

CITY OF FLORISSANT BUDGET MINUTES NOVEMBER 2nd, 2016



The City Council met on Wednesday, November 2nd, 2016 for a budget work session on the FY 2016-17 proposed budget at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers at 955 rue St. Francois. Council members in attendance included: Schildroth, Henke, Pagano, Schmidt, Siam, Lee, Eagan, Caputa and Jones. Also in attendance were Mayor Thomas P. Schneider, Director of Finance Randy McDaniel and City Clerk Karen Goodwin. Council President Pagano stated that a quorum was present and the meeting was brought to order.

Councilwoman Pagano opened the Floor for Mr. Engelmeyer.

Mr. Engelmeyer made comments regarding the budget. He read an email sent to the council earlier with his concerns about the budget.

Council President Pagano stated that she plans to go through the departments as they were covered at the initial meeting.

Councilman Eagan asked about the movement of the part time clerk from public works back to the courts. Councilman Eagan is concerned about the budget.

Council expressed their thoughts and concerns about the budget. The budgets in each department need to be looked at and see where they could cut expenses.

Council discussed having a plan for the future. Start working on a plan for next year now. They discussed future meetings with the departments during the year to determine what changes could be made.

Mayor stated he is hoping the legislators find a way to be able to tax online purchases so the sales taxes can return to the cities. Council discussed other sources of revenue and savings in departments.

Councilwoman Pagano made a motion to have a work session every two months to discuss budget issues and to prepare for next year's budget, seconded by Caputa, motion carried. Mayor Schneider stated that the administration is in favor of scheduling these meetings.

Golf Course: Council discussed the equipment being requested and the maintenance of the existing equipment.

 **Councilman Lee moved to remove the tractor and one of the vertical mowers from the
budget, seconded by Schildroth. They discussed keeping two of the Jacobson vertical mowers.
Motion carried 8-1 with Jones voting no.

**Councilman Lee moved to increase Club House Manager to pay grade 4 step 1 from a pay grade 3, seconded by Henke. Motion carried 7-2 with Jones and Caputa voting no.

**Councilman Lee moved to increase part time salaries account by \$11,000 to reinstate the golf club pro shop manager seconded by Schildroth. Motion carried 7-2 with Jones and Caputa voting no.

Parks Department:

**Councilman Lee moved to add \$300,000 to park improvements to dredge St. Ferdinand lake and restock, seconded by Henke. Motion carried.

- Mayor asked the Council to go on record that they are in favor of sharing park facilities.
- 60 Florissant Residents and Hazelwood residents would have access to each other facilities.
- 61 Council discussed the time frame. Councilman Eagan moved to direct the administration to
- 62 move forward with negotiations for an agreement for joint use of the park facilities, seconded
- by Lee. Motion Carried.

The suggestion was a one year contract at a time. Hazelwood wants access to the pools, ice rink and the golf course.

Council discussed the future of Koch Aquatic center.

Public Works:

**Councilman Lee moved to re-appropriate \$46,800 to stabilize the Wiese House, seconded by Schildroth, motion carried.

**Councilman Caputa moved to re-appropriate \$48,000 for the remodel of Public Works, seconded by Henke. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Pagano stated that she would like to see the proposition A&R money in its own fund. Mr. McDaniel explained the process of separating the funds and expenses out. Council discussed what would be paid for from the A&R money.

**Councilman Eagan moved to reduce of all overtime other than police by 1/3 of the proposed budget, seconded by Henke, motion carried.

**Councilman Lee moved to add \$30,000 into professional services for public works for a contractor for grass cutting, seconded by Pagano. Motion carried.

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88	Theater:
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90	**Councilman Lee moved to put the \$16,500 summer theater program back into the budget,
91	seconded by Eagan, motion carried.
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93	**Councilman Eagan moved to eliminate Council Action for 2017 fiscal year, seconded by Lee,
94	motion carried.
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98	**Councilman Schildroth moved to add 2 decoy cars from the trade in cars and 2 speed signs
99	that go over the speed signs into the budget, seconded by Caputa. Motion carried.
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101	**Councilman Schmidt moved to add \$4000 to the Council account for a Council meet and
102	greet picnic mailer to entire city for picnic, Council discussed one picnic for each side of the city,
103	seconded by Jones. Motion carried.
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105	**Councilwoman Pagano moved to add \$12,000 into account no. 4750 for charge card fees,
106	seconded by Henke. Motion carried.
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108	Mayor suggested a separate discussion on the digital signs previously mentioned.
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110	Jp/tj. Adjourned 9:34pm.
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114	There being no further discussion, Councilwoman Pagano moved to adjourn the meeting,
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118	Karen Goodwin
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