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) for the Budget Committee, providing a historical context of the system, an update on the existing issues, principles of reform and future rate and cost estimates.

Chair Clinton opened up the floor for questions and discussion. The Budget Committee discussed the information presented.

Councilor Taylor left at 7:10 p.m.

VI. NEXT STEPS

Chair Clinton reminded the Budget Committee that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 15th in the Downtown Library, 100 W 10th Ave, at 5:30 p.m. and that the agenda for that meeting was modified to include a Downtown Update with the 2021 Preparation Update moved to the May meetings.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenna Boyd
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