



Summary

Finance Committee Budget Workshop

Room 239, City Hall

Thursday, May 21, 2020

3:00 PM

Committee Room 239, City Hall

Virtual Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Clark called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. He stated due to the Declaration of the State-of-Emergency, the meeting is being conducted virtually. He noted that all votes by the Committee Members would be a roll call vote.

Present:

Council Member Robert Clark, Chair
Council Member Denise Adams, Vice Chair
Council Member Jeff MacIntosh
Council Member James Taylor, Jr.

Additional Attendees:

Council Member John Larson
Council Member Scippio
Council Member Besse

1. Overview of Proposed Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget.

Lee Garrity, City Manager, welcomed Council Member Taylor to the Finance Committee. He stated today we are releasing the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget. He noted due to the COVID -19 pandemic the budget looks very different today, than it did in February. The City's proposed budget goals are: maintaining city services, avoiding tax and fee increases, and avoiding lay-offs of our employees. He introduced Patrice Toney.

Patrice Toney, Budget Director, provided the presentation of the Winston-Salem Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget.

This Report was Presented.

2. Overview of 2021-2026 Capital Plan.

This Report was Presented.

3. Other Topics for Discussion.

Council Member Scippio requested information that shows all the funds net expenditures and revenues as well as a comparison of the new budget verses the old budget to include which categories are declining and increasing.

Council Besse requested information regarding the cost of restoring an entire year and mid year of a 1% average merit increase for employees as well as restoring the elimination of positions for Public Safety. He asked for the results not to contain merit increases for Department Directors and Elected Officials. He noted he would like an update regarding what staff plans are regarding funds received from the Federal and State Governments.

Mayor Pro Tem Adams requested information regarding the minimum wage increase and asked for periodical updates regarding the budget and funds received from the Federal and State Governments.

Council Member MacIntosh would like a report regarding potential State and Federal Funds reimbursements for COVID - 19.

This Report was Information Only.

4. NEXT STEPS:

- a. Finance Committee Budget Workshop And Public Hearing, Thursday, May 28, 4:00 P.M., Webex.
- b. Finance Committee Meeting/Workshop, Thursday, June 4, 4:00 P.M., Webex.
- c. City Council Meeting Public Hearing And Budget Adoption, Monday, June 15, 7:00 P.M., Webex.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.