



Summary

Finance Committee Budget Workshop

Thursday, June 8, 2023

4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Present: 4 - Robert C. Clark, Denise D. Adams, Jeff MacIntosh, and James Taylor Jr.

1. Review of Responses to Questions from Mayor and City Council

Courtney Driver, Director of Utilities Department, made a brief presentation. Scott Tesh, Director of Budget and Performance Management, introduced responses to Questions from Mayor and City Council.

2. Finance Committee Proposed Changes to the Budget.

Scott Tesh, Director of Budget and Performance Management made a brief presentation.

A motion was made by Council Member Clark that the staff changes totaling \$234,000 be added to the proposed FY 2023-24 budget as follows: \$20,000 for Youth Advisory Council travel in the General Fund covered by sales tax and \$214,000 in the Transit Fund covered by Transit Fund balance be approved. This motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor and carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Clark, Adams, MacIntosh, and Taylor

A motion was made by Council Member Clark that the Proposed General Fund budget be increased by \$1,630,000 to increase firefighter pay minimums by \$3,000 and provide 4% compression adjustments to current certified fire staff. This would be covered by reallocating 0.6 cents of the property tax rate from the Debt Service Fund to General Fund be approved.

This motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor and carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Clark, Adams, MacIntosh, and Taylor

A motion was made by Council Member Clark that the Proposed General Fund budget be increased \$87,500 for community agencies as discussed to be covered by reallocating 0.03 cents of the property tax rate from the Debt Service Fund to the General Fund be approved.

This motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor and carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Clark, Adams, MacIntosh, and Taylor

A motion was made by Council Member Clark that the proposed General Fund budget be increased \$100,000 to provide a transfer to the Capital Projects Fund for Historic Bethabara Park project, covered by General Fund balance, and that

the Capital Projects Fund budget be likewise amended be approved.
This motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor and carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Clark, Adams, MacIntosh, and Taylor

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3. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget and Recommended Tax Rate

A motion was made by Council Member Clark that the FY 2023-24 proposed budget including the adjustments made by the Finance Committee and setting a tax rate of 66.1 cents per \$100 of valuation be approved.
The Motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Clark, Adams, MacIntosh, and Taylor

4. Preview and Consideration of Budget Items to be included in the City Council Agenda for the June 20, 2023 Meeting:

a. Resolution Approving the Capital Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 through 2028-2029 as a Financial Planning Guide.

A motion was made by Council Member MacIntosh, seconded by Council Member Taylor that the item 23-0183 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Clark, Adams, MacIntosh, and Taylor

b. Resolution Amending Article II of the City of Winston-Salem Personnel Resolution Adjusting Positions, Classifications, Pay Grades, and Pay Plans, Authorizing Merit Pay Adjustments, and One-Time Supplemental Pay for City Employees.

A motion was made by Council Member MacIntosh, seconded by Council Member Taylor that the Resolution Amending Article II of the City of Winston-Salem Personnel Resolution Adjusting Positions, Classifications, Pay Grades, and Pay Plans, Authorizing Merit Pay Adjustments, and One-Time Supplemental Pay for City Employees be adopted with the changes stated in Items above.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Clark, Adams, MacIntosh, and Taylor

c. Resolution Modifying the City of Winston-Salem Post-Employment Health Care Benefit Program to Provide the Medicare Advantage Supplement to Retired Elected Officials.

Ben Rowe, Assistant City Manager, made a brief review to the Council Members.

A motion was made by Council Member MacIntosh, seconded by Council Member Taylor the item 23-0185 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Clark, Adams, MacIntosh, and Taylor

5. Next Steps:

- a. City Council Meeting Public Hearing and Budget Adoption - June 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.**

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting adjourned at 4:34 p.m.